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'Do what I say ... Now!'

Exercise teams base, local law enforcement

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Last week's basewide emergency management exercise began July 26 with gunshots and piercing yells.

Four assailants, armed with AR-15 assault rifles, barged through the front doors of Bldg. 767, popped off blank rounds and herded more than a dozen hostages into a small room.

"Get down all of you - let's go!" "Do what I say ... Now!"

Once exits were secured throughout the two-story building, the simulated training scenario began to take on a life of its own.

Aubrey Pearce, an active shooter dressed comfortably in a T-shirt, shorts and sneakers, was repeatedly on the phone throughout the morning with a hostage negotiator. As tempers flared at one point during a brief conversation - involving the delivery of three boxes of pizza - the final words he heard weren't pretty.

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U.S. Air Force photo by SUE SAPP

Houston County Sheriff's Department personnel encounter a victim in a stairwell during a simulated active shooter exercise at Robins July 26. The exercise was a multi-agency collaboration between Robins Air Force Base, the Houston County Sheriff's Department and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation.

AFRC changes command

Jackson takes reins, Stenner retires after 39 years

AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMAND
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Lt. Gen. James Jackson became chief of Air Force Reserve and took the helm of Air Force Reserve Command in a ceremony Monday at the Museum of Aviation.

He replaced Lt. Gen. Charles Stenner Jr., who retired from the Air Force with 39 years of military service following the ceremony. Stenner served as chief and commander since June 2008.

Air Force Vice Chief of Staff Gen. Larry Spencer, officiated the ceremony.

As the chief of Air Force Reserve, Jackson serves as the principal adviser on Reserve matters to the Air Force chief of staff. As AFRC commander, he supervises 71,400 reservists in the Selected Reserve assigned to command units and the Individual Mobilization Augmentee program.

"The challenges will continue," Jackson said at the change of command ceremony. "I will do my best to lead us all to success.

"I will not overlook that the Reserve's strength is based on a careful balance of family, employer and military responsibilities - the triad we always talk about. I will focus on projecting those strengths of Citizen Airmen

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NEWS

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ANG gate closure

For security purposes, Gate 15, the Air National Guard Gate, will be closed to inbound and outbound traffic starting today. The closure will last about six to eight weeks with possible extended closure. Appropriate signage will be placed near the ANG gate to notify off-base drivers of the closure.

Construction update

The Green Street Gate outbound lanes will be closed from Monday through Thursday.

A severe dip exists in the outbound lanes. Construction will begin Saturday and should be completed by Thursday, weather permitting. Additional signage on First Street will redirect traffic.

Get Your Tickets Now!



Anniversary celebration

The 65th Air Force Birthday Celebration will be at the Museum of Aviation Sept. 15, 6 to 11p.m. Keynote speaker is Lt. Gen. Andrew Busch, Air Force Materiel Command vice commander. The Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve will perform.

Free childcare will be provided for children ages six weeks to 12 years old. For children aged five to 12 years old contact Mandie Holovach at 327-6833; for those six weeks to 4 years call CDC East at 926-5805. Care will be free with First Sergeant or Airman and Family Readiness Center referral or \$4 an hour without referral. Deadline is Aug. 30. Space is limited.

For more info and how to get tickets, visit www.robins.af.mil and click on the anniversary tab.

Newest C-5 model at complex for PDM

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With only a handful of C-5M aircraft in the Air Force fleet, the Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex is currently performing programmed depot maintenance on this newest model for only the third time.

The C-5M Super Galaxy, a C-5 Galaxy with 70 different modifications, including

avionics and engine upgrades, arrived here for PDM on June 5, and is scheduled to depart in March 2013.

In addition to the normal 70,000 hour, planned work package, depot maintainers, working closely with the C-5 Program Office, are also repairing aircraft damage which occurred several months ago while the aircraft was performing airlift opera-

tions downrange. The challenge is to accomplish these repairs with as little time as possible added to the normal depot maintenance flow time.

The damage repair includes replacing one of the aircraft's main landing gear pods with parts taken from a "donor" C-5A. This donor aircraft is earmarked for retirement and storage in the Air Force's "boneyard" at

Davis-Monthan AFB.

