



In fiscal 2011 (through June 30), maintainers at Robins Air Force Base have returned a total of 134 aircraft to the warfighter - 13 C-5s, 24 C-17s, 49 C-130s and 48 F-15s.

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Ronnie Gadola, sheet metal mechanic, shows off the Purflo helmet, part of the next generation of respirators currently on order for Robins.

McMahon addresses OSHA progress

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW
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Robins has made great strides in resolving safety issues brought to light by Occupational Safety and Health Administration findings and is committed to strengthening the safety culture on the base, Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon told members of the media Wednesday.

Logistics Center Commander, said 36 of the 39 OSHA findings have been resolved, two are expected to be resolved by October, and one is being re-evaluated jointly by senior leadership from labor and management.

He credited the progress in part to a strengthened relationship with the union, an assessment backed up by a union representative at the news conference. "It has given a lot of confidence to

workers," said Maurice Zammit, representing American Federation of Government Employees Local 987. "They aren't afraid to speak out if they have an issue or a problem."

McMahon also noted a team of 25 people from organizations across the base has been assembled to address safety and health issues full-time.

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NEWS

YOU CAN USE

Workplace Safety and Health tips, slogans program

In an effort to improve the safety and health culture at Robins Air Force Base, Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, Center commander, and Bill Best, special assistant to the commander for Occupational Safety and Health, have endorsed a program to push safety tips and slogans weekly to the Rev-up and other media.

Slogan of the week: UP YOUR SAFETY

Every commander, director and supervisor is accountable to provide every member of the team a safe, healthy and environmentally-sound workplace.

Base collecting food donations

The base commissary and the base chapel are participating in the Feds Feed Families food drive.

The drive is coordinated by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management and the Chief Human Capital Council to encourage federal employees to supplement food banks all across the country.

The base commissary will have a collection bin in front of the store through Aug. 31, in which people can drop off non-perishable goods. The base chapel will deliver the goods to food charities around Middle Georgia.

Suggestions for donations include canned foods, condiments, healthy snacks, multi-grain cereals, grains and pasta. Donations of paper towels, napkins, cleaning supplies and hygiene items are also recommended.

Last year, the drive raised 1.7 million pounds of food nationwide.

July 31 DBIDS deadline approaches

DBIDS, or the Defense Biometric Identification System, will be implemented here July 31. Reasonable accommodations will be made for base entry for those who have not been able to register by that date.

People can register at the Military Personnel Flight Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; and at the Visitors Center (Watson Gate) Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 7:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Wednesdays from 7:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Contact information for registration is as follows: Visitors Center (Bldg. 219) registration-(478) 222-1969, (478) 926-4208, and (478) 222-1998; MPF (Bldg. 767) registration-(478) 327-9481.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Tim Cranford, painter, paints a C-5 aileron.

C-130 paint/depaint area caught up in wake of facility shutdown

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The critical C-130 paint and depaint facilities in Buildings 50 and 89 are fully operational again thanks to the collaborative effort of several organizations.

The facilities shut down March 31 after the 78th Medical Group's Bioenvironmental Engineering flight performed air tests in the buildings and found air flow was not functioning properly.

Without proper air flow, paint fumes can build up and cause a safety issue, said Paul Kelley, 78th Civil

Engineer Squadron director.

In addition to improper air flow, the air conditioning system itself was not functioning properly, an issue for both worker comfort and paint quality.

Although painters wear personal protective equipment, operations were shut down as a precaution. By May 13, CE workers had fixed the problem in Bldg. 50, the depaint building, but it took until May 20 to fix the problem in Bldg. 89, the paint building. A contract to repair the

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U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP
Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, Center commander, talks with base leaders in the new mission control room.

Center goes old school with mission control room

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Walk into the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center's new mission control room and you might think you're in the wrong place.

There are no computers, no telephones and no tables. There's not even a flat-screen TV on the wall.

The only furniture is a small desk, three chairs, a flip chart and a dry-erase board. Charts lining the walls are the key feature.

The idea for the room came from a Transformation Plan of Care event in April. It will be the location of a weekly meeting of top Center leaders. The charts give information and statistics tracking progress of units in the Center toward meeting Center Commander Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon's goal of making Robins "A world class center of excellence."

The charts track such things as on-time delivery, safety, quality, cost-cutting measures, continuous process improvement initiatives and more.

On Tuesday, the inaugural meeting was conducted.

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Team Robins members wear red to support troops

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Team Robins members support America's warfighters in many ways – most notably in the work they do – but a growing number are showing support through the clothes they wear.

Every Friday, many employees participate in "Red Shirt Friday," a nationwide movement that started a few years ago. People wear red shirts in recognition of the efforts of troops fighting overseas.

The practice is especially noticeable on the flightline, where a significant number of

people participate.

Carmen Smith, who served 26 years in the Air Force, now works as an administrative assistant in the 402nd Maintenance Wing and wears a red shirt every Friday.

"Being ex-military, I feel like I need to support the troops," she said.

Liz Keown, executive officer of the 402nd Commodities Maintenance Group, said the unit has excellent participation in all of the group's 32 buildings.

"On Friday, pretty much everyone wears some sort of red," she said.

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U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP
Matt Connally and Les Williams, aircraft mechanics, check out a C-130 engine. They, along with many others, show support for troops by wearing a red shirt on Fridays.

THINK SAFETY



Days without a DUI: 56
Last DUI: 116 AMXS
— courtesy 78th Security Forces

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To request a ride, call 222-0013.

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BiRD schedule

Buses leave in 15-minute intervals from The Air National Guard parking area, west of Bldg. 2336, and drop workers off at designated stops near major maintenance and support areas.



