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DoD postpones anthrax shots

Stoppage comes after manufacturer fails FDA inspection

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WASHINGTON — Failure of a new anthrax vaccine production plant to pass FDA inspection has led DoD to postpone the second phase of vaccinations for at least six months.

Defense officials announced the Pentagon will delay inoculating troops, other than those deployed to Korea and the Persian Gulf, until new batches of the vaccine are proven safe and effective.

Dr. Sue Bailey, assistant secretary of defense for Health Affairs, said there are enough FDA-certified dosages to continue vaccinating troops headed to those high-threat areas.

Since the first phase of inoculations began last year, 383,000 Soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines have received anthrax shots. The second phase will cover first responders to military contingencies or those ready to deploy, Bailey said. The third and final phase will inoculate the remainder of the force.

But if the United States had to conduct a military buildup now, such as it did for Desert Storm, it couldn't fully protect those troops against anthrax, a senior officer said.

"We're not there, yet," said Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Randall West, a special adviser on anthrax and biological weapons to Rudy de Leon, undersecretary of defense for Personnel and Readiness. "We could not today do a full buildup to Desert Storm and have every serviceman and woman that was sent there vaccinated."

Bailey said DoD has other ways to protect troops against anthrax attacks, including chemical and biological protection suits, gas masks and antibiotics. "We are able to provide, as we did during the Gulf (War), some significant protection against anthrax," she said. She said DoD also could decide to give every Soldier a portion of the six prescribed inoculations, so they would have some protection.

In addition, Bioport — the company that produces the vaccine — has

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Trainees' time off ends



Spc. Michael Maddox

Soldiers returning from Exodus are manifested before being bused back to training at Sand Hill.

Training cadre meet troops at Atlanta airport

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

Thousands of Soldiers in training were welcomed back from Christmas Exodus earlier this week as drill sergeants and officers met them at Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta.

The NCOs and officers were there to provide a helping hand and make sure all of the trainees made it back to post safely, said Capt. James Funk, operations officer for 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment — the unit running the tactical operation center at the airport.

"We are the command and control node here that makes sure when a Soldier comes back we get them in the pipeline back to their installations," he said. "We make sure that if they get to the airport, they'll get back to the correct installation.

"We are just here to take care of them and to make sure they aren't up here getting taken advantage of," he said.

Soldiers from several posts were able to benefit from the guidance of the drill sergeants.

"We did Exodus prior with Soldiers leaving out of Gordon, Jackson and Benning," Funk said. "We make sure they get up here, they're staying in uniform and that they're doing the right thing.

"We want to make sure the public sees the right image because we've got more than 11,000 Soldiers coming through here," added Funk.

He said the drill sergeants accomplish this by meeting the returning Soldiers as they enter the airport.

"They come off the concourses and are filtered up through the escalators to baggage claim. We get a hold of them right there and tell them what the plan is," Funk explained.

Funk said he had 75 personnel from Jackson, Gordon and Benning working two shifts to keep the Soldiers on track — the majority of those cadre and staff were from Benning.

Sgt. 1st Class Craig Cooper, 2nd Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., and TOC NCOIC, said he takes personal pride in helping the Soldiers during the holiday season.

"I want to make sure the Soldiers get a safe transition through the airport — that they or their bags don't get lost," he said. "I also want to keep them in the right uniform so they portray the proper representation of the military.

"This is the only time a lot of civilians actually get to see what the military looks like," added Cooper. "I want to make sure they look their best and are always on their best behavior. It makes civilians who see them feel better about the military."

The help provided to the Soldiers was greatly appreciated, said Pvt. Brendan Dunn, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment.

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USO offers benefits for traveling Soldiers

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

Soldiers traveling through Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta have tons of options for places to shop and eat, but there's only one place where they can take it easy, grab a free snack and meet other military members.

The United Service Organizations located in the Terminal Atrium offers a nice place for more than 100,000 travelers annually to get a break during their trip, said Mary Lou Austin, executive director for the USO.

"If they need help or information, this is the place," she said. "We just have the knowledge and expertise to help out in most any situation they may face.

"We do a lot of crisis intervention," she said. "We provide military travelers with options. We take care of people with no funds, lost orders, lost luggage, even people who are stranded."

The USO's not only for those facing problems though, said Austin. It's also a safe haven from the hustle and bustle of the airport.

"If they want hospitality from hometown America, this is the place. There's always a free cup of coffee and a doughnut," said Austin.

That hospitality came in handy during the recent surge of Fort Benning Soldiers through the USO during Christmas

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Post competes for another ACOE title

6-member team arrives Monday for closer look

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

With a list of eligible posts named as finalists in the Department of the Army Army Community of Excellence award program, representatives from ACOE evaluation teams are now doing site visits to posts so the final winner can be determined.

Six evaluators will be on Fort Benning Monday through the weekend — gathering information on the topics submitted in the post's ACOE packet last August.

The evaluation team members visiting post are Brig. Gen. Gerald Minetti, U.S. Central Command; Col. Spencer Howell, from the 7th Army Reserve Command Headquarters; Lt. Col. Jose Arroyo, from U.S. Army South; Jennifer Marton, from the 417th Base Support Battalion; Jeanne Adams, from the 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) Headquarters; and Jim Cresto, from the U.S. Army Intelligence Center.

This is Fort Benning's opportunity to show the team why it's been a continual front runner for the program over the years, said Sara Hodges, chief of the Quality Management Division, Directorate of Resource Management.

Hodges said this will be done as team members double check facts and figures.

"They are going to verify and clarify the information that we wrote in our self-assessment," she explained. "The self-assessment is the application for the ACOE competition.

"It is based on the Army Performance Improvement Criteria. We submitted our application, and they scored us based on the criteria," Hodges added. "You have to have so many points for each category. We scored high enough to get a visit.

"After the visit, they can recommend that our score be raised or lowered based on what they see and what they're able to verify while they're here," she said.

The team members will begin their visit with a briefing with the post commander, the command group and key personnel from across post Tuesday.

They will then go on to visit various areas on Fort Benning.

"They'll start interviewing and visiting, verifying and clarifying what they have determined to be issues from our packet they want to hear more about," Hodges said.

That information will help the team members organize a report on the Fort Benning community, she said.

"They'll finish their site visit report before they leave the installation. That report goes to the judges, and then the determination will be made," Hodges said.

"This year we won't be eligible to win the CINC award, which is the best of the

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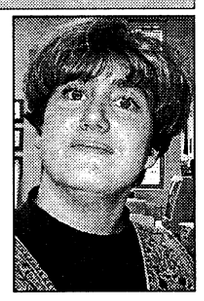

What makes Fort Benning the best Army installation in the world? It's the community, the people who live and work here that make this place what it is — the best Army installation in the world.

After being gone from Fort Benning for a year, it is great to be back. I missed this place. Though I'm no longer in the military, I still get to work with Soldiers.

While I was away, I worked with civilians who for the first time were exposed to someone who had been in the military. They expected me to do drill and ceremony to turn a corner. I disappointed them. It is great to be back working with people who do more by 9 a.m. than most do all day.

I feel a sense of community here that I haven't felt in other places, including my hometown. When I was here before I thought my sense of community was because of my daughter's involvement in the many youth activities available and the school she attended.

I also considered the possibility it was the local area I enjoyed so much — the Riverwalk, Callaway Gardens, or Uchee Creek, or the local events like the Riverfest and Uptown Jam.

But other towns have great events and good schools. So what is it that makes Fort Benning special? I think it is the Army community.

This is the only place I've ever been where Soldiers and civilians actually work together.

I've worked in Army communities where Soldiers worked and talked only with other Soldiers and ignored their civilian counterparts. And the civilians did the same.

That doesn't happen here.

The people in my office work well with each other. We not only work well together but we play well together, too.

We use birthdays, anniversaries and promotions as excuses to celebrate working with each other. (And with any celebration, good food is always involved.)

My office isn't alone with this spirit of cooperation.

Others here also work and play well together. I think the reason for this is because the people who work here view the post as more than a job but as extended family, and I am happy to be back.

Sibling rivalry spurs Y2K preparations

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



If you are reading this it means that the world, as we knew it on New Year's Eve, 1999, is marching on. Yup. All those Y2K fixes must have worked, and it's a darn good thing I didn't blow off my deadline or you'd be looking at a (big) blank space.

Oh, don't get me wrong. I thought about it. I thought about it a lot. What's the point of making a deadline if all of our computers were going to suffer nervous breakdowns trying to figure out what year it was? Besides, I had a built-in excuse. "What do you mean, you don't have it? I e-mailed it to you in DECEMBER! You know, DECEMBER, as in before Y2K."

I didn't worry much about Y2K until I spent some time with my brother last summer. He and his wife were about to buy a generator and had already put away bottles of water, candles, batteries and canned goods — your basic, no-frills Armageddon arsenal. "I never thought of you as a survivalist type," I said, secretly thinking, "I usually think of you as my bratty kid brother."

"I'm not," he said. "It's for Y2K. I know for a fact that the 'top guys' at Hawaiian Electric are telling everybody not to worry, but while they are saying that, they're buying generators 'just in case.' What does that tell you?"

It told me my bratty kid brother had either grown up or was now a walking poster boy for "one short of a six-pack." It told me my bratty kid brother, the one who thought getting ready for a holiday dinner at grandma's house meant showing up before dessert was served, might have a shot at some turkey if grandma was still around to host Thanksgiving dinner. It told me that even at 40-something, sibling rivalry lives.

It started innocently enough. I had seen my brother's stash of candles. The dollar store near me had a shipment of flashlights and batteries. Flashlights are safer than candles. Coincidentally, I could justify buying them. Christmas was on the way, and we would need them for our daughter's new battery-draining toys. And while I was at it, I picked up some extra batteries for the new flashlights.

Then there was the bottled water at a discount store's going-out-of business sale. At 26 cents a bottle, I could buy three for what my brother had to pay for one. So I did. Besides, at that price, it was cheaper than soda and better for us too.

Then there were the extra canned goods, and the other extra canned goods because the first lot looked lonely in a newly reorganized closet. Stuff I would normally buy, just more of it, all at once. And because I refuse to eat cold chicken noodle soup, I unearthed our camp stove.

Make that the camp stove that I won at a raffle in 1987 — or was that 1985? The camp stove my husband didn't recognize because he thought it had made the one-way trip to Goodwill. The one that is in pristine condition because it's never been used and only took me two hours to find. I justified excavating the stove by telling myself I had "found" it while looking for (an unidentified) something else. Then, since it would be foolish to keep a camp stove around without any fuel, I squirreled away some cans of Sterno. I needed some anyway to put under the fondue pot we don't have the next time I fix the fondue we don't like.

I started sneaking Spam into the family menus so that like me, they wouldn't just eat it, but like it. And before you start laughing, let me just say that I grew up in Hawaii where Spam is respected as a food group and is a staple in any self-respecting islander's pantry. I may not fix fondue but I cook up some mean Spam in a multitude of recipes, even without "Hawaii's Spam Cookbook." (There are two other Spam cookbooks that I know of, but I'm sure this is the best of the bunch.)

My brother upped the ante by buying a generator, but the Sterno was easier to stash and a whole lot more affordable especially since I was not concerned about Y2K. Besides, he only had one generator. I had FOUR cans of Sterno.

Things didn't improve through the fall. Soon, I was glued to the TV every time a news story on Y2K came up, and pulling up Y2K preparedness sites on the Internet to compare supply lists. The competition was heating up. There were people out there with 55-gallon drums filled with grains! Herds of livestock! Wood burning stoves and cords of wood!

My five-pound sack of rice, the two parrots, and camp stove were not measuring up. And how could one remaining 20-plus-year-old C-ration that has trailed us for years, safely cradled in a footlocker, possibly equate to cases of MREs? After all of these years that "C" was more of a pet (and probably more dangerous to eat) than the parrots, even if it doesn't talk as well.

Then the "stock up as if a bad storm's on the way" warnings started. Bad storm for whom? I would need more to prepare for a 'bad storm' in the Yukon than a storm here in sunny Georgia. Paranoia began to run deep. "They" must know something. Maybe those guys at Hawaiian Electric had let them in on their little secret. "They" were finally recognizing how important it was to hint at the truth about Y2K.

Soon, I was past making excuses — any excuses, even weak ones like really needing more C and D batteries because if the power went out I didn't want the dog to be frightened by the dark. I didn't buy any oil lamps or candles last fall, though. I waited until the day after Christmas for those (at half off, too). Nothing like a little Spam fondue by candlelight.

Of course, it's now overcome by events. Looking back, maybe we were looking at Y2K from the wrong perspective. If Y2K amounted to anything, who says it had to be bad?

It's 1900, not 2000? My house hasn't been built yet, so all those checks I've been sending the bank should be returned — with interest, thank you, and the same goes for my credit card account. And while we're at it there should be several million dollars in back pay heading my way, not to mention about a gazillion hours of annual leave that have been accruing since '77. I'm not holding my breath, of course, but you never know.

Spam, anyone?

dial 545-BOSS

Dial 545-BOSS is the commander's action line for Soldiers, family members and civilians to call when they have problems or complaints that can't be resolved elsewhere.

While it is not a substitute for the chain of command or for agencies established to provide assistance, the line offers another means of communication between Fort Benning's community and commanders.

The Bayonet features some of the calls that may benefit other members of the Fort Benning community.

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Call: Caller said he is a single Soldier who works only half a block from the OCS Dining Facility. He said he was turned away from the OCS DFAC and told he could not eat lunch there. He said his DFAC is about half mile away from where he works.

Directorate of Logistics' response: The Commanding General has an open door policy for all authorized personnel allowing them the use of any dining facility when they are away from their normally assigned Dining Facility. DFAC supervisors were informed of this policy and appropriate action was taken to ensure that Soldiers were not turned away again. In addition, a memorandum identifying this open door policy is being placed in all headcounters instruction books in each operational dining facility. The open door policy was explained to the caller and he was reassured that he would be able to continue dining at the OCS Dining Facility which was closer to his duty station.

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Call: Caller said in the mornings when she leaves Davis Hill, she has to wait at least five to 10 minutes to turn right because of drivers that are waiting to turn left. She said there is a traffic sign that says no left turn from 7 to 8 a.m., but drivers are not complying with it.

Directorate of Public Safety's response: The caller was contacted and her concern was the intersection where 1st Cavalry Division Road intersects onto 1st Division Road. It was explained that the military police will focus on that particular intersection whenever patrols are available to do so, especially between the hours of 7:30-8:30 a.m., which the caller stated that was the most frequent times when the no-left-turn violations occurred. Efforts will be made to curb the problem.

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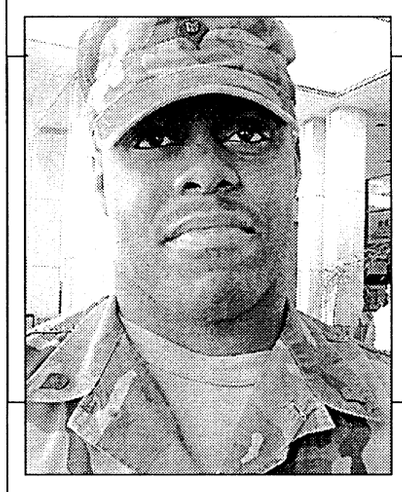
Call: Caller expressed concern because residents do not abide by the leash law for their pets.

Directorate of Public Safety's response: USAIC Reg 210-5, para 6-9b, reads: "...Pets outside must be on a short leash and at the heel around others. Long leashes are allowed, as is voice command, as long as the owner is alone with the pet. As soon as other pets, or persons, are near a short leash has to be used." Under para 6-9c, it reads: Repeat or serious violations may result in loss of government quarters."

VARIOUS VOICES

What do you think makes Fort Benning the best installation in the Army?



Spc. Troy Rudolph, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) — "The way the Soldiers are treated here. Soldiers are treated fairly here. It is like a family — one big happy family."



Shelly Holladay, family member — "I think this is the best installation because of its relationship with the community. The people who live here are listened to, and the school system is the best in the Department of Defense Education Activity."



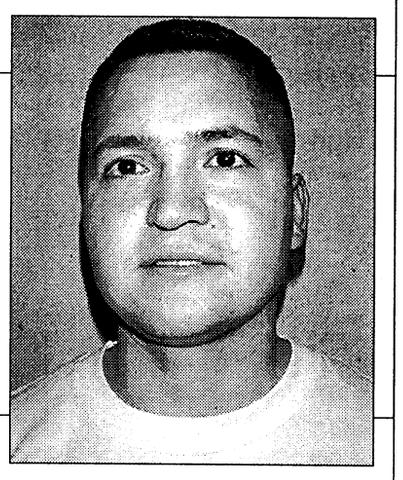
Deborah Nelson, family member — "This place is the best because of the NCOs and the training that is done here. This post has people who care about the Soldiers and their standard of living. The facilities are great — Youth Services and the schools are the best. My children don't want to move."



Terri Bond, Dexter Elementary School — "The schools — the teachers understand the needs of military children with moving from school to school. We've learned how to make them feel welcome, and this makes the whole family feel welcome."



Maj. Kristin Phillips, U.S. Army Medical Department Activity — "I like this post better than any other place I've been. I like my job, and we're close to family. The community and the schools are the best."



Capt. Mario Cortes, B Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I think it's the best because of the extensive Infantry training available here. The neighbors, as a community, support each other through all the training and deployments."

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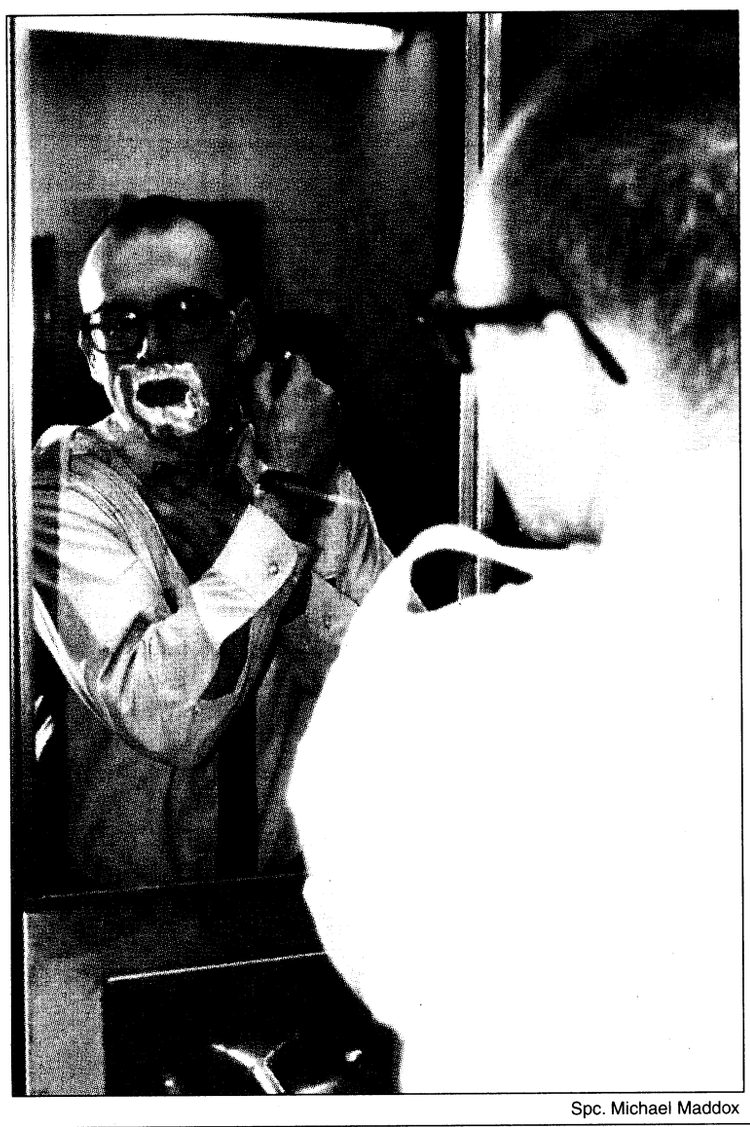
"It's great that they're coming to help us out," he said. "To be honest, I'm really nervous about coming back from Exodus, so it's nice having them tell you just where to go and how to get there."

Pvt. Kabu Graham, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, agreed.

"It's pretty helpful, having them get you prepared for going back," he said. "My Greyhound ticket had a problem with it when I left for Christmas. Every drill sergeant I ran into was real helpful by pointing me in the right direction to get it fixed."

The transition back to post went off with little to no problems, said Funk.

"The Soldiers are doing the right thing for the most part," he said. You've always got one or two who aren't. For the most part, the Soldiers are doing a great job."



Pvt. Rich McClary, 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, shaves before meeting his fellow trainees at the airport.

Spc. Michael Maddox

Post gears up for MLK day

Civil rights celebration slated for Jan.14

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

"He (MLK) was a true Soldier of justice, and we should celebrate the contributions he made to the country."

— Sgt. 1st Class John Johnson
Equal Opportunity Office, NCOIC

The post celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s life is slated for 10 a.m. Jan. 14 in Marshall Auditorium, Infantry Hall.

The theme for this year's remembrance is Celebrate! Act! A day on ... not a day off.

This year's theme emphasizes the importance of remembering Dr. King's work and legacy, said Sgt. 1st Class John Johnson, Equal Opportunity NCOIC.

"I visited the Lorraine Motel and Civil Rights Museum in Memphis," Johnson said. "On the balcony, where MLK was shot hangs a wreath."

King died because he used non-violent protest to fight for human rights, he said.

"He was assassinated April 4, 1968, and I think we should celebrate his birthday and pay tribute to him for what he has done for all humanity."

The guest speaker is Brig. Gen. Earl M. Simms, the commanding general at Fort Jackson, S.C. Other entertainment includes music performed by the Infantry Band and the Faith Middle School Choir.

"I read that MLK wanted to be remembered for serving others," Johnson said, "not for the Nobel Peace Prize or other awards, but for loving and serving humanity. He was a true Soldier of justice, and we should celebrate the contributions he made for this country."

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Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines, because of the back-to-back rule.

"We won it last year so we can't win it again this year," she said. "We are eligible for the Chief of Staff of the Army award."

If the post wins the Chief of Staff of the Army award, it would mean a $200,000 award.

The CINC winner in the ACOE competition wins $500,000.

Hodges said the teams won't finish the visits until sometime in February, making it close to the end of March before final determinations are made as to who will take home year 2000 awards.

Inoculations: Pulled from shelves until new can be made

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stockpiled more than 1 million doses that would have to be recertified before they are used, according to David Oliver, principal deputy undersecretary of defense for Acquisition and Technology.

Bailey said DoD has no plans to halt anthrax inoculations altogether.

"The program is safe, effective and necessary," she said, "and we will continue to meet the highest possible standards."

Defense Secretary William S. Cohen delayed the second phase of inoculations until the new production facility built by Bioport, the Michigan-based manufacturer, achieves FDA certification.

"The program is safe, effective and necessary, and we will continue to meet the highest possible standards."

— Dr. Sue Bailey
Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs

Bioport built the new production facility after demolishing the smaller state-regulated facility on the same site.

The larger facility is necessary to meet DoD production requirements of some 400,000 dosages a month.

The old plant produced just 2,000 doses a month.

Defense officials thought the process — from demolishing the old plant, building the new one and getting FDA certification — would take less time than it has.

"Frankly, it has been more difficult than the department and Bioport expected to move from a small, state-regulated production facility to a large, modern production facility that meets state-of-the-art FDA requirements," Bailey said.

The Pentagon has left the date open as to when the second phase of inoculations will begin.

In the meantime, the Army, as executive agent for the anthrax program, has assigned a general officer to provide full-time oversight and review of Bioport processes to help facilitate FDA certification.

Inoculations for troops deploying to danger areas will continue on schedule at Fort Benning, said a U.S. Army Medical Department Activity spokesperson. Those already involved in the inoculation process should continue on their established schedule.

USO: Keeps Soldiers relaxed

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Exodus, said Capt. James Funk, operations officer for 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment — the unit running the tactical operations center at the airport during Exodus.

"The USO has done an awesome job from the beginning," he said. "We've had a lot of people come through there during the Exodus, and they have just done a great job. If you go in there, you'll see. They do a great job every day."

Pvt. Lakouad Salamedoine, a 2nd Bn., 19th Inf. Regt. trainee, said he was glad to have a place to take a break on his way back to basic training.

"The USO is a good thing," he said. "It's nice to have a place to get comfortable and have something to do while you wait. It has provided me with a relaxing point in my trip back to basic training."

Salamedoine said the USO also was a good place to make new friends.

"You can meet new people here — we're all Soldiers so we have something in common," he said.

The USO, which is staffed with volunteers, offers a wide variety of services and information for service members to include crisis intervention services, transportation assistance, communication assistance, emergency food, temporary lodging assistance, a hospitality center with TVs, a children's area and a reading room with work stations.

The USO provides services for all service members including new enlistees, Soldiers and their families in transit, troops deploying, reserve component members and military personnel and their families temporarily located in the community.

Austin said the USO couldn't continue its work without the help of others.

"We exist only because of the good of the community and donations," she said.

The USO is a charity organization that depends on donations to fulfill its mission. The USO also receives contributions from United Way and the Combined Federal Campaign.

Donations can be sent to: USO, P.O. Box 20963, Terminal Atrium, #320, Hartsfield International Airport, Atlanta, GA 30320.

The USO is open every day of the year including Christmas. The hours are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sundays.

For more information, call the USO at (404) 761-8061.

post briefs

CG plans 2-Star Breakfast

The CG's quarterly 2-Star Excellence Breakfast and Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Jan. 14 from 8-9 a.m. at the Supper Club, Fort Benning Officers' Club. The cost of the breakfast buffet is $6.25, and it includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast sticks, biscuits, coffee and juice.

There will be open seating at the breakfast and buffet lines will open at 7:30 a.m. Tickets are available through Jan. 12 from the Quality Management Division, Directorate of Resource Management, Building 66 (top floor), Wold Ave.

OCS announces review date

OCS Class 1-00 announces its senior status review to be held Jan. 19 at 3 p.m. on York Field. The public is invited to attend.

For more information, call 545-9174.

OCS adds slots, lists new board dates

The Army has approved an increase in the number of Soldiers who may attend Officer Candidate School.

In order to accommodate this increase in the number of Soldiers DA may select to attend OCS, it is necessary to once again revise the HQDA OCS board schedule. The revised HQDA OCS board schedule is as follows:

April 3-7 with applications due at PERSCOM no later than March 3. Applications must be received by PSRD, Soldier's Plaza, no later than Jan. 21. The local board is from Jan. 31 through Feb 4.

June 12-16 with applications due at PERSCOM no later than May 12. Applications must be received by PSRD no later than March 24. The Fort Benning board is April 3-7.

Sept. 11-15 with applications due at PERSCOM Aug. 11. Applications must be received by PSRD June 23. The Fort Benning board is July 5-11.

For more information, call Verna Clemons at 545-4702 or 545-3341.

SF recruits Soldiers

Special Forces is looking for enlisted and officer volunteers. If you are an enlisted Soldier in pay grade E-4 through E-7 with a GT score of 100 or higher or a commissioned officer in year group 1993 through 1997, you can apply for Special Forces training.

For more information on Special Forces, access the website www-benning.army.mil/fbhome/SForce/index or call the Special Forces Recruiting Team at 545-3079.

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Personnel crunch could change orders

Soldiers may be diverted enroute to gaining unit

Army News Service

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — In response to new manning priorities established by the Army Chief of Staff, the U.S. Total Army Personnel Command Enlisted Personnel Management Division has begun identifying Soldiers currently on assignment instructions for possible diversion to higher priority units.

Soldiers on assignment instructions for overseas commands or priority one assignments such as drill sergeants, instructors, or recruiters will not be diverted according to PERSCOM officials.

Soldiers having report dates to their gaining command of Feb. 1, 2000 or later and identified for diversion will have their original orders deleted by PERSCOM and issued new permanent assignment instructions.

In some cases, Soldiers may be diverted to a division or armored cavalry regiment on the same installation specified in their original assignment instructions.

Soldiers who have re-enlisted for an assignment to a specific installation will continue to be assigned to an installation for which they re-enlisted, but may receive a pinpoint diversion to a specific division on that installation.

Personnel leaders at all levels are available to answer individual soldier questions regarding new or amended assignment instructions. New personnel messages reflecting new assignments will be sent to diverted Soldiers, but Soldiers needing additional information are advised to call PERSCOM, EPMD, Interactive Active Response System, 1-800-394-3763, to obtain information about their assignment.

Army officials establish world-wide Army website

New site boasts easy information access quickly

Ali Bettencourt

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Army became the first service to stand up an internal web site available to the entire service community late last year when it opened a new military Intranet.

"Army Knowledge Online," (www.us.army.mil), is the Army's global Intranet, and offers active-duty and reserve Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, retirees and other authorized users a secure environment to communicate and access a warehouse of military-related information, said Maj. Kristina Van Nederveen, AKO project leader.

No other service offers a global Intranet like Army Knowledgee Online at this time, she said.

AKO looks and acts like other commercial portals, offering chat room capabilities, free e-mail accounts and the ability to personalize the homepage, Van Nederveen said.

"We looked at what they were doing in the private sector, to see what type of features people want, and we incorporated them into our portal," she said.

E-mail accounts with AKO can be checked from any web browser, allowing Army personnel to easily work with their e-mail while on temporary duty, while moving or even after retiring, Van Nederveen said.

"You can have the same e-mail account for your entire military or civil service career," she said.

The portal's search engine only searches web sites with the military domain, (.mil), for information. This helps in cutting down the number of unrelated hits that often result from an Internet search, Van Nederveen said.

"This is the most powerful search engine online for Army content," said Maj. Charles A. Wells, AKO program manager.

AKO also offers a people search that currently allows users to locate other AKO users and will ultimately be linked to the U.S. Army Total Personnel Command's Total Army Personnel Database and a similar database for DA civilians allowing it to act as an Armywide locator, Van Nederveen said.

> "There is the potential to cut down on the amount of TDY people have to do and time people work on a project (with the new site), because they can work on the same document or briefing together online."
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> **— Maj. Kristina Van Nederveen**
> Project leader, Army Knowledge Online

Newsgroups, Army news updates and important messages from the Secretary of the Army and the Chief of Staff are also one click away on the site, providing the Army community with quick access to important and relevant information, she said.

"The web site is helping people get their job done," Van Nederveen said. "There is the potential to cut down on the amount of TDY people have to do and time people work on a project, because they can work on the same document or briefing together online."

One of the biggest concerns for the portal is keeping it secure from computer "hackers" and private from telemarketers and other commercial interests who would want to access the list of registered users, she said.

To do that, AKO uses a sophisticated encryption program that safeguards the portal, she said.

Twenty-seven thousand people access AKO, Van Nederveen said. AKO managers expect 50,000 users by the end of this fiscal year.

"We think that once the word spreads to the Soldiers out in the field, AKO will be as popular in the Army as other commercial web sites are in the private sector," she said.

AKO managers hope that as more Soldiers and others in the Army community begin to use the site, they will provide needed feedback so the portal can continue to improve and better serve the military community, Van Nederveen said.

Millennium brings change to savings plan

Civilian savings program offers more for investors in 2000

Douglas J. Gillert

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — More investment funds to choose from and daily transaction processing are among the major changes coming May 1, 2000, to the federal employees' Thrift Savings Plan.

The Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board that manages the government's 401(k) for civilian employees will transfer all existing accounts to a new system in April. The system will convert dollar amounts to shares and offer investors two new investment options in addition to the three existing funds.

The new International Stock Index Investment I Fund will be invested in the Barclays Europe, Australasia and Far East stock index. The index consists of stocks of companies in 20 countries representing 45 percent of the value of the world stock markets.

The Small Capitalization Stock Index International S Fund will be invested in a Wilshire 4500 index fund. It consists of stock actively traded in American stock markets except those in the Standard and Poor's 500 index.

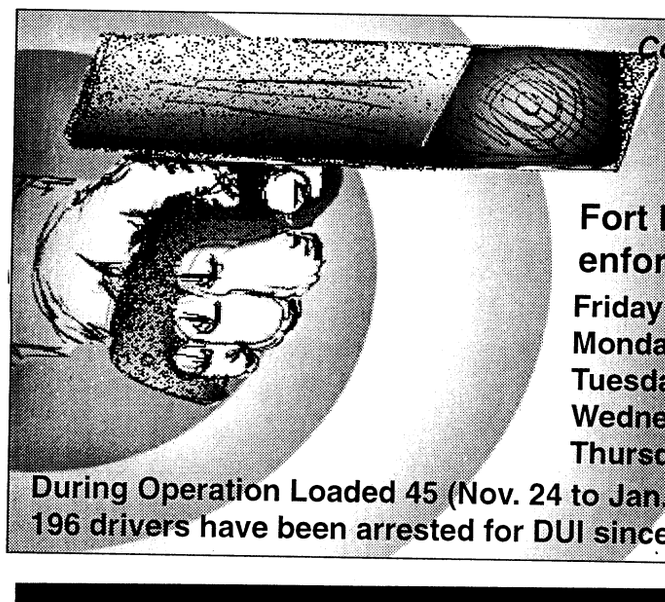
The I Fund is expected to be the most volatile of TSP's five in the short run, followed by the S Fund. Third is the current C Fund, a Barclays Equity Index Fund that tracks the S&P 500. The C, I and S funds potentially can yield higher returns than the safer but generally lower yielding F bond fund and G government securities fund.

Currently, changes investors make to their accounts take effect the following month. Under the new system, transactions will be processed each business day, giving investors more flexibility in managing their accounts. They also won't have to wait for a semiannual open season to change the amount deducted from their pay for Thrift Savings Plan investment. Open seasons will still occur for new enrollments, but the dates will change. The new periods will be April 15-June 30 and Sept. 30-Dec. 31. Currently they are May 15-July 31 and Nov. 15-Jan. 31. Enrollees will receive quarterly rather than biannual statements for the periods ending March 31, June 30, Sept. 30 and Dec. 31.

Loan and withdrawal transactions also will change. Quarterly statements will include loan balance information. Employees with unpaid loans will be able to reamortize them more than once and repay part of the loan ahead of schedule at any time, rather than just once and for the full amount.

All key transactions will be available on the Thrift Savings Plan Web site.

More information about the changes was published in the November 1999 issues of Highlights, mailed to current Thrift Savings Plan account holders and also is available on the Thrift Savings Plan home page (www.tsp.gov/).



Community Oriented Policing

Cops Corner

Fort Benning military police will be conducting speed enforcement patrols in the following locations.

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Tuesday	11 a.m. to noon.	Wold and Edwards streets
Wednesday	noon to 1 p.m.	Marne and 1st Division roads
Thursday	1 p.m. to 2 p.m.	Custer and Baker roads

During Operation Loaded 45 (Nov. 24 to Jan. 3), military police arrested 69 motorists for DUI. A total of 196 drivers have been arrested for DUI since Oct. 1.

Information courtesy of the Directorate of Public Safety.

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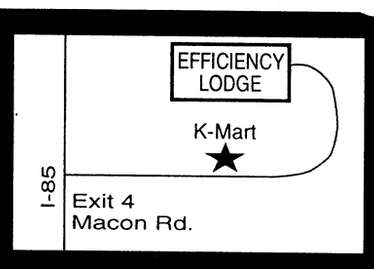

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Army hopes to boost recruiting with cash

Recruiters get nod to offer bigger enlistment bonuses

Doug Smith
Army News Service

FORT KNOX, Ky. — U.S. Army Recruiting Command officials announced qualified applicants are now eligible for a maximum cash enlistment bonus of $20,000.

This is a 67 percent increase over the previous maximum bonus amount of $12,000.

In addition to announcing the increased cash enlistment bonus, recruiting officials also announced the cash enlistment bonus can now be taken in conjunction with the Army College Fund, which offers up to $50,000 for college or vocational training after a four-year enlistment.

Previously recruits had to choose between the enlistment bonus or the Army College Fund. With the new program, that decision is no longer necessary for initial entry recruits.

Presently, cash enlistment bonus amounts range from $1,000 to $20,000 based upon the military occupational skill selected and the term of service.

There is now a cash enlistment bonus for two-year enlistments.

Until now cash enlistment bonuses were offered only for three-year or longer terms of service.

To be eligible for these enlistment incentives, potential Soldier applicants must have no prior military service, meet educational criteria, score in the top half of the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery and meet all other enlistment criteria.

Anyone who wants to learn more about these enlistment incentives should contact their local Army recruiter, call the Army's toll-free number, 1-800-USA-ARMY, or visit the Army recruiting web site at www.goarmy.com.

Editor's note: *Smith is currently assigned to the U.S. Army Recruiting Command Public Affairs Office at Fort Knox, Ky.*

courts-martial

Maj. Sam Mubangu
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

At a general court-martial Aug. 30, Pvt. David A. Miller, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 6th Ranger Training Battalion, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., was convicted of larceny of certain explosive materials, wrongful disposition of certain explosives, and knowingly causing to be transported in interstate commerce certain explosive materials.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-1, to forfeit $350 pay per month for seven months, to be confined for seven months and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge.

At a general court-martial Aug. 18, Master Sgt. Nathaniel (aka Nathanial) Crimbley II, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized), was convicted of larceny of military property, housebreaking, obtaining services of some value under false pretenses and violating a lawful general regulation. He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-5, to forfeit $500 per month for six months, to be restricted for 60 days, and to be reprimanded.

At a general court-martial Aug. 4, 2nd Lt. Kevin D. Stucker, HHC, 2nd Battalion, 11th Inf. Regt., was arraigned on charges of assault consummated by a battery, conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, and willful dereliction in the performance of duty. The accused having been arraigned, the proceedings were terminated Sept. 13 in favor of nonjudicial punishment.

At a general court-martial April 22, 1999, Pvt. Kendyl D. Wilson (aka Kendyl D. E. Wilson), HHC, 1st Bn., 30th Inf., 3rd Bde., 3rd Inf. Div. (Mech.), was convicted of wrongful distribution of marijuana and cocaine, wrongful use of marijuana, attempt to wrongfully distribute manrijuana and cocaine and conspiracy to wrongfully distribute marijuana.

He was sentenced to forfeit all pay and allowances, to be confined for a period of 29 months, to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge, and to pay a fine in the amount of $500; and to be further confined for an additional period of 30 days, if the fine is not paid.

At a general court-martial April 9, 1999, Pvt. Wayne E. Jordan Jr., 608th Ordnance Company, 13th Corps Support Battalion, 36th Engineer Group (Combat), was convicted of burglary, larceny of personal property, and forgery.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-1 (sic), to forfeit all pay and allowances, to be confined for seven months, and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge.

At a general court-martial April 1, 1999, Spc. Cameron L. Woolcott, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Bn., 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Bde., 3rd Inf. Div. (Mech.), was convicted of indecent acts upon a female under 16 years of age. He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-1, to forfeit all pay and allowances, to be confined for 15 months, and to be discharged from the service with a dishonorable discharge.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge Oct. 19, 1999, Staff Sgt. Bruce Powell, E Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, was convicted of wrongful use of cocaine. He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-3, to forfeit $500 pay per month for two months, to be restricted for 40 days and to be reprimanded.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge Aug. 17, 1999, Pvt. Joshua C. Donelson, B Co., 1st Bn., 19th Inf., Infantry Training Brigade, was convicted of being absent without leave, wrongful appropriation of military property, and wrongful disposition of military property.

He was sentenced to forfeit $250 pay per month for a period of five months and to be confined for five months.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge July 29, 1999, Staff Sgt. Jacqueline E. Dillard, HHC, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, was convicted of wrongful use of cocaine. She was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-5, to forfeit $922 pay per month for two months and to be reprimanded.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge July 1, 1999, Pvt. David S. Zampedri, A Co., 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., was arraigned on charges of wrongful disposition of military property, larceny of military property, and false swearing.

The accused having been arraigned, the proceedings were terminated Aug. 4,1999 because the convening authority approved the accused's request for discharge under other than honorable conditions pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10, Army Regulation 635-200.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge June 17, 1999, Sgt. Edward P. Lewis, CONUS Replacement Center, 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., was arraigned on charges of missing movement through neglect and larceny of personal property. The accused having been arraigned, the proceedings were terminated June 23, 1999, because the convening authority approved the accused's request for discharge under other than honorable conditions pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10, Army Regulation 635-200.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge June 18, 1999, Staff Sgt. Rodney B. Harris, HHC, 29th Inf. Regt., was arraigned on a charge of wrongful use of cocaine. The accused having been arraigned, the proceedings were terminated June 19, 1999 because the convening authority approved the accused's request for discharge under other than honorable conditions pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10, Army Regulation 635-200.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge April 23, 1999, Pfc. Clinton J. Rowe, HHC, 1st Bn., 30th Inf., 3rd Bde., 3rd Inf. Div. (Mech.), was convicted of wrongful distribution of marijuana and conspiracy to wrongfully distribute marijuana.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-1 and to be confined for forty-five days.

At a special court-martial empowered to adjudge a bad-conduct discharge April 6, 1999, Specialist Terrance (aka Terrence) L. Williams, B Battery, 1st Bn., 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Bde., 3rd Inf. Div. (Mech.), was convicted of larceny of military property and unlawful entry.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of E-1, to be confined for three months and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge.

Fires set for habitats

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

The skies over Fort Benning will be a little smoky next week as the Natural Resources Management Branch burns underbrush in various training areas around post.

Burning of vegetation is common on post from January through August 31 each year.

Foresters will be working in areas F1, G2, G7, H2, K3, K8, L6, P1, P3, Q3, Q4, Q6, S1, BB1 and BB5 starting Monday and continuing through Friday.

Burning will occur in pine stands within these areas to enhance the habitat for the red cockaded woodpecker, an endangered species, and to increase visibility and safety for training.

"By burning the underbrush, we are reducing the fuel load and making the training areas safer," Jack M. Greenlee, supervisory forester, Natural Resources Management, said.

Turkey and deer hunters using these areas need to vacate the premises before 9:30 a.m. daily.

Burning will start around 11 a.m. each day and end around 3:30 p.m., weather permitting.

"Units utilizing ranges and training areas should remove flammable debris, such as pine straw, leaves and trash from around structures in accordance with USAIC Regulation 210-4, Paragraph 5-22, Organizational Maintenance," Greenlee said.

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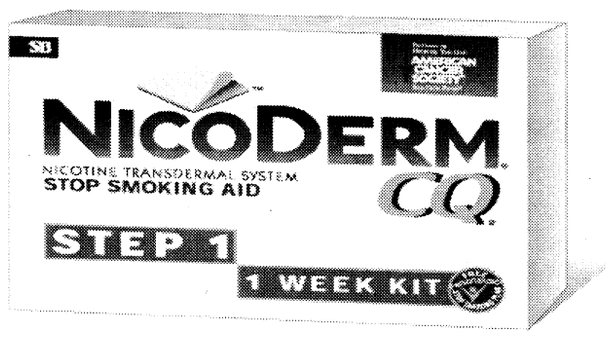

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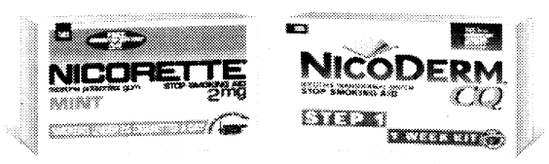

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75th Rangers remember fallen

Staff Sgt. Amanda Halford
U.S. Army Special Operations Command



Photos by Staff Sgt. Amanda Halford

The five Rangers killed during Operation Just Cause were remembered during the ceremony. The color guard was provided by HHC, 75th Ranger Regiment.

Ten years ago on Dec. 19, 1989, America sent her sons and daughters into combat in Panama as part of Operation Just Cause. On Dec. 17, the 75th Ranger Regiment, which spearheaded the conflict, remembered the mission and their comrades who didn't come home.

Eighteenth Airborne Corps Commanding General, Lt. Gen. William F. Kernan, the 75th Ranger Regiment commander during Operation Just Cause, was the guest speaker for the ceremony.

"I remember the jumpmasters leading us into the Ranger Creed at the three-minute warning and what that meant to me. I remember the disciplined manner in which Rangers went about their business on the drop zone, eliminating enemy resistance. I also remember how elated I was at how steady those aircraft were coming in, despite the fact that they were receiving fire, and the elation I felt at seeing those C-130s, Little Birds and Apaches working the objective area," Kernan said.

The anniversary celebration started Dec. 16, with a presentation on the military operation. The next morning, more than 200 Rangers — past and present — participated in an airborne jump that represented the 75th's daring operation into the Republic of Panama 10 years ago.

"We're here with the Ranger Regiment to honor the people who participated in that (operation) and to memorialize those who made the ultimate sacrifice. It's a very special occasion with people I respect and admire very much," Kernan said after the jump.

Kernan said as they flew to Fryar Drop Zone, he looked at the back of the plane and saw former Pfc. Pat McElrath sitting there. The general recalled with emotion the last time McElrath was enroute to a jump. McElrath was a mortarman with C Company, 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regt. during Operation Just Cause.

During the airborne operation, another parachutist drifted under him, causing his parachute to collapse. McElrath plummeted to the ground, breaking his back. He hasn't walked since. The 75th Ranger Regt. obtained special permission for him to be on board the aircraft during the jump. At a ceremony later that afternoon at the Ranger Memorial, the 75th Ranger Regiment Commander, Col. P. Ken Keen remembered how the evening of Dec. 19, 1989, started.

"Ten years ago today was a Sunday afternoon, a day I suspect most Americans were home spending with their families, doing that last minute shopping for Christmas or just relaxing," he said.

"For many of you here, it was a much different Sunday afternoon. Some of you were probably were still scraping camouflage off your face having just come back from a full-scale rehearsal of an operation at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. Some were still just returning home and some had not even reached the front door when the Ranger Regiment was notified to reassemble and send those forces into combat," Keen said.

Kernan explained the planning for the operation actually started in August of 1989 and went on for almost 18 months before company commanders were included. But it paid off.

"I remember the calm and methodical final preparations at Lawson Army Airfield, that's where I was. And I'm sure the same things were occurring at Hunter Army Airfield," he said. "I had the opportunity to address the Rangers at Lawson Army Airfield prior to boarding the aircraft.

"It was a strange sight, all those hardened, combat-laden, steely-eyed Rangers draped in Army wool blankets against the chill and the sleet that was coming down, ready to get on with the business at hand," he added. "I also remember, as I was standing out there, the determined commitment evident in each of their eyes."

Seven and a half-hours later, after being packed with 63 other Rangers in the C-130, Kernan was on the drop zone, in the midst of combat. More than 2,000 Rangers made the 500-foot combat jump on Dec. 20, 1989.

"By daybreak, we all had the bitter taste of combat, many for the first time. But every Ranger was committed to the nation and to their fellow Rangers," Kernan emphasized.

Their mission was to take control of the two airports into Panama, Kernan explained, so the 82nd Airborne Division could go in and complete their mission.

He said it was critical that they neutralize the Panamanian Defense Force's Sixth and Seventh Rifle Companies, which were Noriega's counter-attack threats for the invasion force.

"I was impressed with the precision in which the objectives were achieved," Kernan said. He talked about NCOs who took charge and ensured the success of the mission.

The ceremony also honored those who didn't make it back.

"I remember the pain and anguish we all experienced when we were informed of all our losses. We're out here today to commemorate the 10th anniversary of Just Cause and to honor five brave young men, Rangers who went willingly to do their nation's bidding. They made the ultimate sacrifice, giving the last full measure of devotion," Kernan said.

Ranges who died in Operation Just Cause were:

Staff Sgt. Larry Barnard, B Co., 3rd Bn., rifle squadron

Spc. Philp Lear, B Co., 2nd Bn., rifleman

Pfc. James W. Markwell C Co., 1st Bn., medic

Pfc. John Price, A Co., 2nd Bn., rifleman

Pfc. Roy Brown Jr., A Co., 3rd Bn., rifleman

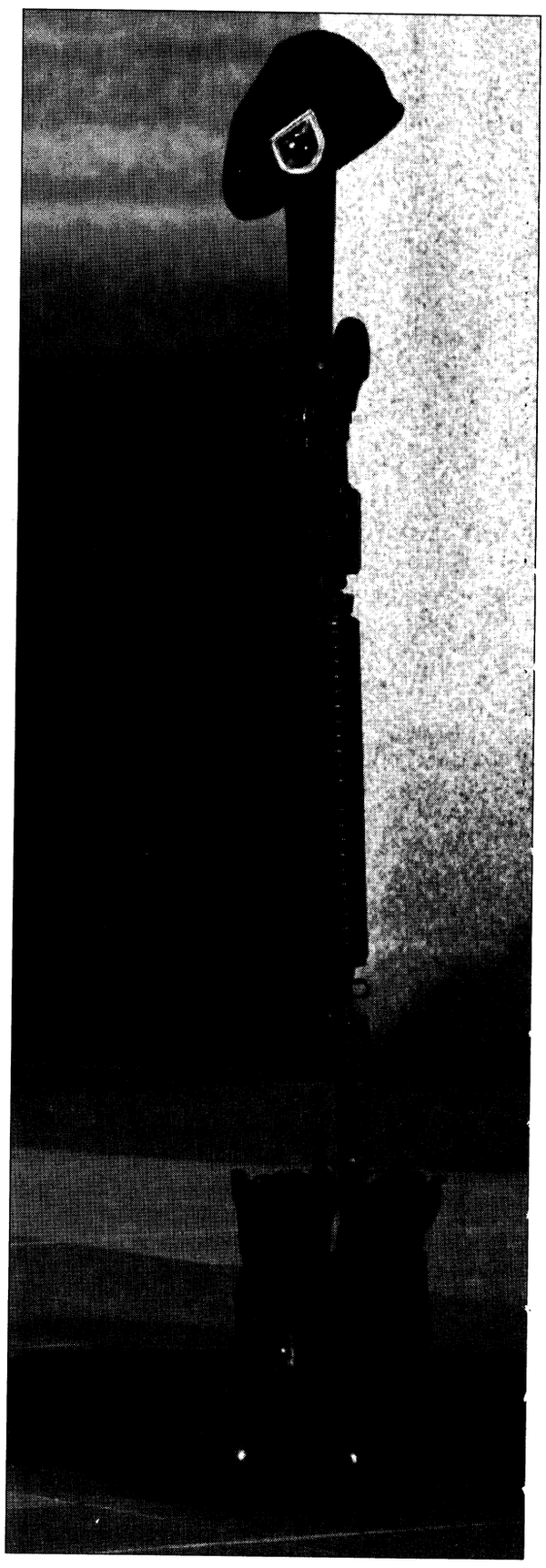
"Wherever America has been confronted with a tough mission, Rangers have led the way. It has always been so; it will always be that way," he said.

"As I look to the future ... I see many more young men like those five, who will selflessly serve and serve with honor."