"Originally we thought a team would have to be sent to the "boneyard" in Tucson, Ariz., to harvest the needed parts," explained David "Bubba" Stone, 559th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron production team lead.

"The beauty of this is the fact there was an aircraft

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Robins once again recognized by EPA

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Robins Air Force Base has once again been recognized by the Environmental Protection Agency's Design for the Environment Program for its use of PreKote on aircraft that come here for programmed depot maintenance.

A presentation ceremony took place July 26 at the Mercer Engineering Resource Center in Warner Robins.

The C-17 program converted from Alodine, a chromate conversion coating with hexavalent chromium, to a PreKote surface pretreatment. PreKote, developed by Pantheon, is a water-based, mild alkaline solution that promotes paint adhesion. It is nontoxic, biodegradable, and eliminates hexavalent chromium in the waste stream.

"EPA applauds Robins for



U.S. Air Force file photo

Robins has been recognized by the Environmental Protection Agency for its use of PreKote on aircraft, like the C-17 above, which come here for programmed depot maintenance.

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AF implements hiring tool weeks ahead of schedule

BY DEBBIE GILDEA

Air Force Personnel Center

Robins was one of the sites which brought new Air Force civilian employees on board more efficiently following implementation of the USA Staffing Onboarding Manager tool ahead of schedule.

In April, AFPC initiated a phased implementation strategy to replace the civilian virtual inprocessing tool with the OM tool, starting with new hires at Robins, Air Force Reserve Command, Pacific Air Forces, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn., and Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., with a planned phased deployment to replace cVIP Air Force-wide.

“We expected full implementation to take until the end of August, but some hard work at every level resulted in final deployment seven weeks ahead of schedule,” said Nancy Tackett, AFPC Human Resources Technical Operations Branch.

The tool helps reduce the average amount of time it takes to in process new civilians before they enter on duty, she said.

“It’s one of several continuing efforts to move the service closer to an 80-day civilian hiring process,” she said.

According to Emma Harrison,

Robins AFPC Operating Location staffing chief, Robins volunteered to be a test site for the OM tool because they recognized the need for increased efficiencies.

“The staff has taken well to the new tool and finds it more user-friendly for the human resource specialist and the applicant/employee,” she said. “The Robins staff appreciates the forward-thinking of the AFPC staff to implement tools to ensure timelier processing of fill actions to meet the OPM 80-day mandated fill times.”

In addition to simplifying and speeding up the process, the OM tool brings hiring in line with Office of Personnel Management Enterprise Human Resources Integration requirements, Tackett said.

It “speaks” to the electronic official personnel folder, enabling onboarding information to flow to the eOPF, reducing documents that must be manually processed.

“OM is one of many process improvements we’ve been working on to increase efficiencies, save time and money, and ultimately get the right people in the right place,” Tackett said.

Editor’s note: For more information about civilian hiring reform initiatives and other personnel issues, visit <http://mypers.af.mil>.

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Team Robins takes six AFMC Contracting awards

Several Air Force Materiel Command contracting awards were presented to Team Robins members on July 26. They include:

■ **Outstanding Contracting Officer Field Grade Category – Operational:** Lt. Col. Mark A. Woodard.

■ **Outstanding Contracting Officer Company Grade Logistics:** Capt. Chad A. Sessler.

■ **Outstanding Contracting Enlisted Member:** Senior Airman Jasmine Powell

■ **Outstanding Performance in a source Selection Logistics, Major Program**

Contracting Team: Salena Arrington, Christie H. Brown, Lauren Farrell, Brandi Matlock, Elizabeth Midkiff, Brandi Moody, Nicole Hand, Kimberly Langford and Larry Schofill.

■ **AFMC Outstanding Achievement in Contracting Information Technology (individual or team):** Paula Macleod

■ **AFMC Outstanding Contract Staff Award (field):** Stephanie M. Gisseman

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where they will most benefit the continued security of our nation and its interests.”

