



It took 16 years for the C-17 fleet to reach its first million hours of service but only four additional years for the fleet to reach its second million hours of service.

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Thousands to be added to random drug testing

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About 10,000 additional Robins employees will become part of a pool subject to random drug tests under a new Air Force directive. All employees impacted will

get a letter of notification by Sept. 16, then 30 days later will go into a pool subject to random tests for illegal drugs.

Air Force Instruction 44-107, issued more than a year ago, established a new service-wide drug-testing program.

As part of that, the number

of civilian positions subject to testing was expanded.

According to the Directorate of Personnel, the change is being done for security reasons and to achieve a drug-free workplace.

The directive became effective for non-bargaining

employees in April 2010, when it was originally issued.

However, after negotiations between Air Force Materiel Command and the American Federation of Government Employees, the directive became effective June 30 for bargaining unit employees.

WHAT TO KNOW

Employees impacted will get a letter of notification by Sept. 16. Thirty days later, those names will go into a pool subject to selection to random tests for illegal drugs.



U.S. Air Force photo by RAYMOND CRAYTON

Governor visits

Gov. Nathan Deal and a member of his staff arrive at Robins July 28, the first stop during his day-long visit to Middle Georgia. Maj. Gen. Robert McMahon, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center commander, briefed the governor on base and Center operations and took him on a bus tour of the installation. A press conference followed.



U.S. Air Force photo by SENIOR AIRMAN ABIGAIL KLEIN
A KC-135 Stratotanker refuels another KC-135 during a refueling mission. Five refuelers will be at Robins temporarily from Aug. 7-20.

Aerial refuelers coming to Robins

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Numerous organizations at Robins have spent the past month preparing for the arrival of five KC-135s Stratotankers which will temporarily be stationed here during an upcoming exercise.

The aerial refuelers are part of a detachment from McConnell Air Force Base, Kan., set to operate here Aug. 7-

20. The detachment includes 75 personnel who will be staying in base lodging.

According to a McConnell release, the complex exercise scenario will include 1,100 ground participants and more than 22 aircraft in support of Joint Chiefs of Staff and National Command Authority directives.

“The multifaceted exercise

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Air Force Chief of Staff speaks on diversity at NAACP dinner

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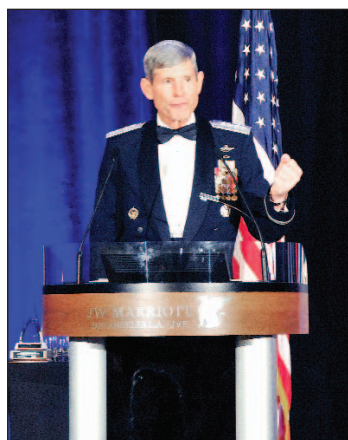
Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz spoke about the importance of diversity July 26 at the NAACP’s Annual Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Awards Dinner.

The banquet was one of several events held in conjunction with the group’s annual convention and coincided with the 63rd anniversary of the executive order desegregating the military.

“As a nation, we are benefiting from having recognized the value of meaningful diversity,” Schwartz said during an address to the attendees.

While earlier equal opportunity programs focused on race and gender, the current diversity movement looks beyond demographic considerations, the general said.

“We know that our strength



U.S. Air Force photo by LOU HERNANDEZ
Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz addresses the audience at the NAACP’s Annual Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Awards Dinner.

is drawn from diverse perspectives that develop from different backgrounds – to name a few: socioeconomic, educational, geographic, philosophical and spiritual,” he said.

Ensuring Air Force working environments are conducive to equal opportunity and fostering diversity of perspectives in the

service will lead to enhanced performance and effectiveness, Schwartz said.

“Our next challenge will be to identify more clearly how this is done and how we can measure our progress,” the general said.

Recently, the service formed the Air Force Diversity Committee, a senior-level working group chartered to find ways to leverage and better manage diversity, Schwartz said.

According to the general, diversity should not be an end unto itself, but rather a means toward a broader desired state of enhanced effectiveness for the Air Force and its overall mission. Schwartz pointed out that in academic literature, diversity management has been defined as the systematic and planned commitment on the part of organizations to recruit and retain employees from

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BIG JOB: Maintainers set to replace C-5 cargo door

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The C-5 Galaxy is a huge aircraft with some equally big individual parts.