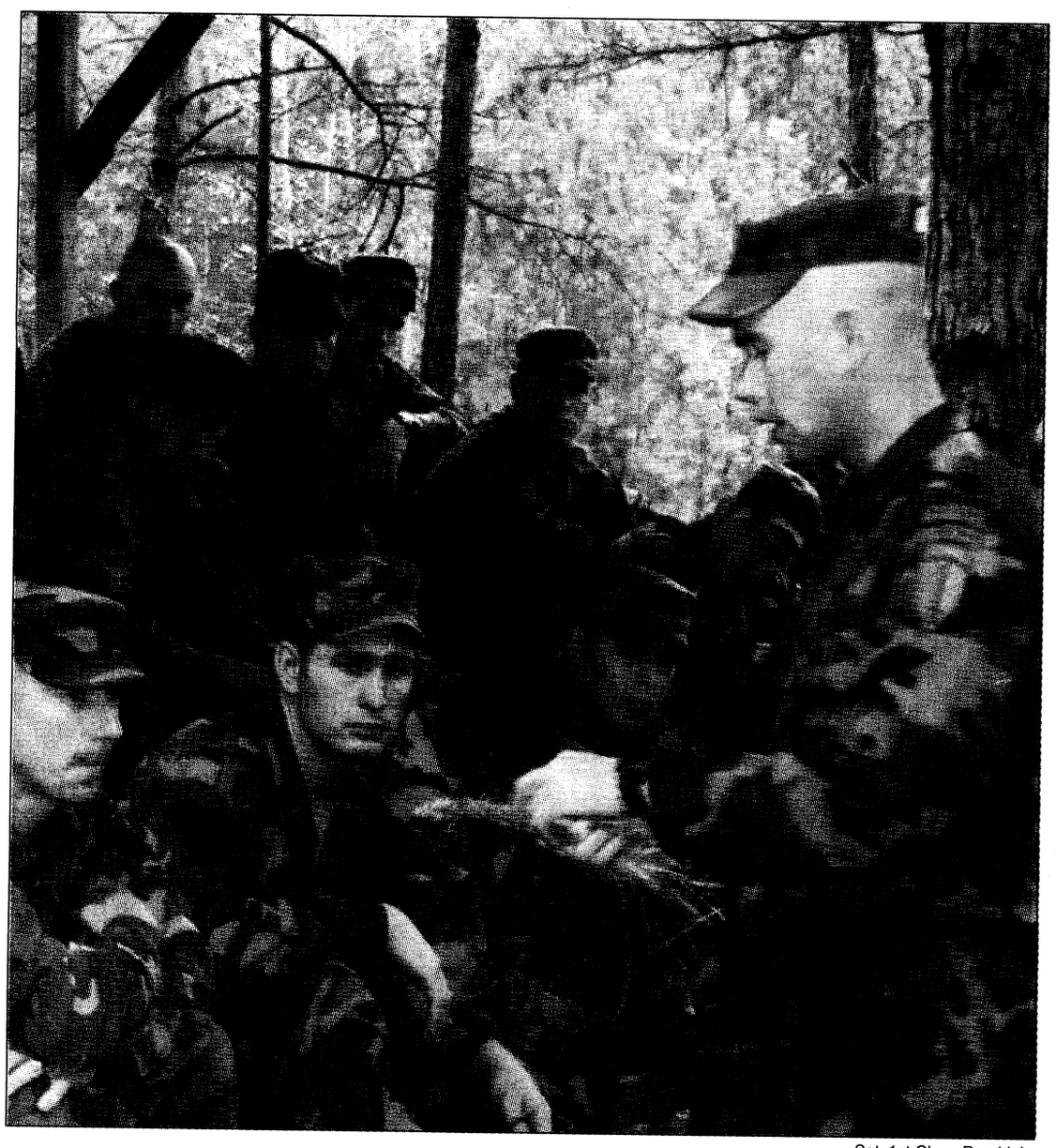
Although invited, former President George Bush was unable to attend the ceremony. He sent the following remarks: "For the Rangers, I have nothing but unbridled respect and admiration. When the decision was made to liberate the people of Panama to save American lives and bring the narco-trafficker who ruled them to justice, the Army's elite Ranger Regiment heeded the call. By swiftly and successfully completing the mission, the Rangers earned the admiration and gratitude of Panamanian and American citizens alike.

"There is no way that I might ever properly convey what I keep to this day in my heart for the men and women who served so honorably in this mission. Although I can't be with you as you gather to commemorate this profound 10-year anniversary, please know that my appreciation joins the chorus of millions in our grateful nation."

During the ceremony, a beret with the 75th Ranger Regiment flash was placed on an M-16 in rememberance of the five Rangers. Kernan and Keen also laid a wreath to remember all Rangers at the



A black beret with the 75th Ranger Regiment's flash was placed on an M-16A2 rifle in honor of each Ranger killed during Operation Just Cause.



Sgt. 1st Class Ron Link

Handy survival skill

Sgt. 1st Class Travis Schledewitz, an instructor for the Long Range Surveillance Leader's Course, demonstrates to students a technique for making rope from grass. During the course, students learn useful skills like how to navigate without a compasss, build traps and snares, identify edible and medicinal plants found in North America and how to build fires without matches or lighters.

State-of-the-art armored vehicles put through paces during testing

Ali Bettencourt
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Companies from six foreign countries and the United States will demonstrate their state-of-the-art medium-armored vehicles for Army officials throughout January at Fort Knox, Ky.

Army Soldiers will put 35 French, Turkish, Canadian, German, Swiss, Singaporean and U.S. vehicle platforms through a series of live-fire, mobility, agility and endurance tests during the month-long "platform performance demonstration," said Col. Joseph Rodriguez, director for the Transformation Axis. (The Transformation Axis is the Training and Doctrine Command cell in charge of operational and organizational requirements for the Army's new initial Brigade Combat Teams.)

The Army is in the market for an off-the-shelf vehicle that can serve as the basis for a new fleet of lighter vehicles, and is holding the demonstration to see what is currently available, Rodriguez said.

The new vehicles will outfit two initial Brigade Combat Teams being stood up at Fort Lewis, Wash., he said.

The new platform and BCTs are part of the Army's response to Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki's vision of making heavy forces lighter and light forces more lethal, mobile and survivable, Rodriguez said.

The intent of the BCTs is to: deploy in 96 hours and be combat ready upon arrival, Rodriguez said. The BCTs will be most effective in small-scale contingencies and applicable to stability and support operations and major theater wars, he said.

To do that, the new vehicles must be lighter than the tanks, Bradleys and artillery pieces the Army currently has, and must have a uniform platform that can be used for all the vehicles needed in the brigade — from a command and control vehicle, to the anti-tank and reconnaissance platforms, Rodriguez said.

"Today, when we deploy the heavy force, we can get one M1 tank in the C-17 aircraft," Rodriguez said. "We think we can put four to six of these medium-armored vehicles in one C-17, depending on which armored vehicle the Army ultimately selects and decides to buy."

The heaviest part of an armored division is not the tanks or Bradleys, it is the fuel for those vehicles, Rodriguez said.

The next heaviest aspect is the ammunition and then the vehicles themselves, he said.

Army officials will look for a vehicle with reduced fuel and ammunition weights, an interchangeable design that negates the need for 20 to 30 different mechanics and 20 to 30 different drivers, Rodriguez said.

Once in the area of operation, the commander in chief should be able to move the BCT and its equipment via a C-130, Rodriguez said.

That couldn't be done with today's mechanized force, he said.

"Everything in this brigade has to fit into a C-130 transport aircraft," he said. "If it doesn't fit into a C-130, it doesn't go into this brigade."

The demonstration will educate the Army on what is available and allow officials to communicate the Army's requirements to industry, he said.

It is not a competition, yet, he said. After the demonstration, the Army will determine the modifications and technology insertions the platforms need and will put out a request for proposals, Rodriguez said.

A "drive off, shoot off," for the vehicles contractors construct, is anticipated in May, and a final decision could be made in June or July, Rodriguez said.

Innovative military family programs eligible for extra funding

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Department of Defense-authorized private organizations — to include enlisted, NCO and officer spouses' clubs — that provide military families with innovative support may be eligible to receive extra funding through a Fisher House-sponsored program.

Five organizations will be recognized for developing innovative programs to improve the quality of life and support of military families in their military communities, according to retired Army Col. James Weiskopf, a spokesman for Fisher House. The non-profit Fisher House Foundation Inc. has 26 houses located at military and Veterans Affairs medical centers across the country, which help 6,000 families annually. One award each will be given to an organization that supports the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, or Coast Guard, said Weiskopf.

The organization judged to have the most innovative program would receive a check for $10,000. The other four organizations will receive $5,000 each.

In an open letter to members of the military and their families, Arnold Fisher, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Fisher House Foundation Inc., announced a partnership of Newman's Own, Fisher House, and the MilitaryTimes. Newman's Own provides the funding; Fisher House provides the program administration; and the MilitaryTimes Newsweeklies provide the advertising for the program.

The three organizations have created their partnership because together they believe that no investment pays a higher rate of return than investing in improving the quality of life for America's service men and women and their families, said Weiskopf.

World War II Navy veteran and actor Paul Newman has donated more than $100 million for educational and charitable purposes since 1982, when he began selling Newman's Own products, said Weiskopf.

Newman's Own products were first introduced into the military commissary system in 1997, said Weiskopf, who noted that a portion of the company's after-tax profits are donated to the Fisher House program.

To be eligible, the organization submitting the plan must be a private organization as defined in Department of Defense Instruction 1000.15.

The deadline for applications is March 15. Copies of the application and other information can be obtained on the worldwide web at http://www.militarycity.com/communityaward, or by calling the Fisher House Foundation at (888) 294-8560.

(**Editor's note:** *Information provided by a Fisher House Foundation news release.*)

DoD stands down Y2K operations center after successful holiday weekend

Paul Stone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Characterizing the Y2K rollover period as "a remarkably successful weekend," Deputy Secretary of Defense John Hamre announced Jan. 4 that DoD was standing down its Y2K operations center.

During a Pentagon briefing Hamre said the minor glitches that did occur, combined with a normal start of the business week, makes it unnecessary to continue a full-scale watch on the millennium bug.

"Everything worked fine. We just had a small handful of problems," Hamre said, crediting the "literally tens of thousands of people" involved in making DoD's Y2K repairs during the past two years.

"We had no problems with any of our forces deployed anywhere," Hamre said. "Every one of our commanders in chief reported that they were under positive and affirmative control of their theater throughout the entire rollover period."

Some of the minor glitches Hamre referred to included a "swipe card" not allowing entry to a building, a cash register that did not function at a facility in Okinawa, and some computers that did not automatically convert to the year 2000 — a problem that was solved simply by rebooting the computers. He said the glitches were no more significant than a local dry cleaner not being able to get his or her computer working.

Except for a reconnaissance satellite, "nothing had any operational implication," Hamre said. As he had reported in previous briefings during the holiday weekend, Hamre again explained that a satellite-based intelligence system experienced a Y2K failure shortly after the rollover of Greenwich Mean Time. The failure meant that intelligence officials were unable to process information from the system for two to three hours.

Hamre said the problem was not with the satellite itself, but on the ground in a processing station, and emphasized that within several hours a back-up system was in place and operational.

"We had a minor loss of the normal sequence of things we observe on an ongoing basis from this asset," Hamre said.

"It was not judged to be significant in quantitative terms and it was not judged to be significant for military terms because the backup system took care of all our high-priority military requirements."

Although not surprised DoD sailed through the Y2K rollover period without serious problems, Hamre said the Pentagon had anticipated more people would try to use the time period to attempt to hack into DoD computer networks.

DoD is standing down its Y2K operations center for now, but Hamre said it may have to be re-energized at the end of February, when computer systems go through the leap year transition. Disruptions are possible if systems have not been programmed to recognize 2000 is a leap year.

But Hamre believes that scenario is unlikely. "If there was going to be problem that showed up, it really would have showed up at this window," he said.

Agency recruits for census takers

Chick Eagle
Army Career and Alumni Program

Here is an employment opportunity that comes along only every 10 years. Census takers and others are needed right now to work on the 2000 census.

The first census was conducted in 1790 and was a simple headcount of men and women in the country.

Since then life in America has become extremely complex and the collection of accurate census data is vital to the running of our nation.

Billions of dollars of federal, state, and local funds are allocated based on census figures.

The 2000 census will influence just about everything that happens in the country, from deciding how much money is granted a community for schools, hospitals, roads, and social programs, to how businesses decide how and where to expand.

About 500,000 people will be working on the census, which must be on the President's desk by Dec. 31," said Terrie Smith, a local recruiter from the Columbus Census 2000 office.

"We need to test and hire lots of census takers, crew leaders, and some office clerks to support the Columbus and Phenix City regional effort," she said.

"We are dedicated to quality and accuracy of the 2000 census and want to hire Soldiers (with flexible schedules), separating Soldiers, family members, retirees, and any other qualified individual looking for an excellent employment opportunity."

Census takers called enumerators are paid $9.25 an hour and 31 cents a mile for travel.

Although the census effort requires many temporary employees, it can lead to other federal employment opportunities, Smith said.

It is excellent experience for anyone with limited employment history, Smith said.

A 30-minute test is required by all applicants and will be conducted frequently during the next few months.

Successful completion of the test, criminal background check, valid drivers license and reliable transportation is about all that is required.

Applicants must bring either a passport (current or expired) or a picture ID (Drivers License) and Social Security card (or birth certificate) to prove employability.

Testing dates and sites are being set-up around the area.

Interested personnel can call Smith at 706-569-0201 or the main office at 706-653-0117 for information and reservations.

General information about employment on the 2000 census is available at 1-888-325-7733.

For more information call the Fort Benning ACAP Center at 545-2308 or 545-2309 or visit Soldiers' Plaza, Building 2634.

The ACAP web site can be found at: http://www.benning.army.mil/ACAP/

Korea veterans prepare for 50th anniversary

Army News Service

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The 50th anniversary of the Korea War will begin on June 25, 2000, and continue through July 27, 2003.

In preparation for commemorative activities that will be held in the United States and abroad, Korean War veterans are being encouraged to register with the U.S.-Korea 2000 Foundation. Specifically, the Foundation is looking for anyone who served in the armed forces, including the Coast Guard and Merchant Marine, for at least one day during the period June 25, 1950, to July 27, 1953.

Actual service in the Korean theater of operations is not a requirement. Family members of deceased Korean War veterans are also encouraged to participate.

According to Department of Veterans' Affairs statistics, less than 20 percent of Korean War veterans belong to any national veterans' organization. The Foundation seeks to identify and locate surviving Korean War veterans so that it might inform veterans of and, to the extent possible, facilitate their participation in 50th anniversary commemorative activities.

Retired Marine General Raymond G. Davis, a former Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, Korean War Medal of Honor recipient, and Foundation Co-chairman said, "We do not seek to commemorate the war, but rather the veterans thereof and the sacrifices they made to preserve democracy on the Korean peninsula almost 50 years ago."

Interested parties may obtain additional information concerning the Foundation, as well as print a copy of the registration form, from the Foundation's web site. Alternatively, individuals may request an information and registration packet by contacting the Foundation as indicated below. Please include name and complete mailing address.

U.S.-Korea 2000 Foundation, Inc., 4600 Duke Street, Suite 416, Alexandria, VA 22304-2517.

Phone: (703) 212-8128

Fax: (703) 684-0193

E-mail the Foundation at: Info@USKorea2000.org Web Site: http://www.uskorea2000.org.

The U.S.-Korea 2000 Foundation is a private, publicly supported, non-profit organization, that serves the Korean War veteran community through individual and corporate philanthropic outreach.

For more information on helping financially sustain this labor of love or assisting in other ways, please contact the Foundation's Deputy Executive Director, Harry Mohr, by phone at (703) 212-8128; by fax at (703) 684-0193; or by e-mail at HMohr@USKorea2000.org.

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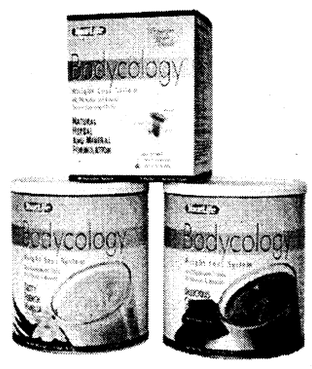

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BIO 105-021	ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES	M/W	5	SOA	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
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BIO 123-021	BIOLOGY I	M/W	5	SOA	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
BIO 124-021	BIOLOGY II	T/TH	5	SOA	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
CIS 200-021	COMPUTER CONCEPTS	M/W	5	SOA	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
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ENG 099-021	LSS ENGLISH II	T/TH	5	SOA	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
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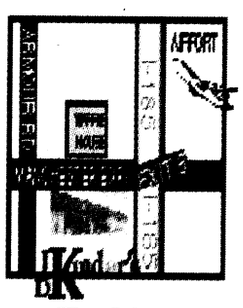

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Wilson Elementary School students and staff returned to their classrooms Monday after spending one year in temporary trailers while their school underwent extensive renovations.

"The students are excited," said Phyllis Parker, Wilson Elementary School principal. "Some of them started attending Wilson in the trailers and they've never had classes in the building."

"It's like starting a new school all over again," said Jerry Brown, fourth-grader.

The renovations were completed by Burgos Construction, from Montgomery, Ala., at a cost of nearly $3 million. Classrooms, offices, and restrooms throughout the school were remodeled. Construction began in January 1999 and was completed during the Christmas break.

The school, which houses more than 400 students, was built in 1965 and several classrooms were added in 1988. New carpeting and tilework preceded the current renovations, reducing the overall cost.

Minor demolition began over a year ago to remove some existing interior walls. The building was rewired with the local area network system, which is used at Fort Benning

The layout of the school was not drastically altered, but better use of existing space created a new classroom, two new offices, and various storage facilities. The media center, cafeteria, and physical education center continued to be used in their original place within the building.

"The biggest inconvenience was having the students go in and out of the building during bad weather," Parker said. "Otherwise, we didn't miss a beat. We continued to have Internet access throughout the year. That was important to us."

"The trailers were scary during storms," Micaela Burress said. "The classrooms feel bigger now, and the hallways are so clean and quiet, it's like a hospital."

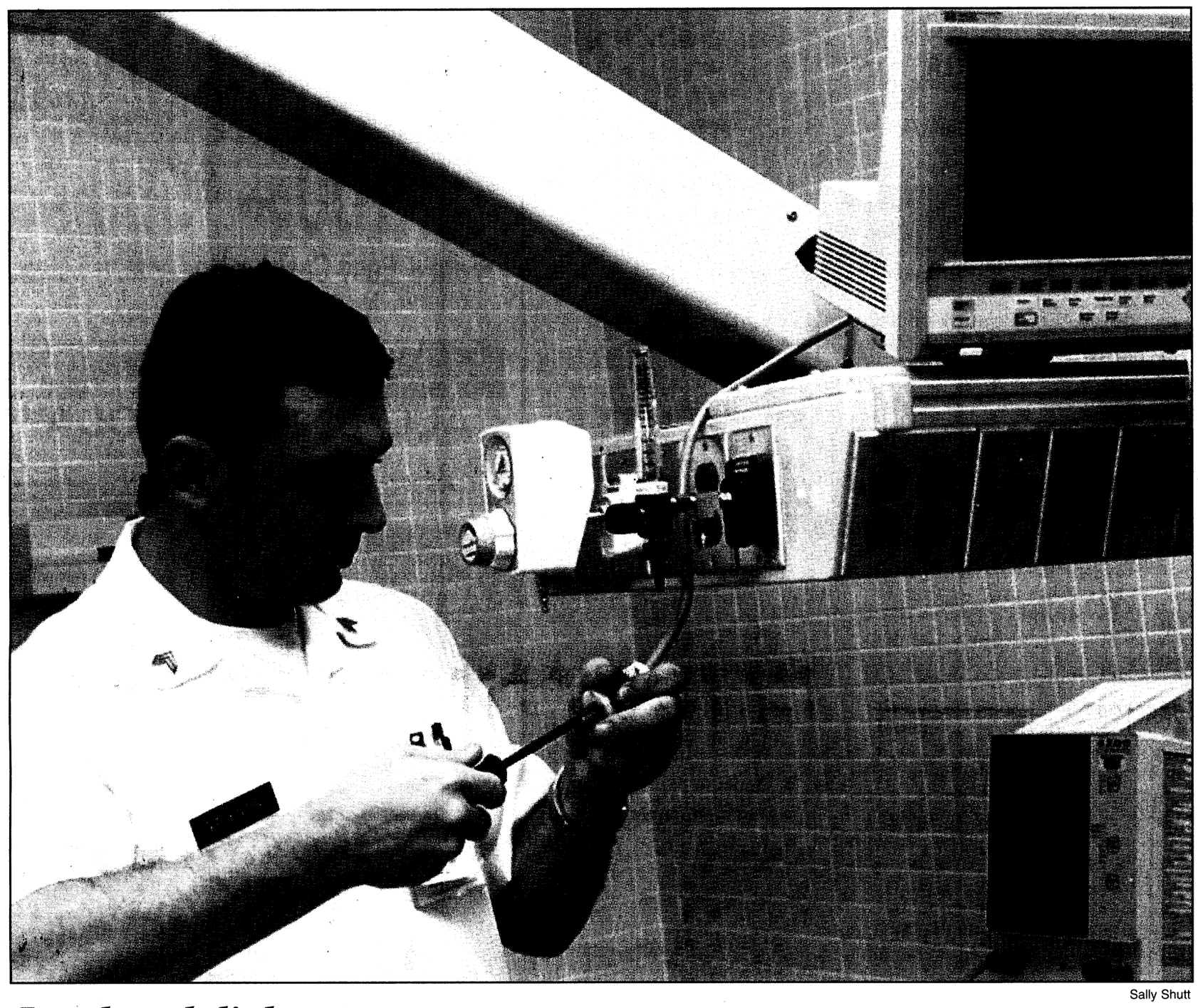
Each classroom was outfitted with new cabinets, coat racks, shelves, bulletin and dry erase boards, and storage compartments.

"Wonderful. Everything is so neatly organized," said Maria Phillips, third-grade teacher. "We have so much more room now."

The exterior of the school was also updated, with new lighting, safety doors, and tinted windows. Student members of the school's Butterfly Project will begin landscaping the lawns surrounding the school sometime in January, and the community will be invited to enjoy the results at an open house in the near future.

Now that the remodeling is complete, the temporary trailers are being transported to Dexter Elementary School, where plans are underway to begin similar reconstruction in February. Parker advised the staff and students at Dexter to view the next few months as an adventure.

"It's a lot of inconvenience, but just keep the end result — a new school — in mind," Parker said.



Sally Shutt

Landmark lights

Sgt. Eduardo Valentin Jr. with the Department of Logistics at Martin Army Community Hospital, works Monday wiring a new monitoring system in the hospital's renovated emergency room. See next week's *THE BAYONET* for an in-depth look at the new ER, which opened to patients later Monday afternoon.

Cancer treatment study open to Tricare users

Humana Military Healthcare Services, Inc.

The Department of Defense and the National Cancer Institute joined forces in 1966 to introduce the DoD/NCI Cancer Treatment Clinical Trials Demonstration Project.

This project gives Tricare beneficiaries the option to participate in the latest cancer treatment studies. Last summer the program expanded to included cancer prevention clinical trials.

Patients take part in cancer treatment clinical trials in hopes of a cure, a longer life expectancy, or an improvement in their quality of life.

In cancer prevention trials, people with early or previously treated cancer take medicines or supplements or participate in certain activities that doctors believe will lower their cancer risk.

Patients are closely monitored and cared for in the same facilities where standard cancer treatment is provided. These facilities include more than 2,000 sites throughout the U.S., such as military hospitals, clinics, comprehensive and clinical cancer centers, community hospitals and doctors' offices.

Costs for evaluation to determine eligibility and cancer treatments are covered under this demonstration project. All the usual Tricare rules, cost shares and deductibles apply. Evaluation and treatment must be rendered by a provider who participates in the clinical trials.

For general cancer information, call NCI's Cancer Information Service at 800-422-6237 or TTY (for hearing impaired) 800-332-8615 or visit their web site at http://cancernet.nci.nih.gov.

Prospective cancer trial participants must apply and receive authorization before any treatment is received under the clinical trial.

This also includes the evaluation for the trial. For an authorization to enter a DoD/NCI approved clinical trial, contact the DoD Cancer Trials Demonstration Coordinator at 1-800-779-3060.

The demonstration coordinator can assist you in locating clinical trials covered by this program and also authorize coverage for clinical trials held outside the Military Treatment Facility.

Tricare is a Department of Defense program offered by Humana Military Healthcare Services, Inc.

Abuse support group available

Shirley Koop
Chaplain Family Life Training Center

It could begin as a simple flash. An image or smell, or perhaps even the recollection of a touch. It might not stop there.

In time, a flood of memories could come rushing back and unmask a terrible secret about the past, revealing that someone did something to you which may have affected your whole life and will continue to do so unless you receive help.

It is estimated that one in three women are survivors of child sexual abuse. For women on Fort Benning who are victims of this kind of abuse, help is available. That help is in the form of the Sex Abuse Survivors Support Group.

The program is designed to help women who have been traumatized by sexual abuse to recover from their trauma. "By coming together with others who have had similar experiences in a safe and comfortable environment, survivors can learn to overcome their pain and get rid of it," said Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Richard Roggia, director of the Chaplain Family Life Training Center.

For more than 12 years, this program has been offered on and off.

Meeting as a group lets survivors know there are

See **ABUSED**, B-4

Photo club moves into new darkroom

Wilson Elementary club gets only darkroom in Fort Benning schools

Bridgett Siter
Bayonet correspondent©

Because the year-long renovations at Wilson Elementary School are now complete, the fledgling school's photography club is anticipating the use of its newly constructed darkroom, the only one of its kind in Fort Benning schools.

The club's founder, Dr. Wanda Person, media specialist at Wilson, first envisioned such a club for the school after taking a photography course over a year ago.

She postponed implementing her ideas until this year because of the massive reconstruction at the school.

During this time, Person met with architects and discussed plans for converting unused office space into a darkroom for her students.

In the meantime, the 12 fourth- and fifth-grade members of the club practiced their skills with digital cameras provided by the school and disposable cameras purchased by Person.

"I like taking the pictures, but it will be fun to learn to develop them when the darkroom is ready," said Josh Olive, fifth-grader and president of the club of the new shutterbug club.

The club meets Wednesdays after school, and Person said she anticipates more involvement once students begin to develop their own photos.

"We are planning several projects, such as scanning photos to make postcards, making scrapbooks, and turning photographs into puzzles," Person said.

Person plans to have club members become increasingly involved with the school yearbook as they develop their skills.

"This kind of activity boosts self-esteem and develops their confidence, as they see the results of their labors," Person said.

The students each keep a journal noting dates, times, and places of their photos, as well as lighting conditions and predictions about the outcome of their work.

They have selected their favorite photogrpahic works to be displayed in an unscheduled upcoming show at the school.

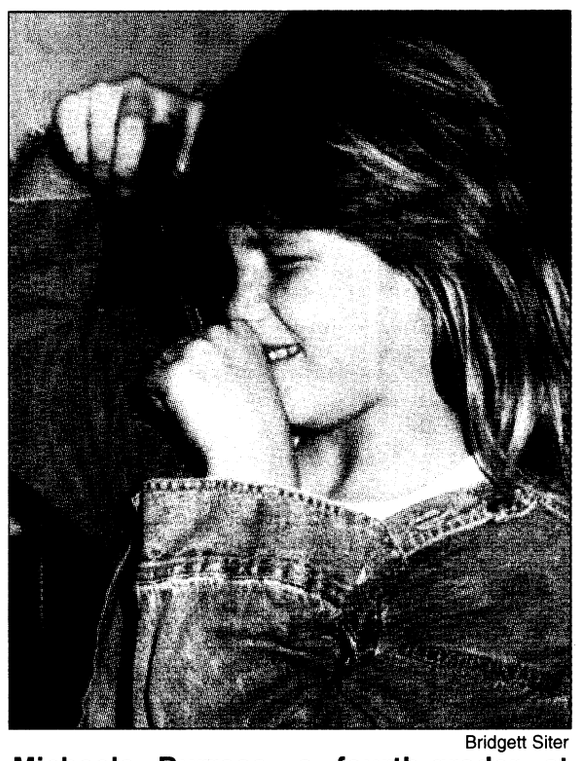
"Several of these students have a really good eye for interesting and unusual shots. I was impressed," Person said. "I didn't expect them to show quite this level of maturity in their work."

After discussing the various photographic styles, Person assigns her students a number of different types of photos, including still-life, landscapes, or portraits.

"I like the art of taking pictures," said Dewayne Metcalf, a fifth-grader who recently completed a still-life of painted autumn leaves. "I like the emotions in the pictures."

Initially Person planned to keep the club membership very small. The response has been so favorable that she now hopes to include third-graders next year.

"They have taken it so much more seriously than I thought they would," she said.



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Michaela Burress, a fourth-grader at Wilson Elementary, takes a picture for the photo club.

"These children have really thought things through and formed images of each photo in their heads," Person said. "I knew we would have fun and learn something along the way, but this was an unexpected surprise."

money matters

2nd Lt. Merle Campbell
Bayonet correspondent


Campbell

Using debt to finance operations is commonplace in corporate America, as is illustrated by the presence of a large bond market. However, corporations are not the only entities that use debt to finance operations.

The U.S. government also uses debt as a means of raising capital. It does so by utilizing several different debt securities. Depending on maturity, U.S. treasuries have a yield comparable to that of a traditional savings or money market account. However, they are good investments for three primary reasons. First of all, U.S. treasuries basically have no credit risk, meaning that the possibility of them defaulting is almost non existent. This is due to the fact that the government can always raise money to pay its debts, either by raising taxes or printing money. For this reason treasuries prove to be good investments during turbulent market conditions.

Secondly, treasuries make attractive investments because they are exempt from state income taxes. This can prove beneficial for those living in states with high state income tax rates.

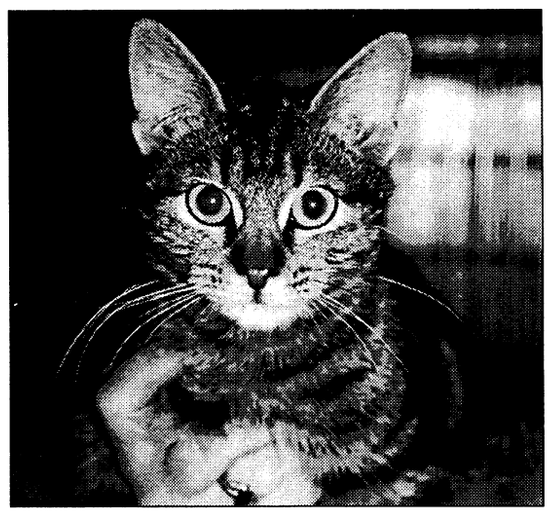
And finally, treasuries can be purchased and sold quite readily through a broker or directly from the Federal Reserve. This feature makes them extremely accessible to individual investors.

The U.S. government issues three primary debt securities; Treasury bills, notes, and bonds. Treasury bills are short-term securities with a maturity of less than one year. T-bills are purchased in denominations of $10,000, at a discount to their face value. For example, an individual investor wants to purchase a $10,000, one-year T-bill that is currently selling at a discount rate of 4.5 percent. This means the security is selling at 95.5 percent of its face value, making its current price $9,550. When the T-bill matures in one year, the investor is repaid their $10,000. Thus an investor makes $450 in interest, which provides an investment yield of 4.7 percent ($450 divided by $10,000). The investment yield is what should be observed when shopping for the best T-bill rates.

Treasury notes and bonds work much like corporate bonds. Treasury notes have a maturity of one to 10 years, and treasury bonds have a maturity that is greater than 10 years. T-notes and bonds pay interest semi annually, much like corporate bonds do, and upon their maturity, the U.S. government repays the face value of the bond to the investor. The longer the maturity of the instrument, the higher the yield. A 30-year T-bond typically yields more than a 6 month T-bill.

Although treasury securities do not offer the spectacular yields that other investments may, they do offer a great deal of safety for cautious investors. Treasury securities can prove to be good investments during periods of lagging stock market performance. As always, it is wise to consult an investment professional, or do the research personally, before purchasing an investment.

Campbell has a bachelor's in finance and a minor in accounting from Oklahoma University. He is presently working on a master's in business administration from the University of Phoenix.



Pfc. Mark Watson

I need a home

A 6-month-old female gray tabby and a 1-year-old, female long-hair spaniel mix dog are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home.

Pet owners are required to pay for initial vaccination procedure costs, which can be anywhere from $10 to $30. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m, Monday through Friday.

For more information, call 545-4444.

ask the judge

Jane M. Winand
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q. I had a will done when I was preparing to go to Vietnam in 1969. It still says what I want it to say. Is my will still good? Does a will expire after a certain amount of time?

A. A Last Will and Testament is valid until you as the testator decide to revoke or nullify it. A will is revoked by tearing it up or marking it through with the intent to revoke it, or by signing a new will. Thus, your Vietnam era will, if you haven't revoked it, is still your current will. So you can rest easy because you have a will, huh? Well, not necessarily.

In the old days, it was necessary to locate one of the witnesses that signed the will (imagine trying to find one of the folks that signed that Vietnam era will — bet the witnesses put down a Fort Benning or Columbus address they haven't occupied in 30 years.) However, the laws in each state changed in the 1980s to allow for the addition of a self-proving clause at the back of the will. This extra page, signed by the testator, the witnesses and a notary public, makes it unnecessary to locate the witnesses. The probate of the will is much easier with the self-proving clause.

With a self-proving clause as part of your will, the probate will be relatively simple. The filing fee runs around $100 (the court charges by the page for recording so the cost will vary.) The Legal Assistance attorneys, who are licensed to practice law in Georgia, provide assistance with the drafting of Probate Court petitions for Soldiers, retirees and family members with military identification cards. The services are free.

Many married couples simply want to leave their worldly possessions to their spouses. It is possible to simplify the probate process in many cases by titling real estate and investments jointly with right of survivorship between a husband and wife. In Georgia, the warranty deed for your house and land must clearly indicate an intent to hold the property with right of survivorship by using such words as "joint tenants with survivorship" and "jointly with survivorship." Some states, such as Florida, by statue declare property that is owned by a husband and wife to be automatically held with survivorship. Investments such as stocks and mutual funds may also be held jointly with right of survivorship. The Legal Assistance Division can draft survivorship deeds and provide advice and assistance on these matters.

It is necessary that an attorney meet with you to discuss your needs and determine whether there are estate tax considerations and other factors that may affect your estate planning.

The Fort Benning Legal Assistance Division attorneys have been providing estate-planning services for years. However, it is not uncommon to meet a widow or widower whose spouse may have died either leaving a will without a self-proving clause or no will at all. It is a good rule of thumb to have your estate planning documents reviewed by an attorney every four or five years. Call the Legal Assistance Division at 545-3281 and make an appointment to meet with an attorney.

AFTB offers free classes

Courtney Linn
Army Family Team Building

Army Family Team Building's Level I course, aimed at new people in the Army, leaders in the community, or anyone interested in updating personal skills, will be offered from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m Monday and Tuesday. Also, advance registration is now being taken for Level IV. Taking place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jan. 31 through Feb. 2. Level IV trains students to become AFTB instructors.

All Soldiers, family members, and Department of the Army civilians are welcome to attend. Courses and materials are free. Classes are held at the FUN Center in Building 359 on Ingersoll Avenue. Students should arrive 15 minutes ahead of class to register (Level IV requires advanced registration). Free childcare is available for those who register, and make the special request for care at least two weeks in advance of the scheduled class.

New schedules can be obtained either at FUN Center or on the front door of the AFTB office.

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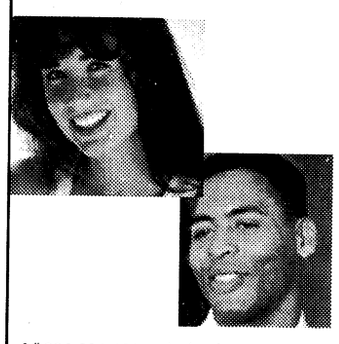
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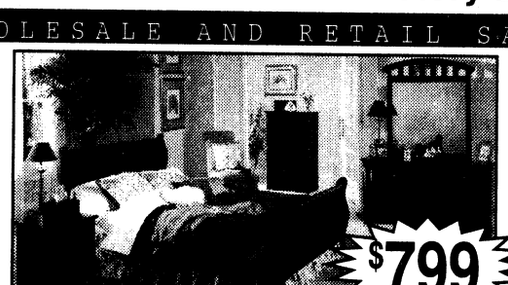
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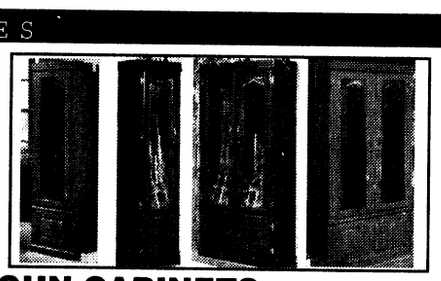
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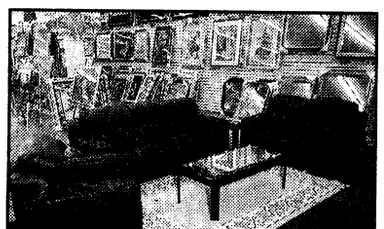
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MACH celebrates first millennium baby

Fort Benning couple deliver hospital's first Year 2000 baby

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

A new baby in the family is reason to celebrate any time of year. For the Rivera family of Fort Benning, the arrival of their newborn was extra special.

Thomas Martin Rivera arrived at 2:28 p.m. Jan. 1, the first baby of the new millennium born at Martin Army Community Hospital.

Y2K glitches, champagne, football and parades were not on Luz Rivera's mind New Year's Day; she was more concerned with contractions.

"When I was having him, I wasn't even thinking about Y2K," Rivera said.

"The nurses told us that if she hurried up, he (Thomas) would be the first baby of the new year," Sgt. Martin Rivera, 104th Transportation Company, 36th Engineer Group (Construction), said. "I looked at my watch and thought no way."

But, fortunately for Luz, the labor was short, two hours and 28 minutes.

"I had four contractions and three pushes," Luz said Monday afternoon before leaving the hospital with her husband and their new son, who was sporting a cap with "I'm a Millennium Baby" printed on it.

Thomas weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and was 21 inches long.

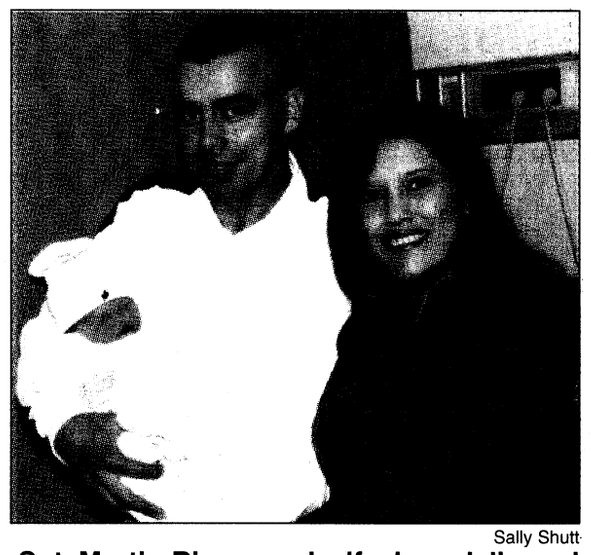
His older brother, Peter, age 3, had an unusual reaction to his new sibling.

"Peter has a lot of toys that run on batteries," Martin said. "When he first saw Thomas he was sleeping, and Peter told me the baby needs some batteries."

The U.S. Army Medical Department Activity and U.S. Army Dental Activity Auxiliary presented the couple with a special gift basket of baby items, including blankets, T-shirts, a pacifier and toy.

The auxiliary purchased the items and members took the basket to the hospital on New Year's Eve, Gail O'Hare, president, said.

The group also gave Thomas a silver bank engraved with "Martin Army Community Hospital First Baby of the Year 2000."



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Sgt. Martin Rivera and wife, Luz, delivered their son, Thomas Martin Jan. 1.

births

Twins

Lauren Elizabeth and Shelby Nichole Stratton — born Dec. 3 to Brett and Sgt. Kenneth Stratton.

Angela Marie and Jacob Forest East — born Dec. 22 to Angela and Sgt. Luther East.

Jamal DeMarcus and Rashaad LeMarcus Williams — born Dec. 15 to Casandra and Spc. Desmond Williams.

Girls

Saige Madelin Irwin — born Nov. 15 to Cynthia Elaine and Sgt. 1st Class Craig L. Irwin.

Patricia Talley Sugg — born Nov. 18 to Lisa and Staff Sgt. Richard Sugg.

Tara Chanel Williams — born Nov. 19 to Teresa Lynn O'Neal-Williams and 1st Lt. Ivy J. Williams III.

Allison Grace Jandreau — born Nov. 21 to Lisa and Spc. Shawn Jandreau.

Kaley Victoria Petrosky — born Nov. 21 to Valerie and 1st Lt. Robert Petrosky Jr.

Danielle Elizabeth Conover — born Nov. 21 to Dale and Sgt. David Conover.

Bria Henry — born Nov. 22 to Delius and Cpl. Bernard Henry.

MacKenzie Raye Roberts — born Nov. 24 to Nancy and Sgt. Charles J. Roberts.

Mia Rene Gutierrez — born Dec. 5 to Sonia and 1st Lt. Esteban Gutierrez.

Alexis Renee Young — born Dec. 7 to Latrichia and Staff Sgt. Kelvin Young.

Aliyah Christine Johnson — born Dec. 10 to Christina and Shawn Johnson.

Brianna Janae Herron — born Dec. 11 to Vanessa and Sgt. Shelton Herron.

Ta'Kyrah Fa'Neis Barnes —born Dec. 12 to Spc. Tammy and Floyd Barnes.

Chaneta Dishea Dover — born Dec. 13 to Jowanna and Sgt. Ivan Dover.

Kierra Angel Howze — born Dec. 14 to Georgetta and Spc. Ron Howze.

Alyxandria Aileen Eller — born Dec. 2 to Robin and Pfc. Monty Eller.

Anya Sierra Deimler — born Dec. 2 to Donna and Sgt. Mark Deimler.

Valarie Grace King — born Dec. 3 to Stephanie and 1st Lt. Justin King.

Nicole Melody Throlson — born Dec. 3 to Sheryl and Sgt. 1st Class Bradley Throlson.

Isabella Dianne Finkler — born Dec. 6 to Danielle and Spc. Andrew Finkler.

Jasmine Ann Brillhart — born Dec. 22 to Melissa and Staff Sgt. Brian Brillhart Jr.

Morgan Alexis Shoemake — born Dec. 22 to Spc. Amy Laurent.

Boys

Quentin Darryl-Lamont Abraham — born Nov. 13 to Pfc. Kristy and Spc. Eric Abraham.

Dawson Levon Goss — born Nov. 21 to Michelle and Sgt. Carl Goss.

Alex Joseph Blumer — born Nov. 23 to Andrea M. and Spc. Michael W. Blumer.

Levi Grant Weiser — born Nov. 24 to Heather and Sgt. 1st Class Douglas Weiser.

Phillip Fitzgerald Dunlap Jr. — born Nov. 24 to Regina and Staff Sgt. Phillip F. Dunlap.

Tylan Devon Cionne Satcher — born Nov. 29 to Spc. Tiffany N. and Spc. Cedric W. Satcher.

Simeon Terrell Hill — born Nov. 30 to Loretta and Spc. Jesse Hill.

Conrad Arthur Musser — born Dec. 1 to Heather and Pfc. Arthur Musser II.

Liam Joseph Carbone — born Dec. 1 to Gillian and Maj. Jose Carbone.

Sterling Ray Harmon — born Dec. 2 to Jeri and Pfc. Wallace Harmon.

Charles Glenn Stone III — born Dec. 2 to Maureen and Capt. Charles Stone Jr.

Isaac Nathaniel Porter — born Dec. 4 to Mary and Sgt. Richard Porter.

John Curtis Sawyer III — born Dec. 4 to Shannon and Capt. John Sawyer II.

Justin Gabriel Acevedo — born Dec. 5 to Irene and Pfc. Enrique Acevedo.

Daniel James Fowler — born Dec. 7 to Christina and Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Fowler.

Terrance Harrell Doyle — born Dec. 8 to Latassha and Pfc. Darnell Doyle.

Tristen Richard Widdicombe — born Dec. 8 to Capt. Frances E. and Capt. Lon R. Widdicombe.

Alexander Anton Kaup — born Dec. 10 to Sonya and Staff Sgt. James Kaup.

Deshawn Saheed Hooks — born Dec. 10 to Diane and Spc. David Hooks.

Brandon Pierre Meyer — born Dec. 11 to Tesheia Mayfield and Spc. Ramone Meyer.

Kennedy Larus Stead — born Dec. 11 to Jona and Cpl. Kevin Stead.

Nicholas Ryan Baugher — born Dec. 13 to Kelly and Staff Sgt. Harry Baugher.

Michael David Urrutia — born Dec. 13 to Jennifer and Spc. David Urrutia.

Tristan Elrik McMillion — born Dec. 16 to Tracy and Sgt. Joey McMillion.

Tyson Terrell Curry Jr. — born Dec. 17 to Doris Marie and Sgt. Tyson Terrell Curry Sr.

Jimmil Diondre Hawkins — born Dec. 17 to Andrea and Staff Sgt. Jimmy Hawkins.

Preston Anthony Haney — born Dec. 21 to Amanda and Spc. Anthony Haney.

Michael Tyrese James — born Dec. 22 to Shari and Capt. Marlon James.

Renaldo Darrell Mason — born Dec. 22 to Spc. Stephanie Payton.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

job opportunities

Personnel Services Center

Applicants must meet area of consideration for the following positions. For more information on the jobs listed below, contact or go by the Personnel Services Center, Building 85, on Marchant Street, or call 545-3374, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.Monday-Friday except holidays.

Position Title	Series/Grade	Job #	Closes
Paramedic	GS-640-07	EA-00-008XB	Jan. 19
Nurse	GS-0610-9/10/11/12	AGM04893	Oct. 1
Nurse Asst.	GS-621-04	EA-00-027XB	Jan. 7

The following are Non-appropriated Fund positions. For more information on these positions you can contact the Non-appropriated Funds Service Center, Building 85 or call 545-2838 8 am. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday except holidays.

Position Title	Series/Grade	Job #	Closing Date
Cook	NA-7404-04	22-99	until filled
Cook	NA-7404-04	31-99	until filled
Desk Clerk Ldr.	NF-1176-02	41-99	until filled
Custodial Wkr.	NA-3566-02	46-99	until filled
Laborer	NA-3502-02	51-99	until filled
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Cook	NA-7404-04	56-99	until filled
Waiter/Waitress	NA-7420-03	57-99	until filled
Auto Helper	NA-5823-0	63-99	until filled
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Gardener	NA-5003-04	84-99	until filled
Waiter/Waitress	NA-7420-02	87-99	until filled
Auto Mechanic	NA-5823-10	92-99	until filled
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Health care, housing are top priorities for retention in military

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Health care and housing are two areas DoD must address to keep military recruiting and retention high, said Defense Secretary William S. Cohen.

Cohen, speaking at a conference entitled Strategic Responsiveness here Nov. 2, also said DoD is starting to see positive results from the changes to pay and retirement that were part of the fiscal 2000 Defense Authorization Act.

"What we have seen is, as a result of the pay raise, as the result of pay table reform, as a result of going back to 50 percent retirement, that there is a change ... in retention," he said. "When I was out on the USS Constellation a week ago, I re-enlisted 12 sailors. I asked each what caused them to re-enlist and they said pay and retirement benefits. They said, 'We think you're listening to what we say we need, and you're responding.'"

Cohen said members' attitudes are important because "we can't possibly pay what the private sector can pay and will pay." The military directly competes with private industries and other public institutions for the same pool of young people, he noted.

Cohen said that since Congress passed the authorization act, more service members have opted to stay in the service. In the case of the Army, for example, increased re-enlistments made up for recruiting shortages and helped the service meet its fiscal 1999 end strength numbers.

"We've seen in the most recent weeks some change in the attitude and willingness to re-enlist," he said. "Whether this will be enough to sustain that remains another question."

Cohen said the loudest complaints he hears during his travels are about the military health care system. "This is something we have to come to grips with," he said. "We have to be more efficient, we have to eliminate the long lines. We have to address the lack of satisfaction that our people are experiencing."

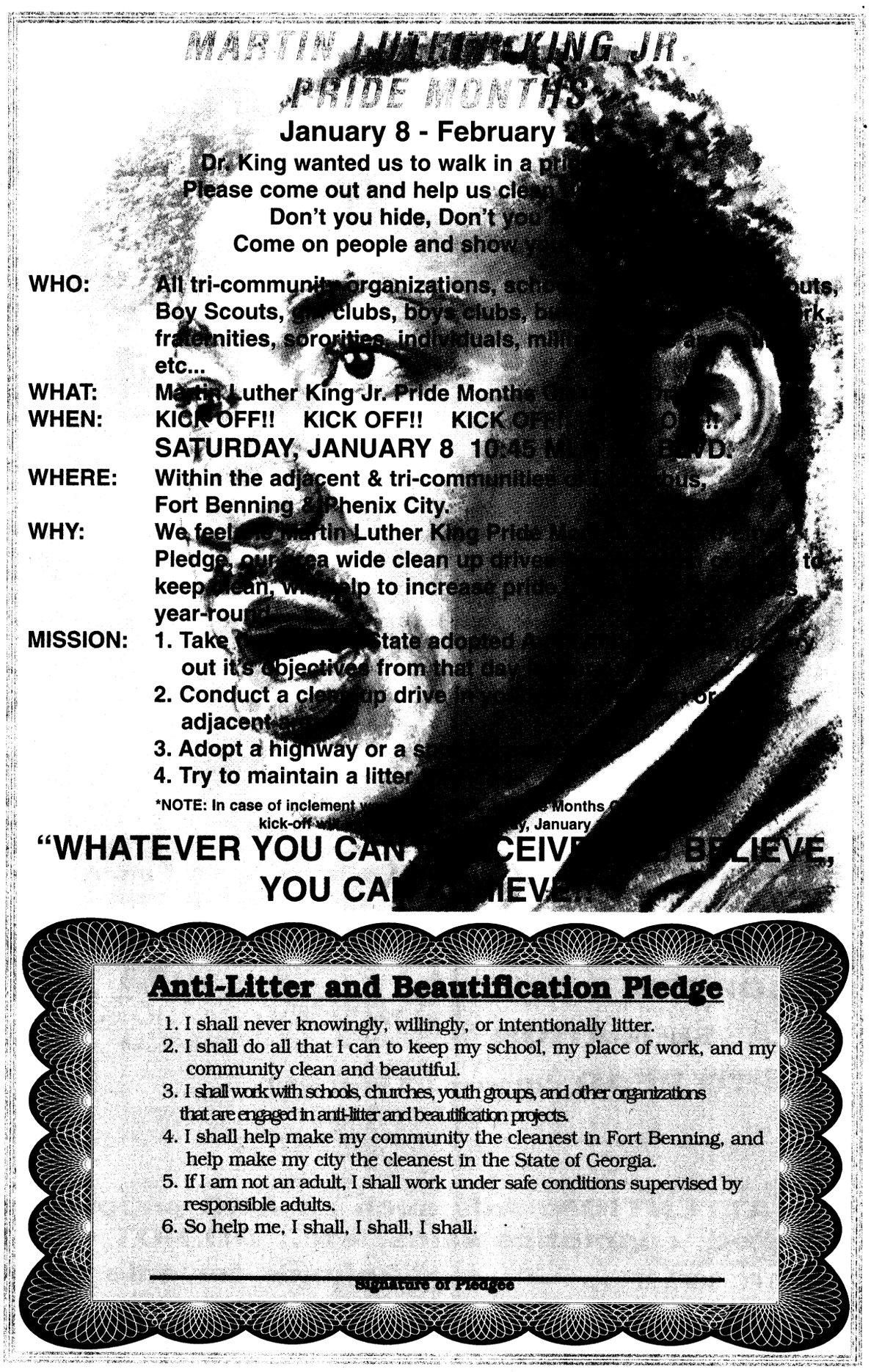
Cohen said he still hears many complaints about Tricare. "In fact, if we had to point to two other areas — now that we've addressed pay — you'd say housing and health care are of most concern to service members," he said.