Jackson was previously deputy to the chief of Air Force Reserve in the Pentagon. When he assumed command of AFRC, he became the chief of Air Force Reserve.

He is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy. He completed more than 14 years on active duty, including flying tours in Europe and the Pacific, before joining the Air Force Reserve in 1992.

Jackson held numerous wing leadership and command positions, as well as staff assignments at Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Headquarters U.S. Pacific Command and Headquarters U.S. Air Force.

“I believe George Washington explained it well as he spoke of his Continental soldiers in the war of independence,” Jackson said. “His soldiers were farmers, clerks, lawyers, shopkeepers and factory workers. He said, ‘When we assumed the soldier,



U.S. Air Force photo by STAFF SGT. ALEX Y SALTEKOFF

Lt. Gen. James Jackson became chief of the Air Force Reserve and took the reins of Air Force Reserve Command in a ceremony Monday.

we did not lay aside the citizen.”

“Indeed, in today’s Air Force Reserve, the Airman is the citizen and the citizen is the Airman.”

Stenner’s previous assignment was assistant deputy chief of staff for strategic plans and programs at Headquarters U.S. Air Force. Stenner was also director of plans and pro-

grams and director of operations at Headquarters AFRC and spent nine years commanding AFRC wings and operations groups. Between May 2001 and July 2003, he was deputy director and director of strategy, policy and plans, and director of transformation for U.S. Southern Command in Miami.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE

AIR FORCE



Schwartz: Air Force will thrive despite fiscal challenges

The Air Force has reinvigorated the service's nuclear mission, incorporated unmanned aerial capabilities and made progress in acquisition, the service's chief of staff told reporters in Washington D.C. July 24.

Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, who finishes a four-year term in office shortly, said he believes the Air Force will continue to thrive despite fiscal challenges.

President Barack Obama has nominated Gen. Mark Welsh to replace Schwartz. If the Senate approves the new chief, Schwartz will retire next month.

To read more, see www.af.mil.

New civilian pay system on the way

All Air Force civilian employees are slated to be using a new, standardized Air Force pay system by June 2013.

The Automated Time Attendance and Production System will standardize the pay method across the service and was implemented first at Air Force Global Strike Command and Air National Guard bases on July 29.

According to Doug Bennett, associate deputy assistant secretary for Air Force Financial Operations, the system will be implemented service-wide in eight waves during the next year and is meant to save time so personnel can focus on accomplishing the Air Force mission.

"It allows folks to focus on the mission, and allows the Secretary of the Air Force and Chief of Staff of the Air Force to make informed decisions about where we need to spend our money," Bennett said.

To read more, visit www.af.mil.

Dept. of Energy lauds AF for conservation efforts

The Air Force's innovative ideas and procedures for saving facility energy and aviation fuel have earned it recognition by the Department of Energy.

Each year, the DOE presents a Federal Energy Management Program award to individuals and organizations within the federal government that significantly contribute to the efficient use of energy and water resources.

The Air Force has won six FEMP awards. Winners include Air Mobility Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.; Yokota Air Base, Japan; Dyess Air Force Base, Texas; and three individuals: Lawrence Johnson, Minot Air Force Base, N.D.; Capt. Reid Touchberry, Misawa Air Base, Japan; and Elizabeth Toftemark, Scott AFB.

Combined efforts by these winners helped the Air Force save more than \$155.7 million and 42 million gallons of jet fuel.

To read more, visit www.af.mil.

'If it ain't raining, we ain't training ...'



U.S. Air Force photo by MASTER SGT. WENDY LOPEDETE

Reservists from the 414th Fighter Group, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, N.C., service their aircraft while playing opposing forces during an operational readiness exercise at Homestead Air Reserve Base, Fla. The fighter group led a total force integration team to support the exercise.

Cybercom chief: U.S. unprepared for serious cyber attacks

The United States is not adequately prepared for a serious cyber attack, the commander of U.S. Cyber Command told the audience at the Aspen Institute's annual security forum July 27.

Army Gen. Keith Alexander, who also serves as the director of the National Security Agency and the chief of the Central Security Service, said that, in terms of preparation for a cyber attack on a critical part of its network infrastructure, the U.S. is at a

three on a scale of one to ten.