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UNIT PROFILE: 574th CMXS Pylon Shop

What it does

The 574th Commodities Maintenance Squadron Pylon Shop performs depot-level maintenance on C-5 pylons. The squadron also performs depot-level maintenance on C-5, C-17, C-130, and F-15 weapons system components. The squadron modifies, repairs, rebuilds, and manufactures sheet metal, metal-bonded and composite aircraft components, including flight controls and miscellaneous panels.

Why it matters

C-5 aircraft require four pylons to take to the air. C-5 pylon repair directly supports the C-5 which provides airlift in support of national defense. The C-5 carries fully-equipped military units to any point in the world on short notice and cargo and other materials required to sustain the fighting force.



Jason Tidwell, sheet metal mechanic, conducts an inspection of a C-5 pylon.

By the numbers

52

People employed by the shop, working three shifts around the clock.

100

Percentage of increase in pylons produced from 2010.

1.9K

The number of man hours needed to produce a pylon.

8

Number of times pylons are routed to five different supporting shops during the overhaul process.

What they say



Earl Mann
Sheet metal mechanic

"We do programmed depot maintenance, and the shop's support system helps enable us to do our jobs. The whole shop comes together as a team. I love my job and wouldn't want to be anywhere else. I realize the importance because I have a son in the Army and a daughter going into the Marines."



Michael Crane
Sheet metal mechanic

"The pylon holds the engine onto the wing. It's critical to the mission. I get a feeling of satisfaction to see a C-5 and know I work on them. I was a paratrooper and have jumped out of C-5s. I never dreamed I would come to work on them."

In the Spotlight



Valerie Hand

TITLE: Scheduler, 559th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron (C-5)

BACKGROUND: Hand started out at Robins in 2006 as mechanic. She is now a scheduler responsible for tracking work on C-5 aircraft upon their arrival here for programmed depot maintenance.

HOMETOWN: Macon

"Being a scheduler gives you a different insight into how work is accomplished on the aircraft. You learn what goes on behind the scenes. It gives you the whole picture rather than the part you see as a mechanic. It has given me a chance to learn what everyone on the team does."

"I worked at Brown & Williamson until it closed. I started here as a co-op student. I feel like I'm actually doing more here. Here it's more fulfilling."

"The thing I miss about being a mechanic is when you put your tool bag down at the end of the day, you are done. With this job, you are always thinking about what you could be doing or should be doing; you take the job home with you. Everybody says they want an office job but there's a lot more to it than just being in air conditioning."

"I love to shop. It makes me happy when I find the best bargain."



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Commander Kill A Watt serves cupcakes to Airmen who participated in a friendly energy conservation competition between the 5th Combat Communications Group and the 116th Air Control Wing dorm residents. The competition promoted energy saving awareness and was possible due to the automatic metering system, which showed which group had the greatest energy reduction.

Sweet taste of victory

Airmen from the 5th Combat Communications Group won the Robins Energy Office's fight against energy waste competition for the month of June.

The competition pitted two base dormitories against each other to see which could conserve the most energy.

5th CCG dorm residents edged out those from the 116th Air Control Wing, with the

largest reduction in electrical consumption compared to May.

The dorms were chosen because residents have direct control over their air conditioning units, lighting and personal electrical items.

For more information about energy conservation at Robins, contact Jeane Paris at 497-8663 or Art Howard at 468-2848.

— *Courtesy Robins Energy Office*



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One of the most significant issues with the OSHA findings related to hazardous dust created during the sanding of painted aircraft parts. McMahon said new processes have been put in place to ensure the dust is better contained during sanding, and that dust which does escape is quickly and adequately cleaned up.

The base has also implemented a testing process in which the 78th Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight goes into buildings where potentially-hazardous substances are located and takes swipe samples to ensure proper housekeeping is being performed. The samples are tested both here and at an independent lab as an integrity assurance to workers.

McMahon said the objective of the efforts is not just to resolve the OSHA issues but to look at safety issues across the base.

“We are going to be a



U.S. Air Force photos by SUE SAPP

Above, Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, Center commander, updates members of the media Wednesday on the status of issues brought to light by Occupational Safety and Health Administration findings.

Below, members of the media were given a tour of the Composite Repair Facility in Bldg. 169 and briefed on corrections and improvements that have been made there.

model not only for the Air Force but for the Department of Defense for industrial safety,” McMahon said.

He also touched on productivity issues, citing marked improvement in performance across the Center.

Although he acknowledged there is still much work to do, he is proud of the significant progress being made and is confident the Center is trending in the right direction.



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McMahon started with the chart in one corner outlining the center’s vision and goals, then went around the room chart by chart. It’s a radical departure from the mind-numbing PowerPoint presentations often used in such meetings.

He made clear he expects audience participation as leaders outline progress of their units.

“The expectation is that peers will be very hard on peers, but it’s all to get us back to the vision of this organization to be world class,” McMahon told the group.

Each unit will be responsible for continuously updating information

related to that organization.

The meeting began with what may be the world’s first song about Air Force Smart Operations for the 21st Century – the program used for promoting process improvement.

C-5 management analyst Clay Dykes played guitar and sang a song he wrote after an AFSSO21 training event he attended. He was accompanied by C-

130 electrician Adam Butler on bass guitar and friend Adam Hull on drums.

In the audience-participation spirit of the meeting, Dykes wrote the chorus on the dry-erase board so others could join in.

“I’ve been involved with AFSSO21 for 11 years and that’s the first Lean song I’ve ever heard,” McMahon said.

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entire system is still underway.

Kelley said correcting the problems was a priority for the 78th CES.

“We devoted quite a bit of resources to it,” he said. “It’s been a collaborative effort working with the 402nd and Bioenvironmental Engineering.”

Paint and depaint operations are critically important to the workflow. These aircraft have

to be depainted before entering into programmed depot maintenance, and must be painted before being released back to the customer.