He said DoD is trying to build housing for service members through an innovative program that leverages private sector participation — for every dollar DoD invests, the private sector puts in six or seven. He said the program is starting to work.

Cohen also said he thinks DoD must change its recruiting message, that it needs to make a different appeal to recruits.

"The mere fact that we say we'll pay for your college education frankly is not a big seller today," he said. "There are so many programs available from universities and colleges that, again, we're competing again in a very tough environment. We need to have advertising appeal to young peoples' patriotism, to show them what military life can and should be."

Finally, Cohen addressed the need of the military to be more predictable. "We have to provide as much predictability as we can in the lives of our service members," he said. "We have to make changes to lower the operations tempo, the time (service members stay) away from home."



School raises money for agency

Thousands of pennies add up to help for battered women

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Just in time for Christmas, students from Wilson Elementary School collected $638.50 in pennies to be donated to a charity of their choice.

The student council for the school voted to donate their collections to the Columbus Alliance for Battered Women.

"We did this to help people who can't have what we have," said 11-year-old Nicholas Williams, a student council member.

As of the Dec. 16, when the pennies were donated, there were about 15 children in the shelter with their moms, said Roxanne Campbell, legal advocate for the shelter.

When the students began the drive, pennies were collected and stored in a jar.

"We advertised around the school, then students collected pennies and put them in a jar," said 10-year-old student council member Adam Kiamco.

The collection of the pennies started in mid-November and ended Dec. 5.

Of the money donated, some went to the children to buy their mothers gifts and some went to the mothers to buy their children gifts.

The donated money was presented to the families in $50 gift certificates from Walmart.

"We all have a tendency to be greedy, and this donation was to teach the students to give," said Evelyn Montgomery, student counsel advisor.

Pennies were counted for no charge by the Sun Trust Bank.

The shelter gives battered women and their children from Columbus, Fort Benning and the Phenix City area a safe, temporary place to live.

For more information on the Columbus Alliance for Battered Women, call 324-3850.



Pfc. Mark Watson
Fifth-grader, Tanesha Santiago presents a check to Roxanne Campbell of the Columbus Alliance for Battered Women.

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Penny O'Connor
Directorate of Public Works

The Department of Public Works special vacuum truck crew has been hard at work clearing streets of leaves since repairs to the truck were completed.

Family housing residents can now rake leaves in a pile at the curb for pickup on their scheduled day.

For more details on pickup days, call Trent Lingafelter, the Roads Industrial Equipment supervisor, at 545-3725.

Units and activities that have yard waste (leaves, grass clippings and limbs) should deliver the material to the Material Recovery Facility, Building 4000, in Harmony Church, on Old Cusseta Road between 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays.

Do not place yard waste in garbage containers or brown dumpsters.

For more information, call Walter Nichols, Solid Waste Program manager, at 544-6142.

Curbside bulk leaf pickup: Leaves may be raked to the curb on the normally scheduled day, including Jan. 17.

The vacuum truck may run late in some areas, but will catch up as quickly as possible to maintain the normal schedule.

Holiday schedule for trash collection

There will be no yard waste picked up in family housing Jan. 17.

The next scheduled yard waste pick up will be Jan. 24.

There will be no refuse or recycle pick-ups Jan. 17.

Port, Kawamura, Fernandez streets, and Indianhead Terrace areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Monday will be picked up after the holiday on Jan. 18.

Refuse and recycle collection in Family Housing for Jan. 18-21 will be picked up as normally scheduled.

For more information, call the DPW Construction Inspection Branch at 545-4232.

Holiday schedule for the Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center

In observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday (Jan. 17), the Self Help Center, including the Loan Equipment Section and Venetian Blind & Shade Shop, will be closed Jan. 15-17.

The Self Help Center will reopen for business Jan. 18 at 8:30 a.m.

For additional information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

Ivy Road closes Jan. 19 - 21

Ivy Road between Marne Road and Watkins Street will be closed starting Jan. 19 at 7 a.m. through Jan. 21 at 5 p.m.

If there are any questions concerning this closure, call Clarence Cales, Army Corps of Engineers, at 544-3499.

Homebuyers cautioned to check warranty

American Homeowners Association

Murphy's Law applies more than ever to owning a home. As much as we'd like our home and everything in it to last forever, something is always breaking down or wearing out.

Homebuyers need to be especially aware of the quality of their new home and the products that go into it.

"Be sure to look carefully at builders and the warranties they offer before choosing one that really stands behind the home," said Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Association (AHA). "By keeping an eye on the construction warranty and the life cycle of various parts of your home, you'll be protected and better prepared to deal with a problem." For more information, go to http://www.ahahome.com

Homebuilders vary widely in the quality of building materials or products they use. Quality lumber, for example, is hard to find in many areas of the country. When a warped or green timber starts to dry, nails can pop out or a door can stick to the jamb.

That's why a warranty can be critical. It pays to research a builder's reputation and their warranties carefully for what they do and do not cover.

A typical new home warranty covers mechanical items such as plumbing, electricity, and heating and cooling systems for two years. Some builders offer a 10-year warranty against construction defects and repairs.

But the real test is not the warranty but the builder's reputation for following up on problems and fixing them to the customer's satisfaction. For example, concrete is supposed to last for 50 years but not if improperly mixed or formed. If the sidewalk breaks or the house foundation settles and cracks, is the builder going to stand behind the home or hide behind excuses?

The time to find out is before you buy. Ask for at least three customer references and call them, and check with state and local consumer affairs agencies for complaints.

Remember that no warranty is perfect or idiot-proof. A builder definitely should fix cracks in the sidewalk caused by settling. On the other hand, if you poured rock salt all over it and chipped it with your shovel while clearing the ice, whose fault is that?

For more information on any aspect of buying a home, go to http://www.ahahome.com, the web site for American Homeowners Association.

MDA offers free support group meetings

Muscular Dystrophy Association

The Muscular Dystrophy Association offers free support groups in the Columbus area for individuals and their families affected by any of 40 neuromuscular diseases, including muscular dystrophy, myasthenia gravis, spinal muscular atrophy, and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's disease).

The groups meet regularly and are designed for individuals living with muscle-wasting diseases and their families.

"MDA support groups are a vital link for the million Americans living with muscle-wasting diseases," said Meg Hodges, MDA Regional Director. "Whether you're the parent of a child just diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy, the spouse of someone living with ALS, or an adult with any neuromuscular disease, the professionally facilitated groups provide a haven for sharing support, research updates and helpful information."

Area residents and family members affected by neuromuscular diseases can also participate in informal MDA-facilitated "Phone Friends" networks.

They can also take advantage of MDA's extensive online services, including its helpful "Ask the Experts" feature at www.mdausa.org. More than 200 of the world's leading physicians and scientists participate in "Ask the Experts," providing authoritative responses relating to neuromuscular diseases.

Individuals who would like more information on attending an MDA support group are encouraged to call MDA Program Services Coordinator Joan Rosenbaum in Tucker at (770) 621-9800.

Abused: Survivors receive help through support group, counseling

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For more than 12 years, this program has been offered on and off.

Meeting as a group lets survivors know there are others out there who are experiencing the same kind of pain they are. It also helps them get in touch with their inner child, "and learn to love, comfort and nurture that child," thus beginning the healing process, Roggia said.

Of course, before a survivor can get help and begin that healing process, they must first recognize the symptoms of sexual abuse.

Fran Hutchens, a counselor at the Center, said, "Women in their 30s will begin to remember childhood abuse in the form of flashbacks or dreams. There are many other distinct and recognizable symptoms of sexual abuse, things such as pulling away from intimate relationships, nightmares, being easily frightened by particular smells, or touches, low self-esteem and difficulty expressing themselves to name a few."

Hutchens said any of these could be a red alert to the possibility of sexual abuse and it's very important to realize this and receive help.

"I can pretty much guarantee that if there is someone who is questioning whether it happened or not, it probably did," Hutchens said. "And to come in and deal with it early gives more time for healing."

Roggia emphasized that the program is completely confidential and no one is forced to talk about their experience unless they choose to.

"The key thing we want people out there to know is that the group is safe and confidential and it is not a place where victims will be traumatized again," Roggia said. "In fact, the first part of the session is aimed at providing educational information to the participants. During the second half they talk about what they learned from the first half and how it applies to their life."

It is ultimately the talking and sharing however, that can help develop strong bonds between the members of the group. Hutchens said, "A biproduct of this group is that members often become close and leave as a tight group of friends."

If someone isn't comfortable with the thought of being part of a group, Roggia said they are also willing to talk to that one person one on one.

In most cases getting help can heal a person in more ways than one. Many women find they are more outgoing, more verbal, less afraid of their bodies, less scared for their children and more confident in themselves after being in the group, according to Roggia.

He mentioned that the program has a consistent success rate, which is partly due to the fact that most of the women who come to the group are those who really want to get better.

"It takes a tremendous amount of courage for people to come and seek help," Roggia said. "Facing the truth is the most important part of the healing process."

The goal is to have two or more groups available to the Fort Benning population. The therapeutic team consists of: Shirley Koop, supervisor and project coordinator. Team One: Hutchens, program coordinator and facilitator along with Chaplain (Maj.) Mike Yarmon, co-facilitator. Team Two: Chaplain (Maj.) Ned Anderson, facilitator and Barbara Phillips, co-facilitator.

The first confidential support group meeting for "Survivors of Sexual Abuse" will be Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sign-ups are currently being taken.

There are no costs or obligations — except the obligation you have to help yourself recover.

If you or someone you know could use this safe, confidential source of help, call the Chaplain Family Life Center at 545-1760.

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Spending time with children teaches them your values

Playing with kids more important than doing dishes

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick Rupel
Chaplain Family Life Ministries

If you are a single parent you don't need to be reminded that you face an especially challenging job.

A noted Christian speaker and author, Josh McDowell, said, "If you're married but your relationship with your spouse is cold, at least you have hope that through love, work, counseling and prayer, your marriage can become what it ought to be. The single parent, however, doesn't have that hope. What do you do?"


Rupel

Divorce is the single largest contributor to single parenthood.

If at all possible, it is best that both parents, even though divorced, remain active in their children's life. And for single parents in the military, life can get pretty interesting when deployments take them away from their children.

How can the single parent model a loving relationship for their child?

Plain and simple, it cannot be done. However, there are some things that can be done that may help.

Using McDowell's book, *How to Help Your Child Say No to Sexual Pressure*, as a guide let me offer single parents some suggestions. Overdose your child with love. As much as possible, you should support your child's need for parental love by yourself.

It's quality and quantity that can make a difference. I realize that the vast majority of single parents have to work outside the home and then face more work when they get home.

For many, the last thing they feel like doing is playing with their child. So much to do and so little time to get everything accomplished.

However, as McDowell noted, "Aggressively loving your children takes a firm commitment on your part."

Second, divorce can bring the worst out in people and it is tempting to speak negatively about marriage. This can create an attitude in your child that you do not wish them to have.

Even though your marriage ended in divorce, talk to your children positively about what marriage can be. When they ask why your marriage did not work out, admit any mistakes that you may have made and assure them that even though you got a divorce, marriage can be a wonderful experience.

Third, sex outside of marriage is wrong. If you do not want your children to engage in premarital sex then you should not. Plain and simple, if it is not right for your children then it is not right for you.

The Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center exists to help all Soldiers and their families including single-parent families. If the pressures of being a single parent are overwhelming you, give the Center a call at 545-2050 or 545-7777 to get some help in meeting the challenge of being a single parent.

chapel notes

Promise Keepers meet Tuesdays — The Promise Keepers are meeting Tuesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in Infantry Hall, Room 453.

Bring a lunch and meet with other men for prayer, fellowship and Bible study.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) J.C. Gibbs at 545-4017.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex.

Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7 to 8 p.m.

All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Church plans pre-baptism classes — A pre-baptism class for parents who wish to have their children baptized in the Catholic Church is available.

This will be the first session of a three-session cycle. The first session is Sunday at 1 p.m. in Custer Terrace Chapel. It's recommended that expecting parents take the class during pregnancy. To register, call 545-5508.

PWOC holds Bible studies — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Custer Terrace Chapel. All ladies are invited to attend. .

For more details, call Hedi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Relationship with Jesus gives shelter, hope

Chaplain (Capt.) David S. Baum
Ranger Training Brigade

reflections

My grandfather used to have a sign outside his home that read "Baumshelter" over a background picture of an explosion.

I am told this sign was typical of his creative sense of humor. He died when I was 8 years old so I remember only a few fading instances of his smile, laugh and comedic antics.

One of my strongest memories is a scene in his home years before he died. He, my uncles and older cousins would descend into the nether regions of that residence where he had a billiards table.

I remember waves of laughter as they played and that the adults spoke to each other and the children with respect. I remember feeling safe — surrounded by these strong capable men. It was a good place to be even if there was not a great amount of toys to keep me occupied.

I was blessed that my father made his home a shelter for his family as well.

As a chaplain I do a considerable amount of counseling and I know that not everyone reading this grew up in a home that was a shelter. Even today many homes probably should have signs at the front door that read "Danger Impact Area."

I am regularly amazed at how many survivors of physical abuse, neglect and incompetent parenting are able to grow into responsible adults.

Whether we have been raised in a nurturing home or an emotional war zone, we all desire a sense of security and a place of safety in a world where justice is incomplete, the weak and vulnerable in our community are abused and diseases consume our loved ones.

That place is found in a relationship with Jesus Christ. The Bible says that "He who dwells in the shelter of the most high will rest in the shadow of the Almighty." (Psalms 91:1 NIV)

The rains will beat down and the wind will blow but his shelter can stand the worst that Y2K brings.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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Psalm 41:1

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Military engineers meet — The Fort Benning-Columbus Post of the Society of American Military Engineers will meet Jan. 20 at the 36th Engineers' Warrior Dining Facility, Building 2889, on 1st Infantry Brigade Loop beginning at 11:30 a.m. for pre-meeting lunch and socializing. The meeting will run from noon to 1 p.m. The speaker will be Tom Whisnett, who will present a program on road stabilization.

ACAP highlights upcoming events — The Army Career and Alumni Program's calendar of upcoming events for job seekers is as follows:

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department will visit from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday.

Salary starts at $26,215 for a high school diploma or GED, $27,526 A.A. and $28,902 B.A. or B.S. Salleries top out at $49,433 plus overtime. One hundred percent college tuition reimbursement for A.A., B.A. or B.S. and masters degrees.

The Columbus Police Department visits from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday.

Thursdays from 9 a.m to noon an Education Specialist from Fort Valley State University will be in the ACAP Center to assist with education opportunity and financial aid counseling.

Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon Homer Harrison, DOL Veteran's Representative from Civilian Personnel Office will be available at the ACAP Center to speak to soldiers.

The Small Business Seminar is held monthly from 2 to 4 p.m. in Soldiers' Plaza. Call ACAP for reservations.

All briefings are in Building 2634, Soldiers' Plaza.

For more information, check the board in the ACAP Center, Building 2634, Soldiers' Plaza or call 545-2308 or 545-2309. The website is www.benning.army.mil/ACAP/.

Government offers surplus sale — The DRMO of Fort Benning will offer clothing, physical fitness equipment, commercial kitchen equipment, military clothing, office furnishings and more, including: seven Zenith 486 PC sets complete with printer, minimum bid $250 and six Zenith 486 PCs and one EPS PC sets without printer, minimum bid $200.

Bid opening date is Tuesday at 8 a.m. and the bid award date is Wednesday. Catalogs are now available at the DRMO or can be pulled off the fax machine at 545-6029. Catalogs are also available online at www.drms.dla.mil.

For more information, call Aggie Polite at 545-3497.

TROA announces scholarship — The Retired Officers Association is giving a $1,000 scholarship grant to a high school senior or undergraduate college student at Fort Benning for the 2000-2001 school year.

The program, called "Scholarship 200" will give a grant of $1,000 to one student at 200 selected military installations around the world. One of the applicants on Fort Benning is guaranteed to receive one of these grants because he or she will compete only against students from Fort Benning. The grants are based on merit and leadership qualities, not financial need. No essay is required in the application.

To be eligible, a student must be under age 24, working on a first undergraduate degree and a dependent son or daughter of an acitve duty service person, officer or enlisted, in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, U.S. Public Health Service or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. TROA membership is not required.

Application is by the world wide web only. To apply, go to www.troa.org. Go to "Member Services," then go to "Scholarship and Education Assistance," and follow the easy instructions. The deadline for submissions is March 1. Winners will be notified in early April.

TROA is the nation's fourth largest veterans organization, with nearly 400,000 members. Membership is open to officers and warrant officers from the active duty, Reserves and National Guard, plus former and retired officers and warrant officers and surviving spouses.

HOPE Program available — The Georgia HOPE Program is now available to all active duty military and their dependents who are stationed at Fort Benning and live in Georgia. Certificates, diplomas and associate degrees are available in numerous programs. Come by the office in Building 2614, Soldiers' Plaza or call 685-8549 for more information.

OWC offers scholarship — The Fort Benning Officers' Wives Club is accepting applications through March 15 for their annual scholarships. These scholarships are available to OWC and Enlisted Wives Club members and their families. Scholarships are available to both traditional and continuing education students. Guidelines and applications are available at the OWC Thrift Shop, the post library and the guidance offices of area high schools.

For more information, call Terry Lee at 689-1929.

OWC gives back to community — The Officers' Wives Club of Fort Benning is a charitable organization which gives back to the community. Over the years, the OWC has given out scholarships and donations to many private, nonprofit organizations.

To receive a donation, requests need to be submitted and approved by the OWC Board of Directors. The next welfare disbursement for this OWC Board will be in April. Requests must be received no later than March 1.

Should your organization wish to submit a request, please include:

- The amount of money requested
- The total amount of money needed
- The specific purpose of money requested
- Fund raising efforts
- Other organizations you are requesting funds from
- Number of military affected
- The name and phone number of your point of contact

Submit requests to Officers' Wives Club of Fort Benning, P.O. Box 51978, Fort Benning GA 31995-1978.

For more information, call Nancy Carlisle at 687-9678.

ACS sponsors seminar — Army Community Service will sponsor a Car Buying Seminar at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 27. This is the place to get all your questions answered and learn tips to keep you from being taken for a ride. You work hard for your money, and that money should give you the greatest value possible. Where do you look for financing? New or used car? Buy or lease? What did the dealer pay for the car? What is the car worth? What kind of repair record does it have? These are only some of the questions which will be answered to keep you from having "buyer's remorse" and being miserable with what you thought was the car of your dreams. Come if you are even considering buying a car.

Registration is required to ensure there are enough materials. For more information, call ACS at 545-7517 or 545-4043 before the deadline of Jan. 21.

Education Center offers voice mail system — The Army Education Center now has a voice mail system. To receive information regarding the Education Center and on-post colleges, call 545-9681.

Patients urged to return records — Patients are reminded that official health care records are property of the U.S. Army. Records may be checked out for appointments and must be returned to outpatient records once care is completed.

It is extremely important that all records are maintained at the military treatment facility, especially in the event of emergent care situations.

For more information, call 544-1810.

Red Cross offers assistance — For Soldiers who need to reach family in a time of need, the American Red Cross Armed Forces Emergency Service Center is available 24 hours a day around the world. Soldiers can call toll-free at (877) 272-7337.

MACH and SJA offer Advanced Directive class — The Martin Army Community Hospital Department of Family Practice and the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate offer an Advanced Directives class. The class allows participants to make their wishes known in writing in case the time comes when they cannot express their desires.

The two-hour program provides an education session with an attorney and physician.

For more information, call 544-3065.

Strays stay at Vet Clinic — Animals impounded at the Fort Benning kennel facility may be released by calling either the Military Police at 545-5222 or Veterinary Service at 545-4444 or 545-5690 during normal business hours, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Circumstances requiring release at times other than regular business hours should be coordinated through Veterinary Service. An impoundment fee of $5 per day for each animal will be assessed for the days an animal remains in the stray facility.

Animals not claimed by an owner within three working days become property of the U.S. government and may be adopted by a new owner or euthanized as circumstances dictate. For more information, call 545-4444 or 545-5690.

Tricare briefings available — Briefings are available for all organizations (units, family support groups, wives organizations, retiree groups etc.) on accessing military health care under Tricare. These briefings highlight the different categories and also could help beneficiaries understand Tricare a little easier. The Marketing Office at Martin Army Community Hospital offers various types of Tricare materials and briefings. For more inforation or to set a briefing for a organization, call 544-4950.

Divorce and separation briefings set — The Legal Assistance Division, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, conducts briefings for those who request an appointment to discuss divorce or separation issues. After the briefing, an attorney will answer questions and set up appointments.

The briefings will take place at 9 a.m. Mondays at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Building 5. Reservations are required.

For more information, call 545-3281.

Army Community Service answers PCS questions — If you are moving to another installation and need information about schools, shopping, medical and dental services or housing, the Standard Installation Exchange Service can answer most of your questions. For more information, call ACS at 545-4043 or stop by Building 2624 in Soldiers' Plaza.

Office publishes rules for yard sales — The Community Life Office provides rules for yard sales.

- Yard sales are authorized for Saturday, Sunday and federal holidays only.
- Signs advertising the yard sale cannot be placed prior to the day of the sale and must be removed the same day.
- Signs will not be placed on telephone or utility poles, trees, street signs, fences or buildings.
- Yard sales will not begin before 8 a.m. and end no later than 6 p.m.
- Displays of property for sale must not appear unsightly.

Any unsold items must be cleared away from the area and properly disposed of upon conclusion of the sale.

- Yard sales are not a business venture.
- Yard sales will not interfere with the normal flow of traffic or cause a safety hazard.

For more information, call the Community Life Office at 545-3069

Red Cross offers training — Red Cross Health and Safety provides training and certification in the following areas: Community First Aid and Safety, CPR and First Aid-Adults, CPR for the Professional, Pet CPR, Lifeguard Training, Babysitting for Teens and HIV and AIDS. Instructor Trainer certification is also available in CPR, lifeguarding, HIV and AIDS and babysitting. For more information, call Joyce Stratton at 545-5194.

Red Cross offers HIV classes — The Red Cross Fort Benning Station offers HIV and AIDS classes. Interested persons should call the office at 545-5194. The next scheduled class is pending on the number of requests for class.

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Auburn University offers workshop — The Auburn University Outreach Program Office will offer a workshop, "Storytelling: Finding Your Voice" Feb. 26 at Pebble Hill, the Auburn University Center for Arts and Humanities.

Those interested in storytelling will learn the mysteries of a well-told story, and how to give their storytelling the spark of life. Christine Shumock, workshop leader, is a well-known storyteller throughout the Southeast and has led national storytelling workshops.

The cost of the day long workshop is $75 and pre-registration is required.

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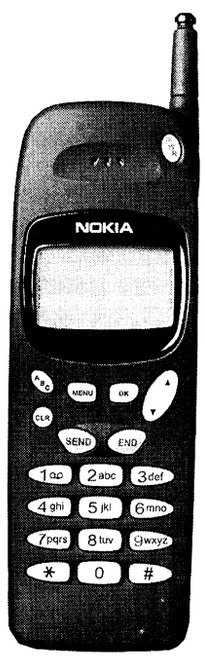

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Local athlete scores top spot at CSU

Cross country standout began athletic career with father at Sand Hill

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

The smile on her face can't hide the pain of the stress fractures and pulled Achilles tendons that plague her every time she runs.

The pain shoots up and down her legs as she runs, throbbing as if on fire.

But that pain has no place on the face of this determined young lady. Just a smile and a positive attitude — that is you will see from this student-athlete that many say is on her way to stardom.

"No pain, no gain," she said as she looked back on her illustrious running career that has earned her the bragging rights as one of the area's top female student-athletes.

Danerys Encarnacion, a sophomore cross country stand out at Columbus State University, has rocketed to the rank of the Cougar's top female runner during her two-year tenure with the organization.

"I never really thought I would like to run," said the 19-year-old athlete. "I just started one year to get in shape for basketball, and I fell in love with the sport."

Although that love kept the soon-to-be star from fulfilling her hardcourt dreams, it began an athletic career that would send Encarnacion running down the road to a full-ride college scholarship.

Encarnacion began her running career logging countless miles running with her father's basic training company.

Her father, who was a drill sergeant at the time, said the runs were more of a way for his only daughter to experience Army life rather than an endeavor in physical fitness.

"She was considering joining the Army at the time, so I suggested she come run with us and get a glimpse of what the Army was like," her father Jose said. "I'll never forget when she would come out there. She ran circles around those guys," he said.

While the days of her running with basic trainees were short-lived because Jose was transferred to Hawaii, she said her running career continued as they made the move to the tropic.

"I continued running in Hawaii for the couple years we were there, and my times continued to get quicker," she said. "But it wasn't until we came back that I realized my improvement."

The family of three returned to the Columbus area during Encarnacion's sophomore year of high school where she earned recognition as one of the area's top teen athletes.

"I continued to compete throughout high school but I always just thought of it as a hobby really," she said.


Encarnacion

"I didn't think anymore of it until coach came to me and said there was a chance for me to get money for college by running, she added."

"I figured if someone was going to pay me to do something I love, why not," she said smiling.

That love still continues today as Encarnacion continues to hone her running record in hopes of earning a spot in this year's top 10 regional runners.

"I have to continue to work hard in the off-season to get where I want to be for this fall," said Encarnacion who logs nearly 40 miles a week during the competitive season. "But if I continue to work hard I can be in the top 10."

John Norton, CSU cross country coach, said Encarnacion's dreams are within reach.

"She is quite a young lady with quite a lot of potential," Norton said. "She is well within reach of being one of the area's top runners."

The fate of Encarnacion's success, he said, will be determined this spring when she begins boosting her training schedule.

"If we can establish a strong program for her this spring there will be nothing that will hold her back from being in the upper echelon of the region's runners," he said.

Norton, who calls Encarnacion 'a bright young lady and an asset to the team' said establishing that program may be a little difficult as the student-athlete is involved in a variety of clubs and organizations.

"It's tough sometimes trying to get together since she is such a busy young lady," he said, "but she has the desire and the ability to make any of her dreams come true."

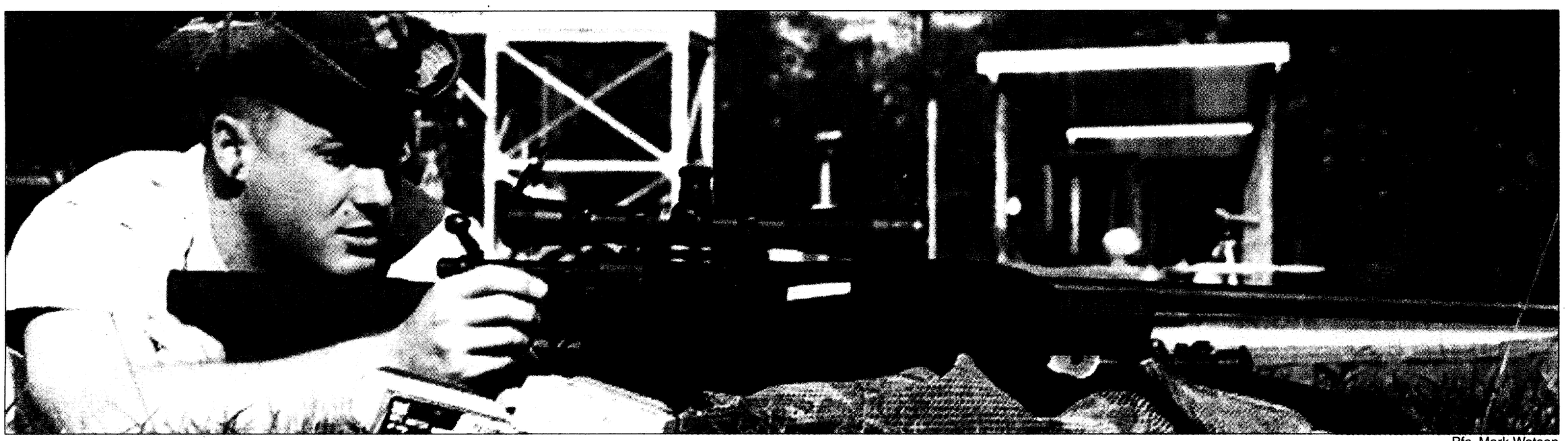
Last year, Encarnacion led the lady Cougars to a eighth-place conference title as she logged her best time of the year, a 21 minute, 3.1 mile finish.

Both she and Norton hope to improve those records this year.

"We have a couple of perspective student runners who could be a huge asset to not only our team but to Encarnacion as well," Norton said. "The details on the new runners are still a little sketchy, but we could see a couple of girls come here who could push Encarnacion to be the best she has ever been."

While the addition to the student-athlete sect could be a boost for the psychology major, Encarnacion said she islooking forward for the prospect for next year's team.

"It looks like we are going to have a great team this year, and one that I think will be very competitive in the area," she said. "Now all I have to do is work hard so I can make my dreams come true."


Pfc. Mark Watson

Clayton Meals reloads his .308-caliber rifle in the Tactical Rifle Match. His rifle is capable of shooting quarter-sized groups at 300 yards or more.

Rifle, pistol shooters fire into new millennium with tactical matches

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

All the Y2K hype had no impact on the Millennium Tactical Rifle and Pistol shoots as 45 pistol marksman and 20 rifle sharpshooters blazed away in their respective shooting categories.

The shoot was held at English Range Jan. 1 to bring a bang to the new year.

"It was a great day for the competitions," said Jim Graham, assistant manager for Fort Benning's Rifle and Pistol Club.

For the pistol competition, the stock service class was the largest event with 27 shooters competing. Ricky Phifer bested the class with Johnathan Moore and Red Matthess close behind.

Moore also won the custom service, service revolver and back-up automatic classes.

Stephen Shrader out shot the custom service shooters with Al Edwards and Jim Crissman nipping at his heels.

For the Tactical Rifle shoot, the competitor class held the most shooters. Wayne Smith zeroed in on his target to get the win. Thomas Fuller shot for second place and Shane Waldon scored in third place.

For the semi-automatic precision class, Dan Williams won. In the professional class, Shane Waldon got the win. For the military bolt action class, the lone shooter was Moore, and in the bolt action precision class Clayton Meals took the win.

For more information on up-coming rifle and pistol shoots, call the Rifle and Pistol Club at 689-3371.

West Point announces selection of new head football coach to lead gridiron cadets

Jim Fox
U.S. Military Academy Public Affairs Office

WEST POINT, N.Y. — Army has selected Todd Berry, the former head football coach at Illinois State University, to lead the gridiron Cadets into the new millennium.

Berry, who has spent the last four years at Illinois State University, was introduced as the new head coach of the Black Knights during a noontime press conference at Michie Stadium. He is the 32nd head coach in the history of intercollegiate football at the U.S. Military Academy.

"I have been inspired by a lot of people in my life," said the 39-year-old native of Miami, Okla. "But I've never been any place where the institution has inspired me. West Point is certainly inspiring. I am a very passionate person and I enjoy being motivated. 'The Long Gray Line' ... that means something to me.

"There are a lot of college coaching jobs out there that are perceived as being great opportunities, but many of those positions never intrigued me," Berry added. "I like thinking about the ideals of West Point. I want to be around people that think big; that dream big; that aspire to be all that they can be. That's why this is opportunity is so appealing to me."

Berry's selection comes less than two weeks after Army's 19-9 loss Dec. 5 to the Midshipmen of the U.S. Naval Academy. He replaces Bob Sutton, who posted a 44-55-1 record at West Point during his nine seasons as Army head coach. Credited with constructing a championship football program at Illinois State from the ground level, Berry guided the Redbirds to the best record in school history this past year and the semifinals of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. Illinois State closed the year at 11-3, falling to Georgia Southern, 28-17, on Saturday. Berry directed ISU to a flashy 19-7 record (.731) the past two seasons.

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> **— Lt. Gen Daniel W. Christman**
> Superintendent, U.S. Military Academy

A two-time Gateway Conference Coach of the Year honoree, and this year's GTE Region 4 Coach of the Year, Berry directed Illinois State to its first-ever Gateway Conference title this past season, the school's first outright league crown of any kind since 1950. On the heels of a 3-8 record in 1996 and a 2-9 mark in 1997, Berry presided over one of the finest turnarounds in Division I-AA history a year ago, when he guided the Redbirds to an 8-4 record. That season marked the school's first-ever trip to the postseason playoffs and a national ranking at year's end. He has been a finalist for the Eddie Robinson Award, presented annually to the top collegiate head coach at the Division I-AA level, each of the past two years.

Under Berry's direction, Illinois State established or equaled 50 individual and team school records on game, season and career levels. The Redbirds have been listed in the top 25 national rankings for 19 consecutive weeks. In addition, his players captured 73 individual postseason awards, including four Academic All-America citations and six All-America certificates. This past week, he was listed as a "rising star" in the coaching industry by one prominent national sports news agency.

"Across the country, Todd Berry is considered one of the finest young talents in the coaching profession," said Rick Greenspan, director of Intercollegiate Athletics at the U.S. Military Academy. "He is both offensive-minded and creative. Todd boasts a charismatic personality and has the ability to identify and attract talent while maintaining a high standard of excellence throughout every facet of his program.

"He possesses tremendous organizational skills and a dynamic presence," Greenspan continued. "Todd is a tireless recruiter, and a genuine and sincere person who will not only respect the traditions of West Point, but live them," said U.S. Military Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. Daniel W. Christman.

"We were looking for someone who personified the core values of the institution and who kept football in its proper perspective as part of the larger mission for the Military Academy producing commissioned leaders of character for our Army," said Christman. "Todd Berry exemplified every one of those characteristics.

"After interviewing Todd for several hours this week, I came away enormously impressed with his commitment to Academy values, his passion for winning and his absolute love for the Military Academy. This was also the opinion shared by everyone we included in the interview process."

Berry was named head coach at Illinois State on Dec. 18, 1995. His emergence came as Illinois State sought someone with a passion for recruiting, outstanding communication skills and a consistent offensive and defensive scheme. Prior to arriving at ISU, Berry spent four years as offensive coordinator at East Carolina University under head coach Steve Logan. He played a vital role on the Pirate teams that advanced to the Liberty Bowl in both 1994 and 1995. During each of his 13 years as an assistant coach, Berry was involved with a team that won a conference championship, played in the postseason and/or was ranked nationally in passing offense.

"I want to be aggressive in all facets of the game," he has said in the past. "I know that you win with defense first and I appreciate that. Most of my background is on offense, but to be an effective offensive coordinator you have to understand defense."

A 1983 graduate of the University of Tulsa, Berry has worked for some well-known head coaches during his ascent, holding down assistant positions on the staffs of Logan at East Carolina, John Cooper at Tulsa and Johnny Majors at the University of Tennessee. While in high school, Berry was an all-state selection in football (quarterback) and track and field at Miami (Okla.) High School. After foregoing scholarship offers from the University of Oklahoma and the University of Arkansas, as well as a nomination and acceptance from the U.S. Air Force Academy, he attended Tulsa and played quarterback for the Golden Hurricane from 1979 through 1981 before suffering a career-ending knee injury. Berry began his coaching career as an undergraduate at Tulsa with Cooper before moving to Tennessee as a graduate assistant and tight ends coach in 1983.

Off the field, Berry is an active participant in coaching clinics and a regular member of the speaking circuit. He has also been highly involved with his favorite charity, the Children's Miracle Network, and has served as television host for the CMN fund-raiser the past three years. Berry assumes his new duties immediately.

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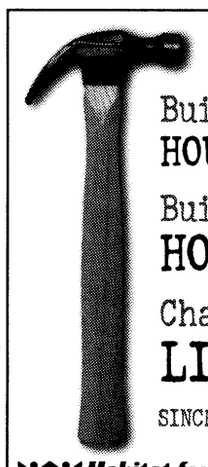

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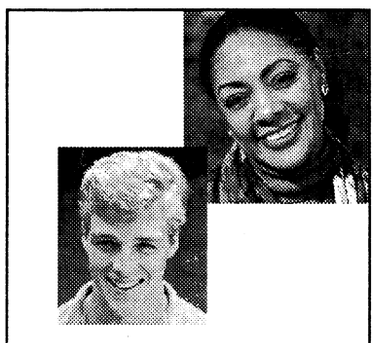

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Autos for sale

54 Ford Crestline, 3 speed, 2DR, coupe, good cond. needs TLC $5,000. obo Call evenings 685-0486 (F14)

71 El Camino, performance 350 eng and trans , four new tires, only about 5,000 mi on eng. Hector 685-2863 329-0932 (F28)

85 Oldsmobile G8 Regency Brougham, auto, new air cond, battery, starter, alternator, exc, runs great $2,000 221-3602 or Maturaca@hotmail.com (F7)

87 Ford Tempo GLX, 4DR, 5 spd, 4 cyl.new clutch $1,500. obo Call after 3:00 660-8307 or 685-4779 (F7)

87 V.W Jetta, $600. obo Homes # 689-1020, leave message if not home (F14)

88 Nissan Stanza p/w, p/l, sunroof, new tires, runs good. Must sell, cheapest price ever, $800. obo. Jason 332-0583 / 322-5629 (F7)

88 Mazda 626 auto, am/fm cass, 4Dr, cruise control, ac, extra clean, $3,000. 297-2960 or 576-7297 (F28)

89 Grey Skyhawk, 4cyl, 85,310 mi, 4 new tires, rebuilt motor, cd player included $850. obo after 4:00pm 687-3441 (F28)

89 Chrysler Lebaron, 2dr.,white ext. red int. Runs good, 4 new tires, auto/cruise, trip computer-$1000 obo 687-1540 (F14)

89 Eagle Summit 4DR, auto/trans, cold air, clean, runs great $2,595. obo 561-2244 (F28)

90 Toyota Camry LE, s.w ,auto, ac am/fm cass, pw/pl, sunroof, V6, extra clean, $3,000. 297-2960 or 576-7297 (F28)

91 Isuzu Stylus, red, $1,700 obo 221-3602 (F14)

91 Eagle Talon, sporty 2dr AM/FM, CD,all power,air,tilt Pcsing need to sell ,$4000/obo 689-5172 (F28)

91 Suzuki Sidekick JX 4-dr, white, A/C, new AM/FM cassette radio, 4WD, clean, runs god, one owner, hi mileage. $5,500. Call 687-4121 or TLVDATSI@MSN.COM (F7)

92 Ford T-Bird Sport, black, auto, air, runs great, 65k on engine, $6,500 obo 366-2329, 845-9774 (F5)

92 Nissan Sentra XE, 4DR, 5 spd, ac, $2,400. 297-2960 (F14)

94 Nissan Maxima GXE, need cond, $7,500. 568-9465 Mr. Martinez (F28)

95 Honda Civic EX, 5 spd, 16" sport wheels, CD changer, $8,500 568-9465 (F7)

95 Hyundai Accent, exc cond, 4dr, AC AM/FM cass, 4 spd, 52kmi, $4,500 obo 683-9514 (F28)

96 Chevy Lumina, 70,000 mi, ac, cruise control, power windows, power locks, ABS. $6,500 obo 545-3432 english 565-5463 spanish (F14)

96 White Corvette, fully loaded, tan leather interior, 32,000 mi $23,000 561-3692 / 563-0969 (F28)

97 Chrysler Sebring LXI, auto, power everything, sunroof, cass/CD player, leather seats, alarm, $15,500 neg. 545-1105 or 569-9817 (F7)

97 Saturn SL2, 4dr, auto, 50k, silver TW, loaded, exc cond, call 569-6744 after 6pm (F7)

97 Pontiac Sunfire, red, 4dr. Perfect cond. and is being sold for a very great deal. 683-0841.(F5)

98 MITSUBISHI GALANT ES Barcelona red ,tan enterior , fully loaded ,power everything, wood grain ,sunroof,cruise ,alloy wheels $ 14,000 obo 687-6875(F28) .

98 Mazda Protege LX, ac, ps, pdl, auto, cruise, cd, non-smoker, warranty, 24,000 miles. 10,500 221-2572 (F7)

99 Honda Accord DX Take over payments. $20,000. 22,000 miles. Really good condition. Call 682-2256, ask for Carlton or Linda Robinson. (F7)

SUVs, Vans & Trucks

79 F150 custom 300, 6 cyl. good work truck $500. after 5pm 855-3749 (F28)

87 Dodge Raider, 4 cyl. 5 spd, blk & gld, looks great. Too many new parts to list. air, CD, 4WD. $4,250. 561-6714 or 366-5142 Greg (F14)

92 Mits. Expo van, auto, pw/pl, am/fm cass, extra clean, $5,500 297-2960 (F14)

93 Jeep Cherokee Country low mileage, loaded w/lots of options, outside mounted spare. $10,000 596-0228 after 6pm (F7).

94 Ford Explorer, AC, CC, PL/ PW tilt, exc cond, $8,500 obo. 562-0768 (F7)

96 Dodge Grand Caravan LE, Fully Loaded. Rear A/C, 56K mi, Built In child safety seats & lots of other extras. $16675 , 480-2018 (F28)

98 Chevy S-10 LS Pickup extended cab, 3dr Low mileage Like new.Will go for loan payoff of $11,500. 545-6047 or 324-1521 (F7).

98 Dodge Caravan SE 4DR, Green 30K, AIR/CRUISE/POWER, Alarm, tint, child seats Exc cond. 18,500 obo, (706)644-6237/ (706) 566-7800 (F14).

Motorcycles

80 FLH Shovel Head, Custom Paint-Black and Pearl White,Whiteewall Tires, Windshield, SaddleBags. $11000.00/obo 649-4122 OR 568-1133 (F28)

91 HD Heritage Softtail, lots of chrome and extras, exc cond, must see.$13,000.682-4553 (F21).

95Suzuke Intruder 800 13,000 mi, water-cooled, shaft-drive, great bike. $4,000 obo Craig 683-9994 (F14)

94 Honda 250, dirt bike, great cond, must sell $700. obo 855-0259 (F28)

98 Suzuki RM250, dirt bike, bought new in 99, never raced, great cond $3,300 obo 855-0259 (F28)

Boats, RVs

New 22' Pontoon Superfish boat w/ two live wells, depth finder, 115hp motor. Purchased for $22,750 asking $17,500 obo. Mike 683-9280 or pager 576-0089. Must Sell getting divorced (F14).

97 Stratos 285 Pro Elite w/175HP Evenrude,18'10", lots of extras, like new, 682-4553 (F21).

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Certified FCC Provider has openings for infants and toddlers Rhonda 689-5795 (P7)

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Babysitter needed for 2 small boys, ages 3 and 15 months. Ft. Benning area. Able to bring children to home, or my home. References needed. 687-9644 Ask for Tabitha (F14)

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Roomate

Full-time employed, responsible, Male, Needs a room to rent or a roommate to move into an apartment with. 568-4439 (F7)

Yard Sales

Moving sale 8am-2pm sat, 11am-4pm sun 8233 Bryn Mawr Lane, columbus (twin chapel subdivision)

1F McKibben CT Ft,Benning 8am-2pm children clothes, adults clothes and some baby items. (F14)

Electronics

Computer systems from $1399 built to order with on site warranty. zero down, free shipping, 98% approval. 1-800-807-5888 (P21)

AST Laptop 133 MHZ, 16 MB, 3.5 floppydrive, CD Rom, external modem, and much more. $850.00 (682-2947) (F7)

M2 Tower 333 MHZ, 128 MB, 56k modem, 40x CD Rom, 3.5 floppy drive and much more. $450.00 firm. (682-2947) (F7)

Computer older model, Mitsubishi computer w/monitor and keyboard all for $30. 683-0114 (F7)

Children's Items

Graco toddler bed w/mattress, new $40. 989-3642 (F10)

Little Tykes Grand Mansion Doll House; all rooms furnished includes all outdoor toys and van; all in exc condi for $50.00 685-8322 (F10)

Century car seat $25. Pooh bear bouncing seat $10. Fisher price stroller $45. All in like new cond. 685-0574 (F14)

Playskool dollhouse with furniture and people $35 OBO. 3-in-1 game table $50 OBO. Leave mess. 689-7234. (F7)

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Furniture

Solid wood white tall poster bed Queen size. Head and foot board, frame, mattress and box springs $350. obo. 687-3487 (F7)

90 inch white sofa, includes white and green cover. Sofa has beenscotchgaurded, but does need to be cleaned. $75.00 obo 682-4679 (F14)

Couch and loveseat set, dark green, 1yr. old. $200/obo 683-9350 (F14)

Solid wood dining table w/4 chairs $100, Blu/w/ stripped full-sized sofabed $150. 685-3447/pg-317-7088 (F14)

Handmade wooden futon and feather down mattress, new $150. 324-4879 (F14)

New twin mattress set never used $125 324-4879

Ethan Allen wing chair, Queen Anne style, $125.00; and an ivory, Queen Anne style sofa, $175.00. 682-4324 after duty hours. (F14)

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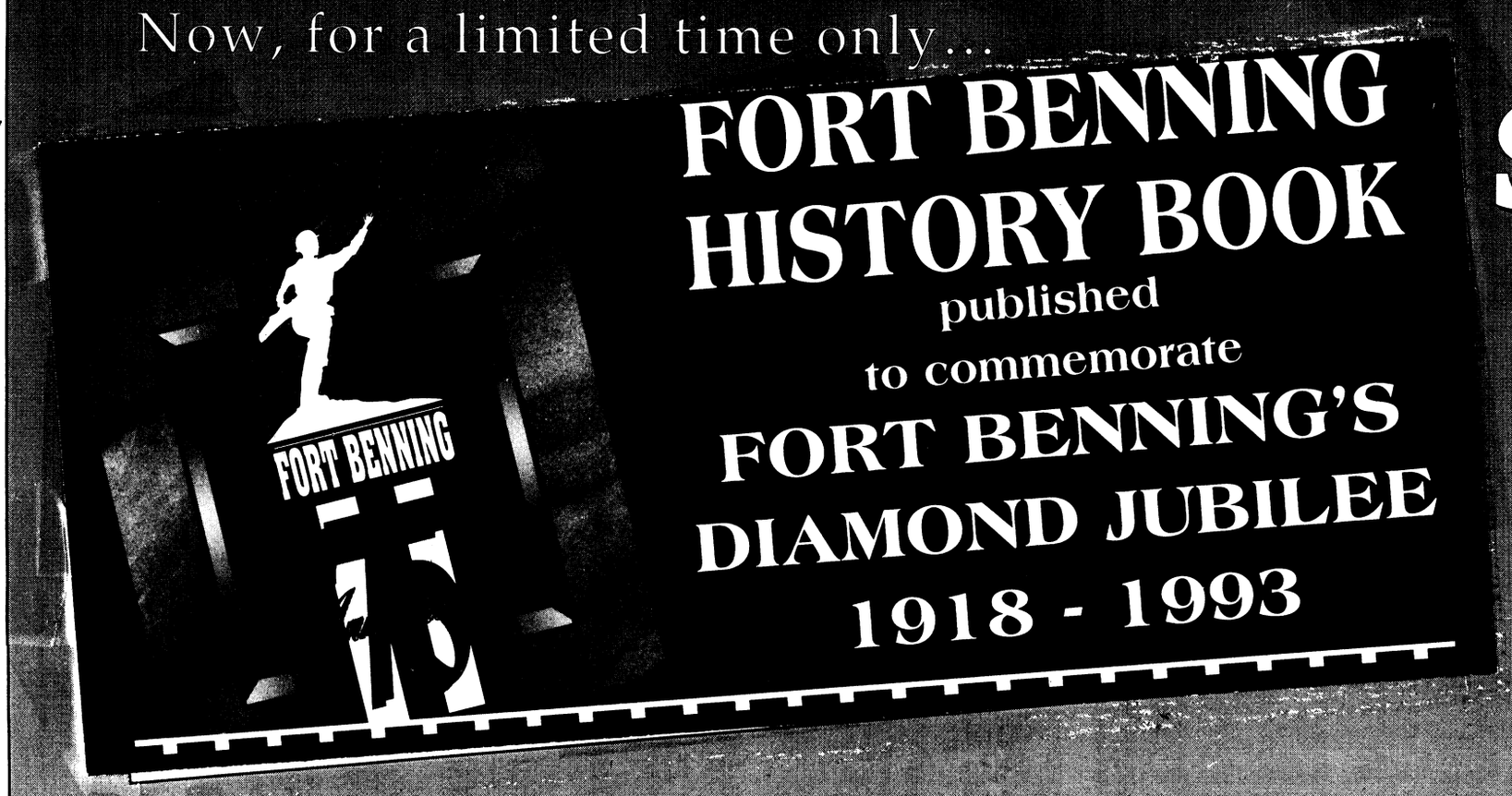

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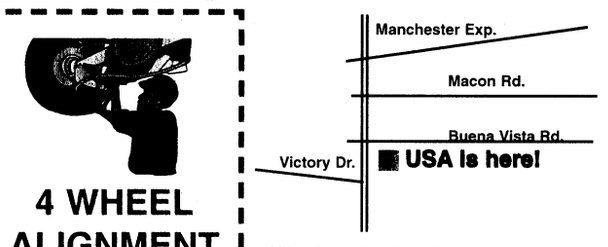