The problem of defending the nation from a cyber attack is complicated, Alexander said. It's not just a question of preparing the Department of Defense or federal networks. Private industry also has to be defended.

"Industry has a variety of capabilities," Alexander said. While networks serving the financial community are well-defended, others sectors need help.

To read more, visit www.af.mil.

U.S. commander in Japan: Alliance strong, with room to grow

Air Force Lt. Gen. Sam Angelella spent much of his second day as commander of U.S. Forces Japan with one of his bosses: the Pentagon's second-highest official, Deputy Defense Secretary Ashton B. Carter.

Carter visited Japan recently as part of a 10-day Asia-Pacific tour that continues through tomorrow. Angelella, who has served five previous assignments over six years in Japan during his career, said the deputy secretary's visit was an example of the strategic importance the United States places on the country and the region.

U.S. military leaders in Japan have a perspective on what the nation's objectives are in the Asia-Pacific region and what the increased U.S. strategic emphasis there involves, Angelella said in an email interview with American Forces Press Service.

"But having an opportunity to ask and discuss face-to-face allows us to fully appreciate the Defense Department's objectives," he added. Carter's visit, he said, "ensures our critical work and cooperation with Japan is on track."

To read more, visit www.af.mil.

NATO training mission-Afghanistan

Tech. Sgt. Jin Yum and his Afghan counterpart perform a seven-day inspection on the main rotor of an Mi-17 helicopter July 17, at Kandahar Air Base, Afghanistan. Yum is a maintainer deployed with the 442nd Air Expeditionary Advisor Squadron and assigned to the 727th Special Operations Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Cannon Air Force Base, N.M.



U.S. Air Force photo by STAFF SGT. QUINTON ROSS

ROBINS MEMBERS FACE PHOENIX WARRIOR CHALLENGE



U.S. Air Force photos by MISUZU ALLEN

Sgt Craig Floyd (left), 138th Military Intelligence Company, and Senior Airman Mason Moore, 16th Airborne Command and Control Squadron do timed chin ups during the Phoenix Warrior Challenge hosted by the 16th Airborne Command and Control Squadron July 25.



Captain Ryan Zaccagnini and Senior Airman Mason Moore, 16th ACCS do floor swipes during the challenge. One of the events was the 300 Workout where participants cleared the menu of floor exercises, such as pull ups, push ups, dead lifts, etc. at the Fitness Center basketball court.



Airmen 1st Class Ashley Marler and Thomas Vanderostyne, 16th ACCS, participate in the canoe race. Each team fashioned unique team attire to represent the flight. Other events of the day included golf, basketball and a 5K run.

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On the Fly

Invest in the Exchange

The Robins Exchange is paying dividends in more ways than one as Airmen or Soldiers exercising their benefits by dining and shopping on base, last year generated a dividend of \$510,427.

These funds are critical to Air Force Services ability to enhance local programs and facilities including Horizons and Outdoor Recreation.

“Historically, roughly two-thirds of Exchange earnings are paid to morale, welfare and recreation programs with the other third used to build new stores or renovate existing facilities,” said Robins Exchange general manager, Anthony Ventura. “As a result, authorized shoppers are essentially investing in a benefit that generates a healthy return by directly improving Air Force quality of life efforts.”

With a mission to provide quality goods and services at competitively low prices and generate earnings to support quality of life efforts, the dual benefit the Exchange provides goes far beyond the clothes, electronics and snacks on shelves.

Shoppers who visit the Exchange, either online at www.shopmyexchange.com or in person help make the military community a bet-

ter place to live and work.

In fact, purchases made at Exchange operations in the past 10 years have provided more than \$2.4 billion to military programs such as Youth Services, base functions, gyms and aquatic centers.

Upcoming

Come honor the 2012 staff sergeant selectees at a Hawaiian style Luau in the Heritage Club Ballroom today at 3:30 p.m.

Grab a lei and your grass skirt and let's hula. Open bar, great food and amazing fun. Cost is \$20 for selectees and free for all others.