One of those came in last week – a side cargo door – which required the 559th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron to use a crane to hoist it on a trailer for transport to the aircraft that needed the part.

It’s not often the side cargo door has to be replaced, said Master Sgt. Dee Davis, 559th AMXS C-5 maintenance supply liaison manager. The last time it happened was in 2007.

The door weighs five tons, and is 48 feet long and 10 feet wide. Because it’s such a large part, and isn’t replaced very often, careful planning was done to ensure the part was transported and off-loaded safely.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP
C-5 maintainers guide a C-5 aft cargo door from a crate onto a cradle July 27.

“With an object of these enormous dimensions, personnel safety was obviously the number one priority, followed closely by ensuring no damage was done to the door,” Davis said.

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UNIT PROFILE: DLA Aviation

What it does

The DLA Aviation Industrial Support Activity provides retail supply support to the 402nd Maintenance Wing. Support is provided by supply technicians who are forward located within the production areas they support. Additionally, DLA Aviation maintains forward warehouses within the maintenance areas, pre-positioning materiel to better support production.

DLA Aviation Strategic Acquisition provides full, life-cycle contracting expertise.

Why it matters

With regard to retail supply support, timely and effective materiel support to depot maintenance is critical in meeting due-date performance and, more importantly, the needs of warfighters worldwide. Though there are many important functions performed at Robins and the Air Logistics Center, the Center's reputation is directly tied to the success of getting planes in and out of depot maintenance on time.



U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Steve Givens, 561st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron production supervisor, accepts delivery of an aircraft part from Harold Steplight, Defense Logistics Agency materials expediter.

By the numbers

112 Contracts awarded in fiscal 2011 (worth \$245M).

24 Number of acquisition professionals, including staff office personnel.

22 Number of forward DLA retail warehouses located in 402nd MXW production areas; they house about \$47M of inventory.

87% On-time delivery rate sustained since August 2009 (42 percent improvement over a two-year period).

What they say



Dena Browning
Contracting officer

"Working with the Air Force program managers as well as DLA and Navy offices has been quite challenging. However, this joint effort will provide a contract vehicle that will significantly reduce lead times and improve support to the warfighter, and that's what it's all about."



Robert McCormick
Customer Support Specialist

"Having just returned from Afghanistan as a DLA warfighter support representative I want to emphasize the dramatic impact DLA Aviation has in supporting the warfighter. Personnel, equipment, and supplies can't be moved in theater without functional aircraft."

In the Spotlight



Bobby Nelson

TITLE: Integrated electronics systems mechanic, 566th Electronics Maintenance Squadron.

BACKGROUND: Nelson has worked in the Avionics Complex since 1962 and has worked on receivers/transmitters and synchronizers since 1993.

HOMETOWN: Unadilla

"I'm an electronic mechanic, and I work on the C-130 APN 59 Radar. I mostly do testing. Receiver transmitters can be difficult to test and repair, yet they are still fun to work on. I am proud to be a member of the Avionics Center of the Air Force, and feel we make a huge contribution to the warfighter and the U.S.A."

A 1960 high school graduate, Nelson wrote in his yearbook that he wanted to work in electronics. Two years later, he was hired at Robins as an electronics repairman helper.

"I still enjoy coming here, working with people, and trying to solve different problems. I've been here for 48 years and seven months."

"I've tried to stay active. If I keep going, then I'll be in better health. I'm kind of thinking about it (retirement). At my age, I'm thinking it's time to enjoy something else."

"I've been married to Jan Bishop Nelson for 43 years."

Air Force Reserve band supports historic shuttle landing

BY CANDICE ALLEN

Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs

High Flight, the newest ensemble of the Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve, made history by performing at the final landing of Shuttle Atlantis and ending of NASA's space shuttle program July 21 at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to perform at this event," said Master Sgt. John Link, NCOIC of High Flight. "The space program has been around my whole life, and the band grew up watching the program evolve. To be a part of this celebration and make history really means a lot to us."