Depaint and painting is done by the 402nd Aircraft Maintenance Support Squadron.

John Kieweg, deputy director of the 402nd AMXSS, said workers in the paint/depaint facility put in a lot of overtime to catch up on the logjam that occurred due to the shut down. Production was back on track by mid-June, he said.

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– **Randy Pausch**

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BY LT. COL
TOM ANGELO

31st Force Support Squadron

AVIANO AIR BASE, Italy – About 10 years ago, after enlightening me with, no doubt, another gem of wisdom that went over my head, the colonel said to me, “Now, that’s mentoring!”

Years later, I’m beginning to understand what mentoring really is and that we can easily miss it, even when it’s right in front of us.

We often seek mentoring from the wrong sources, we don’t always recognize its value, and we sometimes discount its merit when it doesn’t have immediate application. There are a few common mistakes I’ve seen and done that perhaps can be avoided. Here are five of my “lessons learned.”

Seek mentorship from more than one person and along many dimensions. Perspectives from different mentors can inspire and spark innovation. Mentors from various backgrounds bring different ideas and approaches based on their life experiences, and with several mentors you’ll expand your personal growth beyond just “the job.” Mentors can assist you across many dimensions, and help you set

and achieve goals in your professional, spiritual, physical or academic life. No one mentor needs to fill all roles; freeing yourself from this idea allows you to seek short-term mentorship from a variety of sources. “Situational mentoring” is a great way to get just-in-time advice for the short-term challenges we all face.

Don't try so hard that you end up with the wrong mentors – like ones who feel they need to mentor you only because they outrank you, or the boss who you feel has to be your mentor because of his or her position. Rank or position are not always the best measures of success (blasphemy, I know). Instead, look for those who you feel are most competent for the advice or counsel you need. Although you should keep an open mind to those who offer mentorship, try not to feel obligated to receive guidance from someone when it's just not a good match. A skilled mentor should feel when there's not a good connection, too.

The right mentors are not always who you think. For example, peer mentorship can often be the most honest, though toughest to receive at times. In 2007, a fellow squadron commander

Now, that is mentoring

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slyly did this to me, and although at the time I saw it as him just touting his unit's success, he was really mentoring me to improve my game. Similarly, those junior to you can often teach you as much as your peers or seniors, as they can provide feedback for how your leadership is being received. Reverse mentoring can also help senior members learn skill sets from junior Airmen, such as information technology or different approaches to learning. Don't be bound by pay structures, either: enlisted Airmen, civilians and officers can certainly benefit from mentorship regardless of the uniform or attire they wear. It's critical to seek mentorship from within and outside your functional community – or even outside the Department of Defense or government environment.

Realize that mentorship can be both continuous and discrete. Those being mentored often see mentorship only in small doses at regular intervals, such as documented feed-

back sessions, on the golf course, or in barstool conversations at the club (which can be part of it). Mentorship can be something we're subconsciously feeling or receiving – something in which we are immersed – which we don't need to think of, just like we don't think to breathe or blink. Mentorship can happen on a daily or frequent basis when a supervisor is filling a mentor role as well. I've had several bosses who've asked me to look over their shoulders when typing e-mails to their bosses, who've jokingly, but seriously, called me out for slacking on professional military education, or who've handed me a set of decisional slides to read through. Those small doses happen pretty quietly, but speak in loud volumes when considered together; what seems accidental is really deliberate, when you're being mentored by someone who really cares about your development.

Realize that understanding can come

much later in the process. Airmen may find the whole mentorship process interesting, and they may learn something in their functional area, but the understanding (and possibly the application) can come later – even years later. When your immediate boss is a senior officer, a chief master sergeant, or a senior civilian leader or executive, just watching them arrive at decisions can be a learning experience. This learning experience can guide your counsel to them in the short term, but more importantly, it's a skill you tuck away for later. Experiences later in life re-affirm the value of the previously received mentorship, which will drive you to mentor others with passion and vigor.

I don't think I've broken new ground or advanced the academic literature on mentorship. However, in asking me to write about this, my former colleagues have once again played a part in mentoring me without even realizing it. Now, that is mentoring.

On the Fly

History office wins award

The Robins History Office is the winner of the Air Force Materiel Command History Office of the Year Award.

Bill Head, office chief, said the unit has won the award several times. At the Air Force level, the award goes to an individual rather than an office – Head has won twice.

The award this year cited the three-person office for getting its annual base history done on time, for books and articles written and for interviews of key base leaders.

The Logistics Officer Association is offering two \$750 education scholarships to logistics professionals at Robins.

All active duty, Guard or Reserve enlisted service members or DoD civilians through GS-8 and WG-9 in a logistics specialty with college expenses toward an associate or bachelor's degree are eligible.

The program is targeted toward professional logisticians seeking a commission or further advancement in a logistics-related career. Deadline for applications is today.

For more information or an application, contact Sheryl Cavazos at 497-4830 or sheryl.cavazos@robins.af.mil.

Sixty two members of Team Robins will attend this year's **Senior Noncommissioned Officer Professional Enhancement Course**.

The course is designed to augment and reinforce

information taught in basic military training, technical training, ancillary training, professional military Education and on the job.

The course provides newly-selected master sergeants with an in-depth view of their increased supervisory, leadership and managerial responsibilities.

This year's course will be held Monday through Thursday at the Horizons Club, and will culminate with a recognition ceremony honoring the new master sergeants' status as senior NCOs.

The ceremony begins at 6:30 p.m., Thursday at the Museum of Aviation, Century of Flight Hangar. Deadline for tickets is today.

The point of contact for the course is Master Sgt. Antonio Knowlton, Robins career assistance advisor. See your unit representative for tickets to the ceremony or contact Master Sgt. Tammala Lawson at 497-3395 for more information.