Et cetera

The 4th Annual “Feds Feed Families” Food Drive runs through Aug. 29. Feds Feed Families is a voluntary effort undertaken by federal employees to bring nonperishable food items to their offices for distribution to local food banks. The 2012 goal for the Air Force is 348,000 pounds.

For more information, call 1st Lt. Alicia Harvey at 472-5553 or visit www.fedsfeedfamilies.gov.

To assist in **reducing alcohol-related incidents**, the 78th Force Support Squadron is offering a designated driver program at the Heritage Club, and Pizza Depot.

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

Also, Airmen Against Drunk Driving provides rides free of charge to any Robins DoD ID card holder. Coverage is from Perry to Macon.

For a free, anonymous ride, call 472-0013.

The U.S. Postal Service Contract Unit in Bldg. 910 is open Mondays through Fridays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information, call Roy Williams at 229-332-0098.

The Museum of Aviation is open every day except Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free and education classes for pre-k through 12th grade are conducted all year long.

Several areas are available for private or group events, and the Victory Café caters on site.

Call 926-6870 or visit www.museumofaviation.org for more.

To have a leave recipient listed here, email Lanorris Askew at lanorris.askew@robins.af.mil.

**SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY?
CALL 468-EYES**



U.S. Air Force photos by SUE SAPP

Left, Tim Swift performs an aft ramp inspection on a C-5M. Right, John Hatfield, performs an evaluation of the main frame in the troop compartment of the C-5M.

C-5M

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scheduled to be inducted into retirement, and it was flown here to harvest the much-needed laundry list of nonavailable panels, clips, structural supports, hydraulic tubing, electrical harnesses, etc.”

“There are only a few M models in service. Even with the recently improved mission capable rate of the A and B models, the C-5M is still a more capable aircraft,” he added. “Hence there is a

lot of emphasis on getting this latest M-model through depot maintenance, repaired and back to the war fighter as soon as possible.”

Prior to the C-5M, whose home station is Dover Air Force Base in Delaware, returning to the states, a group of engineers from Robins traveled to Afghanistan in late April to assist in the aircraft’s recovery.

The team of three avionics, hydraulic systems and structural engineers, provided on-site support to maintainers, resulting in quick repairs which saved considerable time to the project schedule

once the plane arrived here.

Efforts to modernize the C-5 began in the late 1990s, with the C-5 Avionics Modernization Program to upgrade avionics involving communications, navigation and air traffic/surveillance management compliance, as well as the addition of new safety equipment and a new autopilot system. A Reliability Enhancement and Re-engining Program also added new engines which increased thrust, shorter take-off, and a faster climb rate allowing more cargo to be carried over longer distances.

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taking steps to use ‘green’ alternatives to safeguard human health and protect the environment,” said Carol Kemker, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division deputy director. “Under the DfE program, the base has done

a wonderful job of continuing to push for changes that result in the responsible care of the environment.”

With PreKote, once it is applied to a plane’s entire exterior, it undergoes a two-stage application process. There’s none of the standard washing, etching, and chromate conversion coating. After a light

rinse, PreKote is sprayed then scrubbed on the plane’s surface, followed by a second application. The switch to PreKote benefits taxpayers as it cuts costly process time as it is applied to each C-17 aircraft.

Robins was also recognized in 2009 by the EPA’s DfE program for converting the C-5 and C-130 fleets to PreKote.

Think Green, recycle this paper

Active Shooter Exercise

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“Where’s my pizza?!” Pearce, a 78th Medical Group mental health technician, screeched into the phone. When it didn’t arrive, another perpetrator walked toward the front entrance, grabbed a hostage, and fired off several rounds – the end result when a gunman doesn’t get what he wants.

Blank rounds of bullets lay strewn across the entire first floor, while remnants of the smoke from gunfire hung in the air.

The scenario involved a disgruntled employee who entered a facility with weapons, with officers quickly responding to neutralize the situation two-and-a-half hours later.