More than 3,300 NASA employees packed the event to witness the final landing and hear the Reserve band per-



courtesy photo

Airman 1st Class Jill Diem, a vocalist with the Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve's High Flight ensemble, sings before 3,300 spectators July 21 at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The event celebrated the final landing of Shuttle Atlantis and the end of NASA's space shuttle program.

form. For them, the event was bittersweet.

"I've been a part of the space shuttle program for a while, and with it coming to

an end, it is very patriotic to have the Band of The Air Force Reserve playing," said Kenneth McElroy, NASA aerospace technician. "It

brings something that's been totally phenomenal to an awesome end."

With the end of the program, Link wanted to ensure the focus was kept on the positive side.

"We wanted to help everyone celebrate the final flight and not focus on the ending of the program, but the successes of the program through the years, he said."

The ensemble performed a variety of songs from today's artists like Alicia Keys to classics from Al Green, and Earth, Wind and Fire.

"If I was grading the band on a chart of one to 10, I would probably go off the charts, and they would be an 11! And, I don't mean two ones, I mean eleven," said McElroy.

The crowd danced to the music.

"I was surprised with the audience involvement because it was so hot. But people were line dancing, disco dancing, some guy was doing the robot, they really got into it, which of course is such a thrill as a musician to see the audience give back," said Airman 1st Class Jill Diem, a vocalist in High Flight. "We were very happy to see such enthusiasm."

Space Shuttle Atlantis completed its 33rd and final mission landing at the Kennedy Space Center's Shuttle Landing Facility. It was the 20th night landing at KSC and 26th night landing in the history of the Space Shuttle Program.

The band of the United States Air Force Reserve is the oldest band, active or reserve, assigned to the Air Force, having continued from its formation in 1941 to the present.

Think twice,
energy has a price.

See ya later alligator

Natural resources manager wrangles reptile

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW
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A 6-foot alligator has a new and more appropriate home after being captured near the runway last week.

Bob Sargent, Robins natural resources manager, answered a call July 28 that a gator had been spotted in water along Beale Drive. He found it, and was particularly alarmed that it didn't seem frightened of him.

Sargent threw a piece of Styrofoam at it, and the gator went toward it as if it was something to eat. That told Sargent the gator had been fed by someone and posed an immediate danger because it was associating people with food.

He used a snare pole – a pole with a loop around the end – to catch the alligator by its head, then jumped on its back. With the help of an assistant, he then duct-taped the gator's mouth and legs. The beast – a female estimated to weigh 80 pounds – was relocated to the Ocmulgee River.

Gator sightings are not uncommon at Robins, and Sargent has captured several. The animals are generally timid but can become a threat if people feed them. Sargent emphasized people should never feed a gator or even approach it.



U.S. Air Force photos by SUE SAPP

Bob Sargent, Robins natural resources manager, displays a 6-foot alligator he captured July 28 along Beale Drive.



At right, Jerry Neal, Esther Lee and Stephen Hammack take a close-up look at the alligator. The reptile was relocated to the Ocmulgee River.

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Meeting our fiscal and national security responsibility

BY LEON PANETTA
Secretary of Defense

To all Department of Defense personnel:

As I begin my second month in office as Secretary of Defense, I wanted to take the opportunity to share my thinking with you on one of the key challenges we face as a Department: how to ensure our military has everything it needs to protect our national security at a time of considerable fiscal challenge in our country.

I know many of you have been watching with concern the deficit reduction negotiations in Washington. As President Obama has said, our growing national debt, if not addressed, will imperil our prosperity, hurt our credibility and influence around the world, and ultimately put our national security at risk. As part of the nation's efforts to get its finances in order, defense spending will be – and I believe it must be – part of the solution.

The reductions in defense spending which will take place as a result of the debt ceiling agreement reached by Congress and the president are in line with what this Department's civilian and military leaders were anticipating, and I believe we can implement these reductions while maintaining the excellence of our military. But to do that, spending choices must be based on sound strategy and policy.

In the past, such as after the Vietnam War, our government applied cuts to defense across the board, resulting in a force that was undersized and underfunded relative to its missions and responsibilities. This

process has historically led to outcomes which weaken rather than strengthen our national security – and which ultimately cost our nation more when it must quickly rearm to confront new threats.