The 78th Medical Group will provide Healthy Start Screenings to Tricare beneficiaries entering Georgia schools for the first time.

Screenings are for students from pre-k to 12th grade and will be conducted July 23 from 9 a.m. to noon in Bldg. 700A. No appointments are necessary. Children will have vision, hearing and dental exams, all of which are required by the Georgia school system. In addition,

height, weight, blood pressure and scoliosis screen-

ings will be performed.

Immunizations will be available, so bring a copy of your child's latest shot record.

Georgia school forms 3300 and 3231 will be available and may be completed at the event. Those are the only the above services performed at the school screenings.

If a sports physical is needed, call 497-7850 to schedule an appointment. For more information, contact Tech. Sgt. Joseph Prunty at 497-8220.

The Robins Military Education and Training Center will hold an **Education Fair** July 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Heritage Club ballroom. About 30 colleges and universities will be represented.

For more information, call LaShondria Smith, education and training guidance counselor, at 497-7312.

Bill Kirkland, Georgia **Troops to Teachers program** manager, will conduct a 90-minute Transition to Teaching class July 29 in Bldg. 905, Room 122.

The Troops to Teachers program provides eligible service members up to \$10,000 to help with transition and teacher certification.

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

Et cetera

Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to **the estate of Senior Master Sgt. William Caskey** should



U.S. Air Force photo by MASTER SGT. ADA THOMPSON

Congressional visit

Congressmen Roscoe Bartlett, center, Silvestre Reyes and Austin Scott are greeted by members of the 116th Air Control Wing July 6, as they prepare to board an E-8 Joint STARS static display. The congressmen toured the aircraft as part of an orientation visit to the 116th.

Air Force workers can find help here

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Health Screenings	Civilian Health Promotion Services	497-8030
Work, Personal or Family Issues	Employee Assistance Program	(800) 222-0364
Work Stress, Psychological Issues	Organizational Consulting Office	497-9803
Mental Health & Substance Abuse	Houston Healthcare	(478) 922-4281
Unplanned Pregnancy	Houston Healthcare	(478) 922-4281
Suicide Prevention	National Suicide Prevention Lifeline	(800) 273-8255
Sexual Assault & Victim Advocacy	Sexual Assault Response Coordinator	468-2946
Crime Victim Advocacy	Victim Witness Assistance Program	497-4584

AFMC Wellness Support Center — www.afmcwellness.com

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contact Maj. Donald Carty at 747-5731.

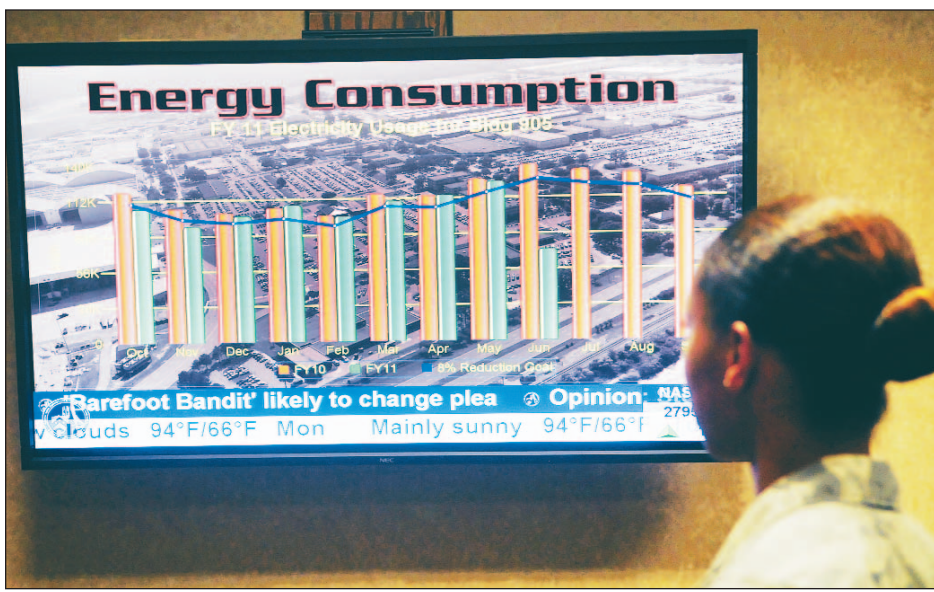
The following leave recipient has been approved through the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program: *Celestine King* of the 78th AMDS. POC is Eugene Swinney at 497-7594.

To have the name of an approved leave recipient printed in the Rev-Up, e-mail Lanorris Askew at lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil or call 472-0806.

To assist in **reducing alcohol-related incidents**, the 78th Force Support

Squadron offers a designated driver program at the Heritage Club, Horizons and Pizza Depot.

For groups of two or more, a designated driver will get free soft drinks, fruit juices or non-alcoholic frozen drinks. To learn more, call 468-2670.



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Mission needs dictate the setting of channels on base TVs.

Consider mission in setting TV channels

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW

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People often disagree in their homes about what to watch on TV, and sometimes the same thing happens in the workplace.

TVs are located across Robins, including the Visitor Control Center, the Base Restaurant, the Base Exchange and many offices. Most either broadcast unit- and base-related information or news.

But, many people have sharp opinions about the reliability and objectivity of certain news channels; some think news shouldn't be shown at all.

So, just what are the rules for setting the channels of televisions on base?

According Chief Master Sgt. Michael Davis, 78th Air Base Wing Mission Support Group superintendent, there is no policy outlining what should be shown on base TVs. Tuning a TV to a news station can be a legitimate need in many areas, he said.

"It depends on the mission, and it depends on the customers of that organization," he said.