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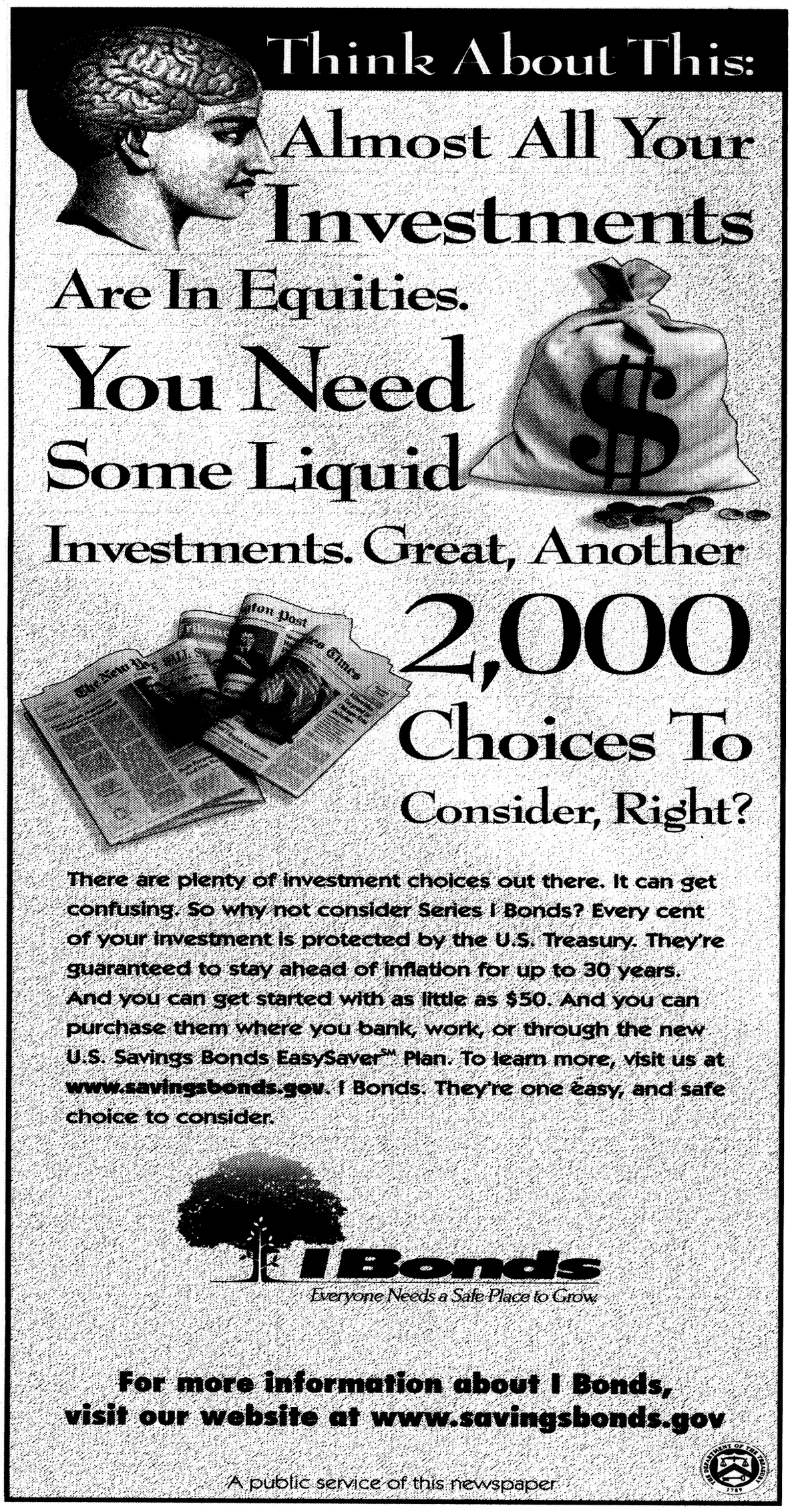

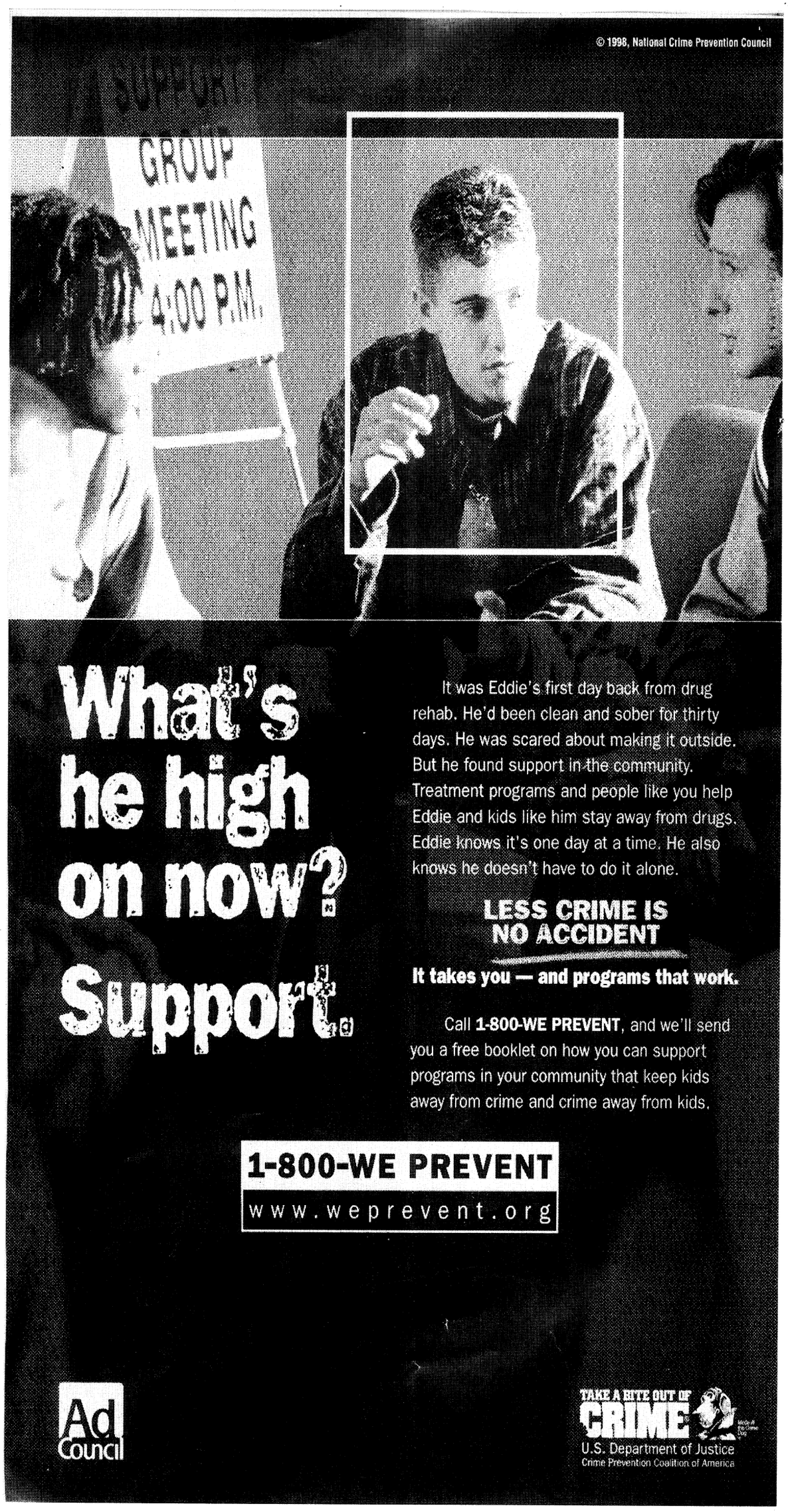

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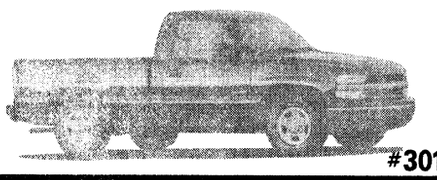

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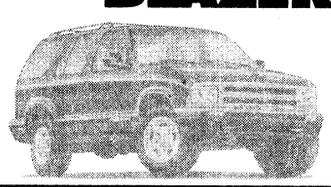

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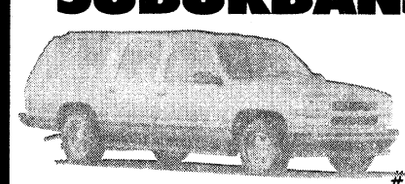

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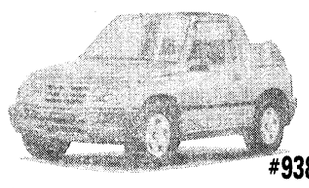

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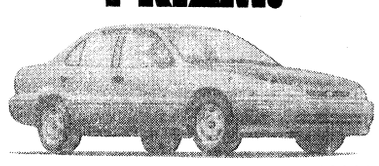

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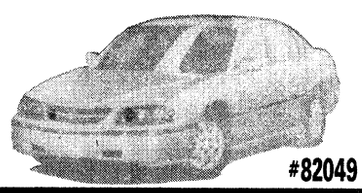

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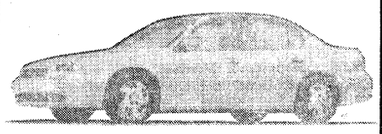

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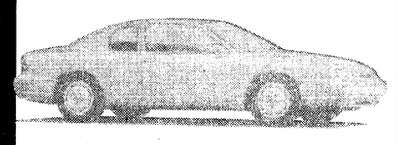

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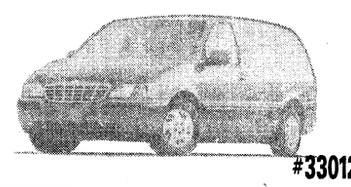

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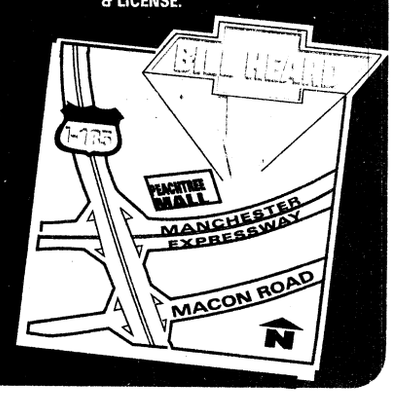

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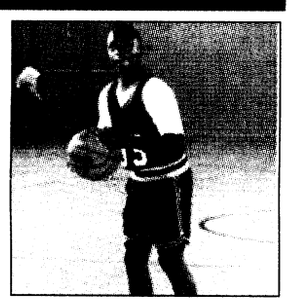

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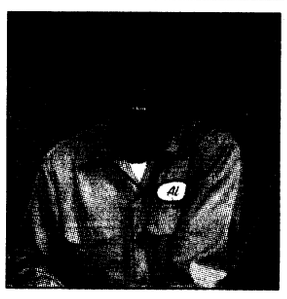

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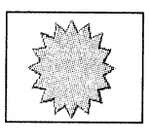
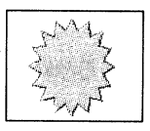
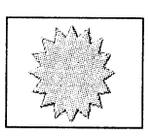
Friday		high 58 low 35
Saturday		high 64 low 28
Sunday		high 69 low 44

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Faulty line bursts, causes spill



Lori Egan

Workers attempt to contain the spill Jan. 6.

Driver finds bay full of oil, calls 911 for help

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

More than 200 gallons of 10W-40 motor oil spilled into a bay at the transportation motor pool Jan 6.

The spill was caused when a high-pressure line in a holding tank broke around 3 p.m.

Motor vehicle operator Linda Lee discovered the spill.

"When I walked by the bay, I looked in because I heard some noise," Lee said. "I thought I saw water, but that didn't make sense to me because it hadn't rained. I tested it with the tip of my shoe. When I pulled it back I could see it wasn't water."

The Directorate of Public Safety Fire Department responded to the scene where firefighters contained the spill within minutes of arriving on the scene.

Containment booms and an absorbent that expands 27 times its original weight were used in controlling the spill, said District Chief Lamar Fussell with the Fire Department.

Fussell said he expected close to 100 percent recovery of the spilled oil if not 100 percent. The wooden baseboard will leach some oil, he said.

"My only concern in the recovery process is what went through the external wall of the next bay," Fussell said.

While the wall was a concern, Fussell said they were lucky because the oil spilled onto a concrete pad with no sewer or storm drains.

The spill was contained and did not become the environmental nightmare it could have been, he added.

After the absorbent soaked up the oil, it was loaded into recovery

See **SPILL**, A-3

Additional trainees tax Sand Hill

BCTB activation pushes post to new construction

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Helmets and hard hats have similar characteristics, and this past year an increase in one meant an increase in the other at Fort Benning's Sand Hill.

The number of basic trainees increased with the activation of the Basic Combat Training Brigade, prompting a direct jump in the number of construction workers in the area.

Five new buildings and a physical training field have been completed in the last few months, and renovations are ongoing at the 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), Infantry Training Brigade, where incoming troops are processed and growing pains are obvious.

For Kenneth Holloway, the installation's master planner, and the engineers at the Directorate of Public Works, the project has been a "logistical challenge," Holloway said.

Planning started back in the summer of 1998 when Fort Benning received word that the BCTB would be activated. Funding arrived in February 1999, and Holloway estimated the construction cost so far to be $7 million.

Renovations to two "starship" buildings — Roush Barracks, home to 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry, BCTB, and Hanson Barracks, home of 2nd Battalion, 47th Inf., BCTB — were the first priority. The work was completed by June when the BCTB's three battalions were activated and the first trainees

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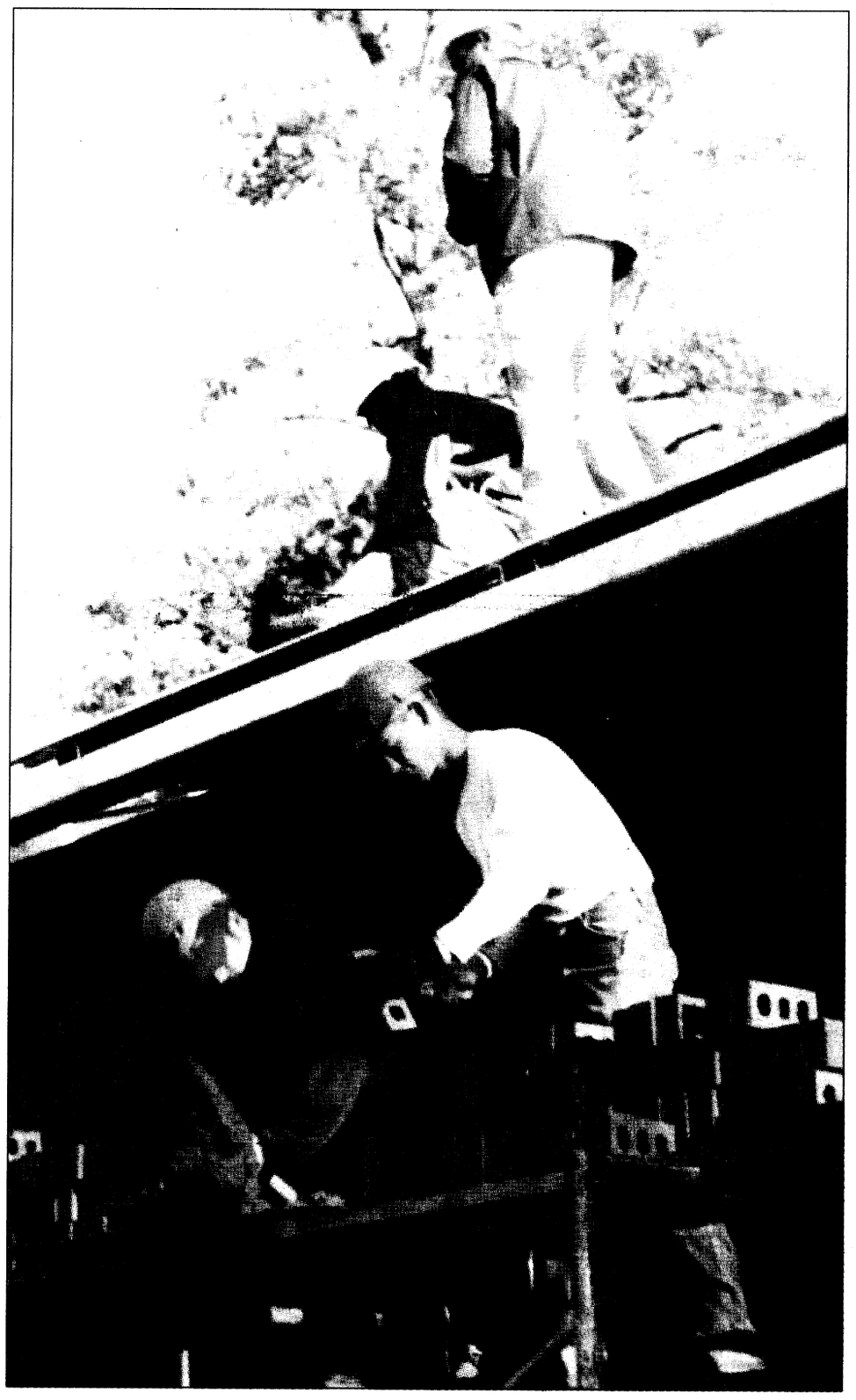

Sally Shutt

Construction workers build the new AAFES store on Sand Hill this week.

DoD proposes housing legislation

Cohen wants to boost BAH, privatize quarters

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Secretary of Defense William Cohen announced last week a plan that would put more money in service members pockets and give America's fighting force a better place to lay their heads at night.

The new initiative, Cohen said, will increase basic housing allowances and is hoped to give new life to the push for privatization of on-post housing.

The proposal is slated to cut the required out-of-pocket housing expenses for Soldiers living off post by 15 percent by the year 2005.

"If you are on base, your housing and all of your utilities are paid for," Cohen said in an American Forces Press Service news release earlier this week. "On the other hand, if you're off base you are required to pick up 15 percent at a minimum, and as much as 19 percent currently.

"We've got a real disparity," he said.

That disparity prompted the Department of Defense's top civilian to push for the boost in military housing allowances. And if the legislation passes, the impact on the Fort Benning community could be substantial.

"This could be a huge help for our Soldiers," said Ron Smith, Fort Benning's chief of family housing. "Presently, Fort Benning can only house 50 percent of the entire population on post. Therefore half of our people are forced to live downtown and pay the required 15 percent of their housing costs.

"If this new legislation is successful, that would no longer be the case," he said.

Congressional law presently requires Soldiers living off post to pay 15 percent of their housing expenses, an inequity Smith said he hopes to see disappear with the proposed legislation.

While the boost to the basic housing allowance is one of the headliners for the new bill, Smith said those who presently live in government quarters were not left out in the legislation.

"Cohen's proposed plan also

See **LEGISLATION**, A-4

Hospital seeks new Prime patients

MACH may lose funding if new members don't enroll

Sally Shutt
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With more than 10,000 vacant Tricare Prime slots, Martin Army Community Hospital officials are working to increase the number of enrollees during January and February.

Col. James Beson, MACH commander, and Terry Beckwith, director of marketing and public affairs officer, are giving briefings all over post in an effort to get more active-duty family members signed up for the health care program. They will extend their efforts in mid-February to reach retirees and nonactive-duty family members.

The two point out the benefits patients receive by enrolling in the program, including access to a primary care manager and shorter waiting times for appointments.

And there's the benefit MACH will receive in increasing its Tricare load — future funding for the hospital will be based on the number of patients enrolled in the military's managed health care program.

It's called Enrollment-Based Capitation, and while it's not new in the managed health care industry, it is new to the military, Beson said. Military treatment facilities will receive a set amount per person enrolled in the program starting with the 2001 budget.

"We are looking ahead to the next couple of years, because our funding comes two years out," he said.

Although 100 percent of the budget will not be determined by the EBC, Beson said, "We don't know for sure, but I would estimate it to be greater than 75 percent of our budget."

The hospital's complicated budgeting system in the past has been based on factors such as the number of patients seen, regardless of Tricare status. That will change with the switch to EBC, and Beson is preparing for the transition, designed to take place over a three-year period.

The impact of MACH falling short of its enrollment capacity has already been felt

"This year's budget was decremented based on a deficiency model indicating that we were not fully enrolled," he said.

"You can read between the lines. They took money away this year because we were not fully enrolled. That's an indication to me that we need to be fully enrolled or they will take money away next year."

See **TRICARE**, A-3

Faith students learn King's lessons

Editor's note: *The students at Faith Middle School participated in an essay contest in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. The theme of the contest was "Remember, celebrate, act; A day on, not a day off," which is also the theme of today's commemorative service.*

Seventh-grader Anuarite Mubangu will read her essay as part of the post program that begins at 10 a.m. in Marshall Auditorium.

Martin Luther King contributed greatly to our nation, but the day named after him is often thought of as being just another day off the job!

As many of you know, the Civil Rights movement (simply put) was the fight against the ill treatment of colored people. One of the leaders of this movement was a heroic man named Martin Luther King. Being a preacher, King was a very spiritual man who wanted nothing more but for all of mankind to treat each other justly. Fighting against injustice for so long finally won King the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964.

We all drink at public water fountains, can sit down and enjoy a movie at a public theater, or even ride to town on a public bus and sit wherever we please. These events take part in our everyday lives but we so often take them for granted. But if it weren't for such dedicated people as Martin Luther King, going to the movies with someone of a different race wouldn't even be heard of!

I was recently given an assignment on Benjamin Franklin. We were to list some of the characteristics that made him a good problem solver.

Intelligence, charisma and integrity were just some of the traits that Franklin possessed that popped into my mind. However, as I researched Dr. King I realized that many of the traits that Franklin had lied within Dr. King as well.

How can this be? Two men of a different race, sharing the same commendable traits. Could it have anything to do with the fact that all men were created equal? That a man of one race could have just as much of an impact on a nation, as a man of another? Martin Luther King once gave the famous "I have a dream" speech. In it he said that he dreams of a nation where his children will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

I have to admit, that before I wrote this essay I appreciated Martin Luther King Day for all the wrong reasons, taking everything he fought so hard for, for granted. But now I have a better understanding of what this heroic man really accomplished. I believe that on Martin Luther King Day, I'll remember King (along with all the other people who played a part in the Civil Rights movement), and truly understand and appreciate the impact these heroic people had on the world and how it affects me today.

I'm afraid that in the distant future, the name of the man who fought so bravely to restore justice to our great nation will be forgotten. But if what he fought for and did is still remembered in the hearts of people around the world, Martin Luther King's efforts will not have been in vain.

— Anuarite Mubangu
1st place

Remember, act and celebrate: To some people these words mean absolutely nothing, and Martin Luther King Jr. day just means nothing but another holiday off. To me, however, they mean much, much more.

There are many ways you can remember a great man like Martin Luther King Jr. Two ways are monuments and biographies. I believe that the most effective way to remember is to teach. Children cannot learn and remember Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy if they are not taught it by teachers and parents. Then, when their children become adults, they in turn can relate Martin Luther King Jr.'s memory to the next generation.

Acting Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream is also of great importance.

Continuing his fight in the civil rights movement and fighting for equal treatment for all mankind is one way to be like Martin. Discouraging violence and making a stand for peaceful solutions is also another way to be like him. Acting like him is an essential key to keep his living legacy alive although he himself is dead. Acting like him will also help complete that famous "dream" he had so many years ago.

Celebrating, in my opinion, is another way of remembering. Celebrating is an appreciation for what Martin Luther King Jr. did for this country and its people. African-American month, Martin Luther King Jr. day, and parades help to celebrate and remember his courageous accomplishments.

Despite what some people may think, Martin Luther King Jr. Day is not just a day off from school or from work. It is a day to remember, act and celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. On this day, instead of staying and watching TV or sleeping until noon, try this instead: Remember him by thinking of how his speeches motivated people to start the civil rights movement. Act like this great man by fighting for peoples' rights and freedom. Celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.'s achievements by visiting monuments, reading a book on his life or accomplishments. Go to an event or parade, or better yet, participate in the event or parade.

When someone mentions Martin Luther King Jr. or I read about him in my history book, these are the things I think. I think how he was a courageous man who stood against violence and stood up for equal rights and peace. And maybe, just maybe, one day I will overhear a little boy say to his mother, "I want to grow up to be like Martin, Mommy!"

— Ashley Maignan
2nd place

"I say to you today my friends, so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed; 'We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal.' I have a dream that one day the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will sit down together in the table of brotherhood..."

That was the first two paragraphs of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s famous speech, "I Have A Dream." Dr. King was believed to be a great man by many people. He fought for his rights, and what he thought America should be like.

As he fought his way to freedom, he faced many problems, and each day, he grew less and less respectful and faithful for his country, America. He believed that one day his nation would rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed. He had a dream that one day the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners would be able to sit down together in the table of brotherhood. But most importantly, he had a dream of one day being free.

Martin Luther King Jr. felt that one day his nation would rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed. This reference was the whole reason we fought in the Revolutionary War, why we came over to America in the first place, why the Civil War was fought, and the true meaning of the Bill of Rights. He wanted the rights and liberties of all men to be the same, he wanted freedom, and he wanted to end segregation. Discrimination against one another played a major role in his fight for freedom. As blacks were beaten and hosed down in the streets, thousands of singing children were sent to the jails to sing for the innocent blacks. Bombs went off, and everywhere you turned some sort of violence was occurring. He wanted to make America a better place; a better place from all the racial hatred he witnessed.

Martin Luther King Jr. dreamed that one day the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners would join each other in the table of brotherhood. He wanted all people to forgive each other for the ghastly and horrid conflagration and dispute that took place between them. He wanted discrimination and quarrels between them to end. But mostly, he wanted everyone to get along, all of the bad times forgotten, and another day to look forward.

Freedom, happiness, love and peace — these are the great things that King wanted all people to experience. He wanted "... People not to be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character." He wanted people to, "Work together, pray together, struggle together, go to jail together, and stand up for freedom together, knowing that they will all be free one day." This would all go to show that people cannot be a disgrace to their society, but they are people too, with feelings and a heart, and that they are perfectly innocent. Martin Luther King Jr. fought to express that his people had lives like everyone else — they loved, they had goals, and most importantly, they had dreams!

Martin Luther King Jr. was not just believed to be a great man, but he was a great man. He gave his life for other people, knowing he was going to be killed. He was killed by a white man for believing in his rights, and protesting against discrimination. Martin Luther King Jr. changed the way whites look at blacks, and he changed America by his beliefs, and to me, that was his destiny. What Martin Luther King Jr. wanted was for us to remember what he did, celebrate it, and act it out so that he would know he changed America. He was the kind of man that many hated, while at the same time, many loved. He was a man with great beliefs and a purpose; a purpose to change the way we look at one another.

— Erin Browning
3rd place

Post remembers MLK

Fort Benning celebrates the anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday today. This day commemorates not only the memory of a great American, but also reminds us of Dr. King's lasting influence on American society. It is a time to reflect on the past and to rededicate ourselves to the future, to the principles for which Dr. King lived and died; a dream of dignity for all.

The theme for this year's Dr. Martin Luther King Commemorative Service is "Remember, Celebrate, Act; A Day On Not A Day Off." This encourages us to remember Dr. King's work (what was done and what needs to be done), celebrate his legacy, and act on it by giving our services back to the community.



In recognition of Dr. King's many contributions to our great country, a commemorative service will be held in Marshall Auditorium, Infantry Hall at 10 a.m. today. All members of Fort Benning and the tri-city community are encouraged to attend this service.

— Maj. Gen. John M. Le Moyne
Commanding General

THE BAYONET accepts letters to the editor. Letters need to include name and phone number. For more information, call 545-4622.

letter

ACS thanks community

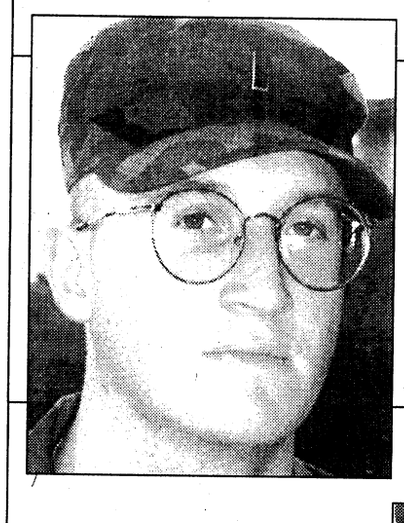
The Army Community Service Support Fund issued 952 turkeys during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays to the installation's major subordinate command sergeants major for distribution to Soldiers who would have been otherwise unable to share in the traditional holiday meal with their families.

The ACSSF would not have been able to accomplish this service to our community without the support of the following: Time Warner Cable; Wilson Elementary School (Classroom 14); Religious Education Center (Catholic Sunday School); The Retired Officers' Association Auxiliary; Main Post Exchange; Girl Scouts; Directorate of Contracting; SGS; Chaplains Consolidated Fund; Faith Middle School; Follow Me Golf Course Ladies Golf Association; Sgt. 1st Class Jeffery A. Cornuet, Main Post Child Development Center; Roy Bauer, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment's Family Support Group; and the Officers' and Enlisted Wives Clubs. Without help the success of providing for families during the holidays would not have been possible. Thank you.

— Al Deane
Army Emergency Relief officer, Army Community Service

VARIOUS VOICES

How did Martin Luther King Jr.'s work affect your life?



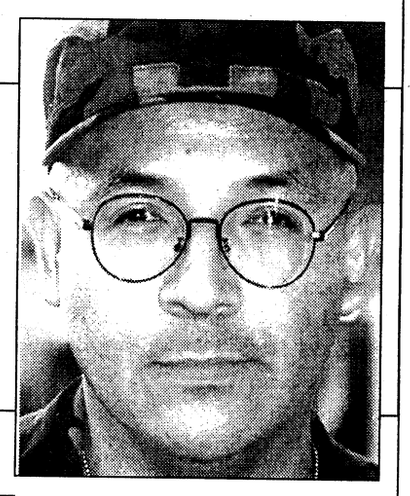
2nd Lt. Kenneth Barber, Officer Candidate School, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "He brought a lot of issues into the open that hadn't been discussed."



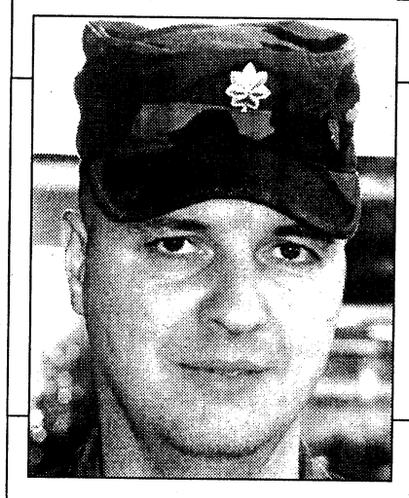
Pfc. Cristyll Higgins, 608th Ordnance Company — "He inspired minorities to stand up for themselves."



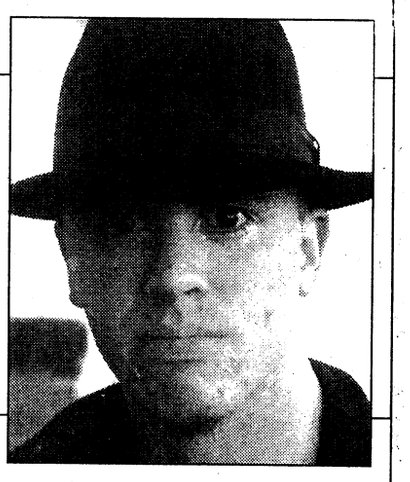
Laura Saine, family member — "He gave me an opportunity to work and associate with blacks."



Sgt. 1st Class Ventura Borjon, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "He made it easier for people of all colors to live with each other with equal rights"



Maj. Dennis Wince, D Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "He created better working environment by emphasizing that everyone is equal, no matter of color or race."



Spc. Eric Harkness, 988th Military Police Company — "He increased awareness of the unfair treatment of minorities."

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Construction: Makes room for new trainees

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arrived.

The buildings were made serviceable for trainee barracks, and the combined cost equaled $2.7 million, Holloway said.

Leonard Barracks, the last starship built, was in much better shape and did not require renovation, Holloway said. BCTB's 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry, is located there.

The first new construction started in late 1998.

The Directorate of Logistics Transportation and Carlson Wagonlit Travel were relocated from inside a starship building, where the space was needed for troops, to a new building on Sand Hill.

New brick structures were also constructed to house the offices of the Headquarters Service Company, BCTB, and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Infantry Training Brigade.

They were completed in October and November at a cost of $183,000 for the HSC, BCTB, building and $265,000 for the HHC, ITB, offices, Chris Flowers, contract officer for the projects, said.

The Physical Fitness Training Unit at 30th AG Bn. has a brand new workout facility, located on what was once the impound lot. The cost for that project was $184,000. Soldiers who do not meet the physical fitness standards for basic training and One Station Unit Training are assigned to the PFTU and work to meet those standards. Injured trainees from the ITB and the BCTB are also assigned to the unit for rehabilitation.

The Training Aids Support Center has a new $275,000 supply center behind the Sand Hill theater. The building also houses the laundry contractor.

Brown and Root Inc. was the contractor for the five new buildings, and final inspections on them were completed Tuesday. The company also constructed the new fitness field.

Overgrown tennis and handball courts were demolished and a modern PT field put in their place at the 2nd Bn., 47 Inf., BCTB. The field features a 1/4-mile track, rubberized training pit and exercise equipment.

The $297,000 project was completed in about 30 days, Flowers said. Lighting will be added this month.

Marty Eberharter, construction supervisor with Brown and Root, was busy Tuesday overseeing two projects at the 30th AG Bn.

Workers are expanding the latrine area in the reception center and constructing a new AAFES branch exchange behind Johnston Hall. It will be completed in the next few months.

Permanent barracks were available for the trainees at the BCTB and One Station Unit Training at ITB; however, the influx of Soldiers processing through the reception battalion caused a housing headache.

Currently, about 480 incoming trainees can sleep in three leased modular buildings located in front of Johnston Hall.

The cost is $463,596 a year for the buildings and an additional $24,000 for maintenance, Holloway said. The contractor is JMC Construction Inc. of Texas.

The buildings were leased because a quick fix was needed, and budgeting guidelines prevented DPW from moving forward with new barracks.

By law, a new building costing more than $500,000 must come from Military Construction, Department of the Army funds, which are Congressionally approved.

DPW has requested $32 million from the Military Construction, Army funds.

This has been submitted as part of the Planning, Programming and Budgeting System to Congress, Holloway said. It's a three to four year process.

That funding will construct new barracks for 600 additional Soldiers (replacing the modular billets), enlarge the reception battalion's dining facility, processing area and PFTU facility, and create a running track.

"30th AG is the only battalion out there without its own running track," Holloway said.

Last week Col. Randy Buck, chief DPW, gave Congressional staffers a tour of the construction at Sand Hill.

"They were interested in looking at how MCA money is being spent and getting an appreciation for the facilities at Fort Benning," Buck said.

Of the post's $32 million request, Buck said, "We talked that up as we showed them the conditions of these facilities (at 30th AG Bn.). We made it very clear to them that we are woefully short of billeting space, and the dining facility is significantly undersized."



Sally Shutt

Construction workers from Brown and Root, Inc., continue construction on the new AAFES store located behind 30th Adjutant General Reception Battallion on Sand Hill. The building is only part of the new construction in progress.

Tricare: Could cut MACH funding

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There are 10,826 Tricare Prime slots vacant — 2,731 designated for active-duty family members and 8,095 for nonactive-duty family members and retirees. While active-duty family members may enroll for free, retirees and nonactive-duty family members are required to pay an annual enrollment fee.

Active-duty military are already covered under Tricare.

"However, many (active-duty military) are confused about their family's health care classification," Beckwith said. "If a family member is not enrolled in Tricare Prime, they are faced with utilizing the space-available system of accessing health care. Space available means just that, when there is space available.

"This is not in the best interest for all concerned. Patients are not assigned to a primary care manager, appointments are not always available, and continuity of care is not a guarantee," she said.

More than 25,000 active-duty family members reside in the MACH catchment area, a 40-mile radius. Of those, approximately 24,000 are users of MACH medical services.

"Currently, we have approximately 18,400 active-duty family members enrolled in Tricare Prime and are diligently striving to reach the remainder who may not know they can still enroll," Beckwith said.

The number of retirees and nonactive-duty family members under the age of 65 who use the hospital is 16,790.

"We have approximately 8,900 of this population enrolled in Prime and are trying to reach all the others to let them know they can enroll," Beckwith said.

Individuals over the age of 65 become Medicare eligible and are not eligible for Tricare Prime.

Because retirees must pay an enrollment fee with Tricare Prime, many are willing to opt for space-available care.

"They can elect to enroll or not enroll, but there will come a time when all the spots will be filled," Beson said. "When will that time be, I don't know."

The MACH commander determines the hospital's Tricare Prime capacity based on the number of assigned Primary Care Managers and their medical specialty — for example, family practice, pediatrics or internal medicine. The number of Prime enrollment capacity slots determines the number of people in the catchment area who can enroll.

"We have two things we have to be concerned about — making sure we are enrolled to our capacity and making sure that our patients are being taken care of and getting in," he said.

If MACH doesn't reach its goal, Beson said it runs the risk of losing some of its providers.

Enrollment forms are available at the Tricare Service Center, Building 9204, Stairwell C, or in the MACH primary care clinics — family practice, Winder, Aviation, Victory Clinic, internal medicine or pediatrics.

Enrollment forms are also available by calling 1-800-444-5445 and having a form mailed to the beneficiary.

The beneficiary completes the form and either mails it to Humana Military Healthcare Services or takes it to the Tricare service center.

Nonactive-duty individuals and their family members have enrollment fees that must be submitted with their applications.

For more information on Tricare, call the service center at 544-1347.

Tricare terms at a glance

Tricare: the Department of Defense health care program for military families and retirees.

Tricare Prime: a plan offering health care at the lowest out-of-pocket cost. Enrollment is required, and a primary care manager coordinates your care.

Primary Care Manager: the doctor or other health care professional who coordinates all of your care. You are assigned a PCM when you enroll in Tricare Prime.

Humana Military Healthcare Services, Inc.: a subsidiary of Humana, Inc., selected by the Department of Defense to offer Tricare in the southeastern U.S.

Spill: Sends driver dialing

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drums and the contractor will dispose of it, said Felix Seda, an environmental specialist with the Directorate of Public Works Environmental Branch.

The last process in the clean up is applying a fine powder-like substance to pull up and absorb what might have leached into the concrete, Fussell said.

"We spread nearly 200 pounds of the absorbent 1 1/2 to 2 inches deep on the spill," said Eddie Saxton, a driver-operator for the Fort Benning Fire Department.

Because of the amount spilled, fire Capt. Roger Snell expected it to take most of the night to absorb the oil.

"Everyone did an excellent job in containing and cleaning up the spill," Fussell said.

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Aggressive driving epidemic hits America

Road rage becoming top problem on roads

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

An Alabama woman was fatally shot late last year after an altercation between her and another driver turned deadly on the side of a central Alabama highway.

The shooting, according to police reports, tallied another victim for the newest and most lethal epidemic to hit America in decades.

The epidemic is road rage and it is coming to a highway near you.

The Alabama death was only one of more than 11,000 aggressive driving related incidents logged on America's highways in the last decade, according to an American Automobile Association report.

And while the death may claim another life for the aggressive driving epidemic, it also brings to the front the reality of how dangerous the road rage epidemic really is.

"Road rage can and probably has affected nearly every driver on the road at some time in their life,' said Lt. Col. Thomas Kelley, chief of Fort Benning's law enforcement division, "It can lay claim to anyone regardless of experience, age of demographic."

Road rage can turn a normally calm person into a green-eyed aggressive driver, he said. "For some it is the Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde syndrome. When they get behind the wheel of a vehicle it is as if some metamorphosis takes place. They become discourteous and reckless drivers capable of causing accidents.

"I have known many people who said they too have found themselves on the giving end of the road rage saga," Kelley said. "It seems everyone these days is in such a hurry and sometimes they (we) fail to live by the old Golden rule — treat others how you want to be treated."

The break-neck pace of today's world is a contributing factor to the increase in road rage outbreaks, according to the AAA report. However, many researchers said the biggest contributor to the epidemic growth of vehicular violence is the increase of motor vehicles and the miles they log on America's roadways.

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> Chief, law enforcement division

Since 1987, the number of miles of roads in America has increased by only 1 percent, while the number of total miles driven has increased by more than 35 percent.

That, Kelley said, coupled with the increase in the number of vehicles per capita has added fuel to the road-rage fire.

"The numbers of roads and the number of vehicles and miles driven have increased so unproportionally that the infrastructure is moving more people than originally designed to handle," he said. "That inequity in growth puts more people driving closer together and that in turn creates stress."

While Kelley said the infrastructure deficiency is a major factor, he said the underlying truth lies within society's "me first" syndrome.

"We are a society that is always in a hurry and 'me first syndrome' often leads to people being rude," he said. "Many drivers don't take into consideration their actions while behind the wheel."

Kelley said he believed that this failing of others to be courteous while driving could be a result of the lack of education motorists receive prior to obtaining their driving privileges.

"The number of new drivers who have completed a formal education course in driving is on the decline," he said. "Couple that stress with bad driving habits (cutting people off, failure to signal intent and tailgating) has a tendency to rapidly escalate into road rage."

Like many other public school programs, drivers education has been dropped from the course catalogues at many of the today's public schools.

This means many new motorists taking to the road are inexperienced and uneducated on the rules and courtesies of the road.

Presently less than 40 percent of all new drivers on the road complete a formal education course in driving before taking to the road, according to AAA.

"It's unfortunate there are so many people on the road who don't know the rules of the road or simply don't care," Kelley said. "These are the people who, in many cases, can be found at fault in aggressive-driving-related incidents."

Although Kelley said there is no quick fix for the road rage epidemic, he said there are a few tips drivers can use to keep themselves safe when confronted with an aggressive driver.

- Don't take the problems personally.
- Avoid eye contact with an aggressive driver.
- Don't make obscene gestures.
- Don't tailgate.
- Use your horn sparingly.
- Don't block the passing lane.
- Don't block the right hand turn lane.

Kelley also added that the number one thing to remember when confronted with an aggressive driver is, "Let the driver go by and get out of his way. By slowing down, you are only costing yourself a couple of minutes, and you are eliminating the possibility of the situation escalating out of control."

Local teens face prosecution after recent apprehension

Paintings catch police attention; investigators grab young graffiti artists

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

An undisclosed number of youthful offenders found themselves standing in front of the Juvenile Misconduct Authority Tuesday evening to learn their fate after an apprehension last week landed the youths on the wrong side of the law.

The youths, accused of painting numerous buildings on post with graffiti-like writing, could face numerous hours of community service, loss of post privileges and possibly removal of their entire family from post housing, according to U.S. Army Infantry Center regulation 210-5.

The teen vandals' paintings began appearing on buildings near Faith Middle School in mid-December, according to military police reports. Those paintings continued to appear on buildings and vehicles throughout post during the remainder of the month.

Evidence collected from the various scenes pointed military police investigators to the teens last week.

While police officials declined to comment on the status of the investigation, they did release the following locations the teens defaced during their stint of spraying: the Follow Me Golf Course, Faith Middle School, Main Post Bowling Alley, Kerry Pool, Building 69, the Officers' Club, Building 880, Infantry Hall, Airborne shed, Youth Services and the drivers' training center.

Police officials have also linked the juveniles to the painting of a government vehicle parked at the Youth Services Center and the painting of a 1991 Mitsubishi Eclipse.

Sgt. Maj. Kenneth Graham, garrison sergeant major, is responsible for punitive action for the juveniles as the post Juvenile Misconduct Action Authority, but declined to comment on the outcome of Tuesday's proceedings.

"The offenders are juveniles, and this ties our hands on releasing information," said Sgt. 1st Class Valerie Boggs, garrison command NCOIC. "I can confirm, however, that the JMAA will adhere to the post regulations in punishing the offenders in this particular case."

Although police officials said the investigation is still on-going, Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, law enforcement division, Directorate of Public Safety, said incidents like these are unacceptable and will be treated as serious matters on Fort Benning.

"It is a shame, really, that some young people feel they can cause this kind of damage without any regard to the cost. It speaks poorly of them. And senseless acts like these are a violation of what this community stands for," Kelley said. "Fort Benning military police will continue to seek out those involved to continue to make this community a safer place to live, work and play."

Legislation: Could save Soldiers money on housing

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gives on post housing a modernization," Smith said. "Through revitalization efforts and new construction, on-post residents would benefit from the new legislation as well."

The on-post part of Cohen's plan to fix the ailing housing system sends the responsibility of housing operation and revitalization efforts to a private entrepreneur.

Ownership of on-post family housing would be conveyed to a private company, he said, and they would in turn collect the BAH of the Soldiers residing in the housing. "For all intents and purposes they would essentially be paying their BAH as rent to the private owner to reside in on-post quarters."

The new private owner would also be responsible for the renovation of the housing areas that now in many cases are substandard, Smith said.

"The key is that the income stream from the better BAH rates will be there for the private sector to fund the repairs and renovations over the life of the housing," said Randall Yim, deputy undersecretary of defense for installation support in the American Forces Press Service press release. "Are they going to keep up the painting and the plumbing and the day-to-day maintenance so the place doesn't deteriorate in 10 years?"

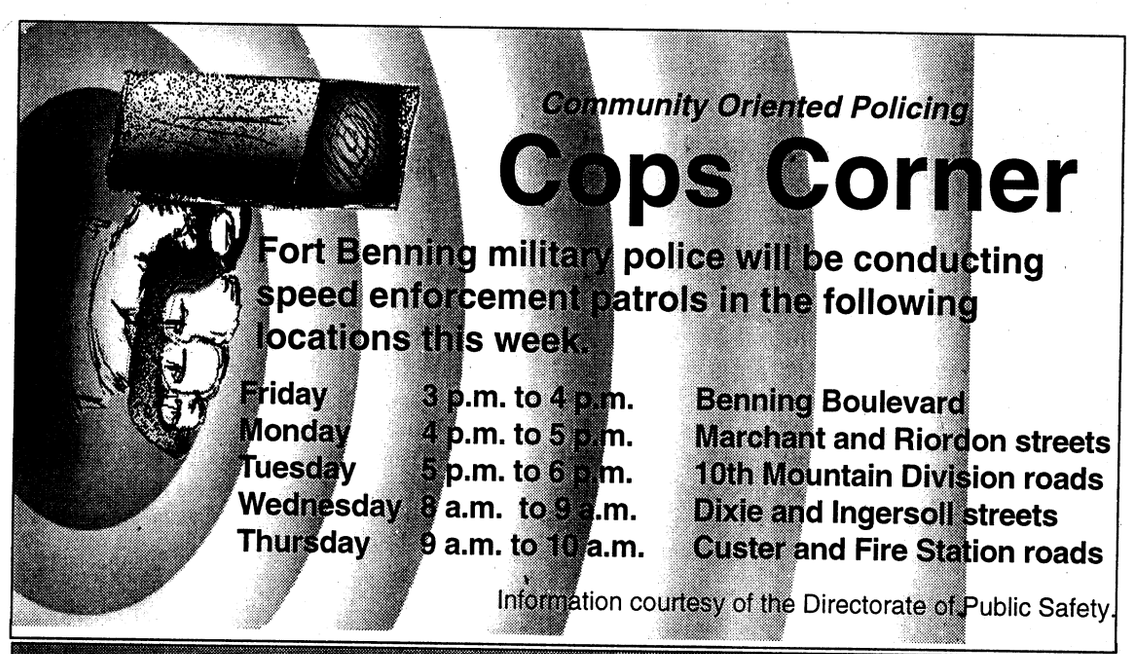
That is a question Smith said is being answered now in Fort Carson, Colo., as the effort to privatize is already in full swing.

"As far as I know things are going well and as planned," he said. "But only time will tell how well the new privatization system really works."

That time coupled with the further testing slated for Fort Hood, Texas, and Fort Lewis, Wash., later this year should give legislative officials something to base their opinions on when casting their votes next year.

"Secretary Cohen's recent announcement that he intends to decrease out-of-pocket expenses for members living off-post is welcome news," said Sen. Max Cleland, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee. "I am very happy to see this targeted common sense approach to reform.

"Our military staffing levels will continue to hemorrhage as long as Soldier's quality of life lags so far behind their private sector counterparts," Cleland added. "I am committed to working with the secretary on these and other ways to reward the men and women who make so many sacrifices on our behalf."



Community Oriented Policing

Cops Corner

Fort Benning military police will be conducting speed enforcement patrols in the following locations this week.

Friday	3 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Benning Boulevard
Monday	4 p.m. to 5 p.m.	Marchant and Riordon streets
Tuesday	5 p.m. to 6 p.m.	10th Mountain Division roads
Wednesday	8 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Dixie and Ingersoll streets
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Cohen gives nod for new deputy secretary

Deputy steps down, top DoD civilian checks yes for de Leon's appointment

Linda D. Kozaryn
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary William S. Cohen has recommended the president nominate Rudy de Leon to replace Deputy Defense Secretary John J. Hamre, who will step down from his Pentagon post March 31.

De Leon currently serves as undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness. Hamre plans to become president and chief executive officer of the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

"Rudy de Leon has dealt with many of the department's toughest and most important issues — maintaining readiness, improving quality of life for troops and families and making sure the department remains a leader in providing equal opportunity to all," Cohen said in a Jan.10 press release.


de Leon

As an undersecretary since August 1997, de Leon has served as Cohen's senior policy adviser on recruitment, career development and pay and benefits for the military's 1.5 million active duty and 1.5 million Guard and Reserve members and 800,000 DoD civilians. He also has been responsible for overseeing DoD's $15 billion-a-year health care system, its commissaries and exchanges, the Defense Education Activity and the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute.

Prior to becoming the Pentagon's top personnel and readiness manager, de Leon served for three years as undersecretary of the Air Force. In this position, he focused on maintaining high quality personnel, force readiness and an affordable modernization program that included the F-22 fighter and the C-17 airlifter. His two-year program review of the C-17 led to $5 billion in cost reductions.


Hamre

De Leon also worked to institute fundamental changes in U.S. military force protection practices when DoD's Anti-Terrorism Action Team was set up after the 1996 bombing in Saudi Arabia.

De Leon's federal career began 21 years ago. Prior to serving as a special assistant to former Defense Secretary Les Aspin in 1993, he was the staff director for the House Armed Services Committee and was responsible for the committee's consideration of annual defense budgets. He helped draft the 1986 Goldwater-Nichols DoD Reorganization Act and oversaw 1990 legislation that authorized the use of military force in the Persian Gulf.

Hamre has been the 26th deputy secretary since July 1997. Prior to becoming the Pentagon's No. 2 leader, he was DoD comptroller from 1993 to 1997. His association with DoD began on Capitol Hill, where he served for 10 years as a staff member of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Cohen praised Hamre for his commitment to fixing problems with effective, practical solutions that were fair to all concerned. He said Hamre's biggest achievements have been in increasing computer security, bringing better business practices to the department, winning increases in defense spending to improve readiness and procurement, and helping defense contractors and the department adapt to global business conditions.

"John Hamre has been my friend and partner in running the department," Cohen said. "He approaches all issues with extreme confidence and an extraordinary sense of humor. He has had a major impact on the department."

"I will miss him when he leaves," he added.

Sergeant gives more than just advice

Retention NCO ensures best for re-enlistees

Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

Blending honesty, friendliness and a warm smile, Staff Sgt. Ruperto Foster, keeps the Soldiers of the U.S Army School of the Americas on their career path.

During fiscal year 1999, USARSA received Fort Benning's Small Unit Retention Excellence Award three out of the four quarters.

Foster, the School's Reenlistment NCO since 1998, is a huge reason for the School's retention success.

"USARSA's re-enlistment numbers are always high because the Soldiers here like the Army and want to continue progressing in their military career," he said humbly. "I've been fortunate to be surrounded with Soldiers who make my job a little easier."

He said in order for a unit to qualify for a retention award, they must meet or exceed the quota established by the post re-enlistment office.

The quotas are based on the number of Soldiers in the unit and the number who are eligible for re-enlistment during the quarter.

Although the 18-year Army veteran deals with paperwork today, Foster has spent most of his career in the trenches as an Infantryman.

The Panama City, Panama, native originally joined the Army in 1970, but got out in 1972. He later returned to duty in 1983. He earned the Expert Infantryman Badge, Airborne Badge and later the Combat Infantryman Badge during his 9-month combat duty during Desert Storm with the 101st Airborne Division out of Fort Campbell, Ky.

"The Army has allowed me to see parts of the world I never thought I'd see," he said. "It's been good for me and my family."

The third child of six siblings has been married for five years with his wife Jacqueline, who is also in the Army. They have a 3-year-old son named Jarrell. Foster has two adult children from a previous marriage.