I am determined not to repeat the mistakes of the past. In order to make the key decisions on how to best implement spending reductions, the President said in April when he unveiled his fiscal framework that “we’re going to have to conduct a fundamental review of America’s missions, capabilities, and our role in a changing world.” As a Department, we are following that approach. We are asking ourselves: What are the essential missions our military must do to protect America and our way of life? What are the risks of the strategic choices we make? And what are the financial costs?

Achieving savings based on sound national security policy will serve our nation's interests, and will also prove more enforceable and sustainable over the long-term.

We expect that the responsible transitions in Iraq and Afghanistan will help reduce total U.S. defense spending over the coming years. But I will do everything I can to ensure that further reductions in defense spending are not pursued in a hasty, ill-conceived way that would undermine the military's ability to protect America and its vital interests around the globe. For example, the debt ceiling agreement contains a sequester mechanism that would take effect if Congress fails to enact further deficit reduction. If that happens, it could trigger a round of dangerous across-the-board defense

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Panetta

cuts that would do real damage to our security, our troops and their families, and our ability to protect the nation. This potential deep cut in defense spending is not meant as policy. Rather, it is designed to be unpalatable to spur responsible, balanced deficit reduction and avoid misguided cuts to our security.

Indeed, this outcome would be completely unacceptable to me as Secretary of Defense, the President, and to our nation's leaders. That's because we live in a world where terrorist networks threaten us daily, rogue nations seek to develop dangerous weapons, and rising powers watch to see if America will lose its edge. The United States must be able to protect our core national security interests with an adaptable force capable and ready to meet these threats and deter adversaries who would put those interests at risk. I will do all I can to assist the administration and congressional leaders to make the commonsense cuts needed to avoid this sequester mechanism.

Our military has always taken on and succeeded in every mission it has been assigned – from the efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan to humanitarian assistance and disaster relief at home and abroad. You – the men and women of the military – have never said “I can't do it.” Nor

have the civilians who support you. That is the military ethos – to salute and press on. The ethos of this nation's leaders and policy makers must be to ensure the missions assigned to the military meet critical national security priorities. It is our responsibility to determine those priorities and to ensure you will always have the training and equipment to succeed in those missions.

I am aware that as Washington discusses strategy and policy, you and your families are discussing the implications of decisions which may be made. I promised in my first message as Secretary that I will fight for you. That means I will fight for you and your families as we face these budget challenges.

The force has been stretched by a decade of combat. We owe you and your families the support you have earned – both on the battlefield and on the home front. To be sure, the current budget constraints will make it all the more challenging to modernize and recapitalize the force. Platforms from the build-up of the 1980s are reaching the end of their shelf life and must be replaced, and units and equipment which have been stressed by a decade of combat must be reset.

Going forward, we must ensure the military gets the effective and affordable weapons it needs by redoubling our

efforts to enforce procurement discipline.

We also must continue to tackle wasteful and duplicative spending, and overhead staffing. We must be accountable to the American people for what we spend, where we spend it, and with what result. While we have reasonable controls over much of our budgetary information, it is unacceptable to me that the Department of Defense cannot produce a financial statement that passes all financial audit standards. That will change. I have directed that this requirement be put in place as soon as possible. America deserves nothing less.

The United States faces a series of tough choices ahead on the budget as we seek to balance the need for fiscal solvency with the need to protect our security. We can – and must – address the budget and protect the country. As we do, we will be guided by the principle that we will do what's right for our nation now and for its future. By better aligning our resources with our priorities, this Department can lead the way in moving towards a more disciplined defense budget. Only in that way can we ensure that we fulfill the fundamental duty for those of us in public service – which is to do everything we can to give future generations of Americans a better and safer life.

Commander's Action Line

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

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

Please include your name and a way of reaching

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

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On the Fly

128th snags AFA award

A crew in the 128th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, 116th Air Control Wing has been named the 2011 Air Force Association Air Battle Management Crew of the Year.

The crew received the award for superior air battle management while supporting Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

During 20 combat missions, the crew supported 172 Army operations, during which 14 high-value individuals were captured.

The crew was also instrumental in the seizure of a large cache of drugs and explosives, severely weakening enemy infrastructure.