Therefore, it is up to each area to determine the needs of its mission when choosing the channel for a television, said Davis.

What Is Eagle Eyes?

The Robins Air Force Base Eagle Eyes program is an initiative which enlists the eyes and ears of all Team Robins members, as well as our friends and families outside the fence.

The program teaches people about the typical activities terrorists engage in to plan their attacks. Armed with this information, people can recognize elements of potential terror planning when they see it.

The program here uses a local, 24-hour telephone number to call whenever suspicious activity is observed. That number is (478) 926-3937 or DSN 468-3937.

Everyone is encouraged to learn the categories of suspicious behavior and be aware of their surroundings. If something suspicious is observed, alert local authorities.

What to do if you spot suspicious terrorist activity:

If you see suspicious behavior, don't confront the individuals involved.

Take note of the details:

S – Size – Jot down the number of people, gender, ages and physical descriptions.

A – Activity – Describe exactly what they are doing.

L – Location – Provide the exact location the activity was taking place.

U – Uniform — Describe what they are wearing, including shoes.

T – Time – Provide date, time and duration of activity.

E – Equipment – Describe vehicle, make, color, license plate, cameras or guns.

Suspicious activity is often recalled after an event. Remember to be on the lookout for things that are out of the ordinary and arouse suspicions.

Keep in mind, those who commit terrorist acts:

► Usually live among us without appearing suspicious while planning and preparing their attack. They may be your neighbors, students or friends.

► Often they will need training or equipment that could arouse suspicion.

► Need to conduct surveillance on possible targets and gather information on the planned attack location.

All of these things make terrorists vulnerable to detection, by people watching for certain characteristics. Learn to recognize the difference between normal and abnormal behavior.

Stay alert in your daily travels and routines and get to know:

► Who your neighbors are and what cars are normally in your neighborhood.

► Who regularly makes deliveries at work and in your neighborhood.

Staying alert is not about becoming paranoid. Staying alert is being aware of one's surroundings.

– Courtesy Robins Antiterrorism Office



**THINK OPSEC:
YOUR TRASH COULD BE
AN ADVERSARY'S
TREASURE**

RED

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The origin of Red Shirt Friday is uncertain. It appears to have started sometime after the Sept. 11 attacks. The website www.redshirtfriday.org gives the reasoning behind the color red with its motto “They bleed red, so we wear red.”

The website also states the red shirt is not a political statement, and the wearer’s opinion on war is irrelevant. The shirts are meant solely to express support for the troops.

AFMC senior leader changes

The Air Force announced July 7 the reassignment of Lt. Gen. Janet Wolfenbarger from Air Force Materiel



Commander the Pentagon in Washington,

D.C.

The Air Force also announced the President’s nomination of Maj. Gen. C.D. Moore

II, deputy director of the Joint Strike Fighter Program Office in Arlington, Va., for confirmation by the Senate to the rank of



Moore

lieutenant general with assignment as AFMC vice commander.

As military deputy to the assistant secretary of the Air Force for acquisition, Wolfenbarger will be responsible for research and development, test, production, and modernization of Air Force programs worth \$40 billion annually.

As AFMC vice commander, Moore will be responsible for providing acquisition management and logistics support for a variety of Air Force aircraft and weapons systems.

The command conducts research, development, test and evaluation of warfighter technology.

No dates have been announced for the pending moves.

Editor’s note: Read the full release on the Robins website.

— Courtesy Air Force Print News

Think twice,
energy has a price.



ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

About the statement

The Economic Impact Statement provides information about the economic impact of Robins Air Force Base on the surrounding community. It is made available to federal, state and local officials, as well as local business leaders and the general public.

An installation's economic impact on the local community is calculated by identifiable on and off-base local area spending from gross expenditures. All financial figures are rounded to the nearest dollar.

Editor's Note: This statement is for fiscal 2010. The statistics were provided by the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center's Financial Management Directorate.



At a Glance

Robins Air Force Base has an annual federal payroll of \$1.7 billion, annual expenditures of \$239 million, and a federal retiree payroll of \$620 million.

In the past, the Middle Georgia Regional Commission utilized a region specific model that considered variables unique to each installation, including the base's mission, the diversity of the economy in the surrounding communities, and the size of the local population. Using the RDC factor of 2.51, the value of indirect jobs created was \$1.7 billion in fiscal 2010. This leads to an estimated total economic impact of \$4.27 billion in fiscal 2010.

Net Payroll
\$1.7 billion

Retiree Payroll
\$620 million

Annual base expenditures in Georgia
\$239 million

Annual value of indirect jobs created
\$1.7 billion

Total Economic Impact in Georgia
\$4.27 billion

Summary of Personnel

APPROPRIATED FUND & MILITARY	LIVING ON BASE	LIVING OFF BASE	TOTAL
Active Duty	1,685	4,066	5,751
Non-active Duty AF Reserves	0	646	646
Individual Mobilization Augmentees	0	214	214
Total	1,685	4,926	6,611
Active Duty Military Dependents	1,558	5,625	7,183
APPROPRIATED FUND CIVILIAN			TOTAL
General Schedule/NSPS			8,778
Federal Wage Board			5,598
Other			1,264
Total			15,640
OTHER FUNDS			TOTAL
Civilian Non-Appropriated Fund and BX			786
Private Businesses on Base			144
Total			930
PERSONNEL STRENGTH			TOTAL
Civilian			15,640
Other			930
Military			6,611
Total			23,181

Summary of Salaries

ROBINS EMPLOYEES TOTAL	
Civilian & Other	\$1,234 million
Military	\$478 million
Total	\$1,712 million



The replacement value of Robins AFB facilities:

\$7 billion

Dormitory Quarters	Beds	Bldgs
Airman/NCO	672	9
Visiting Airman Quarters	150	2
Visiting Officer Quarters	134	4
Temporary Lodging	50	4
Total	1,006	19