His parents and brothers and sisters are still in Panama, where he tries to visit at least once a year. But, if he doesn't make it, he gets a small taste of his homeland here on Fort Benning.

"We have many Panamanian Soldiers and civilians at USARSA, so I get to reminisce about the old neighborhood," he said.

This month, USARSA has already had two Soldiers re-enlist, which motivates Foster.

"I work hard in keeping up with the current changes in re-enlistment policies," he said. "You have to research all the available options for a Soldier and his or her particular MOS. For instance, a Soldier may qualify for a bonus. They need to know that."

When selling the Army gets tough, Foster brings out the warm smile and friendly persona that helps Soldiers make the right decision.

"I help them weigh the difference between getting out and staying in," he said. "The Army is a good career choice — most of the time they listen."

He said there's no secret to his success ... it's very simple, "It's all about taking care of Soldiers. That's the bottom line."

Millennium brings new ACAP concepts

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The year 2000 brings a new Employer Day concept to the ACAP Center in Soldiers' Plaza.

"We are encouraging interested employers to visit the ACAP Center each Thursday if at all possible," said Cynthia Anderson, Fort Benning's ACAP Center Employer Day project officer. "We believe this offers a greater opportunity for Soldiers to meet more than one employer and also means greater attendance for visiting recruiters."

Once the Employer Day is established as a Fort Benning standard the word should spread and could grow into a job fair each week, she said.

Employer Days are one of the advantages offered to separating Soldiers, Department of Army civilians, and family members of separating personnel.

The ACAP process is mandated by the U.S. Congress for all separating personnel and should be started 180 days from final separation date, but not less than 90 days before final separation date.

The process begins with a three day preseparation program followed by individual counseling and other services conducted by the ACAP Center or other service provider.

Job assistance is important to many Soldiers, and Employer Days have become very popular at Fort Benning and other ACAP Centers like Fort McPherson, Anderson said.

Interested individuals should keep reading *The Bayonet* where upcoming events are published in the Community Briefs column of the Community Section.

Flyers are also distributed each week and more information is readily available by visiting the ACAP Center.

Separating personnel should plan to visit these valuable job search events as often as possible.

May 18 is the date that has been selected for the large annual Association of the U.S. Army Soldiers' Job Fair. Employers from local, regional, and national companies will set up tables in Infantry Hall to meet with military personnel. Separating personnel and those thinking long range should attend.

For more information, call the Fort Benning ACAP Center at 545-2308 or 545-2309 or visit Soldiers' Plaza, Building 2634. The ACAP Center web site is: http://www-benning.army.mil/ACAP

post briefs

Power outages scheduled

Flint EMC, Fort Benning's electrical contractor, will have two scheduled electrical outages Monday.

•The first outage will be on Main Post from 8 a.m. to midnight and will affect the TLC Credit Union, Arts and Crafts Center, the Bowling Alley and Reggies.

Additionally, the entire 2700 and 2800 blocks will be off for two hours from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. The purpose of the outage is to change out switches to prevent future unscheduled outages.

•The second outage will be on Sandhill from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and will affect all the facilities on 2nd Infantry Division Road, all of the facilities on 11th Airborne Division Road and part of 2nd Armor Division Road.

All of Scott Avenue, Peg Street, and 4th and 5th streets will be without power also.

There will not be any outage of hot water or heating as the central plant will continue to operate. Buildings 3405 and 3425 will not be affected by the outage (on 2nd Armor Division Road).

The purpose is to change out conductors that will continue to fail unless they are replaced.

For more information, call Mark Fincher at 545-7928 or Benny Hines at 545-4310.

CG plans Two-Star Breakfast

The quarterly CG's Two-Star Excellence Breakfast and Awards Ceremony is scheduled for today from 8-9 a.m. at the Supper Club, Fort Benning Officers' Club.

The cost of the breakfast buffet is $6.25 and it includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast sticks, biscuits, coffee and juice.

There will be open seating at the breakfast and the buffet lines open at 7:30 a.m.

USAMU needs pistol shooters

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit is looking for Soldiers who are interested in shooting on the competition pistol team for the 2000 summer tour.

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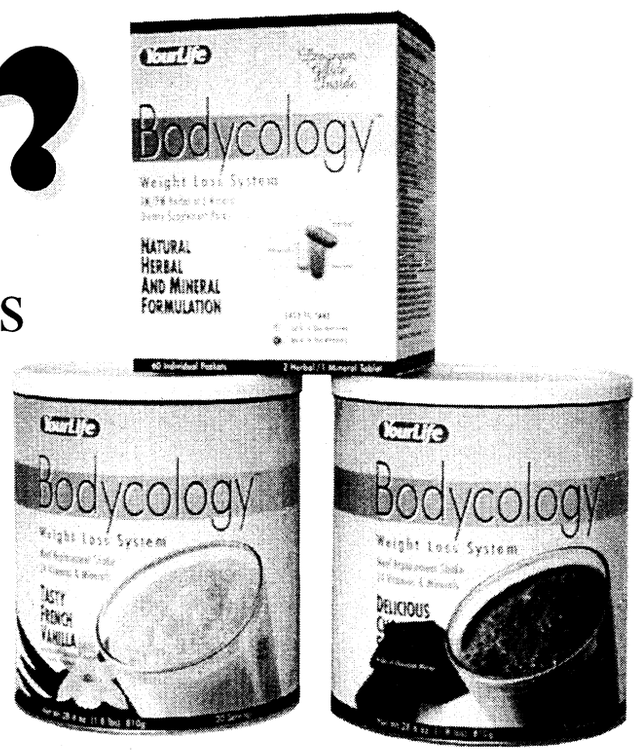

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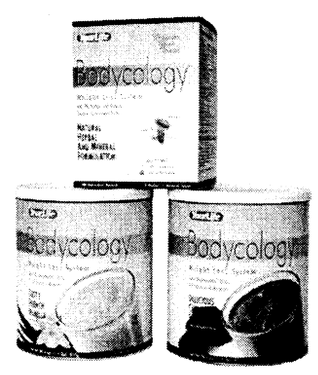

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Soldiers line foxholes in supported firing positions as coaches observe during Basic Rifle Marksmanship training. The Soldiers practiced using the four fundamentals of firing an M-16A2 rifle — getting in steady position, aiming, controlled breathing and

Trainees on target during basic rifle marksmanship

Soldiers eagerly return from Exodus to complete final stages of training

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

It would seem natural that many Soldiers who go home for Christmas Exodus may not get very excited about the thought of returning to the demanding pace of basic training.

That is, unless you're about to take on Basic Rifle Marksmanship.

Many of the Soldiers in C Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, were all too happy to cut their training break off and come back to Fort Benning so they could head out to the ranges for BRM training.

The training at Malone Range 8 was the first thing the Soldiers moved into after their holiday break, said Capt. Richard Harris, C Company commander.

"Everyone is excited to be back," he said. "This is the portion of basic that everyone gets excited about. They get out, get hands-on and really enjoy being able to fire a weapon."

Pvt. Lynn Harper, a C Co. trainee, said he was glad to get back to Fort Benning for several reasons.

"A lot of us were anxious to get back," he said. "The Exodus was greatly appreciated, but a lot of us started missing being here, we sort of consider it home.

"We're ready to get back and get everything over with. We're real excited about BRM — this is when the fun stuff starts," said Harper. "It's going to be great to actually fire the rifles and learn some of the training that will benefit us in a wartime situation."

Pvt. Anthony Crafter, another C Co. trainee, agreed. He said his training was on his mind the whole time he was home.

"I was very excited about coming back," he said. "I did a lot of thinking about training while I was at home. I didn't know how taking a break would affect our training.

"This is what, I personally, have been looking forward to, and so far I haven't been let down," he added. "I'm looking forward to going ahead and qualifying, as an expert, which is one of everyone's dreams."

Firing expert doesn't just happen though, there's a plan of training that gets Soldiers to that level, said Harris.

He said it all begins with the basics.

"This is where it all starts — with the initial phase of BRM where we teach them the basics," he said. "We focus on the four fundamentals of marksmanship.

"The four fundamentals, steady position, aiming, breathing and trigger squeeze are the keys to success," said Harris.

Those fundamentals, along with some other useful skills, make the young trainees into marksmen, said Sgt. 1st Class Gary Yeatts, a drill sergeant for C Co.

"The privates are being instructed on the four fundamentals of firing, assembly and disassembly of the weapon, how to reduce load stoppage, correcting malfunctions on a weapon and ranges procedures," he said.

This is accomplished by drawing on all of the drill sergeants' skills, said Yeatts.

"The experience from all of the drill sergeants in our company plays a big role in our training in that we all share different techniques on how to accomplish a certain task," he said. "Not any one drill sergeant is an expert on any fundamental of firing a rifle. As a group, we become experts by sharing our knowledge."

Yeatts said out of all of the training the trainees receive before going to a live-fire range, the shot grouping exercise is one of the most difficult.

"The private needs to know how to get the proper sight picture and also have mastered the four fundamentals of firing to to achieve a good shot group. That takes a lot of practice," he said.

Even though it's been a while since the trainees had any practice, training after the holiday break has still been running smoothly.

"It's less of a challenge because they were prepared to re-enter BRM before they went on Exodus," Yeatts said. "It's a bigger challenge when you first get them from the reception station where they don't know what to expect. They had an introduction before they left, so we were able to just pick up where we left off."



Photos by Spc. Michael Maddox

Pvt. Eric McDowell, C Co., 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., holds a target in place for another Soldier during practice on shot grouping.



Pvt. Eugene Toribio, C Co., 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., keeps a watchful eye on a dime on the end of the M-16A2 rifle as Pvt. Jeffrey Jones practices firing technique by performing the dime and washer drill.



Staff Sgt. Willie Johnson, a drill sergeant for C Co., 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., instructs trainees on the correct way to zero an M-16A2 rifle during Basic Rifle Marksmanship training at Malone Range 8.

Battalion pounds out 'swords' for new millennium

Staff Sgt. K. Allen Whiteacre
3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry

Like crafting a well-made sword, the process of transforming civilians into Soldiers is a complicated and intense process. The drill sergeant spends the first weeks of basic training preparing the future Soldier by melting down resistance to change. He, along with the support of cadre, will form the melted mass of desire into a single blade. That blade will be pounded with challenge after challenge.

After weeks of training the Soldier-to-be's skills are refined and tested. Finally the civilian is no longer a mass of unwieldy talents and desires, but a member of a finely honed, well-crafted and sharp instrument of war.

D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry, Basic Combat Training Brigade, became the first company this year to complete its training Thursday at a graduation ceremony on Sand Hill.

The ceremony was a time for celebration, but also one of reflection on the journey to become a Soldier. It is a journey, which began with an introduction.

"My drill sergeants are going to teach you everything you need to know about the Army," said 1st Sgt. James Luze, D Company's top Soldier. "Starting with something as simple as how to stand."

With that remark an intensive program of instruction began, as a drill sergeant stepped up and spilled the module on how to stand at the position of attention.

Cadre gave many classes to the recruits using lectures. The first challenge for these Soldiers was staying awake in a crowded, warm classroom.

Instruction on values, military justice, the code of conduct and other subjects are important, but sometimes difficult to make exciting.

In addition, many of the trainees were adjusting their sleep patterns. Where they had been used to sleeping until 10 a.m., they were now getting up at 5 a.m., after having their nighttime sleep interrupted with an hour of fireguard duty.

It was not an easy adjustment for some. "I don't understand it," said Pvt. Glen McMorris, Peoria, Ill. "I just can't stay awake."

By the time Basic Rifle Marksmanship instruction started, there was a welcome sense of relief that the hands-on portion of the course had begun in earnest by student and teachers alike. BRM is also a very serious time in basic training. The weapons are deadly and in the hands of inexperienced men can be a threat to safety.

All of the drill sergeants and other cadre stress over and over the importance of paying attention. "Keep that weapon up, and down range!" is a mantra screamed by cadre throughout the weeks of instruction.

With rifle qualification behind them, there is a feeling of real accomplishment, pride and teamwork in the platoons. It is the middle of a very fast train that includes foot marches, hand grenade qualification, nuclear, biological, chemical training, first aid instruction, familiarization with a myriad of weapons including the M-60 machine gun, the AT-4 anti-tank weapon and the M-18 Claymore mine.



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Lt. Col. Edward Daly, 3rd Bn., 47 Inf. commander, pounds out steel during the company's Cold Steel ceremony.

"The Soldiers aren't experts on these weapons the way they are with the M-16, but they have an understanding of how to fire the weapons," said Staff Sgt. Jimmy Russell Jr., 2nd platoon sergeant.

Throughout this training is the thread of physical fitness training which strings one day to the next.

"Recruits can be experts on everything in basic training, but if they can't pass their PT test they are not going anywhere," said Russell.

If the civilian is formed into a weapon of war, and the drill sergeant is the hammer that shapes him, it is the Army values that are the anvil. Army values are the only subject more constant than physical fitness. It is the strength of loyalty, duty, respect, honor, integrity and personal courage in a trainee, which determine the metal of the final product.

"The Army values are important in basic training because they are the foundation for life in today's Army," Russell said. "When all else fails new Soldiers can fall back on the Army values and they can't go wrong."

The final phase of basic training combines the individual skills of each recruit and tests their ability to work as a team on a Field Training Exercise. It is an exercise that challenges the new Soldiers, and tests how well the drill sergeants have prepared them.

"With the completion of this exercise you are now Soldiers," said Lt. Col. Edward Daly, 3rd Bn., 47 Inf. battalion commander, at the company's Cold Steel ceremony the night the exercise ended. "Remember, to whom much is given much is expected."

"These Soldiers have to realize that not everyone can be a Soldier," he added. "The Cold Steel ceremony is a moment of crossover, that etches into their brain that they are now more ... They are Soldiers."

Lightweight armor tested

Interceptor body armor stops 7.62 mm rounds with protective plates

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

FORT BELVOIR, Va. — It's natural for service members entering a combat area to want protection. Up until now, so-called "bulletproof vests" have been heavy and not all that bulletproof.

This has changed with the introduction of Interceptor Body Armor.

An Army and Marine Corps team has produced body armor that provides protection and trimmed about 10 pounds off its predecessor — the personal armor systems, ground troops vest.

Army project director Kyle Hassler said the total system weighs in at about 16 pounds. The body armor can be tailored to fit the mission.

"The vest alone will protect Soldiers against 9 mm rounds," she said. "If a Soldier is on a peacekeeping patrol and they don't expect to face a lot of opposition, the vest alone will work.

"If the mission is more serious, then the Soldier can add plates to the vest," she continued. "The plates and vest combination will stop multiple hits from 7.62 mm rounds."

The Army and Marine Corps realize not all service members are equal and the plates come in five sizes and go in the front and back of the vest.

"The vest also has a quick release feature," Hassler said. "If you need to drop the plates, one tug and they're gone."

The vest comes with neck and crotch protection attachments. It will work with all current and anticipated load carrying equipment. With the fasteners along the right side, the vest still protects the front of the body even when open.

While Marines and Soldiers will use the vest other services have expressed interest.

The interceptor armor is just the latest in a long line of bulletproof vests. During the Middle Ages, knights wore suits of armor, and common Soldiers tried to outfit themselves against arrows and early guns.

The Spanish conquistadors arrived on the shores of Mexico wearing metal vests designed to stop sword thrusts and arrows.

Researchers at Jamestown, Va., recently unearthed a metal vest early English settlers brought to America.

The U.S. military didn't place much confidence in bulletproof vests.

The first bulletproof vests Soldiers used weren't issued by the military. Union Soldiers in the Civil War bought bulletproof vests from peddlers who traveled around Army camps in Northern Virginia selling their wares.

The vests were made of cast iron and were incredibly heavy.

Not only that, they didn't work. Bullets would shatter the vest and cause many wounds instead of just one.

The vests weren't very popular.

The U.S. military started researching and issuing what became known as "flak jackets" during World War II.

Bomber crews often returned from missions over Nazi-occupied Europe telling how the "flak was so thick you could walk on it." Each of those puffs of smoke in the sky contained thousands of pieces of shrapnel.

In 1942, the Army Air Forces started issuing flak jackets to aircrews. These first flak jackets were heavy, but they did stop flak.

U.S. officials had adapted the flak vest from the Royal Air Force. They were used by flexible position gunners in four-engine bombers like B-17s and B-24s. Some aicrew in medium bombers like the B-26 and B-25 also used them.

The flak jackets were steel plates sown into cloth. "They hung over the chest and stomach like a catcher's chest protector," said Bob Adair, an official with the Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. "They were pretty heavy."

There was a helmet that completed the ensemble. The vest had a pull tab to dump it quickly if the plane ditched in the water or the crew had to bail out.

After the war, research continued to make flak jackets lighter and better.

During the Vietnam War, many Soldiers, Marines and airmen received flak vests. Again, the vests would stop shrapnel, but they still couldn't stop a bullet.

"Those were hot, uncomfortable, heavy and bulky," said Scott Ferguson, collections chief at the Air Force Museum. "It was extremely hard to move around in them."

Most service members wore them without shirts. In helicopters, most service members sat on the vests.

The development of Kevlar and ceramic materiel in the 1970s and 1980s made real bulletproof vests possible.

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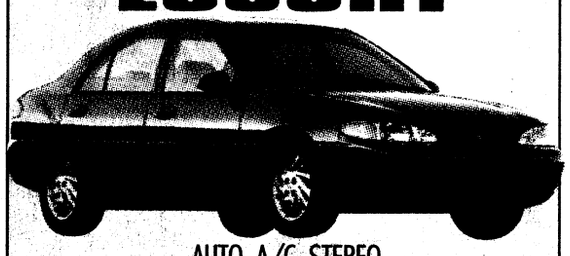

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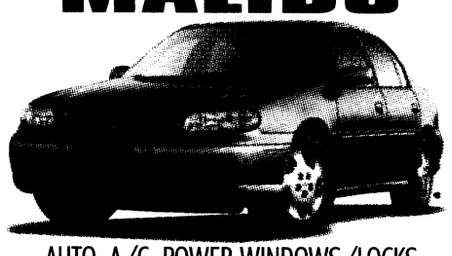

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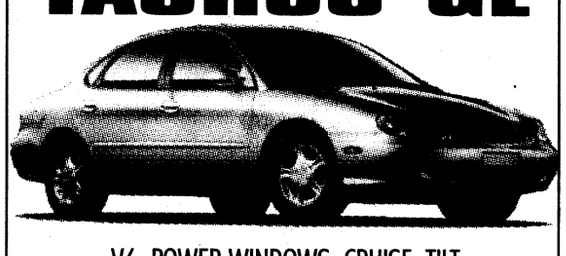

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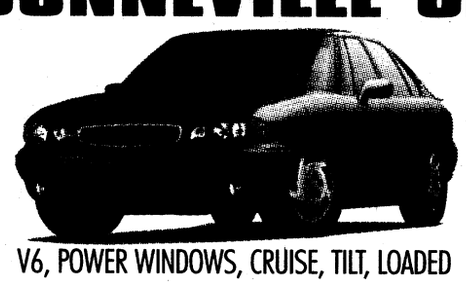

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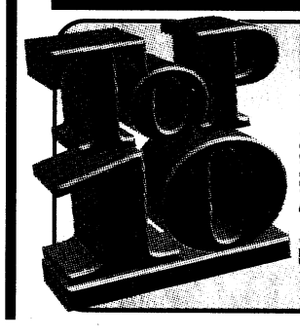

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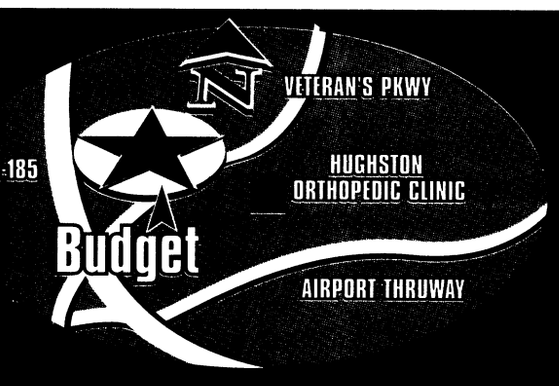

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Age regulation affects Youth Services center

Open recreation now limited to family members at least 11 years old

Bridgett Siter
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A controversial decision by the Department of the Army to alter Youth Service regulations has left many Fort Benning parents confused and frustrated.

In a Department of the Army mandate effective Nov. 1, Youth Service facilities at all military installations are available for open recreation only to family members 11 years old and older.

Fort Benning Youth Services passed out letters, advertised in the newspaper and posted notices to make parents aware of the changes.

Personnel delayed enforcing the new regulations until Jan. 1, in an effort to accommodate members, and give parents sufficient time to make alternate arrangements for their children.

Nonetheless, many parents were uncertain exactly how the changes would affect their children.

"I was totally caught off guard. I don't understand why the changes were made," said Shannon Secules, family member. "We paid fees for membership for both of our daughters, but now neither one of them can use the recreation center."

Youth Service members under the age of 11 will still be allowed to attend class, participate in sports and take part in other special activities, according to the new regulations.

They will be able to visit the snack bar during practices, ball games and between classes. However, they will no longer be able to use the facilities for open recreation.

Linda Laine, Fort Benning YS director, emphasized this decision will not affect younger members' participation in Youth Service sponsored sports or classes.

Parents may not, however, drop off players before practices, or leave children after piano or dance classes to play in the gymnasium or recreation center, Laine said.

A number of parents had come to rely on the center as an alternative to School Age Services, she said.

Although the center is not a child-care facility, many of the children were arriving at the facility after school and being left to play until the end of the work day.

DA regulations state no child younger than 10 can be left unattended by a parent or guardian at Youth Services.

Youth Services is not funded or staffed as a child care facility.

"We use the facilities mainly just for the sports programs, so it won't affect my family a great deal," said Capt. Jim Gray, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 75th Ranger Regiment. "Maybe it's a good thing. Maybe the younger children shouldn't be hanging out with the older kids anyway."

Unlike Gray, many parents feel the new structure will adversely affect their families.

"My daughters are 8 and 10," said Maj. Greg Sawyer, HHC, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment. "During the summer, my oldest could come over, use the pool and spend quality time with her friends. I can see this impacting our family in the summer especially."

"I just spent $30 for membership for my kids," said Staff Sgt. Todd Gibson, B Company, 2nd Battalion 47th Infantry. "Now my son can't use the center, except to take classes, which we pay for separately. So why do we have to pay a membership fee? It should be refunded."

Laine said the transition was going to be hard.

"No one wants to say to a child, 'You can't come in here.' It must be understood that this is a DA mandate," Laine said. "When you leave this installation, you'll find the same rules apply everywhere."

Travel agency curtails leisure services on posts

Harriet E. Rice
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Carlson Wagonlit Travel agents no longer provide leisure travel services at stateside Army installations.

Carlson officials told the Army in October the company would stop paying commissions to installations, and if the Army did not accept charging Soldiers a fee to make plane reservations, the company would curtail its service. Carlson said those changes were necessary since cuts in airline commissions reduced the company's profits. Army officials said the company was unwilling to compromise on fee rates during negotiations, which led to the cut-off for leisure travel services.

Realizing some Soldiers would be inconvenienced, the Army asked Carlson to continue helping Soldiers with plane reservations in emergency leave situations, holiday EXODUS from training centers and leave in conjunction with official travel.

Except for emergency leave, Soldiers can expect to pay a variable transaction fee at on-post Carlson Wagonlit Travel offices.

Weighing heavily in the Army's decision was the state of the travel industry and the multitude of options available for Soldiers to purchase tickets, officials said.

"The advent of e-commerce and e-ticketing is making the on-site travel agent a thing of the past," said Dan Yount, U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center Leisure Travel program manager. "Charging Soldiers a fee for service is not right when the same service is available at no cost from the airlines or off the Internet."

See **TRAVEL**, B-4



Sally Shutt

Maj. Arlin Guess, OIC for the central triage center at Martin Army Community Hospital, interviews a patient Monday in the hospital's new triage center. The emergency room, triage center and acute care clinic opened Jan. 3.

Company recalls infant car seat, carriers for repairs

Capt. Jennifer Christovich
Army and Air Force Exchange Service

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Kolcraft Enterprises of Chicago, is recalling about 754,000 infant car seat and carriers for repair.

When used as an infant carrier, the handle can unexpectedly move from the intended carrying position, causing the seat to suddenly rotate. When this happens, the infant can fall to the ground and suffer serious injuries.

The recall involves Kolcraft infant car seat and carriers with the model names: Infant Rider, Secura, Travel-About, Plus 4, Plus 5, Kolcraft Infant Restraint, Kolcraft Infant Car Seat and Playskool Infant Car Seat manufactured from Jan. 1, 1993, through June 30, 1999. The five-digit model and style number and manufacture date, written as month, day and year and possibly the model name are written on a label on the side of the seat.

Some car seat and carriers also were sold with strollers.

AAFES sold only the SECURA and PLUS 4 infant car seats. The seats manufactured from July 1, 1999 with newly designed handle mechanisms are not part of this recall. The Kolcraft Rock N Ride is also not part of the recall.

If the first digits of the model and style numbers on your car seat and carrier match the numbers in the following list, then it is subject to this recall. The series of the affected Kolcraft car seat and carriers are: 1312X, 1382X, 1384X, 1385X, 368XX, 43XXX and 7700X.

Kolcraft provides a free repair kit designed to make the handle more secure and the repair is easily done at home. Customers shouldn't carry the seat by the handle until it has been repaired. Customers can continue to use the product as a car seat or in combination with the stroller. CPSC, NHTSA and Kolcraft remind parents and caregivers to always restrain infants when in the car seat and carrier according to instructions.

To receive a free repair kit or for more information, call Kolcraft toll-free at (877)776-2609, 24 hours-a-day, seven days-a-week. Customers can also contact Kolcraft through their customer service E-mail address: lujan@kolcraft.com or write:

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Customers should provide the following information when contacting Kolcraft: model number and date of manufacturer (on the sticker on the side of the car seat), number of repair kits required and complete mailing address.

MACH opens new emergency room

Project results in new ER, acute care clinic, triage center

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Martin Army Community Hospital, one of the oldest community hospitals in the Army, has undergone extensive renovations to its emergency room, helping bring the aging structure into the 21st century.

"We needed to modernize a hospital that was finished in 1958 and is rapidly becoming the oldest community hospital in the Army," Col. James Beson, MACH commander, said Friday before a walk-through of the new ER, which opened to patients Jan. 3 and has been busy since.

On an average day, the emergency room sees about 110 patients, Maj. Joseph Kaplan, head of the ER, said.

The old facility was gutted and a temporary ER set up in an area next to the family practice clinic.

"It was much smaller and not nearly as efficient," Beson said.

The yearlong project resulted in a state-of-the-art emergency room, acute care clinic and triage center — all connected together.

The new ER has an open-bay floor plan and an extensive monitoring system that connects all patients with monitors set up at the centrally located nurses' station.

"The concept is that everyone working in the ER can see what is going on with all of the patients who are hooked up to monitors," Beson said.

A separate trauma room with two beds will handle the most severe emergencies, and there is also a separate infectious disease room with its own airflow system to prevent germs spreading to other parts of the hospital and to other patients.

A decontamination station, basically a large shower stall, was built to use in cases of exposure to hazardous materials, like petroleum spills.

The ER can handle 11 beds, an increase from seven in the old floor plan.

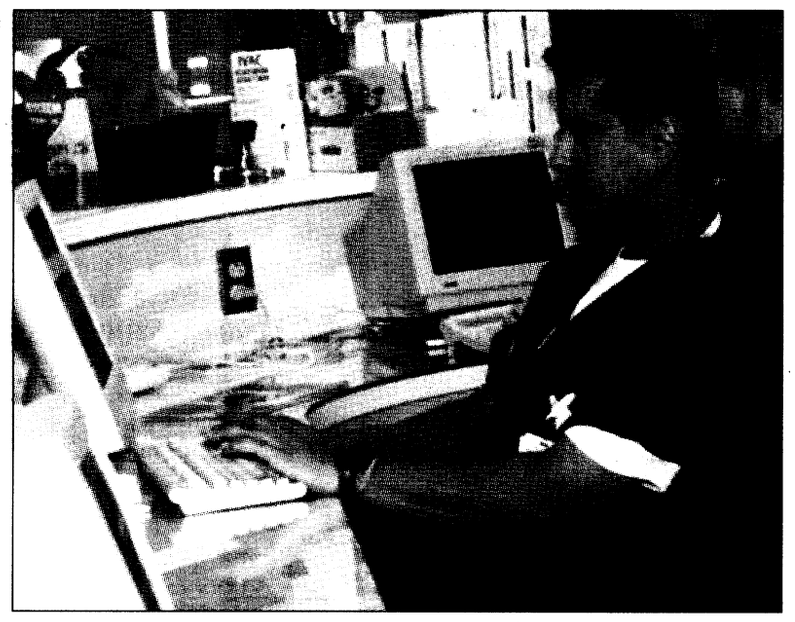
The ambulance entrance opens directly into the ER. All other patients enter the center through the newly decorated waiting room and are first seen by a triage nurse.

"Go to any emergency room and they will tell you that the number of true emergencies is only 10 percent," Beson said. "Most of them are acute care patients."

There are four triage areas where a nurse determines the level of care that is necessary. The nurses will ask patients questions, type the answers into a computer, take vital signs and then determine where the patients will go next — to the emergency room, acute care center, or home with an appointment with one of the hospital's clinics for a follow-up.

"You are not being treated by a computer. There is a registered triage nurse here, so you have the human aspect and the computer aspect. If the nurse doesn't agree with the computer, the nurse makes the decision," Beson said.

Three nurses have been added to the staff, and four nursing assistants are being hired to help staff the central triage section.



Sally Shutt

Sgt. Stephen Soza, emergency room team leader, types patient information into a computer at the nurses' station in the state-of-the-art ER.

The center will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

In the acute care center, doctors, physicians' assistants and nurse practitioners see patients who are not emergency patients, but who need to be seen that day.

The acute care center has a separate obstetrics exam room and an eye, ear, nose and throat room, as well as four standard exam rooms.

The renovation began in December 1998 and was completed a year later on Dec. 21.

The total project cost $1,725,806, and the contractor was Global Engineering and Construction Joint Venture, Inc.

The money came from MEDCOM, the medical command.

Next on Beson's list is a $6.5 million request to MEDCOM to renovate the family practice clinic, the largest of MACH's clinics. He should find out the status of his request later this year, he said.

In a few months, the hospital will open a new wellness center for women.

Two other projects were recently completed.

The main lobby features new furnishings, wall coverings and a patterned concrete floor showcasing the U.S. Army Infantry Center and MACH crests.

The cafeteria has been renamed the Martin Cafe. Booths and smaller tables have been added, as well as a large-screen television. Beson estimated the cost for both projects to be about $75,000.

The public is invited to attend an official ribbon cutting ceremony for the new emergency room on Jan. 19 at 3 p.m. at the main entrance to the ER. Rep. Mac Collins is scheduled to attend the ceremony.

Thrift Shop offers extended hours

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The Fort Benning Thrift Shop is expanding its hours. The reason for the increase in hours is to better serve the customers, said Lori Lane, manager.

Beginning Feb. 1, the store will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and every Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., except the first Friday of the month, which is when the store is open for Late-Nite shopping at the Thrift Shop. Those hours are 5 to 8 p.m.

"We're very excited about these new hours. This is the first time in years that we've made such a change, but as the popularity of the Thrift Shop escalates, more hours are needed to meet the demand," Lane said.

The recent decision to add another operational day to the schedule is, Lane said, "an answer to the patrons' request. We have had so many comments over the past year asking for more hours. Our records indicate we have enough staff and merchandise to support another work day," she said.

The store has experienced a surge in popularity, due in part, to the positive publicity that resulted from the Volunteer Organization of Excellence Award bestowed upon the Thrift Shop in April, Lane said.

"Selecting the Thrift Shop for this award had a lot to do with the computerization of the entire operation. That was an amazing feat, in terms of increased production and overall efficiency," said Jill Crider, OWC vice-president and installation volunteer coordinator.

"The computerization gave people an incentive to come in and bring merchandise and shop. Whereas, everything was written manually before, it now takes no more than seven minutes to consign 10 items," Lane said. "They finish their business quickly and have time to shop. We all benefit."

Lane and her staff began expanding and reorganizing the Thrift Shop more than two years ago. Three new rooms were added in 1988, giving the store nearly 10,000 square feet of floor space.

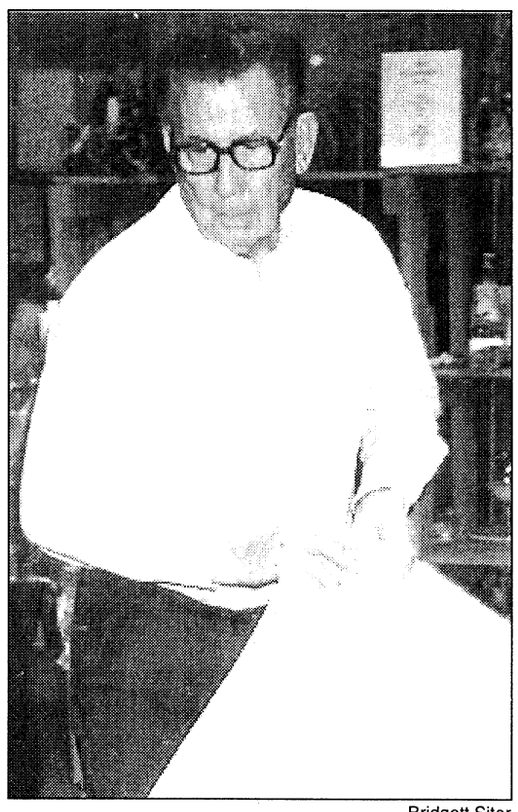
The merchandise is separated into departments, including womens' and mens' clothing, childrens' items, furniture, electronics, and household items. Newly hand-crafted items, including quilts, ceramics, and floral arrangements, are displayed in the "Craft Corner."

"We try to display the merchandise in such a way that it appeals to our customers. I've had them tell me the arrangements are wonderful. They help the customer see how each item can be used or displayed in their own home," said Karen Maguire, volunteer and designer. "That's what separates this store from others. Our merchandise isn't thrown on tables like a yard sale."

Nearly 90 percent of the furniture consigned at the store is sold on the day it arrives, Maguire said.

"We set a standard and we've adhered to it. If you wouldn't want an item in your home, we wouldn't want it in our store," Lane said.

Consignments will be accepted between 10 a.m. and noon and donations can be dropped off at any time during the business day.



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Lester O'Riley, volunteer, rearranges merchandise displays at the Thrift Shop. The Thrift Shop recently expanded its hours.

"We've had such incredible feedback from the public. We certainly hope our customers and consignors will take advantage of our new hours and continue to support us," said Lane.

Volunteers give others a helping hand

Retired couple finds joy in volunteering

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Lester and Ruth O'Riley have volunteered together for more than 14 years at the Thrift Shop.

Ruth was at one time a paid employee of the Thrift Shop and the OWC, but now she performs bookkeeping services for free.

"When my husband retired in 1983, I quit my job and began volunteering so we could be free to come and go as we pleased," she said. Her work has since become a "habit" she enjoys.

Les occasionally joined his wife at the store to do small repairs or carpentry work.

It wasn't until eight years ago, when the store moved to it's present location, that the World War II veteran began to volunteer regularly.

"They needed my kind of help when they moved in here. I'm a bit of a carpenter, plumber, electrician ... those are the things I like to do," he said.

Les, who turns 81 on Feb. 7, said volunteering at the Thrift Shop was the natural progression of events.

"When you are a part of the military community for so long, and you're looking for something to do, you began to look in the very place you feel most comfortable. We're comfortable in the military community."

"I first got orders to Fort Benning in 1942. I swore if I got away from here, I'd never come back," Les said with a chuckle. "Seemed like every time I returned from overseas, I'd get orders right back here. Finally, we just decided to buy a house here. If you can't beat 'em, join 'em."

"That's what attracted me to it in the first place. I like to help military people. The Thrift Shop was designed as a ready source for economical purchases. It's a Soldiers' service," he said.

Although the concept of helping Soldiers first drew the O'Rileys to the store, the customers and staff since have become a second family.

"They are like everybody's grandparents," said Karen Maguire, volunteer.

"They're an inspiration to everybody here. You only have to mention something, and the job is done before you can ask," Kimberly George said, volunteer OWC advisor.

In spite of serious health problems that have left Les chronically ill, the O'Rileys have faithfully volunteered their services each week, and plan to continue doing so as long as they are physically able.

"There are several older volunteers here who have a hard time getting started each day. But it's important, when you are chronically ill, to have something to do that you thoroughly enjoy. It's therapy. It's not a sacrifice on my part. It's a privilege," Les said. "I feel wanted and needed here. I guess I'm selfish in that respect."

Thrift store staff puts customers needs first

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As the Thrift Shop prepares to implement changes during the next few weeks, the one thing that will remain consistent, said Lori Lane, manager, is the camaraderie among the staff and their continuous dedication to customer service.

The Thrift Shop customers linger because the camaraderie among the volunteers creates a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere in the store, Lane said.

"Most of our retirees have been here for the long haul. They were here before me, and they'll be here after I'm gone. It's continual dedication like I've never seen before," Lane said.

An advantage the Thrift Shop has over other organizations both on and off post is the continuity of the volunteers, said Jill Crider, OWC vice-president and installation volunteer coordinator.

"There are retirees who were here when I first came 10 years ago that are still here. You can't beat that," she said.

The volunteer staff consists of retirees and family members. Each work day, a volunteer or employee provides lunch for the entire staff, and workers eat in shifts, sharing food and friendship.

"There is such an integration of personalities and talents here, all tightly woven together," said Kimberley George, volunteer and OWC adviser to the store.

"In 13 years, I've been involved in six thrift stores. In comparison, there is such an energy here between the staff, the volunteers, and the community that is phenomenal. There are no problems in terms of personality conflicts," she said.

"It's like a big puzzle, and we're all pieces that fit together very well. There is no segregation or cliques. We all just fit," Lane said.

New Thrift Shop hours

effective Feb. 1

Tuesday and Thursdays	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
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•except for the first Friday of month	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
•first Friday of month	5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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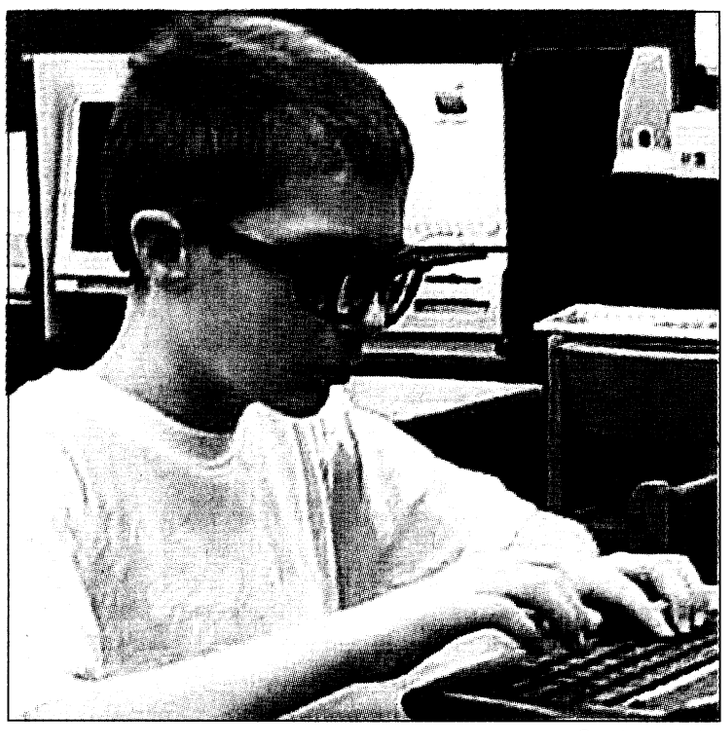

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Dexter student Adrick Langsmith writes a letter to an overseas Soldier as part of a Red Cross program.

Students team up to write letters

Students send holiday mail to deployed units

Dexter Elementary School

In November, Nicole Leech's and Laura Feagin's classes wrote holiday letters to Soldiers deployed overseas with the help of the through the Red Cross.

The Red Cross packet asking individuals to write letters to Soldiers explained the Soldiers were in areas where they would not be with their families for this year's holiday season.

The areas where the letters were to be sent included, but were not limited to Kuwait and Bosnia.

Feagin's class also included supplies that had been requested for the Soldiers within the Red Cross packets.

The students were given stationery supplied by the Red Cross and directions to write the holiday letters to Soldiers who were away from their families for the holidays whether on deployments or permanently stationed overseas.

The writing assignment held special meaning for the students since they are sons and daughters of Soldiers Feagin said. "They may have experienced a holiday without their mom or dad."

The students did an excellent job of putting their own experiences of their family members being away for the holiday season in the letters to the Soldiers, she said.

One student wrote, "I know your family misses you. My dad just came back from Egypt and my mom really missed him."

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>
> **— Dexter Elementary student**
> From a holiday letter to deployed service member

As an extra incentive for continued interest in the writing as an ongoing activity, the Red Cross awarded certificates to the classes that took part in the holiday writing exercise.

This recognition gave the children pride in their efforts as well as motivation to continue the project beyond the holiday season.

The Red Cross has sent a Valentine packet for similar letters and hopes for a repeat performance of the letter writing campaign during the holiday.

Due to the great success of the combined efforts of the students and their teachers, many more classes will be participating in the next letter-writing task, Feagin said.

Third-graders share feelings with pen pals from Kansas

Long distance friendships develop during Dexter writing assignment with Midwest school

Dexter Elementary School

Students in Terri Bond's third-grade class at Dexter have been writing to pen pals in Wellington, Kan.

Each year Weekly Reader sponsors a nationwide pen-pal program, and as part of the national for kids magazine drive, Bond's elementary students were randomly matched with a class with the same number of students in Kansas.

"Being pen pals with students in another part of the country gives military children the chance to write about their unique circumstances and share them with children who have not had those experiences," Bond said.

One student received a letter that said, "I am sorry your dad is in Korea. My dad has never been there before. I wish you could see him." The letters are very touching because children who have never met are willing to share their feelings with each other without knowing anymore about each other than what they have said in the letters.

The pen pals also write about hobbies, favorite books, school subjects and pets.

They look forward to each package of letters from their pen pals and will continue to write throughout the year.

"The next time we write our pen pals, we are going to invite them to send valentines to Soldiers in Bosnia, Kuwait, Kosovo and Saudi Arabia like we are doing because Soldiers protect all of us," said student Brittany Nolot. "I liked it when I found out that my pen pal likes the same things I do."

The pen-pal program has proven to be valuable to the students in many ways, Bond said.

"It is more than just a way to improve writing skills," she said.

The pen pal program will continue throughout the remainder of the school year, Bond said. However, she hopes the friendships the students develop during the practical writing exercise will long out las this school year.



Courtesy photo

Third-graders Steven Nelson, Brittany Nolot and Jasmine More display letters received from pen pals.

Middle school students provide positive role models for youth

Sheila Watts

Dexter Elementary School

Mentors can be found everywhere, even across the street.

Peggy Martin's seventh-grade students from Faith Middle School are an excellent example of not only mentoring, but also of reinforcing Literacy Place's kindergarten curriculum.

Among many other things Literacy Place focuses on working together and helping each other.

Each week a group of seventh-grade students walk across the street to Dexter Elementary School to read to kindergarteners student.

This experience gives the young students an invaluable opportunity to associate themselves with positive role models and engaging in a positive activity.

Buddy mentor activities such as these that are introduced early in a child's life has a tremendous affect on his or her educational outcome, according to numerous child educational experts.

By reading to these students, the seventh-graders not only affect the kindergarteners, but themselves as well. The reading is a great builder of self-confidence for the seventh-graders and creates a love for books for the kindergartners.

Kindergarten teachers said they had one word that described the efforts of Peggy Martin and her seventh-grade mentors — Hooah.

Seventh-grade mentors:

- Jawon Anderson
- Joshua Arbogast
- Cody Daniel
- Charletta Johns
- Tarminee McKenzie
- Veronica Molette
- Eric Simon
- Joel Simpson
- Renae Wright



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A seventh-grade mentor from Faith Middle School reads to kindergarten students from Dexter Elementary School as part of the Literacy Place curriculum.

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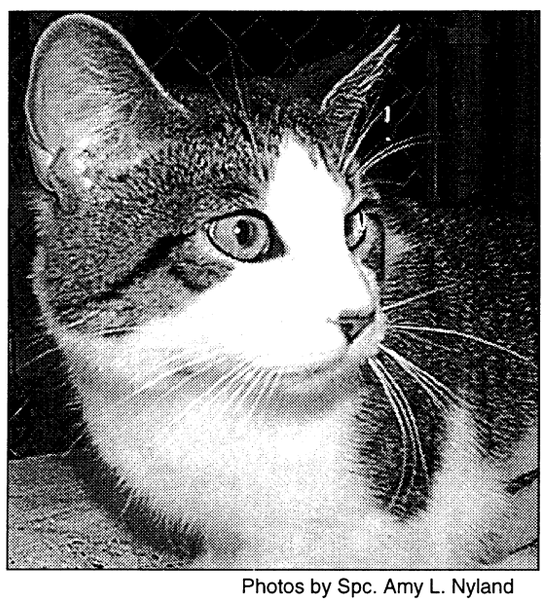

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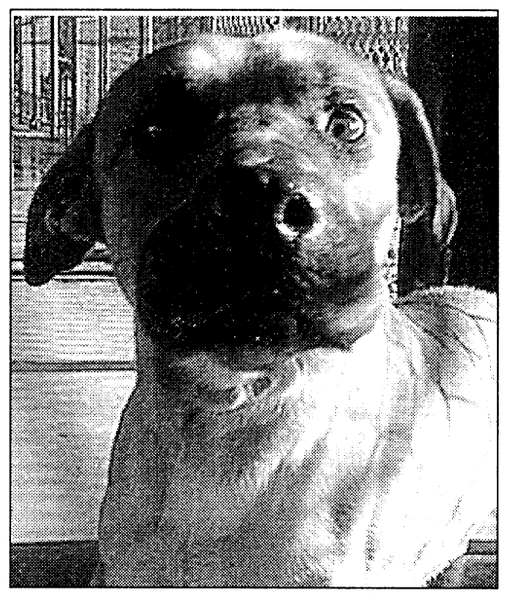
Take me home!

An adult male domestic shorthair cat and a loveable adult male boxer mix are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home.

Pet owners are required to pay for initial vaccination procedure costs, which can be anywhere from $10 to $30. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m, Monday through Friday. For more information, call 545-4444.



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This survey may cause some minor inconvenience to family housing occupants, since interior measurements, cataloging and photographing of the randomly selected housing units are necessary.

These measures are needed to compile a prioritized list of maintenance and repair projects for long-range planning and budgeting for all of Family Housing at Fort Benning. They will also be used to assure compliance with the state Historic Preservation Organization for maintenance and repair of Family Housing units that have historical significance.

DPW will provide family housing occupants with a flyer containing a list of TECHNICON employees conducting the random sampling survey. When approached by someone asking to survey your residence, ask for a letter of introduction and his or her identification, which can be compared to the names listed on the flyer. If the person's name is not on the list, do not allow him or her inside your home; and report the incident to the military police at 545-5222.

DPW realizes that some occupants will experience some momentary inconvenience. Residents' cooperation and patience is requested and appreciated while this necessary project is being done. The anticipated start date is Tuesday. Completion date is estimated approximately by Feb. 25.

For more information concerning this project, call Jim Webb at 545-2346 or DPW Customer Service Office at 545-2117.

Holiday Schedule for trash collection

There will be no yard waste picked up in Family Housing on Monday. The next scheduled yard waste pick up will be Jan. 24.

There will be no refuse or recycle pick-ups on Monday. Port, Kawamura, Fernandez Streets and Indianhead Terrace areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday. Refuse and recycle collection in Family Housing for Tuesday through Jan 21 will be picked up as normally scheduled.

For more information, call the DPW Construction Inspection Branch at 545-4232

Holiday schedule for the Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center

In observance of Matin Luther King Jr.'s birthday the Self Help Center, including the Loan Equipment Section and Venetian Blind & Shade Shop, will be closed on Saturday through Monday. The Self Help Center will reopen for business at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

For more information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

births

Girls

Iyana Rena McQueen — born Nov. 30 to Regina and Staff Sgt. Stanley McQueen.

Michelle Nicole Williams — born Dec. 9 to Jacqueline and Sgt. George Williams.

Briana Desiree Ortiz — born Dec. 17 to Christla and Spc. Lino Ortiz.

Jo'Anna Marie Jones — born Dec. 18 to Pamala and Pfc. Bradford Jones.

Katelyn Lena Thompson — born Dec. 19 to Leeanne and Cpl. Michael Thompson.

Alonie Renee Sutton — born Dec. 19 to Staff Sgt. Tricia and Sgt. Antonio Sutton.

Holly Elise Armstrong — born Dec. 20 to Kimberly and Staff Sgt. Jose Armstrong.

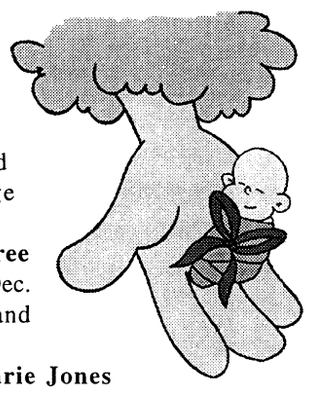
Helena Marie Stratton — born Dec. 20 to Joyce and Sgt. 1st Class Marc Stratton.

Morgan Alexandra Mae Abernathy — born Dec. 24 to Leslie and Pfc. W.C. Abernathy III.

Ar'Jenaie Natasha Montric Stinson — born Dec. 24 to La Trisha and Pfc. Carlton Stinson.

Eboni-Jordan Rachel Burt — born Dec. 25 to Janice and Staff Sgt. Eugene Burt.

Masina Saiauro Puailoa — born Dec. 28 to Spc. Fetolofai Puailoa.



Boys

Corbett Henry Stephen James Glick — born Dec. 1 to Gretchen and Capt. Jason Glick.

Christian D'Angelo Arrington — born Dec. 18 to Florine and Staff Sgt. Michael Arrington.

Alec Hunter Ledford — born Dec. 20 to Chun and Spc. Russell Ledford.

Quinton Edgar Graves — born Dec. 20 to Tonya and 1st Sgt. Clinton Graves.

Braelon Cornelius Canada — born Dec. 26 to Deon Fortune-Canada and Staff Sgt. Gerald Canada.

Aaron Kavon Mitchell Jr. — born Dec. 27 to Charlene and Sgt. 1st Class Aaron Mitchell.

Kendall Demitri Biever — born Dec. 27 to April and Spc. Brent Biever.

Kai James Griffiths — born Dec. 27 to Danette and Maj. Gene Griffiths.

Noah Andrew Lindsay — born Dec. 29 to Brenda and Capt. Timothy Lindsay.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

community briefs

on post

Military Engineers meet — The Fort Benning-Columbus Post of the Society of American Military Engineers will meet Jan. 20 at the 36th Engineers' Warrior Dining Facility, Building 2889, on 1st Infantry Brigade Loop beginning at 11:30 a.m. for premeeting lunch and socializing. The meeting will run from noon to 1 p.m. The speaker will be Tom Whisnett, who will present a program on road stabilization.