The crew is scheduled to receive the award at a ceremony in Washington, D.C. in September.

Aircrew members include:

- ▶ Maj. Brett Clark
- ▶ Capt. Todd Jones
- ▶ Capt. Anthony Fennell
- ▶ Capt. James Bourgeault
- ▶ Capt. Bradley Webb
- ▶ Maj. Edward King
- ▶ Capt. Ronald Alligood
- ▶ Capt. Richelle Stewart
- ▶ MSgt. William Taylor
- ▶ SrA. Drake Shaw
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- ▶ CMSgt. George Benson
- ▶ SSgt. Marquise Kennibrew
- ▶ SSgt. Scott May
- ▶ MSgt. Paul Clauson
- ▶ TSgt. Orne Ogle
- ▶ SrA. Andrea Iseri-Baker

USDA food program

The Robins Child Development Centers, Youth Center and Family Child Care announce the sponsorship of the Department of Agriculture-funded Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Nutritious meals are available at no separate charge to children enrolled in each program, without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.

Anyone believing they have been discriminated against should write to: Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, Va. 22302.

The Museum of Aviation will host a **Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Day** Aug. 13 for children in grades 1-5. Students will have the opportunity to work with real scientists and engineers from the Middle Georgia community to make a solar-powered robot, build a bridge or skyscraper, and just have fun.

The event will be held in the museum's Century of Flight Hangar from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and includes lunch and activity supplies. The cost to attend is \$35.

"We're excited to have mentors from L-3 Communications, Raytheon and Robins, and area educators who will work with the kids in hands-on activi-

ties," said Melissa Spalding, the museum's director of education. "Groups are welcome, and we can work with Scout troops and other groups to keep students together in classes."

Registration forms for the event are available online at www.moaeducation.com. Those interested can also contact Candi James at 472-7575.

The **Robins Thrift Shop** has reopened its doors following its summer hiatus.

Shopping hours of operation are: Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 6 p.m.; Fridays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and the first Saturday of each month 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Consignment hours are: Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 3 to 5:30 p.m.; Fridays 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and the first Saturday of each month 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Thrift Shop is located in Bldg. 945, across from the BX.

For more information, call 472-7480.

Et cetera

The **tuition assistance cutoff date** for fiscal 2011 is Sept. 18 for military members.

For more information, call Garrett Gordon at 497-3410.

Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to **the estate of Senior Master**



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Squeaky clean

Glen Wright, Robins Fire Department lieutenant, gives a final rinse to one of the fire trucks as he prepares the fleet for service.

Air Force workers can find help here

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Work Stress, Psychological Issues	Organizational Consulting Office	497-9803
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Unplanned Pregnancy	Houston Healthcare	(478) 922-4281
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Sgt. William Caskey should contact Maj. Donald Carty at 747-5731.

Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to **the estate of Master Sgt.**

David Shardon Pate should contact 2nd Lt. Lawrence Morris at 241-3613.

Robins continues to partner with **The Clean Air**

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Editor's note: The entire staff sergeant promotion list is currently available on the Air Force Personnel Services website at <http://www.afpc.af.mil/promotions/index.asp>, under enlisted promotions. Airmen can also access their Weighted Airman Promotion System score notices at the same time on the Virtual Military Personnel Flight application through the AFPERS website.

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diverse demographic backgrounds.

“Note the open-ended sense of the phrase ‘diverse demographic backgrounds,’ which suggests that it is possible for any number of people, even of the same gender and race, to still have widely differing demographic backgrounds,” Schwartz said.

“Therefore managing diversity, I would argue, also implies -- as well as important considerations of race, gender and ethnicity -- a more active recognition and appreciation of the increasingly multicultural nature of

contemporary organizations,” he said.

The Air Force's diversity efforts focus on institutionalizing diversity throughout the service and allowing for the recruitment, development and retention of a highly-qualified and talented total force, Schwartz said.

“As we approach this challenge, we will consider ways in which we can engage every Airman -- officer, enlisted, and civilian -- across the total force as participants in this process, and encourage them to share in the responsibility for ensuring that the talents and capabilities of each individual are mutually respected, valued and applied toward enhancing mission accomplish-

ment,” Schwartz said.