“These exercises are important because they allow us to plan ahead,” said Master Sgt. Paul Jordan, with the 78th Air Base Wing Exercise Program Office. “It allows us to see what holes we may have so we can update our plans, and it gives us practice dealing with various situations.”

Pearce agreed.

“This gives the people involved better skills if there was a real-world event,” he said. “I feel phone negotiations are the best part of the exercise because service members get the first calls before handoff to a negotiator.

“With recent national events, I feel

it’s very important to have our defenders’ skills sharp and ready to go in an emergency,” he added.

The exercises are part of a multi-agency partnership between Robins Air Force Base, the Houston County Sheriff’s Office and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. This is the second time in the last year local law enforcement has trained with the base, which provides opportunities to assess skills in the event they are put to use in a real-world environment.

“Mainly our training involves weapons, such as long guns and pistols. We keep our shooting skills honed, as well as team movement sharp,” said

Sgt. James Middlebrooks, Houston County Sheriff’s Office Investigations Division. “We do a lot of building clearing, search and rescue, and hostage and barricade situations.”

One of Middlebrooks’ duties is as a team lead with the Sheriff’s Response Team, which includes deputies from not only the sheriff’s office, but officers from the Centerville and Perry police departments, and GBI agents.

“Between the base and our side, we realize our weaknesses in certain areas that we need to improve on – and we realize our strong points as well,” he said.



Left, Senior Airman Aubrey Pearce, 78th Medical Group mental health technician, portrays a disgruntled employee and makes demands to a negotiator on the phone during an active shooter exercise July 26.

Inset left, an Airman portraying a shooter leads a hostage to a holding area as part of the scenario.

U.S. Air Force photos by SUE SAPP



Houston County Sheriff’s Department personnel search a stairwell in Bldg. 767 during the training.



During the exercise, Georgia Bureau of Investigations agents work together to disarm a bomb wired to a hostage played by 2nd Lt. Diana Hall.



Above, Houston County Sheriff Department personnel use fiber optic technology in their search.



Right, Robins Security Forces and Fire Department personnel remove a simulated victim from Bldg. 767. The exercise included a multi-agency collaboration with the base, deputies from the Houston County Sheriff’s Department and Georgia Bureau of Investigations agents.

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GET OUT AND ABOUT

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

ON TAP

First Friday
Today
5 to 6 p.m.
Heritage Club
For details, call 472-7864.

Texas Hold' Em
Saturday
Sign up 1:30 p.m.
Game starts at 2 p.m.
Heritage Club
Club members \$15
Guests \$20
For details, call 472-7864.

Catch Kids Club
Monday through Aug 10
1 to 2 p.m.
HAWC Bldg. 827
Kids grade K – 6
For details, call 497-8480.

Private Pilot Ground School
Monday through Sept. 26
\$605 per person
Tuition assistance available for those who qualify
For details, call 468-4867.

Writing a Winning Resume
Tuesday
9 to 11 a.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Golf Begins
Tuesday
11 a.m.
Fitness Center
For details, call 468-2128.

Right Start
Wednesday and Aug. 22
8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

USAJobs Resume Writing
Thursday
9 to 11 a.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Thirsty Thursday and Trivia
Thursday
5 to 7 p.m.
\$3 per person
Golf Course
For details, call 468-4103.

Hot August Night
Thursday
6 p.m.
Fitness Center
For details, call 468-2128.

UPCOMING
AFMC "Back to School" Family Fun Daze
Aug. 11
2 to 5 p.m.
Heritage Club
Games, food, entertainment and prizes
For details, call 472-7864.

Dept. of Labor TAP/VA Workshop
Aug 13 through 16
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Bldg. 794
For details, call 468-1256.

Beginning Genealogy
Aug. 16
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Base Library
Register by Aug. 14
For details, call 497-8761.



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Rollin' Rib Shack

Staff Sgt. Vincent Lopez, 461st Maintenance Group, stops by Shane's Rollin' Rib Shack. The black and red trailer with its unmistakable "rib shack" logo is located in the parking lot next to Bldg. 2066 on Blunk Drive. Hours are Mondays through Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call Margie Daniel at 929-3110 or 747-6744.

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