Schools present Parent Academy — The Parent Academy, a weekend seminar for Fort Benning parents of children from birth to 15 years, takes place at Faith Middle School Feb. 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Barbara Coloroso, international parenting expert, will present advice for parents on family life, chores, mealtime, sibling rivalry and more.

Registration begins Jan. 31 and runs through Feb. 4.

For more information, call the Fort Benning Schools at 545-8271.

Hospital celebrates anniversary — Celebrating the 99th Anniversary of the Army Nurse Corps is special at Martin Army Community Hospital. MACH would like to share the celebration with former and present military and civilian colleagues from the Fort Benning community.

There will be a 7 p.m. buffet Feb. 5 in the Regimental Room at the Officers' Club. The theme is "A Century of Service: Proud to Care."

The cost is $15 per person and a response is requested by Feb. 2.

For more information, call 1st Lt. Tara Hayden at 568-1323.

AER celebrates 58 years — Army Emergency Relief will celebrate 58 years of service Feb. 5.

AER is a private, nonprofit organization incorporated in 1942, by the secretary of war and the Army chief of staff. AER's primary mission is to provide emergency financial assistance.

Our secondary mission is to provide undergraduate scholarships to children of active-duty and retired Soldiers. AER gives commanders an important asset in helping accomplish their basis command responsibility for the morale and welfare of their Soldiers and families.

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Travel: Army looks for better options

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"As travel agents continued to cut concession fees to installations, it became obvious that Morale, Welfare and Recreation needed to explore different avenues to provide leisure travel service to soldiers," said Jo Pendry, chief of Business Operations at CFSC. "Our efforts are focused on developing agreements with travel companies to get the soldier the 'best deal'. We want military travelers to be educated consumers and make informed decisions about their travel arrangements, but we can also help by leveraging the Soldiers' buying power."

Pendry added the Army is currently in discussions with the other services, the airlines and Internet companies for other options to best serve Soldiers and other service members.

A special MWR website, www.offdutytravel.com has been created to help travelers find the best fares.

SatoTravel, the agency holding travel contracts at three CONUS installations, also advised Army officials that they would no longer pay concession fees effective Nov. 1. Army officials did reach agreement with SatoTravel about continuing service.

"SATO showed a willingness to negotiate fees and a concern for the young Soldiers," said Bill Bartelt, director of CFSC's Business Programs.

No transaction fees will be charged to E-5s and below or any Soldiers on emergency leave. All other military travelers will pay a fee of $6 and a rate of $3 for each additional family member. Bartelt added, "SATO has also agreed to provide airline bookings via a web site, www.satotravel.com/armyvacations, which includes a self-book and e-ticket capabilities for airline reservations at "no charge" to travelers."

Bartelt said this kind of agreement is an example of the ways Army MWR plans to use technology and travel industry trends to provide service to Soldiers without fees. SatoTravel is also posed to offer a full range of tour and cruise options, which can be booked by calling toll free, (877) 304-8454 for cruises and (800) 949-7286 for tours.

"This is just the first of several arrangements the Army plans to ensure the Soldier can truly get the best deal," Bartelt said.

For more information, call Yount at (703) 681-5225 or e-mail yountd@hoffman-cfsc.army.mil.

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Don't forget that the speed limit in housing is 15 mph

God often bestows blessings in unexpected ways

Chaplain (Maj.) Tom Wheatley
Bayonet correspondent

reflections

Our expectations about things has a great impact on what and how we experience those things. In fact, we can actually miss out on some great opportunities if they do not present themselves in accordance with our preconceived ideas.

Paradigm is a word that illustrates this phenomenon — it means a model, an example, or a pattern of how something should be. If something does not fit our paradigm then we may not recognize it. For example, back in the 1940s, the Swiss had 80 percent of the world market on watches. Then one of their own, a Swiss watchmaker, presented a model of a digital watch. The other Swiss watchmakers immediately rejected the digital model because it did not have hands and gears that all watches were supposed to have; in other words, this new watch did not fit their paradigm of a watch. Because of their inability to see beyond their own narrow ideas for their product, two other companies, one American and one Japanese, bought the rights to produce the watch. By the next decade, the Swiss had lost their corner on the market for watches.

Today, 80 percent of the watches sold are digital watches.

When I read Matthew, Chapter 11, I see the same thing happening over the appearance of Jesus Christ. Jesus did not fit the paradigm of how the Messiah was supposed to appear. In this chapter of Matthew, we even find John the Baptist questioning Jesus from prison to see if he really is the one they had all been waiting for. Now John the Baptist is the one who had been sent to prepare the way for the Messiah, and he himself had already announced that Jesus was the Messiah.

During his stay in prison John probably had a lot of time to think. He began to review all of the things that Jesus was doing, and maybe compared it to the descriptions of the Messiah from the Old Testament. Jesus was not exactly fitting the description of a hero-king or conquering warrior who would defeat all of the enemies and restore the former glory of the kingdom. So now even John the Baptist had become discouraged, and wanted to check once more if Jesus was the one prophesied.

All of us have questioned God and His ways of doing things at some point in our lives. We might wonder what God could possibly have in mind by bringing about certain results.

Or we might miss out all of God's blessings right at hand because these opportunities do not appear as we expected.

Perhaps we need to keep an open mind, and recognize that God can do anything God wants to do, and that he will often appear in the most unexpected way. God certainly fooled most everyone when Jesus first arrived on the scene. But what continued to convince everyone was the amazing works that he performed in support of his unusual words.

And when Jesus was asked this question of John, he responded in a way that was to prove he was working in accordance with Old Testament prophecy: "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor. Blessed is the man who does not fall away on account of me." (Luke 11:4-6)

The thing that will continue to convince us that God is God, an all-powerful, all-loving and ever-present God, is that he will continue to do amazing things in our lives and the lives of others. And it certainly will not always be what we expect or even deserve.

I do not believe there is one human paradigm that can contain God, no matter how hard we try to fit God and his ways into a preconceived pattern or mold.

Let's just try to expect wonderful things from him, and the more we expect to see him in our day to day activities and in the people around us, the more we will see him at work, right at hand.

Editors note: *Chaplain Wheatley was formerly assigned to the Ranger Training Brigade and the 11th Infantry Regiment. He is a graduate student at Yale University.*

Encourage rather than judge

Chaplain (Capt.) James W. Blount
1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment

reflections

I often wonder what Martin Luther King Jr., would think if he were alive today. I wonder what he would be doing. I think that he probably would still be leading the civil rights movement, in one form or another.

Although we have come a very long way from the cotton fields, we are still a long, long way from being judged by the content of our character rather than the color of our skin. Unfortunately in our society today people in general are too often judged from the outside instead of the inside. It is much more than black and white, but also fat and thin, ugly and beautiful, poor and rich, physically or mentally challenged and "normal," and on and on and on.

Don't you just get sick of it?

Actually, I'd rather not judge at all. Jesus Christ said in Matthew 7:1-2, "Do not judge, or you too will be judged, and with all the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

Rather than judge, be an encourager. Make up your mind to encourage everyone you meet to be the best that they can be. I think that Martin Luther King would applaud that.

As we celebrate King's life and dreams, let us realize that his cause was not just for black people but for all people. His cause was not just a civil rights cause, but a Christian cause. We all should have a dream!

chapel notes

Kelley Hill conducts midweek service — A midweek worship is now being conducted at Kelley Hill Chapel at 6 p.m. Wednesdays. The service includes music, prayer, and Bible study. Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information, call 544-2432 or 544-3070.

Center holds preparation class — There will be a confirmation preparation class at the Religious Education Center, Building 2506, beginning Jan. 25 and continuing on Tuesdays for approximately 10 weeks.

This class will be for junior high and high school students. The class will be Protestant in nature, and will include explanations of baptism, communion, salvation, the components of a worship service and some Bible study as related to the above subjects.

At the conclusion of the class, those who are interested in becoming members of a specific denomination or church will be put in contact with a chaplain of that denomination for further denominational instruction.

Classes will begin at 3:30 p.m. and will last approximately one hour.

For more information or to register, call 545-4715.

Protestant Women plan retreat — The Protestant Women of the Chapel will have a retreat at Smiths Station Baptist Church Jan. 28-29. The retreat begins at 7 p.m. Jan. 28 and 9 a.m. Jan. 29. The theme will be "Stand in the Gap," and the focus verse is Ezekial 22:30. Reservations are required.

Food and free child care will be provided, and a donation to cover expenses will be requested.

For more information or to register, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211 no later than Jan. 21.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200
6 p.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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SPORTS

Knicks topple Ruff Ryders in season opener

Basketball action heats up YS gym once again

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The Knicks defeated the Ruff Ryders Saturday in the 10-12-year- old co-ed division on opening day of the Youth Services basketball season. Aggressive defense and cooperative teamwork resulted in an easy 33-14 win for the Knicks.

Standing heads above his teammates, at 5'9", Knicks point guard Anthony Lacour III easily dominated the court throughout the game. Lacour led the game with 18 points, nearly all scored under the net, and displayed incredible talent for rebounding.

"He's the big man. His height is our strength," said Charles Tunstall, Knicks assistant coach.

Despite a consistent valiant effort by the Ruff Ryders, the Knicks maintained the lead throughout the entire game after recovering from an initial tip-off score by Ruff Ryder center Michael Eberheart.

"We played good ball, but their big guy is just so physically big, it made it very difficult to get in there. He makes every rebound and doesn't even have to jump," said Dave Osborne, Ruff Ryders assistant coach.

Although Lacour's sheer size gave the Knicks an obvious advantage early in the game, teammates Terrell Anthony, guard, and Damaris Gutierrez, forward, displayed raw talent that promises to become an unstoppable force by the end of the season. Anthony used his smaller stature to repeatedly outmaneuver his opponents and personally assist Lacour.

"He's (Anthony) the brains behind it all. He has a real knowledge of the game and knows how to control the ball," said Tunstall. Anthony scored eight points for the Knicks, most from a three-point vantage.

Team captain Gutierrez had four assists, and scored a three-point shot in the second half. She was the sole female scorer in the game.

"It's my first year here, and my first time playing co-ed. I was a little bit nervous," she said.

Ricardo Lynton, head coach for the Knicks, had praise for the team. "They all came out highly motivated. They have a spirit to play, and they're all team players," he said.

Ruff Ryders team captain, Walter McGee, forward, helped his team with seven points and incited a short fourth-quarter scramble for control that left the Knicks momentarily stunned.

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> **— Ricardo Lynton**
> Head coach for Knicks

"We need to work on lay-ups, and we missed some defensive assignments, but we played pretty good otherwise. Their big guy just occupied too much space," said Charley Norman, head coach for the Ruff Ryders.

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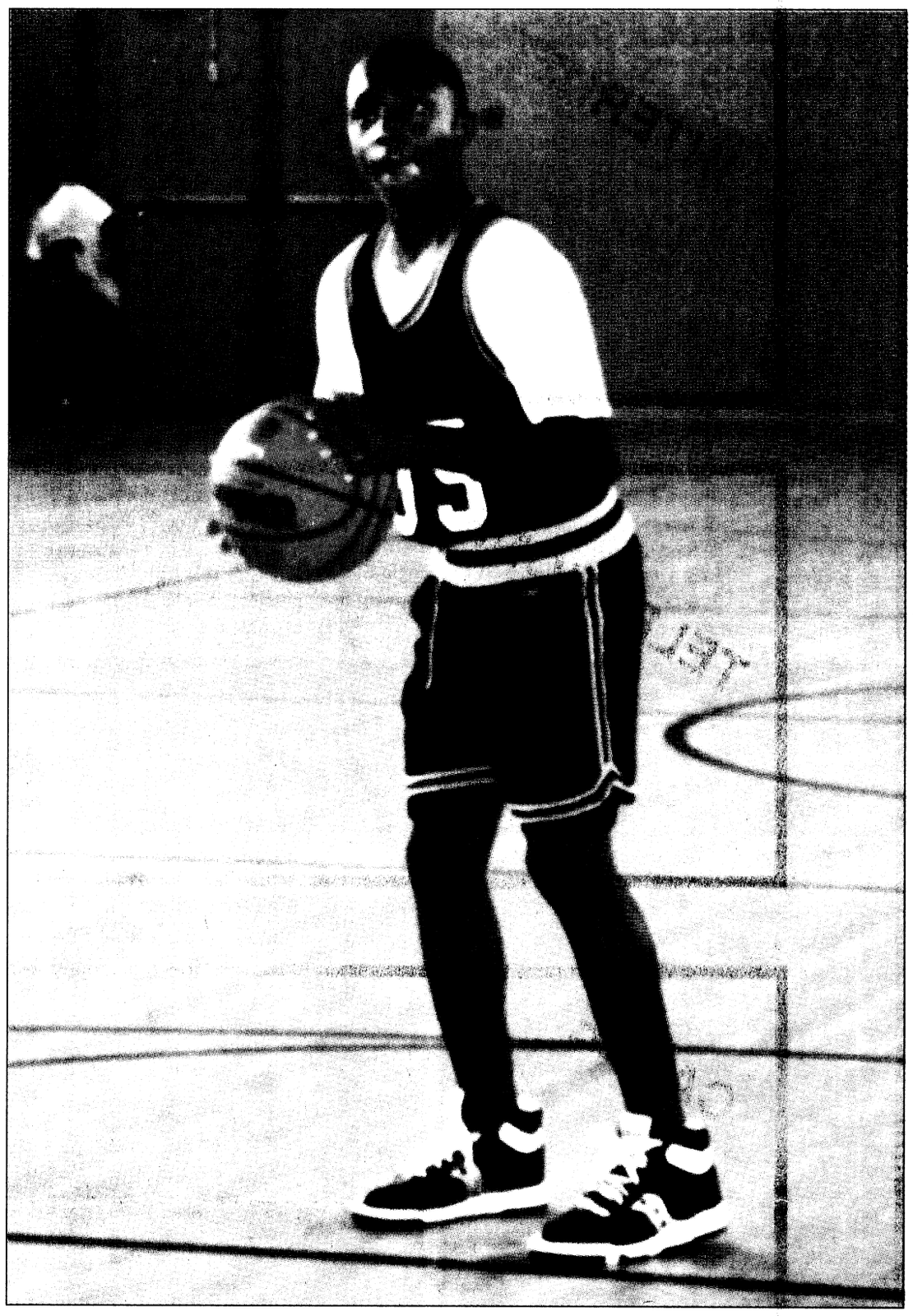

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Walter McGee, forward for the Ruff Ryders prepares for the free-throw.

20th annual Girl Scout run set

Girl Scouts of the Concharty Council

Ready ... set ... go! Mark those calendars and send in those registration forms for the 20th Annual Regions Bank girl Scout Cookie Run set for Jan. 29 at Columbus State University.

The race begins at 9 a.m. with a 5K run — sanctioned event certified by USA Track & Field. First, second and third place awards will be presented to males in females in all categories. This event includes a wheelchair race.

If 5K is just too far to run, there is also a 1.5 mile "Run for the Cookies" around the campus beginning at 10 a.m.

Preregistration fees are $10 for adults and $7 for children 17 and under. Preregistration deadline is 5 p.m. Jan. 27 at the Concharty Council office. Race day fee is $12 for adults and $9 for children. All registered participants will receive a long-sleeved Cookie Run T-shirt. Registration forms are available at all Columbus Regions Bank locations or you can receive one by mail by calling the Concharty Council office at 327-2646.

The annual Cookie officially kicks off the delivery of 2000 Girl Scout Cookies. Girl Scout cookies will be available for purchase at the Cookie Run.

Martin Luther King basketball tourney rounds out week

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The Martin Luther King Jr. U.S. Army Infantry Center Basketball Tournament started Monday at 6 p.m. in the Briant Wells Fitness Center and ends tonight with the championship game at 5:30.

The first teams to tip off in the tournament were the 988th Military Police Company and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, 3rd Brigade. It was HHC who emerged victorious beating the MPs 40-31.

"We had a good game and really hustled," said Eric Smith, a hoopster on the winning team. "We really didn't have a strategy," he said, "We just came to play."

At the end of the first half HHC was up by only four points, leading 19-15. They would open their lead in the second half. Plagued by fouls and turnovers, both teams battled up and down the hardwood court.

"There were a lot of fouls and turnovers by both teams," said Ken Steinlage, 988th MPs. "The refs made good calls, but I wish they would have just let us play," he said.

"I think we need to work a little more on defense and quit turning over the ball," Smith said. "Overall I was pretty happy with the game," he said.

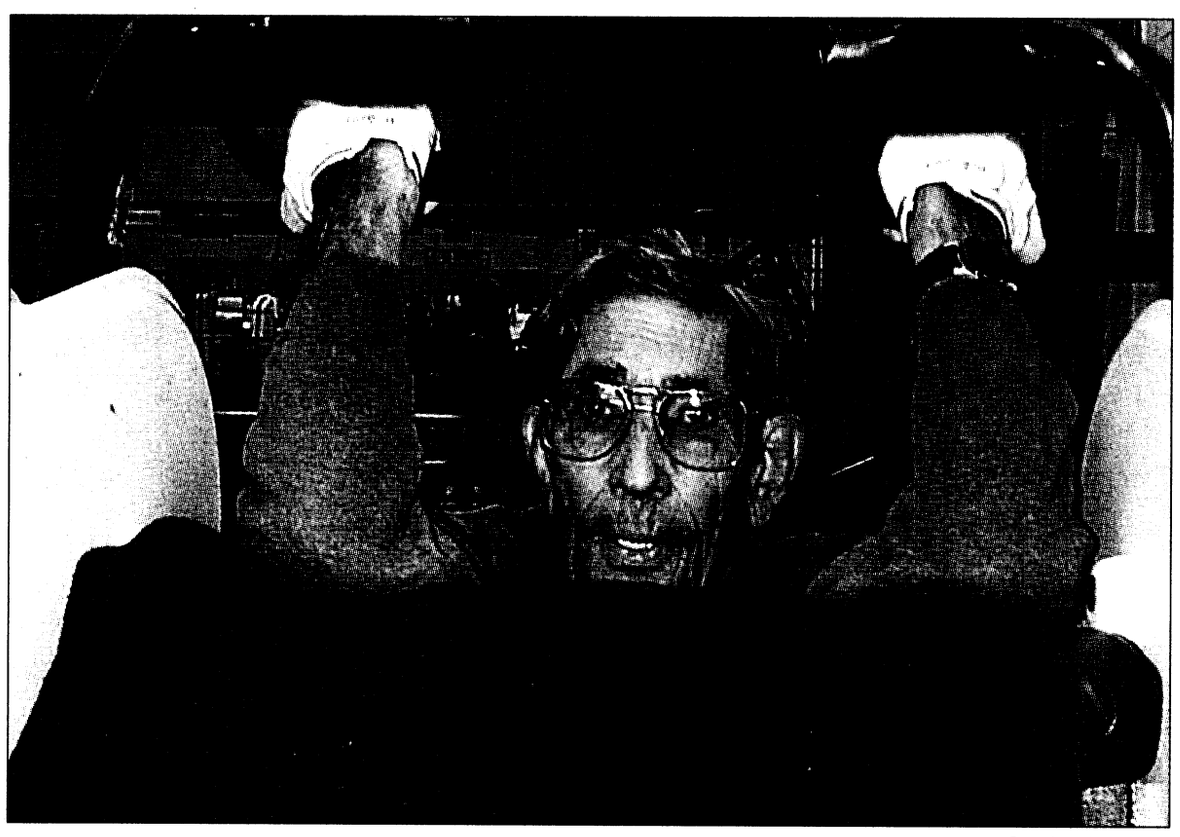
Steinlage agreed with Smith and was happy about his teams performance,

"It was the first time the team was able to play together, and that hurt us, but we did pretty good. We just had lazy 'D'," he said.

"We have a lot to work on," he said. "We need more practice and need to play together, working on post drills, getting inside and getting into basketball shape."

Smith was quick to add that his team would be working hard in practice.

"We need to work on fouling less and playing together," Smith said.



Spc. Amy L. Nyland

Never too old

Retired Chief Warrant Officer Otis Nunnally, an 80-year-old Columbus resident, does a set of curls on a Nautilus machine in the Infantry Hall Fitness Center Wednesday.

The Infantry Hall Fitness Center is open Monday through Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. The center will be closed Jan. 17 for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

USAMU home to male, female athletes of the year

Paula J. Randall-Pagan
U.S.Army Marksmanship Unit

Staff Sgt. Kenneth A. Johnson, a U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit international rifle shooter, and Sgt. Julie A. Goloski, a member of the USAMU Action Shooting Team, the 1999 Army Male and Female Athletes of the Year, left Fort Benning Thursday morning to attend a reception and dinner in their honor that night at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Washington, D.C.

The Soldiers are scheduled to meet with Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management Maj. Gen. Robert L. Van Antwerp at the Pentagon this morning and later with Community and Family Support Center Commander Brig. Gen. Craig B. Whelden in Alexandria, Va., after which they will attend a press conference at the Marriott.

This afternoon the athletes will be the guests of Rep. Mac Collins of Georgia in his Washington, D.C., office and then they will attend a photo session.

Johnson and Goloski, along with the other eight Armed Forces Athletes of the Year, will be honored at the Pride of the Nation Awards Banquet Friday evening, hosted by the U.S. Military Sports Association at the Marriott, and Saturday, they will attend a farewell brunch at the home of Air Force Assistant Vice Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. William Begert.



Johnson

Johnson, the 1999 Army Male Athlete of the Year, won two Gold Medals and two U.S. Olympic quota slots in the Air Rifle and Three-Position Rifle Matches at the Pan-American Games, conducted in Winnipeg, Canada, this summer. He also won Gold Medals in Air Rifle in the Masters de France and Interservice Championships, as well as winning the Gold Medal in 300-Meter Three-Position and the Silver Medal in 300-Meter Prone at the National Championships this year.

Raised in Marshfield, Mass., Johnson graduated from Marshfield High School in 1987. He continued his education at Clarkson University, N.Y., where he was a three-time All-American, and graduated in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in both engineering and psychology.

Johnson, who started shooting competitively in 1983, joined the Army in August 1992. After he graduated from Basic Training at Fort Jackson, S.C., and Generator Repair School at Fort Belvoir, Va., he was assigned to the U.S. Army

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USAMU: Shooters win

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The 31-year-old has numerous marksmanship accomplishments including being a 1998 World Championship Team member, alternate member of the 1996 U.S. Olympic Shooting Team, a three-time 1995 Pan-American Games Gold Medalist, two-time National Air Rifle Champion, a National Three-Position and 300-Meter Prone Champion and an Air and Free Rifle National Record Holder.

"For many years, Ken has been one of the best international rifle shooters in the country, and this year was no exception," said USAMU International Rifle Coach Bill Krilling. "He is one of the most dedicated international rifle shooters when it comes to training and preparing for matches. Although he competes against 10 former Olympians and three world-record holders on a daily basis, his skill and composure lead him to victory against these great athletes in many matches in which he competes."

Johnson volunteers his time in training junior international rifle shooters as well as training high school and state junior Olympic shooters. He and his wife, Nancy, who is also a world-class international rifle shooter and a former Olympian, live in Phenix City, Ala.



Goloski

Goloski, the 1999 Army Female Athlete of the Year, is this year's Women's World Speed Shooting Champion, as well as the current Open and Limited U.S. Practical Shooting Association Women's National Champion.

Although she is only 22 years old, Goloski became the first woman ever to win seven out of eight of the USPSA Area Championships in the United States, breaking the previous record she set last year when she became the first woman to win the majority of the area championships.

She was also this year's Military Division Gold Medalist and Female Silver Medalist at the Bianchi Cup, as well as winning Gold Medals at the Single Stack Classic, Kentucky State Championships and the Golden Gate and Aware Invitationals.

Goloski, who started shooting in 1991, joined the Army right after graduating from Mynderse Academy of Seneca Falls, N.Y., in 1995. After she completed basic training and Military Police School, she joined the USAMU's Action Shooting Team.

"Through her determination, hard work and dedication, Julie has become the best female action shooter in the nation, as demonstrated by her many achievements this year," said USAMU Action Pistol Team Coach Ray Arredondo. "She won nearly every match in which she competed, something no other American female action shooter has ever done. She also keeps informed of the latest trends and developments to ensure that she is on the cutting edge of technology in her sport."

When she's not competing, Goloski trains U.S. Army Rangers in pistol shooting to prepare them for the annual Best Ranger Competition, as well as doing numerous public appearances and media interviews to assist the Army's recruiting mission. She is single and lives in Columbus.

Don't forget to check out the final game of the MLK basketball tourney tonight at 5:30 p.m. at Briant Wells Gym.

sports shorts

Atlanta Hawks discount tickets — There will be a 50 percent discount off all $50, $40 and $20 tickets for the Hawks vs. Bucks game Monday. Game time is 2 p.m. at the Phillips Arena. Offer is good to all military ID card holders and applies to the first four tickets purchased. Tickets are available at the Phillips Arena box office and at all Columbus area Ticket Master locations.

Team looks for players — Local softball team seeks high caliber players to play on Columbus team.

For more information call Jimmy Armstrong at 566-2015.

Callaway Gardens offers clinic — The Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing School is conducting two-day clinics that include a group classroom session, field instruction and fly-fishing for rainbow, brown and brook trout in one of the Garden's premiere private lakes.

Topics to be covered include equipment selection, knots, fly selection and casting. The cost of $150 per student also includes lunch both days of the class.

Register now for clinics scheduled for Feb. 5-6, April 1-2, June 3-4 and June 24-25. Overnight accommodations are available. They are filling up quickly, so call the Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing Shop today at (706) 663-5142, or call 1-800-CALLAWAY (225-5292).

Post running club meets — The Follow-Me Roadrunners, Fort Benning's official running club, will hold their next meeting at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the U.S. Army Physical Fitness School, Building 468. The club's primary mission is to support the Fort Benning Army Ten-Miler team. This meeting will serve as a planning session for the year's events and be followed by an optional run.

For more information, call Capt. Danny McMillan at 545-6380 or 545-6386.

Auburn University hosts institute — Bass Fishing Techniques is America's only comprehensive institute dedicated to teaching anglers to become better bass fishermen. Its instructional staff includes 13 Bass Masters Classic Champions and 15 B.A.S.S. Anglers of the Year.

This year, Auburn will feature six top pros, including Denny Brauer, Guido Hibdon, Dion Hibdon, Ken Cook, Mark Menendez and Rick Morris. These anglers have vast fish-catching experience earned through years of trial and error on the water. The Bass Fishing Techniques Institute will shorten the "learning curve" by passing the fish-catching knowledge of the pros along to participants. Whether you are an expert or a beginner, Bass Fishing Techniques will improve your bass catching ability. Take this opportunity to visit our campus Feb. 5-6, while enjoying your passion of bass fishing.

For more information call the Outreach Program Office at Auburn University at (334) 844-5100.

Georgia Games to begin — The Georgia Games, the nation's leading state games program, will return to Atlanta for its 10-year anniversary, 2000 Championships and other amateur sporting events.

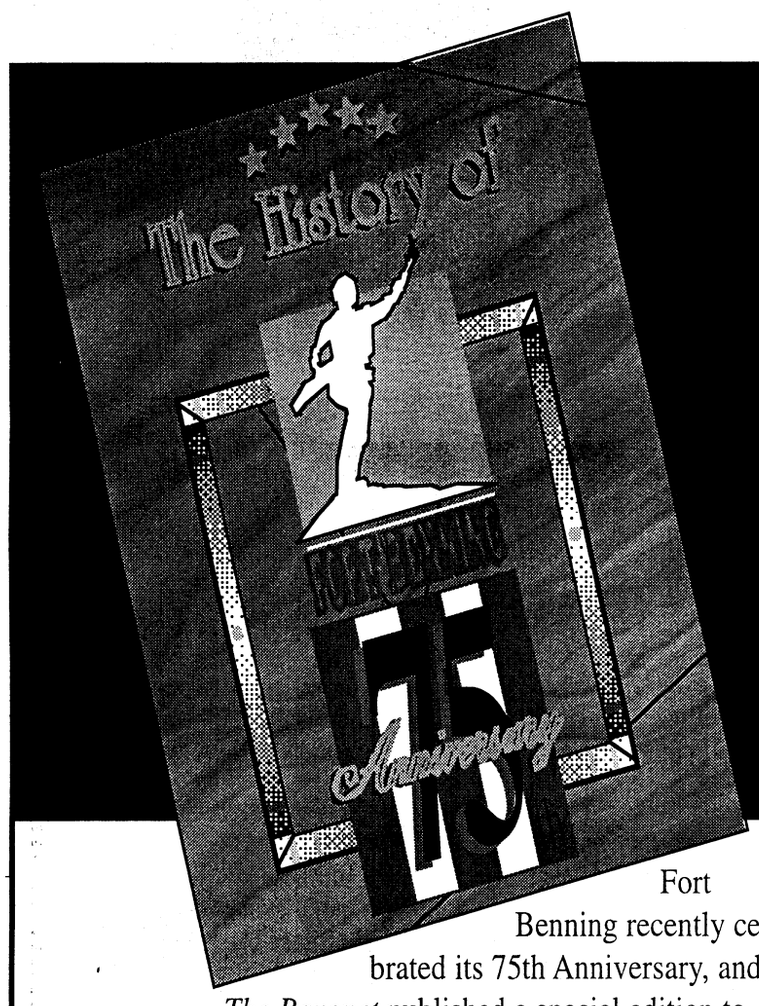
All Georgia residents will have the opportunity to compete or volunteer in a wide variety of events beginning in early spring and lasting through the fall. Athletes of all ages and skill levels can choose from more than 150 events taking place all over the state in 10 District Sports Festivals in May and June.

In July more than 16,000 athletes and volunteers will participate in the 43 sports and 55 events offered during the five day Olympic-style sports festival July 19-23.

Dates and locations for the 2000 Georgia Games are:

- Jan. 29 — Fashion For Life-Charity Fashion Show, Atlanta
- Jan. 30 — Super Bowl XXXIV-Georgia Dome, Atlanta
- March 5 — Spring SportsFest, Johns Creek, Duluth
- May 13 — Centennial Olympic Park 5K Run-a-Round, Centennial Olympic Park, Atlanta
- May-June — 10 District Sports Festivals, throughout Georgia
- July 14-21 — Torch Run, throughout Georgia
- July 19-23 — Championships, throughout Metro Atlanta and surrounding areas
- July 21 — Opening Ceremonies, Georgia Tech
- Sept. 16 — Fall Jamboree, Life University, Marietta

For more information call the Georgia Games headquarters at (770) 528-3580 or visit the website at www.georgiagames.org.



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Fort Benning recently celebrated its 75th Anniversary, and *The Bayonet* published a special edition to coincide with the celebration. Soon after the special edition of the paper was published, we began looking at the information about Fort Benning that we had collected and decided that it was simply too good to leave it just in newspaper form.

We knew the book would be interesting and informative. The next step was to make it as attractive as possible. An experienced layout and design firm was hired, and they have done an absolutely superb job. You will enjoy thumbing through its pages for years to come. You will also be proud to put in a prominent place at home for friends to enjoy, or at work for your customers to see. And, if you're looking for gift for a retiree, or a friend who served at Fort Benning and is no longer here, there's no better way to remind them of your lasting friendship.

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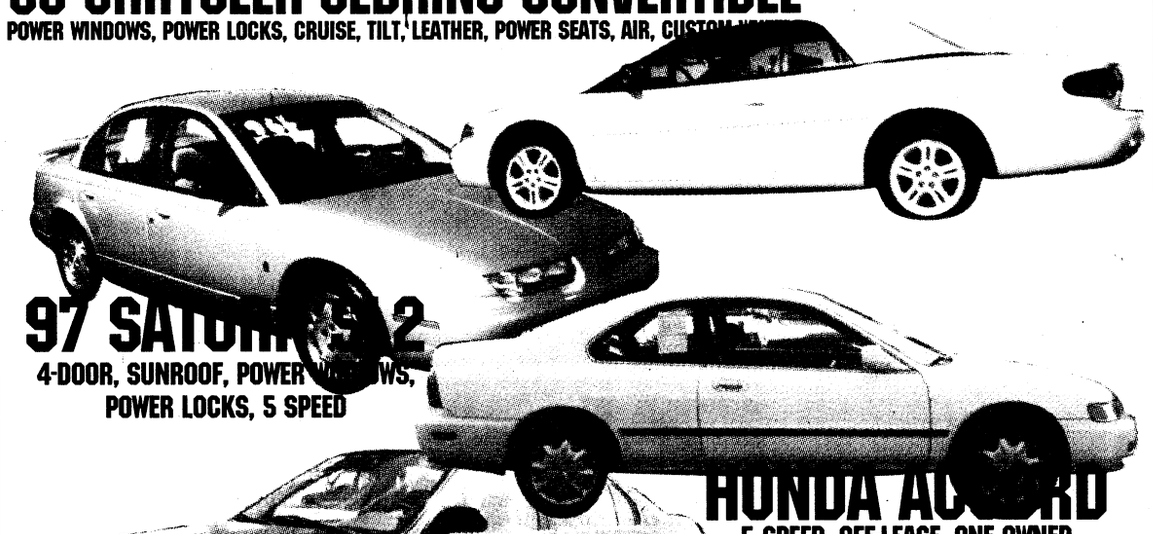

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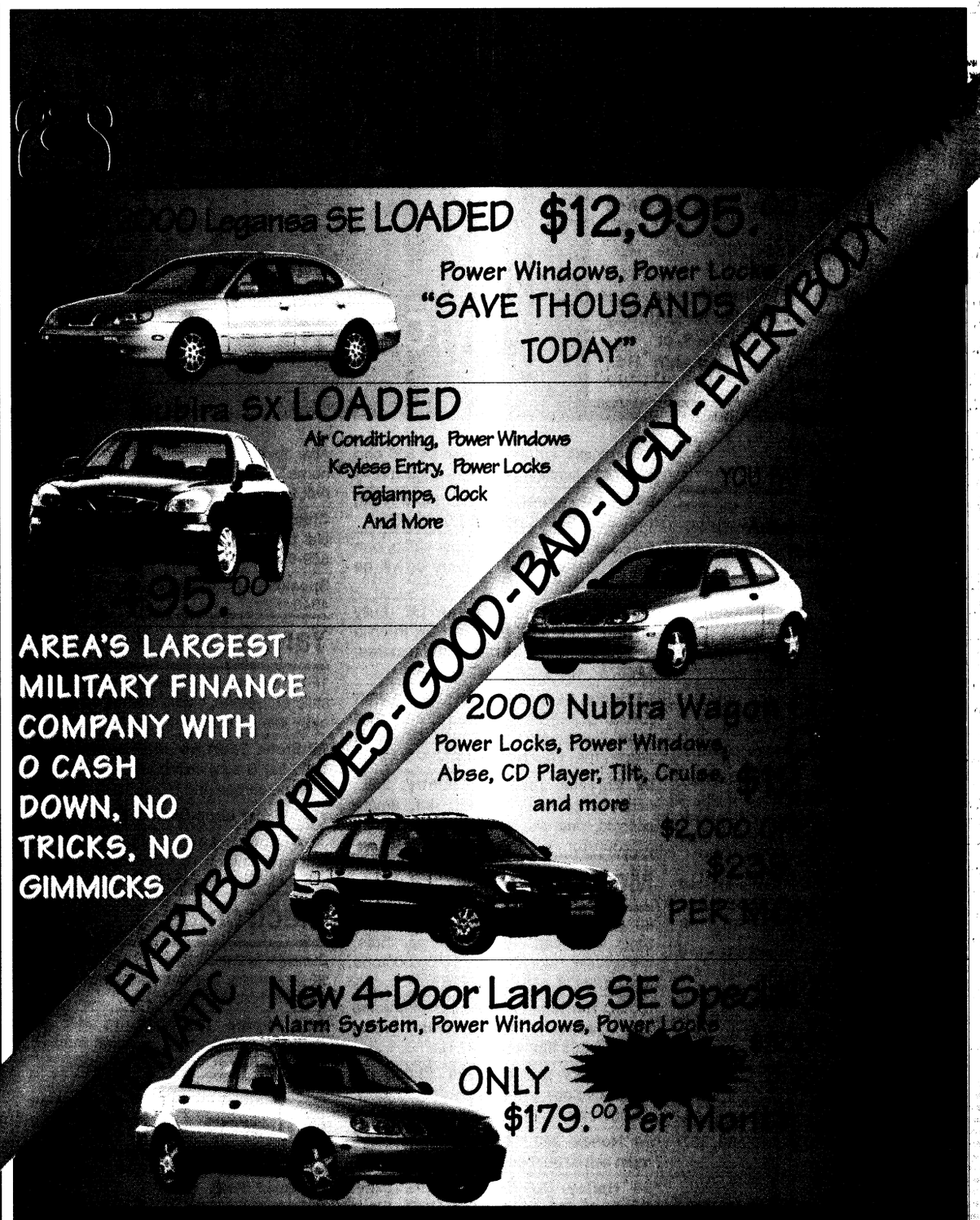

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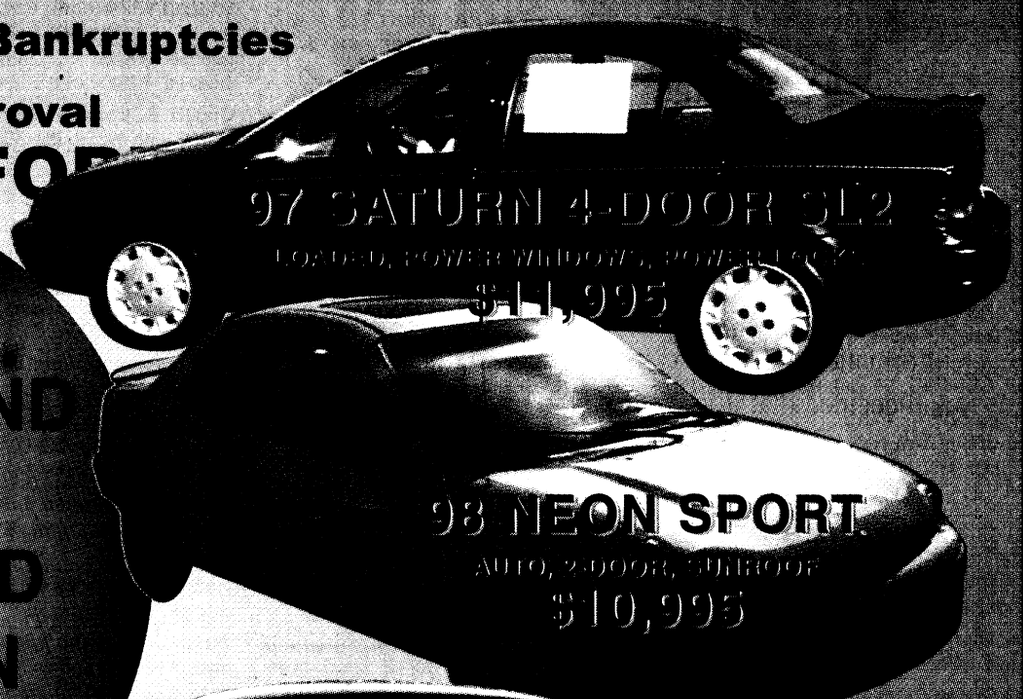

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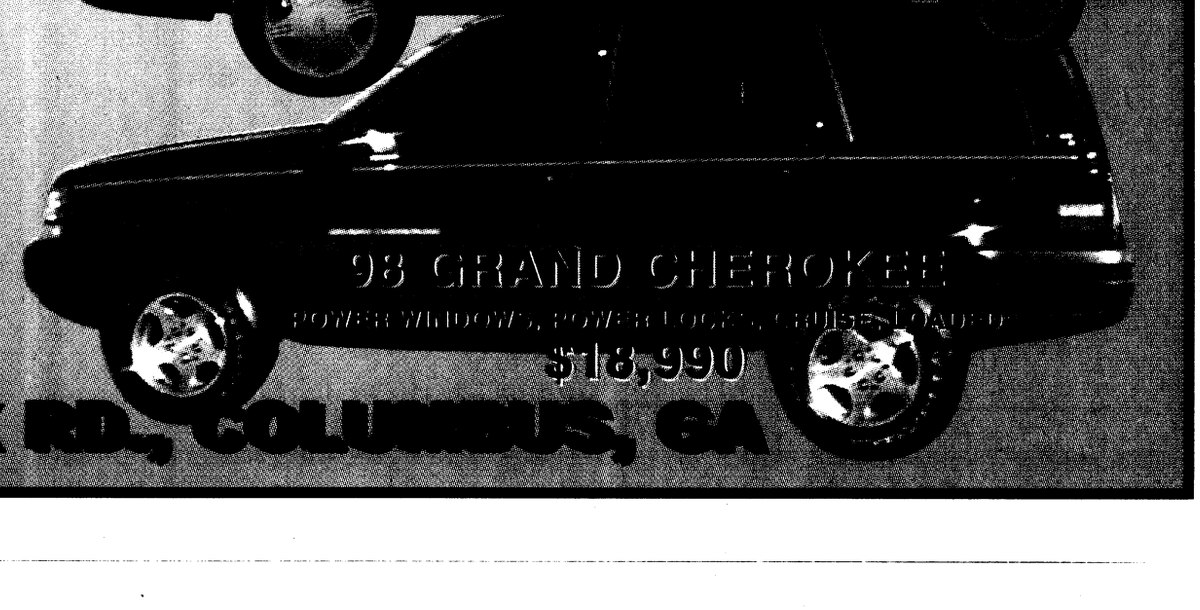

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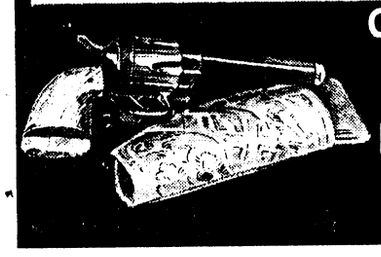

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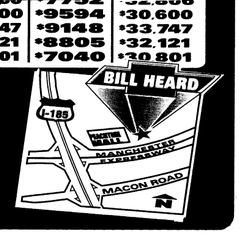

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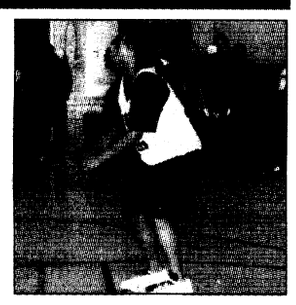

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W-2s to arrive, tax help available

Infantry Hall center set to open Jan. 31

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

With W-2 forms about to be sent out, many Soldiers are already making plans for having their taxes done and hopefully getting some of their hard earned tax money back.

While there are many businesses off-post that will compute and file taxes for Soldiers, there's only one place they can have their taxes done and electronically filed for free.

The Fort Benning Tax Center, which opens Jan. 31 in Room 1 of Infantry Hall, will provide Soldiers with an easy way to get their state and federal taxes prepared, said Capt. Richard Henry, installation tax officer.

"We can do all personal income tax," he said. "We do itemized deductions, rental property because a lot of people own houses in other places. We can also do stuff with mutual funds and stocks because a lot of people are getting into that. We do pretty much anything."

Henry said there are only a few examples of when the tax center won't be able to help.

"We don't do corporate tax or partnership tax because that deals with a company," he said. "We, as JAG officers, can't help someone with a home business because that's not what we're here for — we're here to support the Soldiers and what they're doing for the Army.

"If you've got W-2s from a side job, that's okay, but we can't do corporate taxes for a home business," he added. "We can do taxes for rental properties if you have up to two properties, more than that might look like you're working on a business."

The tax center, which helped customers fill out more than 4,500 federal returns and 5,000 state returns, will be staffed by IRS trained Soldiers and volunteers from across post. Henry said they will be using a tax program to figure out tax liability for their customers.

"The computer program that we use does all of the computations," Henry said. "The entire Army uses this program. It's a commercial program that the Army has been using for the past few years."

Henry said there are many reasons Soldiers should take advantage of the free services at the tax center.

"It's a free service that's right here on post, so you don't have to go some place else," he said. "Everyone has training from the IRS, so there's no reason not to use the tax center. We do the electronic filing and that speeds up the process. Plus, you are required to file taxes, so you might as well get them done here for free."

Doing taxes for Soldiers saved customers more than $350,000 in preparation and filing fees last year.

Henry said there are several other ways the tax center can save customers money as well.

"When you go downtown and do the fast return that they do, they usually charge a huge chunk of interest on the money they

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Deployment draws employer support



Sally Shutt

Spc. Trevor Quigley participates in pre-deployment exercises.

Soldiers introduce bosses to realities of being reservists

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Usually, when Tracy Hartmann meets with Mark Topp it's in the Cable One Advertising offices in Fargo, N.D.

Topp is a sales representative for the company; Hartmann is his boss.



"I told him he would have a job when he got back."

— Tracy Hartmann
ESGR participant

Jan. 12 the two met at the CONUS Replacement Center at Fort Benning for about an hour, and advertising was not the center of conversation.

Topp is a sergeant in B Company, 142nd Engineer Combat Battalion (Heavy), North Dakota National Guard. The unit left Wednesday from Fort Benning on its way to Camp Bondsteel in Kosovo.

Hartmann was with a group of 40 employers from North Dakota visiting the post as part of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Bosslift program Jan. 12-14.

"We talked about what we (B Co., 142nd EC Bn.) were doing here at CRC," Topp, a plumber and carpenter, said.

"This was her first impression of the military, and many of the things she saw during her visit, I haven't even had a chance to see."

See **EMPLOYERS**, A-4

Feds publish FAIR list

Study names positions that may face cuts

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — A list of Army functions deemed "commercial" in nature, and thus possibly susceptible to outsourcing, was released to the public late last month.

The Federal Activities Inventory Reform list, originally expected to be released in November, was made available Dec. 30 by the Office of Management and Budget. OMB released the FAIR list for 21 federal agencies — including the Army — with an announcement in the Federal Register.

Under the FAIR Act of 1998, each federal agency was required annually to make available to the public a list of functions judged to be "not inherently governmental" and as such possibly able to be performed by contractors. This was the first such list compiled, officials said.

Paper and CD-ROM copies of the FAIR list were provided to 16 public libraries in the Washington, D.C., area, to include county libraries in Virginia and Maryland. The list was also made available at the Library of Congress and the Pentagon Library, and can be viewed on the FAIRNET web site at http://gravity.lmi.org/dodfair.

In addition, officials said more information about the Army's FAIR List is available at another web site, www.asamra.army.pentagon.mil. And a DoD hotline number for more FAIR Act information has been activated at (703) 917-7431.

The Army's FAIR list contains functions now performed by more than 221,000 civilian employees, officials said.

A large portion of the Army's civilian jobs — about 84 percent — had to be included on the FAIR list, Dr. John Anderson said, in light of the legal definition for "inherently governmental."

He said this term refers to positions which involve, among other things, interpreting and executing the laws "so as to bind the United States to take or not take some action."

Anderson is the Army official at the Pentagon responsible for the Army FAIR list.

In addition, Anderson said just because a job is "not inherently governmental" does not mean that

See **FAIR**, A-7

Retirees may see boost in benefits

Legislation set to settle veterans' healthcare woes

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

When Charles Butler decided to make the military a career nearly 50 years ago, he said he was led to believe upon retirement, he wouldn't have to worry about the high cost of health care in the new millennium.

It was just something the Army would pay for in return for his 28 years of service to the country.

Now nearly 28 years after this 74-year-old has turned in his stripes, he is still left waiting for that promised benefit to become reality.

Although the cuts that have left Butler without full medical coverage have come from the very people he said promised him the benefits, there is now a possible light at the end of the tunnel for Butler and his retired colleagues.

That newly found light has been created courtesy of proposed legislation circulating in the halls of Washington that sponsors hope will restore full medical benefits to America's retired service men and women.

The "Keep Our Promises to America's Military Retirees Act" was drafted last year by Mississippi Congressman Ronnie Shows but failed to make the docket before the legislature closed its doors last fall.

While Shows said the failure for the bill to reach the floor for discussion last session was a blow to the project, he said it was a blessing in disguise.

Since October, Shows has rallied 219 co-sponsors for the bill, making it one of the group's top priorities when the House reconvenes Tuesday.

"This is the broken promise bill that America's military retirees have been waiting years to see," Shows said. "We should provide health care that was promised to our military retirees, and to which they are entitled after devoting their lives to defend our country."

The bill is based upon what Shows calls an inequity in coverage for both pre- and post-CHAMPUS (Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services) served retirees.

In June 1956, service unique health care was replaced with CHAMPUS leaving those who enlisted prior to 1956 eligible for the Army's full medical retirement package — so they thought.

See **LEGISLATION**, A-7

Extra pay brings plusher pleasures

Spc. Amy L. Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



I like money. I'm not going to deny it. And when the new year flipped double zero and the world hadn't been obliterated or taken over by a pack of mutant aliens, I had a little something to be thankful for — a few more bucks in the ol' checkaroo that is.

Yes, we lucky Army folk have something to look forward to this year — 4.8 percent more to look forward to, to be exact.

To be perfectly honest I don't understand the whole process of how Congress decides to give us more money, but the fact I'm getting more is a big plus in my book, and for the first time in my military career I have no complaints.

The fact is, the raise couldn't have come at a better time. Right now we are all wading through the aftermath of our holiday shopping extravaganzas, and what could be better than some extra money to keep us from wanting to hurt the mailman after he delivers the credit card bill?

Of course, being the lowly E-4 that I am, any bit of added money that comes my way is like Christmas all over again. And I am proud to say this new raise opens up a whole new and exciting world for me.

First of all, I am no longer afraid of the words "super size." I can now proudly look the cashier at Burger King in the eyes and say the words "super size" with the utmost confidence that I have the money in my pocket to cover it.

I have also said goodbye to the trusty dollar store toilet paper and moved onto plusher sheets. Instead of merely dreaming of two-ply, I am now the proud owner of a 12-pack of double roll, aloe-enhanced, super-thick tissue.

But the best I would have to say comes in the form of shopping at the commissary. I never knew you could get a feeling of power buying name brand instead of the fake stuff, but let me tell you it happens. Rushing down the aisle with my Kellogg Frosted Mini-Wheats in hand, the freezer fans blowing cold air through my hair, I realized life couldn't get any better.

So, these are just a few examples of how I'm spending my extra money. Yeah, I know I'm getting excited about the small things, but the truth is the raise isn't all the much. In fact, after taxes it's only about $40 in all. I guess everyone in the military especially the lower enlisted know that already.

But I decided to make a pact with myself. Instead of complaining about how small the raise was, I would think of all the little ways it was helping. And it's funny because the more I thought about it the more I realized that it really did help in a lot of little ways.

So now, I can enjoy my new luxuries of better quality bathroom tissue and brand name cereal while awaiting the second raise in July. Who knows maybe with this next one I will be able to afford something really cool like a psychedelic bean bag chair.

Values training separates Soldiers from civilians

Staff Sgt. K. Allen Whiteacre
3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry

commentary

When I was young, my father would often tell me a harrowing story about his time as a company commander during the Vietnam War. His supply sergeant asked for a stack of pre-signed requisition forms and some vehicles. For this he promised to return with a whole new mess hall. My father did as asked and stressed all day until he saw the convoy of vehicles pull up moments before sunset.