Commanders and supervisors at all levels will be taking the lead in advancing diversity priorities, deepening the lines of communication and taking a personal interest in orchestrating individual success of others whose potential to serve the Air Force so values, he said.

“Your Air Force embraces the fundamental value of a diverse workforce, whose individual members, while possessing different backgrounds and perspectives, are singularly bound in common cause, lending their creativity, energy and dedication to the betterment of our mission and our nation's security,” he said.

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challenges the inherent flexibility, reliability and force multiplier capabilities of our tanker and airlifter forces,” the release stated.

Tony McVay, the 78th Air Base Wing chief of plans and programs, said several organizations at Robins are involved in preparing for the detachment's arrival and supporting it during the exercise.

The 116th Air Control Wing will assist with maintenance and ground equipment for the aircraft, which will be stationed in the “Christmas Tree” area at the end of the runway.

The 78th Operations Support Squadron will provide support to include refueling, the 78th Logistics Readiness Squadron will provide forklifts and other equipment support, and the 78th Communications Directorate will provide computers and printers.

Additionally, the 78th Civil Engineer Group is providing the building the detachment will be using -- Bldg. 12, in the same area the aircraft will be parked.

Lt. Col. Pamela Freeland, chief of Special Operations Air Refueling at McConnell, said she has been pleased with the support the unit has received from Robins.

“There have been a lot of organizations at Robins which have been contributing to getting us operating,” she said. “It's going to be a very robust exercise involving a lot of participants.”

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AIR FORCE/ROBINS CELEBRATION ANNOUNCED



The Museum of Aviation will be the site of a celebration Sept. 17 marking the Air Force's 64th birthday and Robins' 70th anniversary.

Sen. Saxby Chambliss will be the guest speaker.

The celebration will include dinner, dancing and entertainment by Warner Robins native Bobbie Eakes, an actress and singer.

There will also be an appearance by the Band of the United States Air Force Reserve.

Social hour will begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Cost for the event is \$30.

Ticket POCs

GRC - Capt. Jason Moll 472-3616
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Security forces bikers mount up for safety

BY WAYNE CRENSHAW
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The 78th Security Forces Squadron conducted its first-ever motorcycle safety ride July 21.

The unit plans on making the ride an annual event. Its purpose is to promote rider safety and help new riders learn to ride in groups, said Master Sgt. Vincent Dewberry, who organized the ride.

The 14 riders who participated in the inaugural ride included security forces members and members of the 78th ABW Safety Office. In future years, the event will be opened to more riders around base, Dewberry



Courtesy photo

Robins motorcyclists take part in the 78th Security Forces Squadron's first-ever motorcycle safety ride.

said.

The participants rode to Milledgeville and back without incident.

Dewberry said many of the riders were inexperienced, and a key emphasis of the safety briefing was proper techniques for riding in groups.

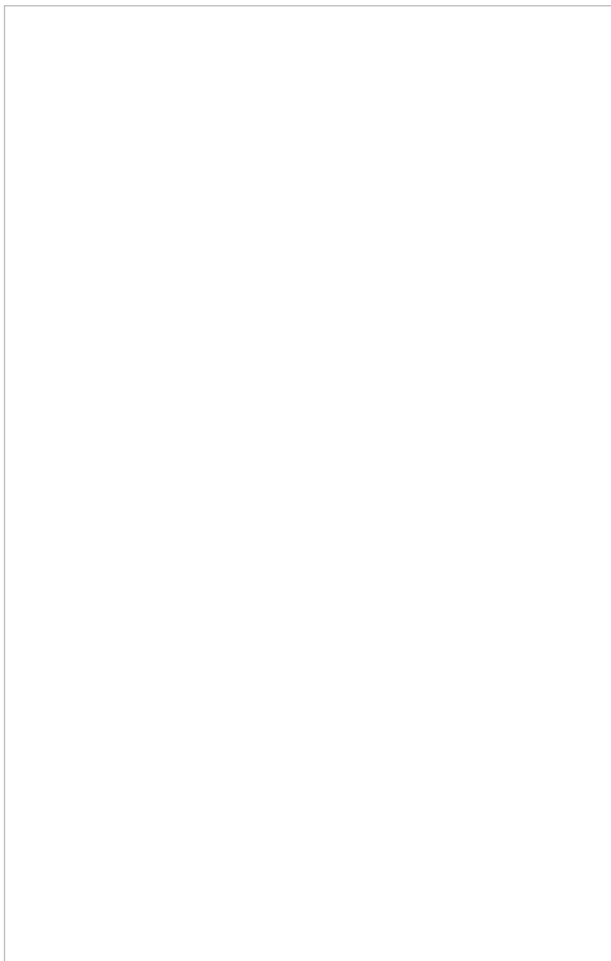
Accidents can happen during group rides when riders fail to ride in a staggered formation, and also when less experienced riders feel a need to keep up with the more experienced riders.