Description of Capital Assets

LAND	ACRES
Fee Owned	6,779
Easement	138
Right-of-Way	11
Leased	4
License	3
Total	6,935

BUILDINGS	NUMBER	SQ FT
Administrative	59	2,001,689
Shops/Hangars	126	4,512,422
Warehouses	123	4,340,525
Terminal	1	68,258
Other	11	269,615
Family Housing	0	Privatized
Total	320	11,192,509

FLIGHTLINE FACILITIES	SQ YARDS
Taxiways	504,414
Aprons	1,302,662
Overruns	66,666
Paved Shoulders	507,486
Dangerous Cargo Pads	8,283
Warm-up/Holding Pads	60,816
Power Check Pads	4,212
Total	2,454,539

RUNWAY — Northwest/Southeast
Length — 12,000 feet, **Width** — 300 feet

Summary of Utilities Consumed

UTILITY	QUANTITY	COST
Electricity (KKWH)	338,602	\$22 million
Natural Gas (KCF)	910,051	\$4.59 million
Water (K Gallons)	546,367	\$2.41 million

* Robins does not purchase water from an outside source; however, chemical and operation costs to produce water are estimated at \$4.41 per thousand gallons.

Summary of Construction & Contracts

CONSTRUCTION	COST
Military Construction Program	\$10.9 million
Operations and Maintenance.....	\$19.4 million
DMAG /Architectural & Engineering Services	\$11.8 million
CONTRACTS & PROCUREMENTS IN GEORGIA	COST
Services Contracts	\$50.6 million
Advisory & Assistance Services Contracts	\$70.9 million
Commissary	\$2.6 million
Base Exchange	\$2.5 million
Health	\$46.5 million
Education	\$5.5 million
Temporary Duty	\$3.2 million
Other Materials, equipment and supplies.....	\$14.6 million
Total Expenditures	\$239 million

Educational Impact



SCHOOL IMPACT FUNDS

Houston	\$1,297,250
Bibb	\$31,420
Crisp	\$11,630
Dooly	\$4,990
Macon	\$7,370
Total	\$1,352,660

The school aid program compensated Georgia school districts in FY10. Funds were distributed among five counties and amounted to 6.1% of the total funds received in Georgia.

Federal Retiree Annuity Pay

COUNTY	PEOPLE	ANNUAL PAY (\$M)
Houston	11,931	\$311
Bibb	4,633	\$114.9
Peach	1,695	\$41.1
Laurens	1,187	\$25.7
Bleckley	688	\$16.3
Dodge	519	\$12.1
Pulaski	485	\$11.2
Troup	371	\$8.6
Putnam	351	\$9.4
Monroe	327	\$8.0
Baldwin	324	\$8.1
Jones	314	\$7.3
Wilcox	260	\$5.7
Sumter	236	\$4.9
Twiggs	210	\$4.5
Dooly	206	\$4.7
Crisp	203	\$4.3
Upson	196	\$4.2
Macon	150	\$3.4
Taylor	147	\$3.3
Crawford	144	\$3.3
Wilkinson	140	\$3.1
Talbot	98	\$1.9
Stewart	68	\$1.3
Schley	31	\$0.7
Webster	21	\$0.5
Total	24,935	\$619.7



Summary of Contract Information

TOTAL FOR ALL CONTRACTS - Dollars (Billions)							
1999	2001	2003	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010
\$2.17	\$2.46	\$3.68	\$3.89	\$4.74	\$5.16	\$5.83	\$5.5

TOP TEN CONTRACTORS

Contractor	Dollars (Millions)
Boeing	\$1,335
Northrop Grumman	\$723
Lockheed Martin	\$708
Raytheon	\$426
L-3 Communications	\$264
Al Raha Group	\$153
General Dynamics	\$130
BAE Systems	\$95
Rolls Royce	\$83
Alenia North America, Inc.	\$61

CONTRACT VALUE BY COUNTY Fiscal 2010 Dollars (Millions)

Houston	\$205.4
Cobb	\$185.7
Fulton	\$15.2
Bibb	\$9.5
Laurens	\$6.7
Dekalb	\$5.0
Dooly	\$3.6
Gwinnett	\$3.0
Muscogee	\$1.9
Dougherty	\$1.6
Polk	\$1.1
Upson	\$0.73
Twiggs	\$0.66
Sumter	\$0.65
Dodge	\$0.52
Peach	\$0.36
Tift	\$0.33
Cherokee	\$0.22
Catoosa	\$0.21
Other (aggregate only)	\$1.06
Total	\$443.43



Summertime barbecue safety tips

With warmer weather comes family gatherings and cooking outside on a charcoal or gas grill.

Barbecuing is relatively harmless; however, if safety rules aren't followed and one doesn't respect the dangers of fire, mishaps can and do occur.

Burns, scalding, abrasions and cuts are just a few of the types of injuries which can occur.

When cooking outdoors with a gas grill be sure to follow these recommendations from the National Propane Gas Association to ensure proper barbecue safety:

▶Always use the grill outdoors in a well-ventilated area. Follow all the manufacturer's instructions, and keep written materials and manuals in a safe, accessible place.

▶Make sure the grill burner controls are off and the cylinder valve is closed when the grill is not in use.

▶Make sure the grill is off and completely cooled before covering it after use.

▶Always use or store cylinders in an upright, vertical position, and store them outdoors away from sources of ignition.

▶When a cylinder is refilled, have the supplier check for dents, damage, rust or leaks.

▶After filling, take the cylinder home immediately. While transporting, keep the vehicle ventilated with the cylinder valve closed and plugged or capped.