Commanders were not supposed to sign blank requisition forms, and if the supply sergeant's convoy had been caught outside the gate after dark it would have been a dangerous situation that far outweighed the benefits of a new mess hall.

While a fine example of the Army value personal courage, one could argue this story offers an example of actions that violate Loyalty, Duty and Integrity.

Values-based education in basic training offers an excellent way to introduce and reinforce those traits the Army holds valuable.

It is a mistake to say that today's citizens lack values, but it may be fair to say that those values are not directed the way the Army would like them to be.

Soldiers enter the Army with their own values, developed over time by what they have seen, learned, and experienced.

A new trainee who was once a member of a gang, may understand being loyal to that gang, and as a result understands the value of loyalty. It is the job of the drill sergeant to teach and show through example how to apply that value of loyalty in the Army.

Values training gives the drill sergeant another tool to build teamwork in basic training. Few of the privates have really had to consider these seven values in their lives — until basic training.

According to the Department of Army, Army values form the identity of America's Army as an organization and are the glue that binds us as individuals together into a profession. These values tell us what we need to be in every action we take. They are non-negotiable, and apply to everyone all the time in every situation.

These cornerstones upon which decisions are made provide trainees an answer for tough questions. Will this work for every basic trainee? It could.

The problem of course is that not every new recruit will internalize the values. Nine weeks of intense training, posters and Soldiers' cards doesn't force all privates to take on the values of the Army immediately. Nor does nine weeks of training ensure that 100 percent of the privates will pass the Army Physical Fitness Test.

Values training is not that much different than fitness training. Soldiers start from different points, but after completing basic training with its daily dose of instruction the best and the worst have developed something new. Without constant attention, muscles lose tone. And without examples and discussion, values become twisted. No one would suggest that you can't teach physical fitness to someone who has sat on a couch for 20 years, and no one should suggest that values training beginning at age 20 has no effect.

Army values taught in basic training offer a basis for life in today's Army.

The introduction of values to new privates provides an introductory lesson to leadership.

According to the Department of Army, "Be," of Be, Know, Do, is a leader's character, or inner strength. It helps us know what is right and gives us the courage to do what is right regardless of the circumstances. It serves as the basis of knowing and doing.

For the drill sergeant, introducing values to new trainees gives the drill sergeant the opportunity to provide the purpose, motivation and direction to internalize the Army values.

Values-based training is important not because new trainees, whatever their background, don't have values. It is important because throughout the Army's history when values are not made important, or are not the cornerstone of decision-making it has caused problems. As long as we concentrate on values-based training in basic we can be sure that those building blocks will lead to a stronger Army.

Army leaders demand fair treatment for all Soldiers

Service in our Army is honorable and respected by the citizens of this country. Soldiers who offer their commitment and their lives in this service should and must be treated with dignity, honor and respect. Respect for our fellow Soldiers demands that we speak with respect for all. Any derogatory words about any group, including those based upon sexual orientation, that are prejudicial to good order and discipline may subject the Soldier to adverse administrative actions or disciplinary measures under the UCMJ.

Every Soldier has the right to expect treatment consistent with our core values, a safe and secure environment and the support of their chain of command. Whenever we violate the trust of any Soldier, we violate the trust of all Soldiers.

We affirm that treating Soldiers with dignity and respect is a bedrock value for the Army. We declare that there is no room for harassment or threats to any Soldier in our Army for any reason.

Therefore, as the senior leaders of the Army, we are determined to continue to implement the "Don't ask, don't tell" policy with equity and fairness to all of our Soldiers.

Finally, we continue to expect that all Soldiers in the U.S. Army will be treated with dignity and respect at all times, and will be afforded a safe and secure environment in which to live and work. Harassment of Soldiers for any reason, to include perceived sexual orientation, will not be tolerated. We expect commanders at every level to take appropriate action to prevent harassment of or threats against any member of our Army. Once again we are determined to continue to implement the "Don't ask, don't tell" policy with fairness to all because that is the right thing to do for our Soldiers.

— Louis Caldera
Secretary of the Army

— Gen. Eric K. Shinseki
Army chief of staff

How to get your news in The Bayonet

Editor's note: *Many people call us with questions about how to get their information in the paper or with erroneous information about deadlines, so we have compiled the following for your information.*

Our mission

The Bayonet is here to serve you — our audience. Our mission is to provide timely, accurate and truthful information that supports Army goals and directives.

Requesting coverage

The staff of The Bayonet enjoys covering newsworthy events on post that are timely and pertinent to our readers. Some events we cover include brigade-level changes of command, changes in post policies or procedures and other post-wide events.

We don't have enough personnel to cover everything on post, so we focus on the events that affect most of the post. If you can help cover an event, call us first for tips.

Also, due to our limited number of personnel, we prefer that coverage requests be submitted at least two weeks in advance.

Deadlines

Film, photos, stories, letters to the editor and other news items intended for The Bayonet must arrive in our office no later than **noon Friday** prior to the next week's publication.

Use civilian dates, times, the name of the building as well as the building number. Also, be sure to include the first and last names of all individuals mentioned in the story, and spell out all acronyms on first reference.

Complaints and corrections

If you have a complaint, question or comment about The Bayonet, call the editor at 545-4622. We strive for accuracy, but if we make an error, we will correct it in the next edition of The Bayonet. Call us at 545-4622.

for the record

In last week's issue of *The Bayonet*, in the Various Voices section of the paper, Laura Saine was misquoted. *The Bayonet* apologizes for the error.

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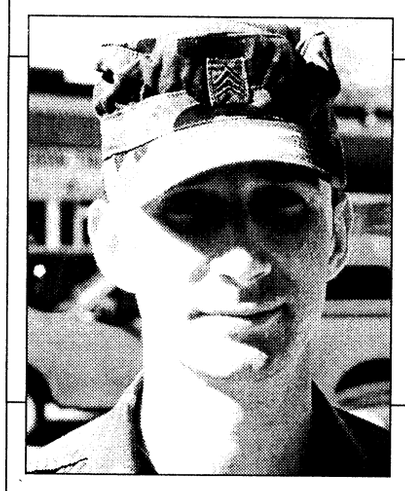
VARIOUS VOICES

What are you going to do with your 4.8 percent pay raise?



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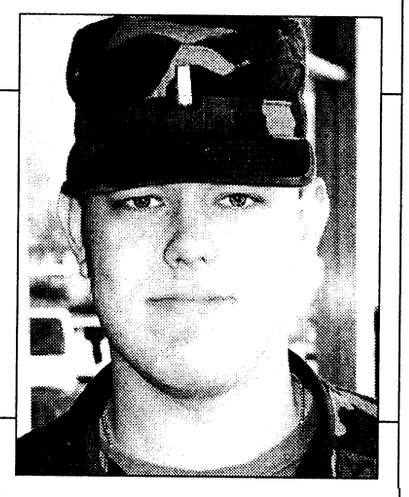
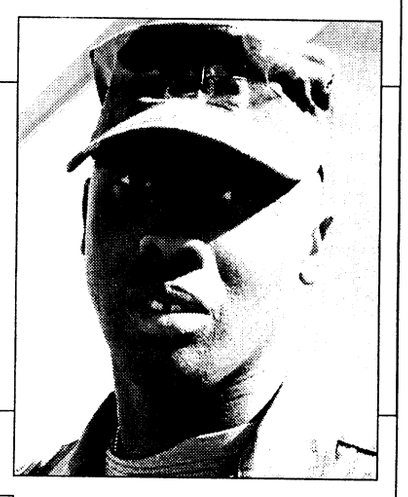


2nd Lt. Michael R. Hayden, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I will save some, and some will go to bills and paying back college loans."



Sgt. Anthony Cardoza, Headquarters Service Company, Infantry Training Brigade — "I am going to pay bills."



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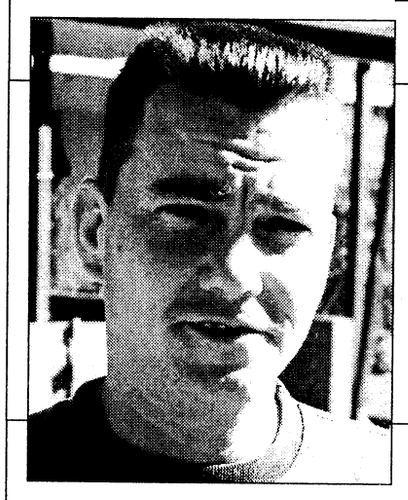

Staff Sgt. Carey Lindsey, Bradley Fighting Vehicle New Equipment Training Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "I'm paying a little more child support."



Spc. Stacy Baron, 988th Military Police Company — "I will pay toward the cost of living."

Interviews and photos by Pfc. Mark Watson. To suggest future topics or questions for Various Voices or to volunteer your opinion on upcoming questions, call 545-2201.

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USARSA unites in support of MLK celebration



Nicolas Britto

Members of the U.S. Army School of the Americas celebrate Martin Luther King Day by participating in the Martin Luther King's parade Saturday in Columbus.

Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

The U.S. Army School of the Americas' Soldiers, family support group members, civilian employees and host of Latin American sponsors, united in support of Martin Luther King's Parade, Saturday in Columbus.

USARSA has been supporting the Martin Luther King Parade for the past three years, said Cecilia Alexander, international military student officer and project manager for the school's involvement in the parade.

She said for the past two years the city of Columbus provided USARSA with a decorated float. However, this year they didn't have a float to offer.

"This year we rented a float and had our people help decorate it," said Alexander.

Prior to Saturday's sunshine and the cheering crowd in downtown Columbus, the USARSA team braved the cold early winds Jan. 14, turning a plain float into a colorful representation which Alexander hoped would represent "diversity means equality."

Spec. Ivan Rivera, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USARSA, has been with the school a little over two months. He said he felt good as a Hispanic American to lend his hand because Martin Luther King represented freedom and unity.

"It makes me feel proud to be part of this organization that celebrates Martin Luther King Day," he said.

Along with Rivera, Pfc. Thomas Childs, also from HHC, was busy stapling red fringes on the float.

"I definitely enjoy helping out because anytime you celebrate an occasion for someone great who did something great for our nation, it's worth it," said Childs.

Margarita Ruff and her 3-year-old daughter Gabriela, carefully positioned colorful paper flowers around the float, which little by little was coming to life.

Ruff, a Colombian native and member of USARSA's family support group, said she felt supporting Martin Luther King Day was important because he allowed equality to become a benchmark in American culture.

"He was a pioneer of human rights for this country," she said. "We all have benefited tremendously by his great triumph."

Because of USARSA's international family, coming together to work on this project was very important, said Carol Contarino.

"This gives them a chance to see how we do things in the U.S. Army," she said. It gives us a chance to work together as a team. This is an Army tradition."

Contarino, also a member of USARSA's family support group said it was additionally gratifying to team up on this project to celebrate Martin Luther King.

"Martin Luther King was important for his role in bringing equality to the forefront of American conscience," she said. "But, he was also important because of his non-violent approach achieving that great deed."

The float, flying the flags represented at USARSA, and carrying children from Bolivia, Venezuela, Guatemala, Paraguay, Costa Rica, and Panama, in their native costumes, was cheered by the hundreds of people lining the downtown streets of Columbus.

The theme for this year's parade was "Unity in the New Millennium."

For Alexander, USARSA's participation was a total success, "We are all one. We have the same goal — unity."

Service honors Martin Luther King

Community gathers to remember contributions of civil rights activist

Bridgett Siter
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An estimated 1500 people gathered Jan. 14 at Marshall Auditorium, to honor Dr. Martin Luther King in a commemorative celebration titled "Remember, Celebrate, Act: a day on, not a day off."

In his opening remarks, Staff Sgt. Anthony Jones with the Drill Sergeant School, said the anniversary of King's birthday is a chance to rededicate ourselves to the future.

"The theme of this year's service encourages us to remember Dr. Kings works — what was done and what needs to be done, celebrate his legacy, and act on it by giving our services back to the community," Jones said.

The invocation was delivered by Deputy Post Chaplain Lt. Col. Scott New, who remembered King as a man of faith, "who focused on human dignity, and helped us see the common ground each of us walk."

The event featured music by the Infantry Band and performances by Cy Dietrich, Dexter Elementary School Music and Visual Arts director, and Faith Middle School's Honors Chorus, directed by Faye Lewis Strong.

"We were honored to be invited to perform here today. It was a great opportunity because the students took the time to learn about Martin Luther King," Strong said. "The song we performed, 'Something Inside So Strong,' emphasizes his message that we are all overcomers. Each of these students relate to that in his own way."

Faith Middle School was represented by Anuarite Mubangu, the seventh-grade winner of an essay contest honoring King. The 12-year old presented her winning essay to the packed auditorium.

"I have to admit, before I wrote this essay, I appreciated Martin Luther King Day for all the wrong reasons, taking everything he fought so hard for, for granted. But now I have a better understanding of what this heroic man really accomplished," Mubangu said.

The guest speaker, Brig. Gen. Earl Simms, Commanding General, U.S. Army Soldier Support Institute, Fort Jackson, S.C., remembered King as a great man who advanced the cause of human freedom and racial justice, bringing about long-lasting, substantial changes.

"I do remember Martin Luther King, the times, and how he changed them. It is significant that we pause to recognize, not only the man, but more importantly, what he has done. Don't ever forget. Because if you do, we are doomed to repeat our mistakes," Simms said.

Simms thanked special guests and visiting dignitaries, including NAACP president Edward DuBose.

"As a member of the retired military community, it's quite pleasing to return and embrace the military from this position," Dubose said. "This program shows that Fort Benning is reaching out to the African-American community."

post briefs

Recruiting team visits post

The Recruit the Recruiter team will visit Fort Benning Monday through Thursday. Briefings will allow Soldiers the opportunity to gather information and interview for recruiting duty. This briefing is mandatory for all NCOs.

The team is looking for individuals with a high school diploma or one year of college with GED, a GT score of 100, not flagged and 21 to 34 years of age.

Post announces burning schedule

Prescribed burning of woodland areas will take place Monday to Jan. 30. If weather permits, the following areas will be affected: A7, A13, E-6, F1, G2, H2, K3, K8, K14, K18, K20, L2, L3, L6, O3, O15, P1, P3, Q3, BB1 and BB4. Burning will occur in pine stands within these compartments to enhance endangered species habitat and training areas.

Personnel proposing to use these areas for recreational purposes must vacate these areas prior to 9:30 a.m. daily. Training units using compartments adjacent to those listed above may experience drift or residual smoke and are reminded to exercise caution while traveling in these areas due to the potential for reduced visibility.

Units utilizing ranges and training areas are reminded to remove flammable debris, such as pinestraw, leaves and trash from around structures in accordance with USAIC Regulation 210-4, Paragraph 5-22, Organizational Maintenance.

For more information, call Jack Greenlee, Natural Resources Management Branch at 544-6120.

CID seeks information

The United States Army Criminal Investigation Command is seeking information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of six cell phones and viewing, projection equipment stolen from the Information Management Division, Martin Army Community Hospital, between Oct. 26-27.

The assistance of the local community is being requested in an effort to identify and apprehend the perpetrator(s). It is requested that anyone with information concerning this individual contact the CID Duty Agent at 545-8916 or the Military Police at 545-5222. The identity of anyone providing information will be kept in the strictest confidence.

Army increases OCS boards, publishes dates

The Army has approved an increase in the number of Soldiers who may attend Officer Candidate School. In order to accommodate this increase in the number of Soldiers DA may select to attend OCS, it is necessary to once again revise the HQDA OCS board schedule. The revised HQDA OCS board schedule is as follows:

April 3-7 with applications due at PERSCOM no later than March 3. Applications must be received by PSRD, Soldier's Plaza, no later than Jan. 21. The local board is from Jan. 31 through Feb 4. June 12-16 with applications due at PERSCOM no later than May 12. Applications must be received by PSRD no later than March 24. The Fort Benning board is April 3-7.

Sept. 11-15with applications due at PERSCOM Aug. 11. Applications must be received by PSRD June 23. The Fort Benning board is July 5-11.

For more information, call Verna Clemons at 545-4702 or 545-3341.

Special Forces recruits Soldiers

Special Forces is looking for professional enlisted and officer volunteers. If you are an enlisted Soldier in pay grade 3-4 thru 3-7 with at GT score of 100 or higher, or you are a commissioned officer in year group 1993 thru 1997, you can apply for Special Forces training.

For more information call 545-3079 or 835-3079, or you can access the web page at www-benning.army.mil/fbhome/SForce/index.html.

Post conducts anti-terrorism briefings

All Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians and family members deploying or traveling outside the United States are required to receive an anti-terrorism, force protection briefing. The briefings are 2-2:45 p.m. every Wednesday in Building 2605 at Soldiers' Plaza. Children younger than 13 are not allowed to attend.

For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Ronald Smith at 545-7081.

ATTENTION
Young Artists

Enter the 2000 U.S. Savings Bonds National Student Poster Contest.

It's a fun, educational project and a great way for 4th, 5th, and 6th grade artists to use their talents and learn the benefits of saving. Plus, they can win prizes including a $200 to a $5,000 U.S. Savings Bond, a trip to Washington, D.C. and school prizes.

To enter students must design a poster promoting the contest theme "U.S. Savings Bonds – Making Dreams a Reality." The contest deadline is February 11, 2000.

For your copy of the contest rules visit: www.savingsbonds.gov
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Employers: Get glimpse of Army training

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The ESGR group flew to Georgia on a KC-135 tanker that refueled two F-16s from the North Dakota Air Guard during the flight. Their itinerary at Fort Benning included observing Airborne, individual tactical, basic rifle marksmanship and obstacle course training.

They also visited the Close Combat Tactical Trainer Building and the Army Marksmanship Unit during the three-day tour.

Topp informed Hartmann back in October he was being called up to active duty and his unit would leave for Kosovo in January for up to nine months.

"I told him he would have a job when he got back, and he was guaranteed to start back at the same pay. What else would I do?" Hartmann said.

Indeed, federal law protects the jobs of reservists and guardsmen who must deploy.

"It is the law," Maj. Gen. Keith Bjerke, the adjutant general of North Dakota, said. "But there is a big difference between acceptance and forced compliance."

Because of the support Topp received from his boss, he nominated Hartmann for a patriot award with the state's ESGR, and she was selected to participate in the Bosslift to Fort Benning.

The Bosslift is designed to give employers and civic leaders a first-hand look at military training and a better understanding of how the National Guard and Reserves work together with the active component.

"More than 50 percent of our military forces are made up of reservists and guardsmen," Jim Helphrey, North Dakota state chairman for the ESGR, said Jan. 14 before the group observed Individual Tactical Training at Malone Complex Range No. 3 by E Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry, Infantry Training Brigade.

The mobilization of the 142nd affected employers all over the state.

"I know an electrician who only has eight employees, and three are in the unit going to Kosovo," Helphrey said.

Douglas Cunningham works with the Job Services program in North Dakota. In 1958 he was a Soldier at Fort Benning.

"I've been very impressed," Cunningham said. "The training is much more difficult and intensive than I remember."

Bjerke, the highest ranking officer in the North Dakota guard, traveled with the ESGR and returned to the state Jan. 14. He plans to see his Soldiers again in Kosovo in April.

"They are the first National Guard engineering unit in the Army to go to Kosovo," Bjerke said.

The company includes contractors, electricians, plumbers, equipment operators and other building professionals.

"Many of them practice their trade every day," Bjerke said. "They have a combination of civilian and military skills. Their civilian skills, honed every day, in combination with their military training, makes them a very successful combat engineering unit."

The company spent all of Saturday going through Theater Specific Individual Readiness Training taught by NCOs and officers from 1st Army, Fort Gillem, Ga.

Three situational awareness classes — media awareness, personnel and vehicle inspections — were conducted in and around the TSIRT center at Harmony Church.

The Situational Training Exercises were conducted at the Force Protection Lanes. Squads moved down 1,000-meter lanes and probed for mines, by-passed a mine-wired obstacle, reacted to sniper fire, dealt with civilians on the battlefield and reacted to incoming artillery.

After completing the lanes training, Capt. Scott Forde, B Co. commander for the past three years, said that it was nice to see the members of the ESGR.

"I'm just sorry that they couldn't stay to see this (lanes training)," Forde said.

"It was awesome."

Civilian role players help Soldiers prepare for Kosovo

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

"Are you American Soldiers? I'm not here to harm you, I just want to talk. Won't you even help us, G.I.?"

Curtis Bryant Jr. stands along the dirt road of a Force Protection Lane calling out to Soldiers from B Company, 142nd Engineer Combat Battalion (Heavy), North Dakota Army National Guard.

As the scenario plays out, the Soldiers must deal with Bryant and two women determined to convince the Soldiers to help them.

Bryant, Nevette McEachern and Tiffany McGlockton are "Civilians on the Battlefield" — role players hired to help train Soldiers as they prepare to deploy.

"These are our people, and they are going over to a foreign land," Bryant, of Columbus, said after the training ended.

"We are doing all we can to help them before they get over there, and they better take it very seriously."

During the "hot wash" — a brief critique — after the scenario, lane walkers or trainers, tell the Soldiers how they did, and the civilians are allowed to offer their insight.

Tim Gallagher heard through a friend about the job of being a role player at the Theater Specific Individual Readiness Training center.

He started two years ago.

"It's the most fun job I have ever had in my life," Gallagher said.

Niteline USA of Atlanta is the contractor for role players.

"Niteline brings us in and the lane walkers tell us exactly what they want."

Gallagher and the other role players work some Fridays and almost all Saturdays.

"Sometimes there are as many as 32 of us out here or as little as 7," he said.

Civilian role players are used in the situational awareness classes. In the media awareness class, a role player runs the video camera while public affairs officers play the role of reporters and run the critique afterwards. Civilians are also used in the personnel and vehicle inspection classes.

Training on Saturdays starts at 6:30 a.m. regardless of weather and lasts sometimes to 3 p.m.

When he watches news footage from Bosnia or Kosovo, Gallagher looks for familiar faces, he said.

Jennifer Fitz from Smiths Station, Ala., started working last June. She was part of the personnel inspection section.

"It's fun and I get to help them (deploying Soldiers) in getting trained correctly so they won't get killed and can return safely home."

The job pays about $9 an hour, McGlockton, a representative from Niteline, said, and classified advertisements are used to recruit new role players.

MPs remind joggers, road runners of post regulation

Bridgett Siter
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Fort Benning's military police are spreading the message that runners must observe post PT policies, and drivers must observe restricted speed limits during PT hours.

"During Operation Slow Down, between the hours of 6 a.m. and 7:30 a.m., we have the highest concentration of MPs on the roads," said Staff Sgt. Kimberly Dennis, physical security officer. "This is the time of day when work shifts are changing, so we have officers coming on board and officers ending their shifts. They are all out observing at the same time."

Running is not permitted on Dixie and 10th Mountain Division Roads, and any other road, or section of road, with a posted speed limit of 35 mph or more said Dennis.

Runners in formation must have at least one running guard posted 10 meters in the front and behind.

All runners, whether in formation or alone, must wear shirts and reflective belts or vests. Headphones are not permitted.

Runners, in pairs or small groups, must run in single file and observe all road rules.

Dennis said these policies apply to all runners, military and civilian.

All entrances to Fort Benning have posted signs listing the hour of OSD.

Dennis said that all Soldiers and family members should be aware of the 15 mph speed limit during these hours.

Sand Hill observes OSD Monday-Friday, 5:30-7 a.m. OSD hours on main post are 6-7:30 a.m., Monday through Friday. Kelley Hill is closed to all vehicular traffic, weekdays, from 6:25-7:25 a.m.

Lumpkin Road and Dixie Road, east of Sightseeing Road, are excluded from OPS to accommodate morning traffic entering and leaving post. Runners are not permitted on these roads during these hours.

Soldier faces charges in Kosovo

Fort Bragg man accused of murder, indecent acts with Albanian child

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Staff Sgt. Frank J. Ronghi was formally charged Tuesday with murder and indecent acts with a child.

The charges are in connection with the death of a civilian female who was killed Jan. 13 in the vicinity of the city of Vitina in Kosovo.

Ronghi is a weapons squad leader assigned to A Company, 3rd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, N.C.

The Army will appoint an investigating officer to conduct a pre-trial investigation that is similar in some respects to a grand jury.

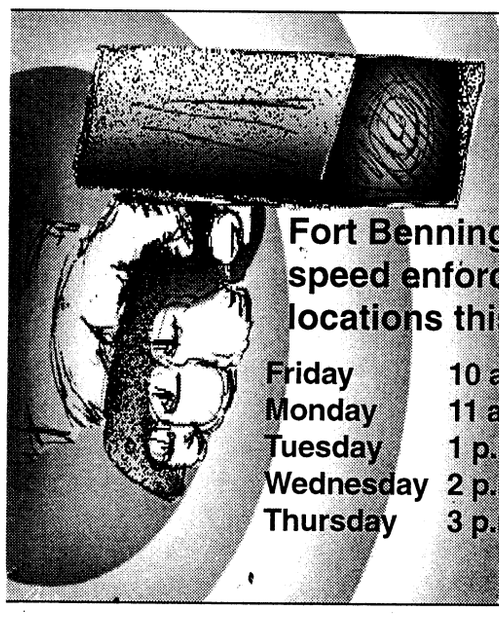
The investigating officer will make recommendations based upon the evidence produced at the hearing.

At the conclusion of the investigation, the investigating officer will recommend to the convening authority whether the charges should be referred to a court-martial.

An Army court-martial is comparable in many regards to its American civilian counterpart, a state criminal court. The accused, after a pre-trial hearing, may be tried before a military judge or a panel of officers and noncommissioned officers.

As in a civilian court, the accused is presumed innocent until guilt has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

Ronghi was transferred to the Mannheim Confinement Facility in Germany pending review by a military magistrate.



Community Oriented Policing

Cops Corner

Fort Benning military police will be conducting speed enforcement patrols in the following locations this week.

Friday	10 a.m. to 11 a.m.	Vibbert and Ingersoll avenues
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Tuesday	1 p.m. to 2 p.m.	Edwards and Burr streets
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Online system makes retirement planning easy

New service allows comparison of benefits via internet-based site

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

Department of Defense has unveiled an online calculator designed to help service members decide which military retirement plan is best for them.

The site, http://pay2000.dtic.mil/bottom_ret.html allows members to compare future benefits under the Redux and the High-3 retirement systems.

The fiscal 2000 Defense Authorization Act reformed the military retirement system.

The retired pay reform in the act gives a choice to service members subject to the Redux retirement system — all those who entered the service on or after Aug. 1, 1986 — who reach their 15th year of service beginning in 2001.

First choice: Service members can join the pre-Redux retirement system.

This so-called High-3 system gives members 50 percent of their average basic pay for their highest three earning years before retiring after 20 years of service. To compute retired pay after 20 years of service, for instance, E-7s would total their basic pay for the highest three years — probably the last three — divide the sum by three and then again by two. Retired pay for additional service increases 2.5 percent per year to a maximum of 75 percent for 30 years of service. Also, annual cost of living adjustments are fully indexed to inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

Second choice: Eligible service members subject to Redux can take a taxable $30,000 lump-sum bonus, agree to complete at least 20 years of service and choose to remain in the Redux plan. The bonus is immediately payable and can be used any way the member wishes. Retired pay starts at 40 percent of the high three earnings average after 20 years and rises to a maximum of 75 percent for 30 years' service. Redux adjusts pay each year at the rate of the CPI minus 1 percent.

To use the calculator, click on the "You decide — A personalized calculator" link on the Retirement Choice Web page.

Then on the Personalized Retirement Calculator page you click on the "Proceed to the Retirement Calculator" link and then fill in information including your age at 20 years of service and your expected final rank and years of service at retirement. Note whether you would invest your $30,000 bonus if you choose to stay with the Redux option.

The calculator makes some assumptions about the economy — inflation, tax rates, etc. You can accept these defaults or play "what-if?" Click on the "Calculate" button and let the system work.

By law, DoD must notify people facing the decision after they have served 14.5 years. They must make the choice at 15 years of service. The first group facing the choice will be notified in January 2001 for a choice in August 2001.

"We've put this calculator up a year early so people can use it and really understand the choice they are to make," a senior DoD compensation official said. "This is a complicated decision and should not be made lightly."

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Law enforcement optimal for Soldiers

Agencies seek Soldiers as police officers

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Not only are some separating Soldiers looking for careers with law enforcement agencies, but law enforcement agencies are constantly recruiting Soldiers.

To name a few, the following have visited Fort Benning: Phoenix, Ariz.; Charlotte, N.C., and the Columbus Police departments.

Also, the Sheriff's Department from Polk County, Fla., and the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority Police Department recruited here.

Feb. 17, is the date set for the Georgia Department of Corrections to again recruit separating Soldiers for correction officer and other positions in the state prison system.

Feb. 24, the Polk County Sheriff's Department will return.

"Our ACAP Center upcoming events list more often than not has some kind of law enforcement agency included," said Cynthia Anderson, Fort Benning's ACAP Center automation specialist and Employer Day project officer.

Soldiers have the training, experience, skills, and motivation to make good police officers, but it requires a strong commitment to follow this career path after separation from the Army.

Most police departments require written tests, fitness tests, polygraph tests, background checks, drug tests, interviews and then perhaps a waiting period before entry into the Police Academy.

It is a career path that requires dedication and desire. Law enforcement places many of the same demands on its troops as are found in the Army.

The ACAP Center recommends that Soldiers interested in a law enforcement career after separation should research the job thoroughly to be absolutely certain it's the right career.

Visiting ACAP Employer Days and upcoming job fairs is one way to talk face-to-face with real "cops" and ask probing questions about the life style and demands of a police officer career.

For more information, call the ACAP Center at 545-2308, stop by Soldiers' Plaza, Building 2634 or visit the web site at http://www-benning.army.mil/ACAP/.

Pvt. Joshua Grzywa
Aurora, Ill.
C Company, 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army because of a little bit of family tradition and just a sense of honor and duty to my country.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I think I was chosen because I try to live out the values instilled in us everyday and keep myself and others motivated even when times were hard.


Grzywa

Staff Sgt. Carl Q. Wheat
Whitesburg, Ga.
C Co., 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I use more of a directive style.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? The satisfaction get is watching young Soldiers march across that graduation field and instilling all the Army values in them as the cycle goes on.


Wheat

Pvt. Brian N. Brinson
Troy, Ill.
E Co., 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army as a means of learning discipline, responsibility and leadership. I've always wanted to be a Soldier.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I've always done what I've been told and tried to lead by example to the best of my ability.


Brinson

Staff Sgt. Luther J. Berry
Marion, S.C.
E Co., 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I lead by example.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Turning young men into Infantry Soldiers.


Berry

Pvt. Earl. T. Erickson
Chicago, Ill.
E Co., 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I wanted a challenging career and I knew I would find that in the Army.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen to represent my platoon at the board session, which decided who would be Soldier of the Cycle. At this board I successfully answered or executed the tasks given.


Erickson

Staff Sgt. Jerry M. Charles
Hempstead, N.Y.
E Co., 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. Participative. I strongly believe that all NCOs should lead by example.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? On graduation day seeing the transformation of a civilian into a trained Soldier.


Charles

Staff Sgt. Jimmy L. Russell
Macon, Ga.
D Co., 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
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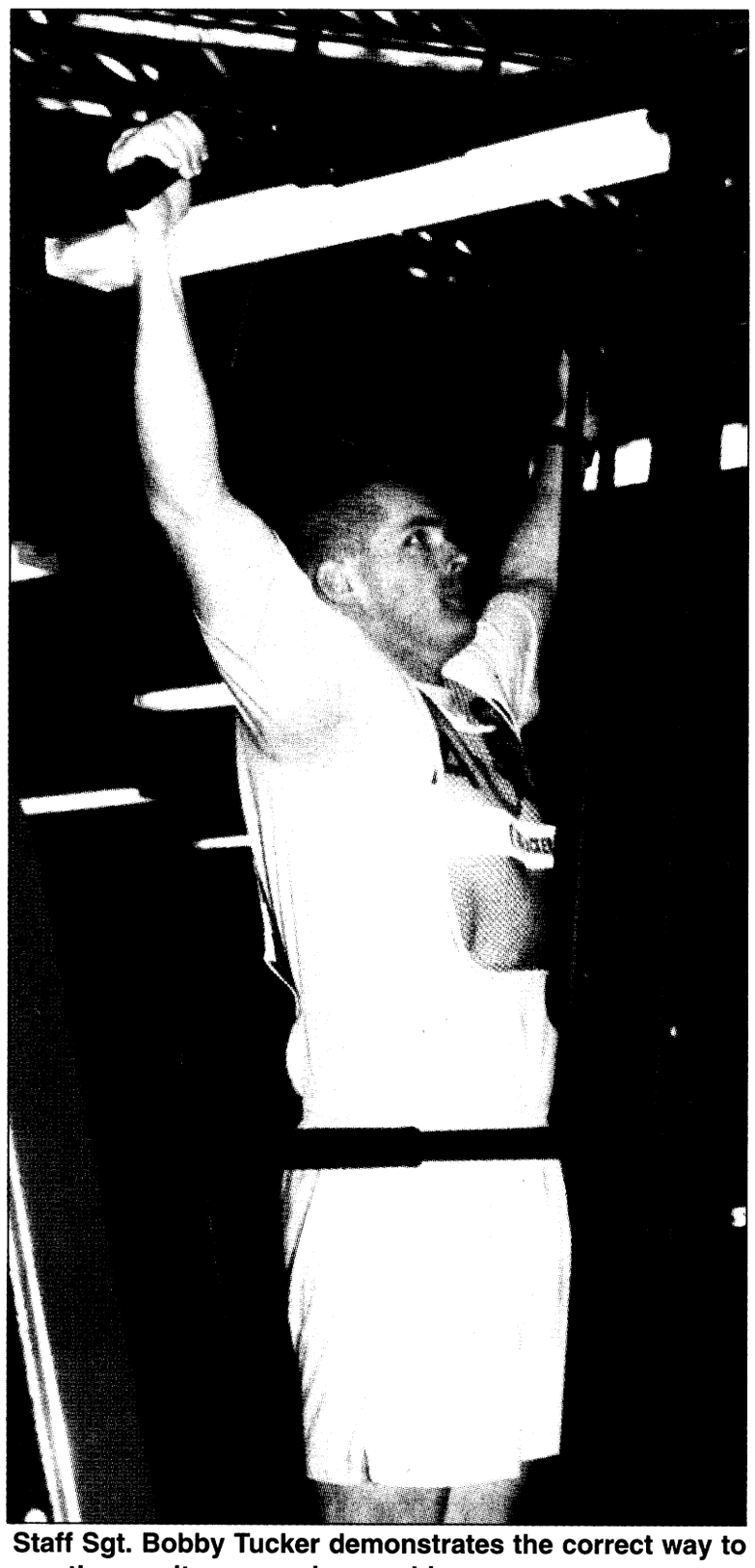
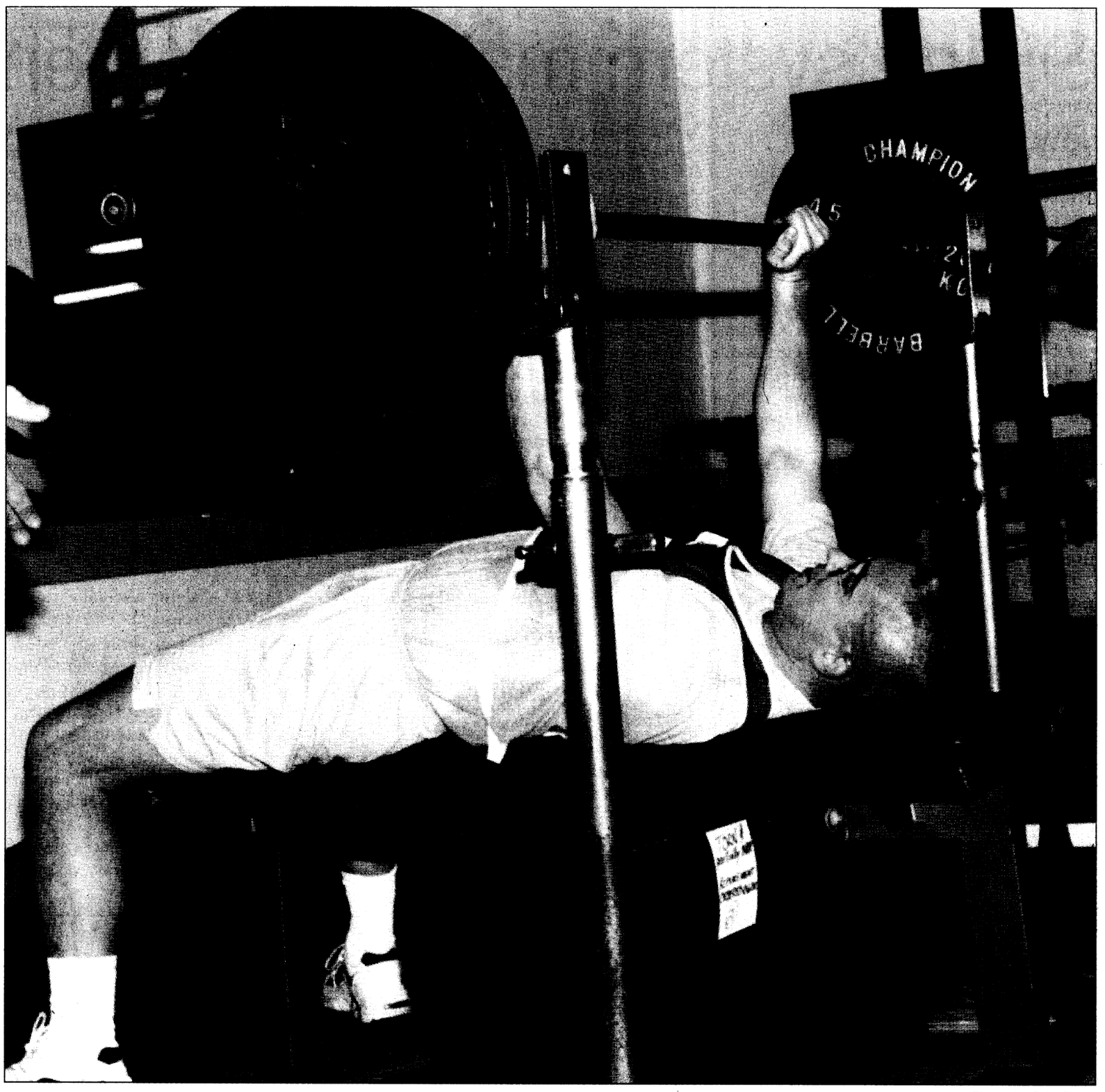


Staff Sgt. Bobby Tucker demonstrates the correct way to use the gravitron exercise machine.



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Staff Sgt. Bruce Grazier, an instructor for the Physical Fitness Training Unit, works out in the unit's new facility at Sand Hill.

Physical fitness training unit brings trainees up to standard

Sally Shutt
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Tuesday afternoon 10 privates worked on their sit-ups. Paired into teams, the five young men holding the feet of their buddies, encouraged:

"You can do it. You can do more. Come on."

After 30 seconds they switched places.

The Soldiers worked under the supervision of drill sergeants from the Physical Fitness Training Unit, 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), Infantry Training Brigade, in the unit's new workout facility located beside Johnston Hall.

Inside Johnston Hall, Pvt. John Keen was rehearsing for a graduation ceremony.

Earlier Tuesday morning he had passed his physical assessment and was graduating from the PFTU after less than a week in the unit.

"I failed on my sit-ups," Keen said. "I was only able to do six on my initial assessment, and this morning I was able to do 40.

"I was able to pass because of the drill sergeants and the techniques they taught me."

All Soldiers processing through the 30th AG Bn. (Reception) are given a physical fitness test. It involves sit-ups, push-ups and a one-mile run.

On the initial assessment the Soldiers must do 13 push-ups, 25 sit-ups and run one mile in 9 minutes or less.

Those who pass go on One Station Unit Training or to Basic Combat Training; the 5 percent who fail the test are assigned to the PFTU.

While assigned to the unit, the Soldiers have a two-hour cardio-respiratory workout in the mornings and a two-hour muscular workout in the afternoon.

To graduate from the PFTU students must do 20 push-ups, 40 sit-ups and run the mile in 8 minutes or less.

The PFTU graduation rate is around 95 percent, according to Sgt. 1st Class Bruce Balestreri, the unit's commandant.

> "I was able to pass because of the drill sergeants and the techniques they taught me."
>
> **— Pvt. John Keen**
> Physical Fitness Training Unit trainee

The 5 percent who do not pass go home, Balestreri said.

"It's so rewarding to watch the Soldiers improve," said Capt. Tamara Powell, Headquarters and Headquarters Company commander, 30th AG Bn.

"For a lot of Soldiers, it's more a matter of technique. They need to learn the correct position and the correct form."

Staff Sgt. Reynaldo Ruma has been with the PFTU for two years and seen plenty of recruits who needed to shed a few pounds.

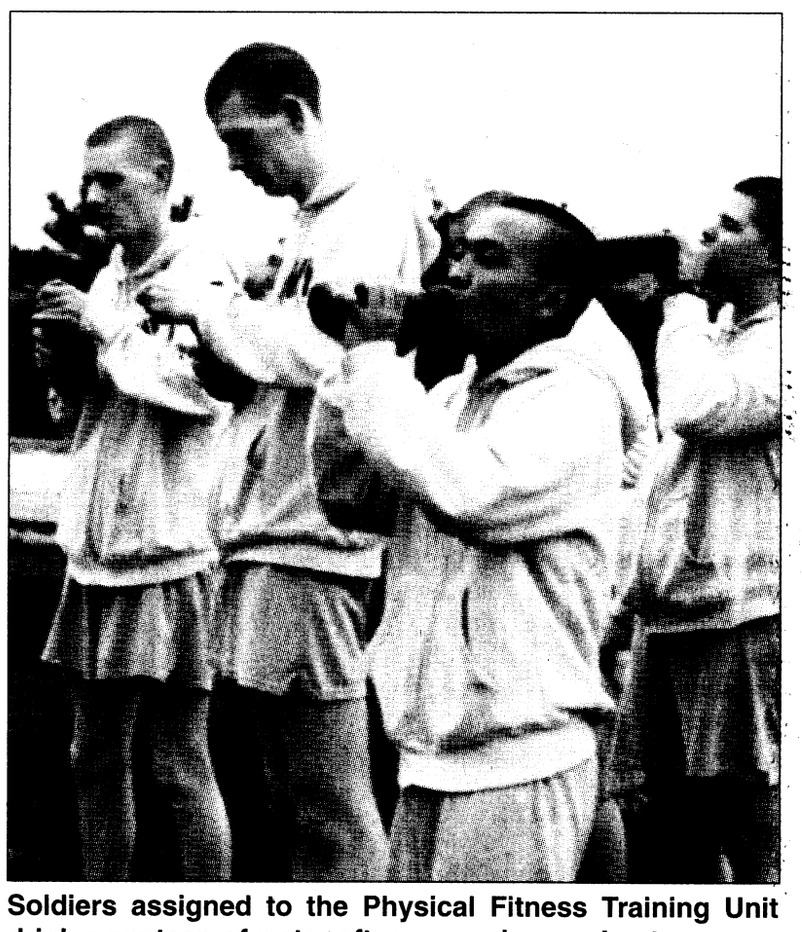
However, lack of upper body strength is a bigger problem for incoming troops, he said.

Ruma and other drill sergeants cite too much television, computer use and the dropping of physical education classes as a requirement in high schools.

Dr. Louis Tomasi, research physiologist, at the U.S. Army Physical Fitness School, agrees.

"There is only one state, Illinois, in the U.S. that requires physical education classes in all grades, K through 12. All other states require only one year of PE in high school," he said.

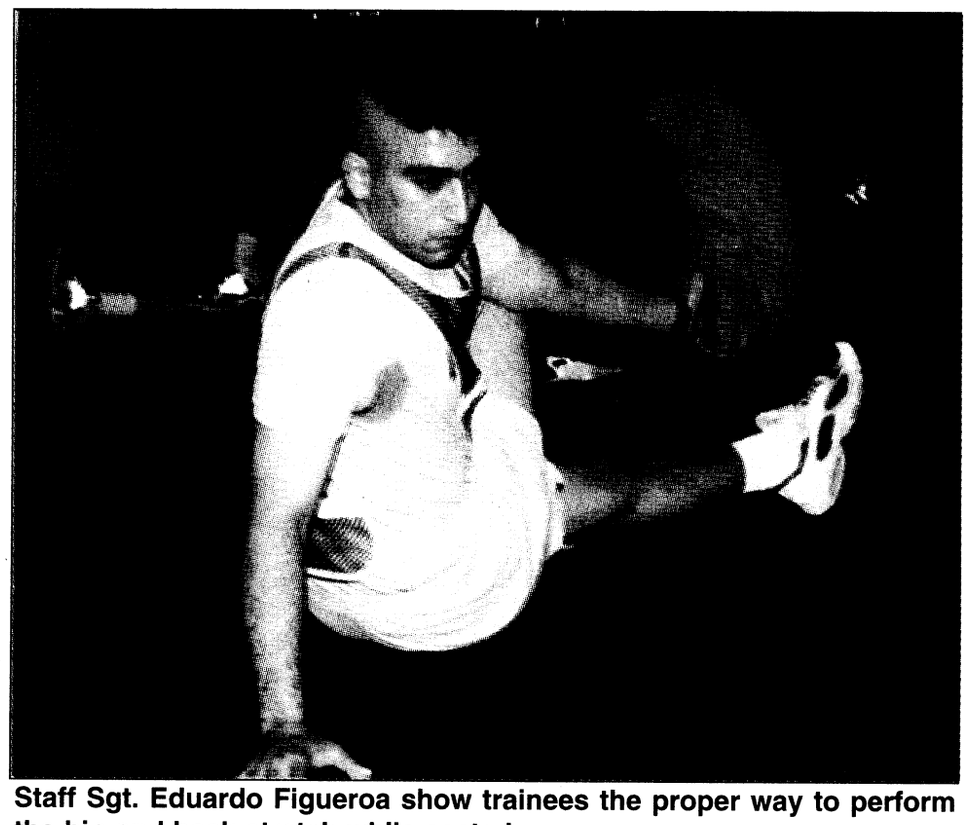
The PFTU's other mission is to help Soldiers who have been injured during OSUT or basic training recover.



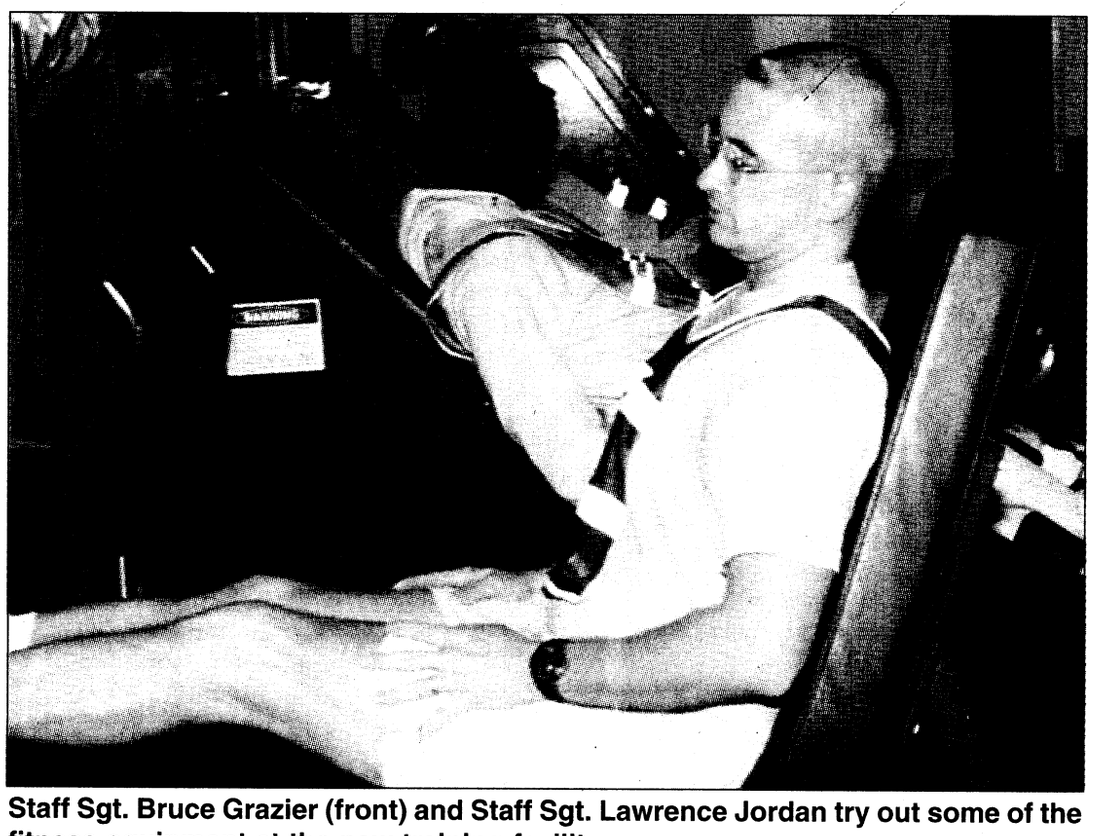
Soldiers assigned to the Physical Fitness Training Unit drink a canteen of water after a morning workout.

In the rehabilitation section, the drill sergeants execute an individual phase training program designed by the Soldier's physical therapist. The goal is to increase the Soldier's physical fitness level, while working toward a full recovery from the injury.

On Jan. 31, five drill sergeants from the PFTU will report to the Master Fitness Training Course at the Army fitness school. Once they graduate, 100 percent of the cadre will be Master Fitness qualified.



Staff Sgt. Eduardo Figueroa show trainees the proper way to perform the hip and back stretch while seated.



Staff Sgt. Bruce Grazier (front) and Staff Sgt. Lawrence Jordan try out some of the fitness equipment at the new training facility.

Legislation: Could score retirees benefits

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The same holds true for post-CHAMPUS enlistees as well, Shows said.

"While they (retirees) are eligible to participate in CHAMPUS or any other program that has evolved from CHAMPUS, it is only on a space-available basis," he said. "But that participation is limited too as many military facilities around the country are down-sizing or in some cases closing all together."

So how will Shows and his 219 Congress cohorts right this so-called wrong?

He said if the bill is passed, it would return full medical coverage to those who enlisted prior to 1956. And to those who enlisted after the 1956 introduction of CHAMPUS, he said the bill would make more positions available at local medical facilities for them to receive medical treatment.

"The issue is seeing to the health care needs of our military retirees and ensuring our national defense remains strong," Shows said. "Breaking the promise not only affects retirees but also hurts our ability to currently recruit for all of the armed services.

"It's all about the four R's — Recruitment, Retention, Readiness and doing the right thing for our retirees and service men and women," he said.

Shows' proposed health care legislation has also drawn attention from the Senate.

Sen. Tim Johnson, of South Dakota is scheduled to introduce virtually the same bill in the Senate as a companion bill to Shows' legislation.

"We are hoping both bills do well and meet somewhere in the middle," said Burns Strider, Shows' press spokesperson. "We should see something in the form of a pass or fail within months."

While Shows and Johnson both hope the legislation passes, Strider said it is difficult to call the outcome of the bill's passage potential.