"That gets them in trouble," Dewberry said.



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HAPPENINGS

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AFMC Fun Daze Event

Today
5 to 8 p.m.
Heritage Club ballroom
Family fun, entertainment
and children's activities
Open to Horizons and
Heritage Club members
and their guests.
For details, call 472-7864.

Give Parents A Break/ Kids Night Out

Today
5 to 10 p.m.
Youth Center
Cost \$15
For details, call 468-2110.

Give Parents A Break

Today
6 to 10 p.m.
CDC East and School Age
For details, call 468-5805.

Movies in the Pool

Today
8 p.m.

Heritage Club pool
Free admission
For details, call 468-4001.

Texas Hold 'Em

Saturday and Aug. 13,
20 and 27
Sign-up at 1:30 p.m.
Games start at 2 p.m.
Heritage Club lounge
\$10 for club members
\$15 for guests
For details, call 472-7864.

Home Buying Seminar

Tuesday
9 to 11 am.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Pre-Separation Briefings

Thursday and
Aug. 18 and 25
1 to 2 p.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Robins Idol

Amateur Solo Karaoke

Thursday, Aug. 18 and 25,
Sept. 1, 8, 15 and 22
7 to 9 p.m.
Heritage Club lounge
Must be 18 years and older
For details, call 468-2105.

UPCOMING

Family Nature Trail Challenge

Aug. 13
8 a.m.
Luna Lodge
For details, call 468-2128.

Youth League Registration

Early registration held
during
open house
Aug. 13
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
\$21
For details, call 468-2112.

Starting A Small Business

Aug. 15
9 to 11 a.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

ONGOING

Men's Locker Room Closed for Renovation

Now through Jan. 2
Fitness Center
Temporary shower trailer
is available.
For details, call 468-2128.

ITT Discounted Summer Tickets

Six Flags \$35
White Water \$30
For details, call 468-2945.



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Keepsake

Greg Harless, Arts and Crafts Woodshop master carpenter, works on a custom-made retirement shadow box. Patrons can purchase a Top 3 keepsake box ranging from \$250 to \$270, a large box for \$135 or a small box for \$120. All boxes include a 3x5 flag. The shop can also build specialty plaques. For more details, call 468-5282.

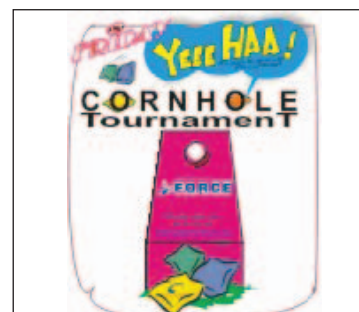
FIRST FRIDAY CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Everyone with evening access to Robins is invited to enter the First Friday Cornhole Tournament today at Horizons.

Owners of Cornhole boards may bring their boards and bags to Horizons (after 10 a.m.) to be displayed at 3 p.m. From 3 until about 5:30 p.m., the boards will be sequestered for judging until the evening, and may be used for the Center commander's military function.

The tournament begins at 5:30 p.m., and winners will be awarded 78th Force Support Squadron gift certificates.

Prizes will be given for the following: Top six players (first, second and third place teams of two), top six boards (judged at the beginning of tournament), and No.1



College/Cornhole Spirit Fan.

Official rules for the game can be found at www.playcornhole.org.

Dinner is served at Horizons from 6 to 9 p.m. For reservations, call 468-2670. Walk-ins are welcome.

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- ▶ Base Chapel468-2821
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