▶When a grill is not in use, cover disconnected hose-end fittings and burner air intakes with



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small plastic bags or obtain protective fitting caps from the propane gas retailer to keep out dirt, insects and moisture.

▶Before lighting a propane gas grill burner, use a leak-detection solution to check all connections for tightness. Contact a local propane gas retailer to obtain the leak-detection solution and instructions on how to use it.

▶If there is a significant and uncontrollable release of gas or fire, call the fire department immediately and move all people and pets away from the unit.

These are NPGA recommendations for what not to do when grilling outdoors with a propane grill:

▶Don't bring cylinders indoors or into an enclosed space, such as a garage.

▶Don't smoke while handling the propane cylinder.

▶Don't leave the cylinder in a vehicle.

▶Don't use matches or lighters to check for leaks.

▶Don't allow children to tamper or play with the cylinder or grill.

▶Don't use, store or transport a cylinder where it could be exposed to high temperatures.

When using a charcoal grill for outdoor barbecues, the Hearth, Patio and Barbecue Association recommends the following precautions:

▶When using charcoal briquettes or wood chunks form a pyramid and douse with lighter fluid. Wait until the fluid has soaked in before lighting.

▶Cap lighter fluid immediately and place a safe distance from grill.

▶Never add lighter fluid to coals which are already hot or warm.

▶Never use gasoline, kerosene or other highly-

volatile fluids as a starter. They can explode.

▶As an alternative to lighter fluid, use an electric, solid, metal chimney or other starter specifically made for lighting charcoal briquettes or wood chunks.

▶Unplug and remove a hot starter with caution and be careful where you put it. Always cool starter completely before storing.

▶Never use an electric starter in the rain or when standing on wet ground.

▶When using instant light briquettes, don't use lighter fluid, electric, solid or metal chimney-style starters. Don't add more instant light briquettes once the fire has been lit. Add only regular charcoal briquettes.

▶Once the grill is lit, don't touch briquettes or wood chunks to see if they are hot. Keep the grill uncovered until ready to cook.

▶Keep vents open while cooking. Charcoal briquettes and wood chunks need oxygen to burn.

▶Allow coals to burn out completely and let ashes cool at least 48 hours before disposing.

▶Dispose of cold ashes by wrapping in heavy-duty aluminum foil and placing in a non-combustible container. Be sure no other combustible materials are nearby.

▶If you must dispose of ashes before they're completely cooled, place them in heavy duty foil and soak with water completely before disposing in a non-combustible container.

— Courtesy Air Force Safety Center

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FIT TO FIGHT

Health and Wellness Center classes ensure Robins work force has tools to maintain fitness programs

BY ARIELLE “DANI” LEBOVITZ

Robins Health and Wellness Center

The Robins Health and Wellness Center offers a variety of programs to help active duty, civilians and dependents achieve their fitness goals and be “Fit to Fight.”

“I’ve had difficulty running for quite some time – primarily with breathing issues attributed to 30 years of smoking,” said Senior Master Sgt. Hal Ingram, 116th Air Control Wing. “My lung capacity didn’t seem to return even after being smoke-free for more than five years. I’m 52 years old, and while it doesn’t seem to be the best time in life to start a running program, it’s a necessity both personally and professionally.

“Air Force fitness policies forced me to look into available training programs to try and restore my fitness level to Air Force standards,” he added. “The HAWC’s Walk-to-Run Program couldn’t have come along at a better time.”

While the Walk to Run Program rehabilitates people who have been on a fitness profile or are not currently running, the Run Improvement Program is beneficial to those who currently run but want to improve speed for fitness testing.

More than 30 active duty members have participated in the RIP since it was first offered last fall, improving their PT scores by working on proper running form, technique and a rigorous

training plan.

Participants have shaved an average of 2:23 off their 1.5-mile run time in just six weeks.

Staff Sgt. Jarrita Blackmon, Headquarters, Readiness Management Group, remembers when she started the RIP class, “I was running the 1.5-mile run in 16:44, and my waist was 33 inches,” she said. “After completing the class, I ran the 1.5-mile run in 15:33, and my waist is now a 32.

While the running classes focus primarily on retraining proper form and technique, the benefit of the strength and conditioning portion of the class is evident with improved pushup and sit up scores for participants as well.

“With the class, I went from 19 to 30 pushups and 38 to 44 sit-ups,” Blackmon said. “The class was great; it really improves Fit to Fight scores. I encourage anyone who is having trouble passing their fitness test to join the RIP class.”

For those needing to slim down, the 10-week Weight Loss Class has proven effective, with more the 206 pounds lost by 35 participants. Participants in the Monday class learn how to make lifestyle and behavior changes with tips they can incorporate into their everyday lives.

Class participants meet two additional days each week to exercise as a group. The class provides accountability, motivation, and comfort, utilizing equipment and classes at the Fitness Center.



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Above, Maj. Chuck Carty has his body fat analyzed by Adriane Green, health educator, at the beginning of the 10-week Weight Loss Course at the HAWC. At the end of the course, metrics are taken to make comparisons and track participants’ progress.

Below, April Howard, dietician, records Evelyn Crockett’s blood pressure.

“The HAWC class has helped me change my lifestyle through nutrition and fitness,” Lesley Darley, School Liaison Officer, said. “For the first time, I truly began to understand the ‘what you put in’ and ‘what you burn off’ equation to weight loss. I learned that through exercise I could reach my weight loss goals, and that I didn’t have to deprive myself of my favorite foods.”

Editor’s note: For details or to sign up for one of the classes, call the HAWC at 497-8480.



Conserve energy. There’s no excuse for energy misuse.

BALANCING BOOKS

Base library offers spring of academic resources, entertainment

BY TECH. SGT. VANN MILLER
78th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

For years, the library has remained a spring of academic resources as well as a place for recreational reading and entertainment.

For military members and their families, the function of the base library, whether stateside or in friendly foreign countries, is to offer books and media that support professional activities and recreational interests.

But with the economic downturn, there have been challenges for military installations like Robins Air Force Base, to provide the library services on which more than a few people have come to depend.

Changes here are a result of a funding reduction of 35 percent this year, according to David Quinn, 78th Force Support Squadron director. Perhaps the first change patrons may have noticed is in the hours of operation.

Recently, the library changed its hours to 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and noon to 5 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Though closed on federal holidays, the Robins library is currently the only one in Houston County open on Sunday.

“We are pleased that even with constraints on funding, our library meets the requirement for 55 operating-hours per week, and provides great services to the majority of our users,” Quinn said.

The shift in hours is based on the amount of traffic the library was receiving, Quinn explained.

“We are trying to provide a place for our community to go so their informational and entertainment needs are ful-

filled,” said Blanchella Casey, base librarian.

Casey, who has worked as a librarian in three military libraries throughout her 31-year career, said she has never noticed library budget cuts like these, but has seen lean times before.

“Customer usage usually increases in bad economic times because our services are usually free,” she said. “Customers do use computers more, but contrary to what many believe, the written books are as popular as ever and will continue to be so.”

Despite the popularity, due to increasing costs other changes may be in store. One change may include limiting the number of computer printouts patrons may produce per visit.

“All personnel, whether at their work centers or in customer service facilities, need to be economical in paper and ink use — we all must do our part,” said Quinn.

The library staff understands the need for the changes, but says from experience that in the toughest of times libraries become more necessary.

Borrowing a quote from Anne Herbert, one librarian said, “Libraries will get you through times of no money better than money will get you through times of no libraries.”

Even with the changes, members will see the library continues to offer services families and military members will find important. For example, members can take advantage of research databases, education programs and academic resources, such as The Online Tutor and Ebsco Host.

Families looking for programs to get involved with this summer can also ask about its Summer Reading Club.



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Master Sgt. Sandra Jones, 78th Force Support Squadron, scans one of the bookshelves at the library.



WHAT TO KNOW
For more information about this, or any of the library programs, contact Blanchella Casey at Blanchella.Casey@robins.af.mil.

Blanchella Casey, librarian, reads to children during the summer reading program. The theme of this year's program is *A Midsummer Knight's Read*; it has activities for children 12 years and younger on Mondays at 10 a.m.

REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO 926-EYES

HAPPENINGS

ON TAP
Boss N' Buddy
Today
4 to 5 p.m.
Heritage Club lounge
For details, call 472-7864.

WWE PPV
Money in the Bank
Sunday
8 p.m.
Heritage Club lounge
Members Free
Guests \$5
For details, call 472-7864.

Interview Preparation
Monday
9 to 11 a.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Summer Reading Program
A Midsummer
Knight's Read
Monday
10 a.m.
Base Library
12 years and younger
For details, call 497-8761.

Bundles for Babies
Tuesday

8:30 a.m. to noon
Bldg. 794
Call 327-8389 to sign up
For details, call 468-1256.

Swim Lessons
Tuesday to Thursday
Heritage Club Pool
Prices vary
For details, call 468-4001.

Thunder Alley
Wednesday
2 to 4 p.m.
Bowling Center
\$6 per person
For details, call 468-2112.

Pre-Separation Briefings
Thursday and July 28
1 to 2 p.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

UPCOMING
Jekyll Island Beach Trip
Aug. 19 – 21
Sign up by July 18
\$100 - \$200 per person
For details, call 468-4001.

Great Adventure Race
July 23
Check in 6:45 a.m.

Race starts 7:30 a.m.
Fitness Center
For details, call 468-2128.

Family Bingo
July 25
Doors open 5:30 p.m.
Games start 6 p.m.
Heritage Club
\$4 per pack of 10 games
For details, call 468-4515.

The Club Closet
July 30
5 to 8 p.m.
Youth Center
Entry fee \$1
Donate gently-used items
by July 25
For details, call 468-2110.

ONGOING
ITT Discounted Summer Tickets
Six Flags \$35
White Water \$30
For details, call 468-2945.

Atlanta Falcons Tickets
\$77 lower level
\$40 upper level
Four tickets per family
For details, call 468-2945

9-Hole Golf
Tournament Package
Cost \$13 and includes green
fees, cart and range balls
For details, call 468-4103.

Bowling Movie Days
Mondays and Thursdays
2 p.m.
\$5 kids 12 years and younger
\$6 kids 13 years and older
For details, call 468-2112.

Host a Golf Tournament
Monday through Thursday
Receive \$2 off per person
For details, call 468-4103.



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Under renovation

Marcus Moore, Buzzell Plumbing, Heating and Air, Inc., removes a faucet in the men's locker room at the Fitness Center. The locker room is closed until Jan. 12 for renovations. A temporary shower trailer is located behind the center. The locker room was last renovated about 10 years ago.



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- ▶ Fitness Center . . .468-2128
- ▶ Outdoor Rec468-4001
- ▶ Fitness Annex472-5350
- ▶ Base Chapel468-2821
- ▶ Youth Center468-2110
- ▶ Arts & Crafts468-5282
- ▶ Tickets, Travel . . .468-2945
- ▶ Horizons468-2670
- ▶ Bowling Center . . .468-2112
- ▶ Heritage Club468-2670
- ▶ Pine Oaks G.C. . . .468-4103
- ▶ Library497-8761
- ▶ Pizza Depot468-0188

Note: Unless otherwise noted, numbers listed in the Rev-Up are DSN numbers. If calling from a commercial or off-base phone, dial prefix 222 if listed as 472; 327 if listed as 497; or 926 if listed as 468.