"It is an election year in Washington and many times that means that a whole lot of work is put by the side to spend time on re-election campaigns," he said. "And many times, legislators don't want to side with the huge added cost that we are asking for with this bill.

"But on the upside, a legislator may decide to side for the bill because of the military retirees issue," Strider commented. "It is just hard to say at this point what is really going to happen."

Shows and Johnson both have committed to push the bill through, he said, and both have taken an "all or nothing attitude" on its passage.

"We have talked to no one about whittling this bill down from its original form, and we don't plan to," Strider said. "We are committed to return veterans their benefits and that is the bottom line."

While both Shows and Johnson continue to push for passage of their legislation, Georgia Senator Max Cleland said Tuesday he doesn't completely agree with the process of reform that is being proposed.

"The proposed bill is based upon the Federal Employees Healthcare Benefits Package, and statistics show that is not what retirees want" Cleland said at a health care reform round table held at Columbus State University Tuesday morning.

Those statistics, Cleland said, are based on results from a pilot program he and two other senators sponsored that gave selected retirees a choice between the FEHBP and his proposed solution to the continuing healthcare chaos.

"What we proposed was something called Tricare Senior Prime," Cleland said. "The program allows retirees who are at least 65 years old to become a Tricare Prime patient with no cost to them."

That no out-of-pocket price tag, Cleland said, is courtesy of the federal health care system, Medicare, and so far has been a 29 to one choice over Shows and Johnson FEHBP-based plan.

While Cleland's Medicare-subsidy will run-out at the end of the year when the Cleland-sponsored pilot program wraps up, he said the numbers the program has already returned in favor of the subsidy plan should send a strong message to Congress.

"Retirees have spoken up and told us what they want," he said. "Only this time instead of speaking with their mouths, they have spoken with their feet by walking to their own medical care specialist and signing up for the Tricare Senior Prime.

"Don't get me wrong, the house bill is a step in the right direction, but it is a little vague and is focused on FEHBP," Cleland said. "We have proven what retirees want with our pilot program that began two years ago, and now it is time for us to turn those wants into realities."



Pfc. Mitch Frazier

"Puff," a service officer for a Waverly Hall-based veterans' organization poses a question to Sen. Max Cleland Tuesday at the round table discussion on veterans' benefits held at Columbus State University.

The foundation of the debate on retirees' benefits, Cleland said, are basic quality-of-life issues the Army and the rest of the Department of Defense have continued to battle over the past 10 years as downsizing has slashed payroll recipients, posts and capital by one third.

"Retirees understand the downsizing has limited the availability of space in military hospitals," he said. "But that is no reason for us to not see them (in DoD or VA hospitals).

"It is about keeping our faith in those who we had faith in during war," he said. "We need to take care of those who took care of us."

Cleland, a veteran and purple heart recipient, said if the DoD wants to continue to remain strong, keeping the quality of life for the military's active duty, reserve and retired counterparts is essential.

"For so long there was a push to get people out of the military," he said. "Now we have to worry about getting people in and keeping them here.

"And maintaining retirement benefits including health care is essential to keeping the professionals we have in the military," he said.

Information from Cleland's study will continue to be collected until the end of the year. Compilation of the facts should be available for review sometime in early 2001, Cleland said.

What's next from Washington

House Bill 2966: Results from Congressional committees on passage of the bill should hit newsstands some time in late spring.

Cleland's plan: Results from the study will be compiled at the end of the year, and solutions to fix the failing healthcare system are projected to be in Congress this time next year.

More from Cleland: The senator said he has more quality of life initiatives to tackle this session.

THE BAYONET will continue to report on all the latest military news from Washington as it happens.

FAIR: Challenge period ends Jan 31

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it will be outsourced or even considered for outsourcing. But he said some of the jobs will be reviewed to determine the most efficient method of performing the work — by an in-house workforce or by contract. During the Defense Quadrennial Review, the Army agreed to review 73,000 positions under A-76 competitions or through other methods over the next five years.

Anderson said the Army has already contracted out a significant portion of its functions. He said there are approximately 269,000 contractor employees performing functions for the Army.

The announcement of the FAIR list in the Federal Register opened a 30-day public challenge period, officials said. Under Section 3 of the FAIR Act, the decision to include or exclude a particular activity from the DoD inventory is subject to challenge and possible appeal.

With the publishing of the list, an interested party may submit a written challenge within 30 calendar days. This public challenge period ends Jan. 31.

Tax Center: Offers free filing assistance

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dvance to you, like 25 to 35 percent sometimes," he explained. "If you're getting back a $1,000 refund, they might keep $100, $200 of it. Everyone can use extra money. If you come to us and wait a week or so, you get the whole amount."

Henry said another good reason for using the tax center is their ability to get any forms needed for filing.

He said the IRS also has a website where forms can be downloaded and there are links for the different states forms. The website address is www.irs.gov.

Henry said the tax center will be open to all ID card holders.

The tax center will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting Jan. 31 and ending April 17, this year's filing deadline. It will also be open on the Saturdays of Feb. 12, 19 and 26 from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

There will also be another tax center at Kelley Hill to save 3rd Brigade Soldiers the time of traveling to Infantry Hall. The center, which will be staffed by trained 3rd Brigade Soldiers, will be next to the legal office in Building 9025.

For more information about either of the tax centers, call the legal assistance division at 545-3281.

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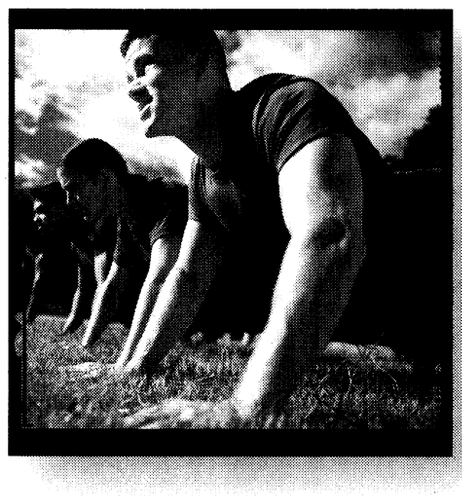

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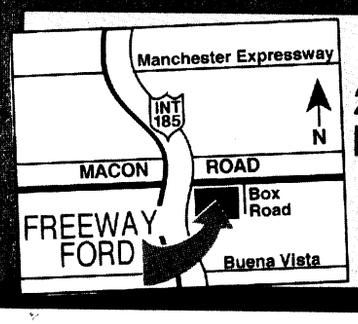

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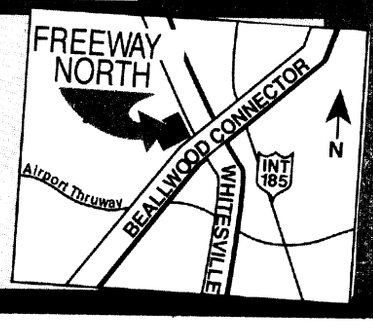

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Author, educator to speak at Parent Academy

Barbara Coloroso will give parents advice on family, life issues

Sally Shutt
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Barbara Coloroso, best-selling author and educator, will return to Fort Benning Feb. 12 for this year's Parent Academy, an annual event sponsored by the Fort Benning Schools and the Family Advocacy Program.

Coloroso lives in Littleton, Colo., which became internationally known this year in the wake of the tragedy at Columbine High School in April.

In fact, the author had spent nearly two years writing her latest book *Parenting with Wit and Wisdom in Times of Chaos and Loss* when the country's attention turned to Columbine and the shooting deaths of 12 teen-agers and a teacher at the hands of two students, who then killed themselves.

Coloroso, who had neighbors and relatives in the high school at the time of the shooting, added an epilogue to her book discussing the event.

"When we offer our children our time, our affection, and our sense of optimism, we help them find a way through their own adversity, grief and sorrow," she wrote.

"Our culture is living in chaos at this point, and our families are intertwined in the culture," she said in a telephone interview from her headquarters in Littleton.

Coloroso said she spends 110 days a year touring around the world offering advice to parents. She is well known in the Department of Defense Education Activity where she conducts workshops worldwide. She will speak in Belgium and London before returning to the states and her engagement at Fort Benning.

Coloroso spoke on post four years ago, and the response from parents was tremendous, Gail Wilson, the Fort Benning Schools spokesperson, said.

"She received overwhelmingly positive reviews when she was here," Wilson said.

"People who don't participate in this Parent Academy will really miss out."

Coloroso, 52, has been an educator for 29 years. She first started giving educational workshops for teachers, then in the 1970s when parenting seminars became popular, she branched out into offering advice to parents on raising children.

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> Author and educator



She wrote the video programs *Winning at Parenting ... Without Beating your Kids* and *Winning at Teaching ... Without Beating your Kids*. Next, she penned the best-selling book, *Kids are Worth It! Giving Your Child the Gift of Inner Discipline.*

During the academy Coloroso will discuss the keys to good parenting. She calls them the three R's: responsibility, resourcefulness and resilience.

She will give practical advice on family life issues such as chores, sibling rivalry, toilet training, allowances and more, all designed to create a home environment where children can develop their own sense of inner discipline.

"It's the same regardless of age, from birth to the teen years," she said.

"You have to establish limits and boundaries no matter what the age group."

Blended families are more prevalent than they were when Coloroso first started teaching, and in her latest book on chaos and loss she discusses second marriages.

"I have a chapter called 'Families born of loss and hope,'" she said. "These families are born of loss, but they are also born of great hope."

While the new spouses enter into the blended family unit with great hope for the future, Coloroso said the children are often still focusing on the loss of their original family.

"We must acknowledge the child's need to grieve," she said.

As a classroom teacher, Coloroso said she refused to ask her students to develop a family tree.

"I found that in most cases it's a family forest," she said.

Through all the travails of parenting, Coloroso said parents should remember that humor is the key.

"You have to be able to laugh — at yourself, at one another and with each other."

The Parent Academy will take place at Faith Middle School Saturday, Feb. 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The seminar is free and open to all Fort Benning personnel and parents of children from newborns to high school age.

Free childcare will be provided for children 6 weeks to 11 years of age.

Registration will take place Jan. 31 through Feb. 4. For more information, call Fort Benning Schools at 545-8271.

Post regulation prohibits profanity

Garrison says policy applies to everyone

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

Some people find second-hand smoke repulsive.

Others find profanity just as offensive.

Garrison policies declare Fort Benning a profanity-free installation, much the same as we're a smoke-free installation, said Sgt. 1st Class Valerie Boggs, garrison command office NCOIC.

Recently, a number of complaints about public profanity have been logged with the garrison commander's office.

The majority of offenses have taken place in and around the Main Post Exchange Mall, Boggs said.

U.S. Army Infantry Center regulations state the use of obscene, vulgar, or profane language in any public area of Fort Benning is prohibited. Profanity is defined as any language that would clearly offend a reasonable person's sense of decency.

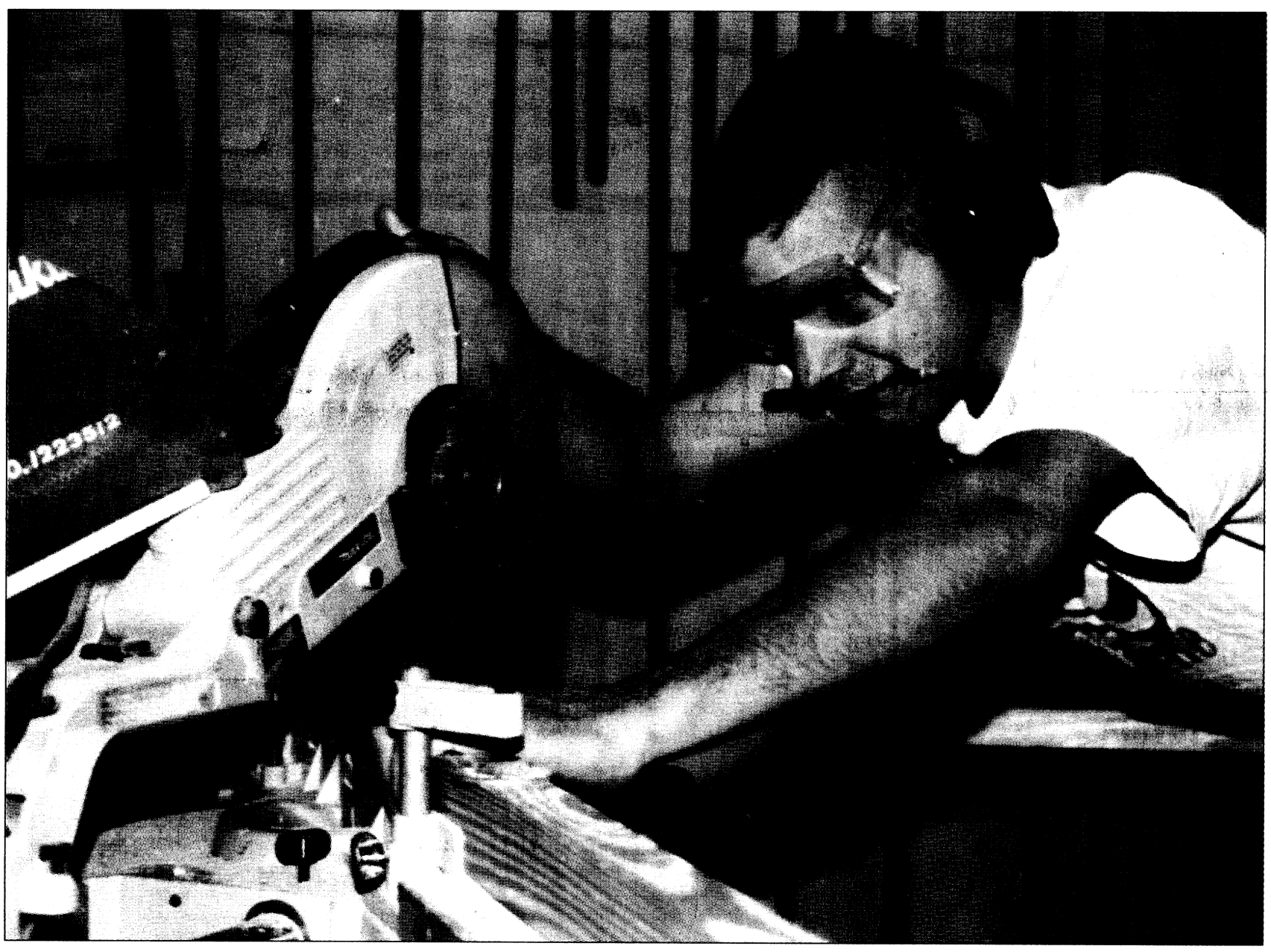
"Garrison policy is post policy. It will be applied throughout the post," Boggs said.

Just as the policy applies to all areas of post, it also applies to everyone within its confines. Boggs said that many of the complaints have been about foul language used by dependents and civilians.

"Some people are unaware of the policy. We don't want our families, especially our children, in this type of harsh environment," Boggs said.

When encountering any kind of offensive language, Boggs recommends first asking the offender to refrain from using profanity.

"Most of the time, if you ask a person to stop, they will. You don't have to be confrontational. If it persists, then speak to an employee, store manager, or MP," she said. "We want to be sure our environment is free of profanity. Just as all of us are obligated to police our environment, we're also obligated to make sure it is comfortable for our families."



Sgt. Lori Smith

Wood shop closes doors forever

Spc. Eric Hanley, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, cuts a 45-degree angle with a miter saw. He is making a conference table for his company. The wood shop, located in Long Arts and Crafts, Building 2783, will permanently close Feb. 1. All wood projects must be picked up before the shop closes.

AER helps Soldiers in need for more than 50 years

Program assists military families in financial binds

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

When a Soldier gets put into a sudden financial bind, they may feel like they have no one to ask for help.

But that situation is just what Army Emergency Relief is there for.

AER is available to help out active duty Soldiers, retirees, family members and even some reservists and guard members in times of financial need, said Alfonso Deane, installation AER officer.

"AER is a commander's program with two missions," he said. "The primary mission is to provide emergency financial assistance to Soldiers, to help them defray the cost or payment of certain categories of emergencies."

Deane said those emergencies include having delinquent rent, to provide food to a family, to assist those going on emergency leave, car repair costs, and several other categories.

He added AER also offers assistance for school costs.

"We provide undergraduate scholarships for children of active duty Soldiers and retirees," he explained. "They are available annually in November. Applications must be submitted by March of the upcoming year."

AER does this thanks to the kindness of others, said Deane.

"We are a nonprofit organization. There is no budget that Congress provides to AER," he said. "Our funds are generated mainly through annual campaign contributions.

"Our headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia, also invests some of the funds," Deane said. "We also receive memorials and bequests on behalf of retirees who have made arrangements in their will that donations be made to AER in their name."

Deane said AER provides its services to a variety of recipients.

"There are a lot of folks out there that do not know that when you are in retired status, you are still eligible for assistance from AER for yourself or family members," he said.

Widows and widowers of active duty or retired Soldiers are also eligible for help from AER, Deane said. "AER assistance is only provided to widows in the form of a grant. That is provided on a limited amount of grants."

He said AER also serves members of other services who are stationed here by processing assistance requests through their respective service. Deane said help is also available for reservists or guard members who are on continuous active duty service for 30 days or more.

Soldiers need to go through their chain of command to get financial assistance from AER. Retirees can stop in, get an application and make an appointment to talk with an AER representative.

"Once they come in to us, we look at all of the documents they bring in and do a thorough financial analysis," he said.

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AER offers college scholarships

Army Emergency Relief

Active-duty Soldiers and Army retirees with college or university-bound children often wonder how they can afford the education cost. Many people don't realize that part of the answer may be found at AER. The Maj. Gen. James Ursano Scholarship Fund, administered by AER, is a secondary mission to help Army families with the cost of undergraduate level education, post secondary vocational training and preparation for acceptance by service academies for their dependent children.

Scholarship Program Eligibility. Applicant must be:

• Dependent children, stepchildren or legally adopted children of Soldiers on active duty, retired or deceased while on active duty or after retirement.

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Computer use can cause eye strain

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Do you experience symptoms of "eyestrain," blurred vision and headaches related to computer use?

"You are not alone," said Capt. Stephen Planchet, an optometrist at the Heidelberg Army Hospital. "As the computer and Internet become more popular, vision problems associated with computer use are increasing. At least one-third of my patients have symptoms from extended computer use, termed Computer Vision Syndrome," he said.

Glare, dry eye, incorrect spectacle correction and work habits are just a few of the many factors that can contribute to CVS.

Set-up

A lot of computer strain can be caused from improper posture or workstation set-up.

• The monitor should be 20 to 26 inches from the eyes and slightly below horizontal eye level. The top should tilt away from the user at a 10- to 20-degree angle.

• The larger the monitor, the greater the viewing area, causing less strain.

• The keyboard should be 8 to 12 inches from the monitor and ideally 3 to 4 inches below the desk surface (on a pull-out tray or low shelf). This allows enough space between the keyboard and the monitor for a document holder.

• If you cannot place the document holder between the monitor and keyboard, position it as close as possible to either side of the monitor to minimize head and eye movements.

• Reflections will be decreased when using dark characters on a light background.

• Wear dark clothing and close nearby drapes and blinds to reduce glare.

• Use an anti-glare screen that has the American Optometric Association Commission on Opthalmic Standards seal of acceptance.

• Position the screen perpendicular to fluorescent lights, not parallel to them.

• If you use a wrist-rest, make sure you do not "rest" your wrists on the pad. Your wrists should "hover" a half inch above the rest.

• Feet should be placed flat on the floor with knees bent close to 90 degrees. Thigh to trunk angle should be 90 degrees as well.

• Clean your computer screen.

Wet Up

Dry eyes can become a problem due to the fact that you blink much less when you're viewing a computer.

• Try to blink more often. Place a small note on the monitor that reads "blink" to serve as a reminder.

• Use artificial tears to keep the eyes lubricated.

• Do not use drops that "get the red out." These drops can exacerbate dry-eye symptoms.

Get Up

Take several breaks during the day.

• 20-20-20. Every 20 minutes, take 20 seconds and look 20 feet away. Set your watch alarm for 20 minutes you need a reminder.

In some cases, people with eyestrain will need an exam for "computer glasses."

"If you are experiencing symptoms of CVS, try the above tips for a few weeks. If they don't provide relief, then follow up with an eye exam," Planchet suggested.

Editor's Note: *This article is courtesy of the U.S. Army Europe Regional Medical Command Public Affairs Office.*

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Penny O'Connor
Directorate of Public Works

Living in government housing is not a right, but a privilege. Army Regulation 210-50 states that "assignment of government housing to permanent party personnel is not an entitlement. Permanent party personnel are entitled to housing allowances to secure private housing in the civilian community if government housing is not provided."

To safeguard this privilege, Directorate of Public Works encourages all service members to familiarize themselves with and follow Army and U.S. Army Infantry Center regulations.

In the past, there has been occasional confusion concerning the following family housing issues: eligibility for family housing; policy concerning guests in family quarters and personal money-making activities in family quarters. A good understanding of the regulations that apply to these specific situations will prevent misunderstandings.

According to AR 210-50, Housing Management, military personnel with accompanying family members are eligible for family housing. If conditions change and family members no longer reside in the assigned quarters, the Soldier must notify DPW Family Housing and terminate the quarters.

Guests, both family and non-family, are authorized to visit in 30 days. Visits longer than 30 days, in accordance with AR 210-50, require that service members submit a written request to the DPW Housing Division for installation approval. Each request is evaluated on an individual basis.

The same regulation addresses commercial activities conducted in Family quarters. It permits limited commercial activities, such as handicrafts, childcare and sale of products, for sponsors and family members only. All requests to conduct a home enterprise require installation approval and must be made in writing and submitted to the Housing Division. Additionally, if solicitation is involved a permit is required from DCA.

AR 210-50 is the most in-depth and to-the-point source of information on the subject of family housing.

USAIC Reg. 210-5, Garrison Regulation is another excellent source of information. It devotes a chapter to Housing, including information on assignment and termination of quarters, retention of quarters and a variety of issues from waterbeds, to satellite dishes.

Individuals with a computer and Internet access can view or download Army regulations at www.usapa.army.mil/. USAIC regulations can be found at http://www.benning2.army.mil/pubs/. If a computer cannot open and view the regulations, both sites have links to free software, such as Adobe Acrobat Reader, that will make viewing possible.

Soldiers are encouraged to call the Family Housing Office at 545-2999 or stop by Olson Hall, Building. 399 for information on these or any other housing questions. Copies of AR 210-50 and USAIC 210-5 are available for customers to read at the Housing Office.

TROA offers tax guide

Retired Officers Association

WASHINGTON — Retirement-eligible active duty and reserve service members, plus those already retired — regardless of rank — can now view The Retired Officers Association's annual income tax guide on the internet.

The guide provides current tax information on military retired pay, the Survivor Benefit Program, disability compensation and how federal and state tax laws affect those concerned. SBP is also addressed in terms of federal estate tax law.

A new "Tax Information-Potpourri" section provides web site addresses for state tax rates and forms, and web site addresses and telephone numbers for states taxing military retired pay and SBP.

The document "TROA's Tax Guide — for 1999 Returns — is at www.troa.org/TaxGuide.asp. It is also available in fact sheet form at www.troa.org/FactSheets/2000TaxGuide.asp

TROA is open to all current and former uniformed service officers and warrant officers in the active duty, reserve, and National Guard forces. You do not have to be retired to join.

AER: Serves military

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The decision is then made to either provide a loan or grant. Deane said, the amount of assistance is not limited by a certain dollar amount, but larger amounts are sent up to higher levels depending on the amount of money needed.

"If after we look at the person's financial situation, and if they aren't able to repay a loan, we have the option of providing assistance in the form of a grant," he explained.

Loans are then set up in allotments for 12 to 24 months or can have even more approved if needed.

Last year, AER processed 820 loans for more than $680,000 and 106 grants more than $92,000.

Deane added, a misconception about grants is that you can only be eligible for one once.

"They will not be penalized for a subsequent emergency by getting a grant. We will work with them up to a point where they are classified as continuous assistance," he said.

Deane said that he sees the majority of his clients by appointment, but there are some cases where they are taken on a walk-in basis.

"If a Soldier is put on emergency leave, they can come by and pick up an application, get all of the supporting documentation, then come in on a walk-in basis," he said. "Another situation would be if a Soldier didn't get paid for some reason and didn't have food for the family. It's the same thing with eminent eviction or foreclosure on a home."

Help is also available during after duty hours and while service members are out of the area.

"Those in need can get help from AER after duty hours by calling the post staff duty office at 545-2218 for emergencies," Deane said. "If you are out of the area, contact the nearest military installation or Red Cross. Red Cross can act as an agency on behalf of AER by processing the request."

On Feb. 5 AER has been providing it's services to Soldiers for 58 years. The local AER office is celebrating that anniversary Feb. 4 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Deane said AER will be providing cake and soft drink to those who would like to stop by and share a piece of cake.

For more information about the services provided by AER, call 545-2536, 545-4043 or 545-7517.

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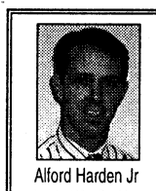
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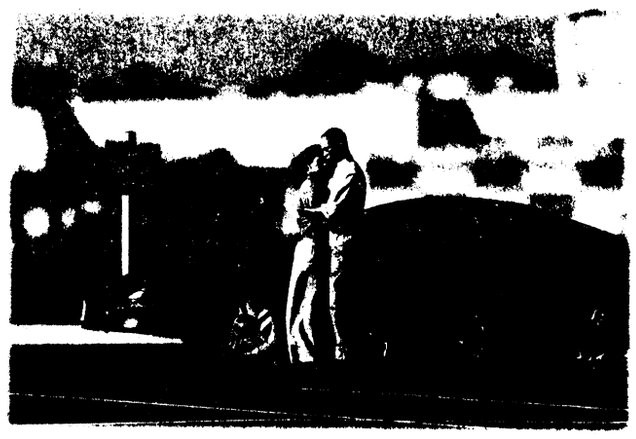
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Faith Middle School highlights budding artists

Faith showcases young artists in school's hallway

Faith Middle School

Featured this week are outstanding artists at Faith Middle School.

Christina Sanches, 8th grade, is the winner of the yearbook cover contest with her Faith falcon drawing.

Sixth-grade artists of the month include Lakeisha Page, Alicia Whyte, James Manuel, Lisa Brown and Danielle Calloway.

Erin Green and Brad Teslin, eighth grade and Sahvanna Korves and Matthew Larson, both seventh graders were chosen as artists of the month. They are all students in Gloria Loar's art class.

Artist of the month is an ongoing project at Faith Middle School. Students are chosen based on how well the pictures are done technically, whether they follow all of the instructions and satisfy all of the requirements (elements of design and principles of art), how hard they work on the task and their pride in the overall quality of the project.



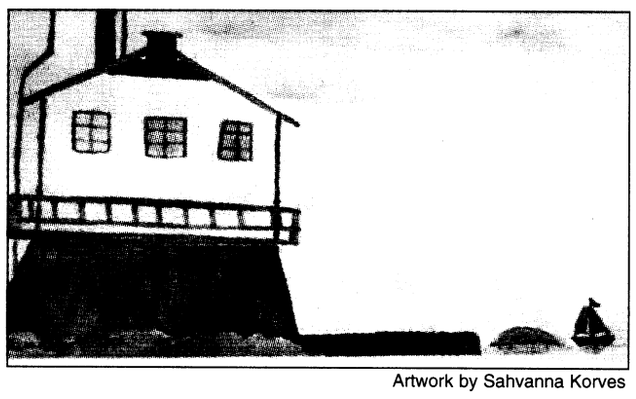
Artwork by Brad Telsin



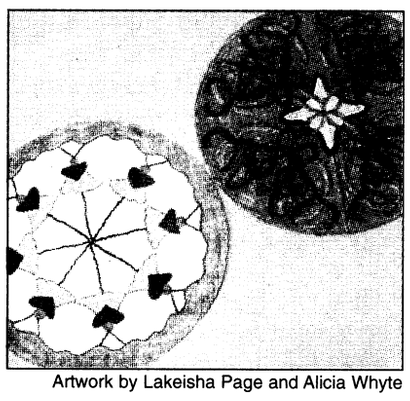
Artwork by Erin Green



Artwork by Christina Sanchez



Artwork by Sahvanna Korves



Artwork by Lakeisha Page and Alicia Whyte



Artwork by Matthew Larson



Artwork by James Manuel, Lisa Brown and Danielle Calloway

Student masters art of presentations in language arts class

Christina Sanchez
Faith Middle School

Oral presentations are like a piece of art. Some people are artists and paint well, while others just don't have what it takes, or are not willing to put what it takes to create a masterpiece. So I am going to give you the feet that'll help you run down the road called success. So listen carefully; you may learn something new.

First of all, if a topic wasn't pre-assigned to you, pick something that is interesting and something people want to hear about. Your goal is to have a successful presentation, so if you put your audience to sleep, that wouldn't be classified as a successful presentation.

Now that your "very interesting" topic has been chosen, your goal is to get an abundant amount of information on it. With all your compiled notes, be neat for once — organize them!

You have the easy part down. If you thought that was hard, you are in for a big surprise.

Think about how you want to present your information. You can have a visual aid, Power Point, slides, and take it from an expert, aids really do aid you. They help you remember what to say because face it, we all get nervous when giving presentations, and when people get nervous they can become quite forgetful.

You now have the basics down, that you have worked so hard on. You're ready to practice, practice, practice! Now it is important you do not memorize your information. I have seen people do that, and all it brought to them was failure! It is OK to know your information, but please don't memorize! You are bound to forget something, and when you do, it just throws you all off course.

Some "must haves" to score a superior presentation are enthusiasm, vocal variety, eye contact, a great capture and movement to capture your audience's attention. You should walk about but don't pace, and your gestures need to be very effective. Don't just move your hand to say you did a gesture!

So you think you're done? You have all my "must haves" and your presentation is as smooth as a baby's bottom. Well, you just might be done!

Now it is your day to shine and wow the audience. There is one more thing I haven't told you yet.

The clothes you choose to wear do matter! Dress to impress. Look professional, look as if you are an expert. If you come dressed like a rag-man, who in their right mind is going to listen to you? I know I won't!

Also, comb your hair, shave if you have to. Take a shower, do what it takes to make you look clean.

Well, I hope I have helped somewhat, by giving you the feet that will help you travel the road to success!

Be prepared for amazement and a grade that will amaze you! Now this will only happen if you take my advice!

Scholarships: Available

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• Must be registered in the Defense Eligibility Enrollment System.

• Unmarried for entire academic year.

• U.S. citizen or permanent U.S. resident.

• Under the age of 22 on Jun. 1, 2000 based on 2000-2001 academic year.

All eligible persons are encouraged to apply.

AER Scholarships:

• Applicant must be enrolled, accepted or pending acceptance as a full-time dependent student for the entire academic year in post-secondary educational institutions approved by the U.S. Department of Education for Title IV funds.

• Scholarship applicants must maintain at least a cumulative 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale for funds to be awarded or disbursed.

Scholarship Applications:

• Order form (AER 9R) for applications is available for pickup at the installation AER office, Building 2624, Soldiers' Plaza, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Forms will be available until supplies have been exhausted.

• The actual application is also available by mail from HQ AER through March 2000 for the 2000-2001 academic year.

• Applications may also be printed from our web site www.aerhq.com through March 2000.

• Completed applications with supporting documents must be mailed to HQ AER and postmarked not later than March 1, 2000.

• To be considered, the scholarship application must be complete, accurate and contain all required documents.

• New applications must be submitted for each academic year.

Scholarship Fund Uses:

• The scholarship funds may be used to assist with tuition, fees, books and supplies and school room and board either on or off campus.

Scholarship Awarded:

• Scholarship awards range from $600 to $1700 per academic year.

• Primarily based on relative financial need, as evidenced by income, assets, family size, special financial obligations and circumstances.

• Academic achievements and individual accomplishments are considered.

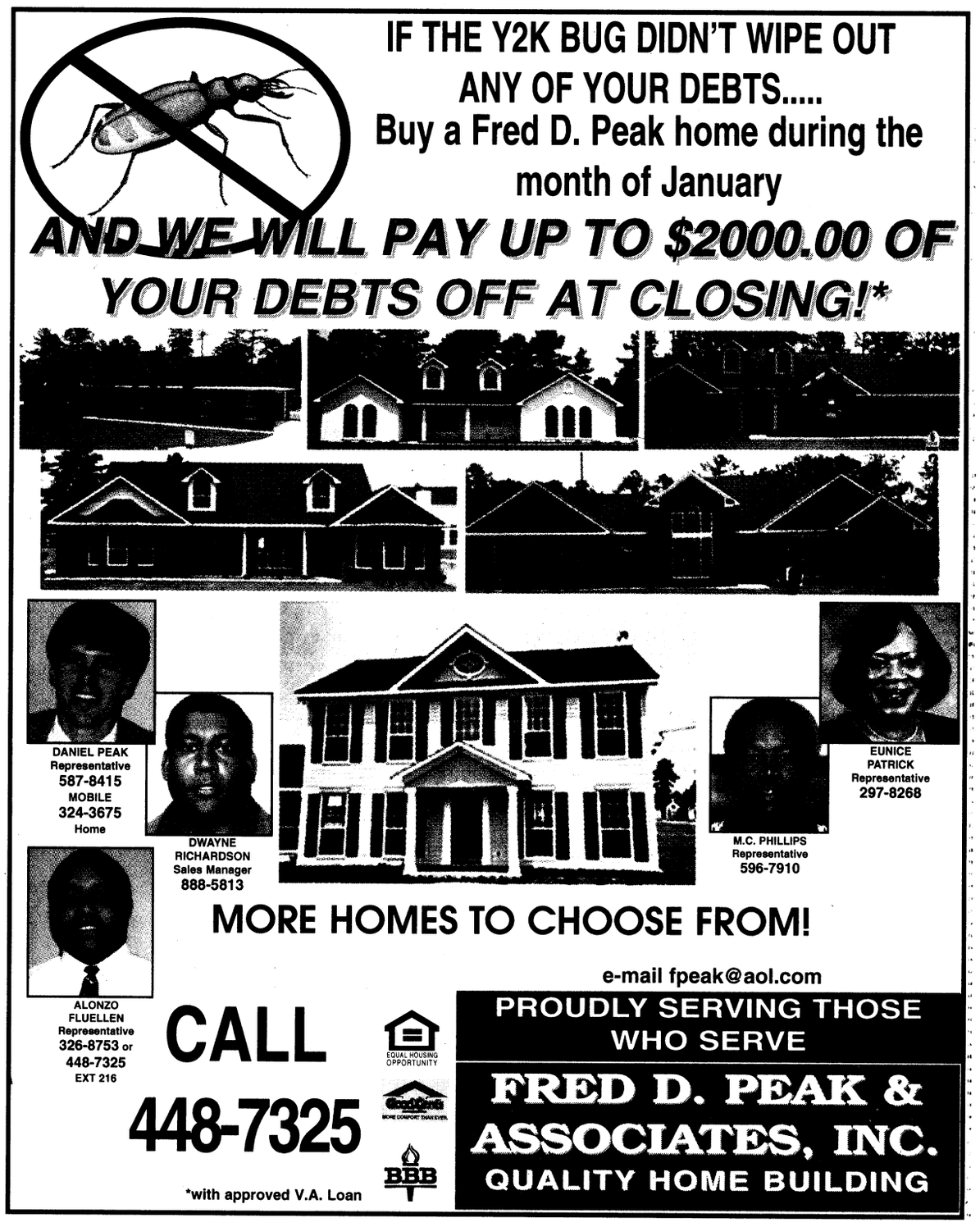
• Scholarship fund awarded will not be disbursed if cumulative GPA falls below 2.0.

• Scholarships are awarded on an annual basis for up to a maximum of four years of undergraduate study.

• The student must attend as a full time student for the entire academic year.

• Students must apply each year.

For additional information regarding the AER scholarship program, contact the installation AER Office at 545-2536, 545-4043 or 545-7517.



community briefs

on post

Wood shop to close — The Fort Benning Arts and Crafts Wood Shop will close Feb. 1. Woodworkers who have projects at the wood shop will need to remove them prior to this date. For more information, call 545-7048.

ACS sponsors car buying seminar — The Army Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program is offering a car buying seminar 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Family Unit Network Building, Building 359. The seminar will offer an insight on budgeting, financing, trade-ins, extended warranties and leases. Registration is required. The deadline is today. For more information, call 545-7517.

ACAP highlights upcoming events — The Army Career and Alumni Program's calendar of upcoming events for job seekers is as follows:

DSI Initial Trucking will recruit for truck drivers and mechanics with companies nationwide from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday.

AutoZone will recruit for managers, assistant managers and distribution managers from 9 a.m to 3 p.m. Feb. 3.

Vinnell Corporation will recruit for military trainers to work in Saudi Arabia from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 17.

Georgia Department of Corrections will recruit for corrections officers and other support staff positions from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 17, in Classroom 7, Infantry Hall. Initial testing will be done to save Soldiers additional travel.

Polk County Florida Sheriff's Office will recruit for deputy sheriffs and corrections officers from 9 a.m to 3 p.m. Feb. 24.

Palm Beach County Florida Sheriff's Office will recruit for deputy sheriffs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mar. 2.

Thursdays from 9 a.m to noon an education specialist from Fort Valley State University will be in the ACAP Center to assist with education opportunity and financial aid counseling.

Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon Homer Harrison, DOL Veteran's representative from Civilian Personnel Office will be available at the ACAP Center to speak to Soldiers.

The Small Business Seminar is held monthly from 2 to 4 p.m. in Soldiers' Plaza. Call ACAP for reservations.

All briefings are in Building 2634, Soldiers' Plaza unless otherwise indicated.

For more information, check the board in the ACAP Center, Building 2634, Soldiers' Plaza or call 545-2308 or 545-2309. The website is www.benning.army.mil/ACAP/.

Battalion sponsors blood drive — The 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment will sponsor a blood drive from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feb. 14 in Infantry Hall. For more information, call Cassandra Wyatt at 545-5195 or 545-5196.

Red Cross announces class date — The American Red Cross will hold the following class:

• Community CPR and First Aid from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Feb. 26.

For more information on location or cost, call Cotina Howard at 545-5194.

University hosts information session — Walden University will host an information session from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday in Classroom 8, Infantry Hall. During the session, Walden representatives and faculty members will present an overview of the university and the distance-delivered graduate degree programs it offers.

Walden University is regionally accredited and has been delivering graduate degree programs at a distance for 30 years. The university offers five doctoral degrees and two master of science degrees. Programs are available in:

• Education (M.S., Ph.D)
• Management (Ph.D)
• Health Services (Ph.D)
• Human Services (Ph.D)
• Psychology (M.S., Ph.D)

Following the overview, attendees will have the opportunity to have questions answered and meet one-on-one with Walden representatives regarding personal plans for graduate study.

For more information, call the Army Education Center at 545-4863.

School announces program — The National Graduate School has announced it will offer its accelerated Master of Science program again to the Fort Benning community. The scheduled start date has been set for April 8.

Visit with the national representative Tuesday to learn more. He will be in Classroom 8, Infantry Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. No appointment is necessary. Formal slide show presentations about the program will be made at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. The local contact for program information is Pat Hunsaker, National Graduate School Admissions representative, Building 2611, phone number 682-6004. Office hours are from 1 to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday or by appointment at other times. Information is also available through an Education Counselor at the Army Education Center, Building 2602, 545-4863.

Vincennes University offers courses — Vincennes University offers the following Winter 2000 weekend courses:

• A "Personal Financial Management" (three credit hours) course will be Jan. 29-30 and Feb. 12-13, Classroom 60, Infantry Hall. Cost of course is $270, of which the Army will pay $202.50 if you are approved for tuition assistance.

• An "Interpersonal Communication" course (three credit hours) will be held Jan. 22-23, Feb. 5-6 and 19-20, in Classroom 60, Infantry Hall. Cost of course is $270, of which the Army will pay $202.50, if you are approved for tuition assistance.

• A "Personal Management Skills" seminar (one credit hour) will be held Jan. 22-23 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Classroom 61, Infantry Hall. Cost of course if $90; however, the Army will pay $67.50 if you are approved for tuition assistance.

To find out more about Vincennes Courses, call 689-0098 or visit the office, Building 2614, Soldiers' Plaza.

off post

Special Forces Association meets — The Special Forces Association meeting will be at 5 p.m. today at the VFW Post 665, 1824 Victory Drive, Columbus.

Capt. William D. Linn II will be displaying a collection of Army, Airborne, Ranger and Special Forces memorabilia. Linn has a museum-quality collection of items of interest and a vast knowledge of Special Ops history as well as many stories of conversations with Army legends.

For more information, e-mail at bobdorsey100@yahoo.com or call 687-4232.

Red Cross announces classes — The American Red Cross has announced the schedule for health and safety class:

Community first aid and safety (includes CPR for infants, children and adults, general first aid, and a prerequisite for instructor training), from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

The course will be taught at 1103 Broad Street, Phenix City, Ala.

Participants must preregister for the course.

For more information, call (334) 298-3631 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

VA establishes toll-free number — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has established a toll-free telephone number for veterans and dependents to get the latest information about VA educational benefits.

The toll-free number is (888) GI-BILL (888-442-4551).

ask the judge

Staff Judge Advocate

Q. I know that the IRS audits a certain number of tax returns each year.

What can I do to lessen my chances of ever being audited, and just in case, what records do I need to keep and for how long?

A. The IRS typically looks for discrepancies in the following: Schedule A (itemized deductions), Schedule C (profit or loss from a business) and Schedule F (profit or loss from a farm).

For Schedule A, in which you itemize deductions for such items as charitable expenses and mortgage interest, the IRS tends to audit a smaller percentage of returns where the deductions are less than 35 percent of adjusted gross income. If you go above 44 percent, your risk of audit increases substantially.

If you file a Schedule C for your business, try to keep expenses under 52 percent of gross income. Any expenses over 67 percent of income is a red flag to the IRS for an audit.

With Schedule F, losses over 50 percent of gross farm income invite scrutiny, while losses over 71 percent may trigger an audit.

If you file both a Schedule A and a Schedule C, add your Schedule C expenses as a percentage of gross income with 1.5 times your Schedule A expenses as a percentage of your total gross income. Keep this figure under 10 percent of your income.

Finally, no matter what you do, there is no avoiding a random audit.

More than 150,000 taxpayers are subjected to random audits each year.

To be safe, keep your income tax returns indefinitely, since they can be your paper trail on the valuation of basis of assets that are subsequently sold, for example your house or mutual funds. Old supporting documents (receipts, canceled checks, credit cards and so forth) should be kept six years. The reason is because the IRS can go back three years from the filing date to audit your records, tax return and impose additional tax.

In some cases, the IRS can audit up to six years after filing. This would be if income is under reported by 25 percent or more, or if there is suspected fraud.

If you have questions about taxes, you can call the Legal Assistance Division at 545-3281 and make an appointment to speak to an attorney.

volunteer opportunities

Post Volunteer Coordinator Office

Here are some volunteer positions currently available.

• The Equal Opportunity Office needs volunteers to help with various Heritage Celebration activities. For more information, call 545-6665.

• Reading tutors and volunteers are needed to help support pre-school literacy programs. Days and times are flexible. Please call 644-0368 or 682-2180 for more information.

• The Counseling Center needs administrative clerical support volunteers. Computer experience is preferred. For more information, call 545-8372.

• Army Community Service Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance office needs clerical volunteers; commitment and confidentiality are required. For more information, call 545-7571 or 545-4043.

• The Thrift Shop needs volunteers to help. For more information, call Emily at 687-4830.

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Andrea Carolina Maggion Luces — born Dec. 6 to Carola Luces de Maggino and Maj. Pedro Maggino Belicchi.

Kennedy Maurissa Jackson — born Dec. 29 to Candace and Sgt. 1st Class Maurice Jackson.

Sydney Elizabeth Bottcher — born Dec. 29 to Donna and Capt. David Bottcher.

Dorean Miliah Montes — born Dec. 30 to Wendy and Pfc. Joshua Montes.

Boys

Raymond Andrew Lagger — born Dec. 29 to Amanda and Pfc. Joseph Lagger.

Derrick Nathaniel Smallwood – born Dec. 29 to Camie and Spc. Darrell Smallwood Jr.

Grayson Steven Tyler — born Dec. 30 to Stephanie and Capt. Flint Tyler.

Jackson William McCausland — born Dec. 30 to Jennifer and Capt. Ryan McCausland.

Robert John Morris — born Dec. 31 to Kim and Lt. Col. Robert Morris Jr.

Donta Harris Jr. — born Jan. 2 to Melody and Sgt. Donta Harris.

Elijah Elbert Jeffers — born Jan. 3 to Marie and Spc. David Jeffers.

Dei'Juan Javier Pimienta — born Jan. 3 to Latoya and Staff Sgt. Francisco Pimienta.

Jesus Armando Parisi De Gaetano — born Dec. 4 to Maria De Gaetano Parisi and Maj. Carlos Parisi Arias.

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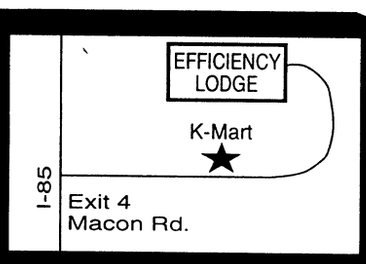

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Parents need to use discipline

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center

No army could function effectively without some form of discipline or code of conduct. The same applies to families and parenting.

Dr. James Dobson gave this response when asked about the difficulty of raising children properly: "Parents are confused because they have been taught an illogical, unworkable approach to child management by many professionals who ought to know better. Child development authorities have muddied the water with permissive philosophies which contradict the very nature of children."

Permissiveness is the total lack of effective parental authority. If you allow your child to get away with defying your authority you are opening a Pandora's box for future defiance.

The human anatomy contains a marvelous padded area for use in moments when children purposely defy parental authority. Willful disobedience demands a proper course of action by the parents. Contrary to what some may say, spanking is not a form of inhuman punishment or bullying. However, spanking should not be done in anger or to cause physical harm.

Beating a child is always wrong but a few swats on the rear will never destroy your child's psychological well being.

What is proper discipline and authority? Quoting Dobson, "Improper parental power can be defined as a hostile form of manipulation in order to satisfy selfish adult purpose. As such, it disregards the best interest of the little child on whom it tramples, and produces a relationship of fear and intimidation."

Proper authority is loving, caring and nurturing. "Loving authority is the glue that holds social orders together, and it is absolutely necessary for the healthy functioning of a family," Dobson said.

Disciplining children should always be done in love and not anger and in fact I would suggest that if your child does something to really anger you then it is not always the best time to discipline him or her. I remember hearing about a young boy who called his mother a really bad name. Only problem was that his dad heard him. His dad was so mad he said to little Johnny, "I'm so mad at you right now that if I were to spank you I would hurt you! So, tomorrow morning when I get up for work at 5 a.m. I'll spank you." Little Johnny did not sleep a wink that night.

Discipline is not always easy or fun but in order to raise children with a good measure of self-discipline it is the only way to go.

chapel notes

Center holds preparation class — There will be a confirmation preparation class at the Religious Education Center, Building 2506, beginning Tuesday and continuing on Tuesdays for approximately 10 weeks.

This class will be for junior high and high school students. The class will be Protestant in nature, and will include explanations of baptism, communion, salvation, the components of a worship service and some Bible study as related to the above subjects.

At the conclusion of the class, those who are interested in becoming members of a specific denomination or church will be put in contact with a chaplain of that denomination for further denominational instruction.

Classes will begin at 3:30 p.m. and will last approximately one hour.

For more information or to register, call 545-4715.

Protestant Women plan retreat — The Protestant Women of the Chapel will have a retreat at Smiths Station Baptist Church Jan. 28-29. The retreat begins at 7 p.m. Jan. 28 and 9 a.m. Jan. 29. The theme will be "Stand in the Gap," and the focus verse is Ezekial 22:30. Reservations are required.

Food and free child care will be provided, and a donation to cover expenses will be requested.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex.

Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7 to 8 p.m.

All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Church plans pre-baptism classes — A pre-baptism class for parents who wish to have their children baptized in the Catholic Church is available.

This will be the first session of a three-session cycle. The first session is Sunday at 1 p.m. in Custer Terrace Chapel. It's recommended that expecting parents take the class during pregnancy. To register, call 545-5508.

Sunday School meets — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

Grace paramount factor in Christianity

Chaplain (Capt) Scott M. Bullock
317th Engineer Battalion

What's the all-time favorite Christian hymn? Many would say *Amazing Grace* for sure. "Amazing Grace how sweet the sound — that saved a wretch like me." These words ring out such a simple yet profound message.

Grace is paramount to the Christian faith. No other world religion embraces the teaching of grace similarly. But what is grace? Grace is not just saying a few words before a meal or doing a kind deed. The Bible teaches that grace is unmerited favor. This means grace is when someone receives a gift they did not earn or deserve.

Grace is also explained by an acronym: G - God's , R - riches, A - at, C - Christ's, E - Expense. The ultimate example of grace in the Bible is God's freely giving to mankind his riches of heaven and eternal life. But this great gift came at the greatest price: God gave his one and only Son, Jesus Christ, to take the penalty for the punishment of sin we all have committed. So no one deserves heaven and no one can earn it because it is all of grace.

reflections

Not only must we know what grace is, but how we may receive God's grace. St. Paul says in Ephesians 2:8-9, "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not of works so that no one can boast." This teaches we can be right with God by our faith in God's gift of grace alone. God's grace is so great because it can make the most horrible person right with God. We cannot earn or deserve grace by our good works because God already provided grace through Jesus Christ's sacrificial death on the cross. What great news to think we can have God's grace by faith in Christ. Not only does the Bible tell us about God's great grace, it also tells us we must show grace to others. Colossians 4:6 compels us to "Let your conversation be always full of grace." So we can be gracious toward others by how we talk. We must remove profanity, gossip, anger and hate from our talk — anything that does not evidence grace in speech.

By receiving God's great grace we can be gracious, just like John Newton, a slave trader turned minister, the author of *Amazing Grace.*

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200
6 p.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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WASHINGTON — The Armed Services YMCA released details for their Millennium 2000 essay and art contests for children in military communities.

Both contests are open to youth of all military families including the Coast Guard, Reserve, National Guard, and Department of Defense civilian employees. The Young Readers Project Essay Contest is open to children from pre-school through high school. The art contest is open to elementary school students, kindergarten through sixth grade.

The essay contest's top prizes of $1,000 bonds will be awarded to two high school students (one overseas and one in the U.S.), and $500 bonds awarded to winning students in the seventh- and eighth-grade level, the fourth- to sixth-grade level, and the preschool through third-grade level.

An additional 15 U.S. Savings Bonds of $100 each will go to students who earn honorable mentions.

More than 12,000 children have participated in the Young Readers Project essay contest since it began four years ago.

Students may write about any topic related to reading. Suggestions include why the student likes to read, how reading affects the student's life, a book that changed the student's life, etc. Other suggestions can be found on the Armed Services YMCA's web page at www.asymca.org.

Essay entries are due by March 31. Students wishing to submit entries electronically may send them to Y2KEssayContest@asymca.org.

Entries for the fifth Armed Services YMCA art contest are due June 30. Five $500 and five $100 U.S. Savings Bonds will be awarded to winning students. In addition, one of the entries will be selected to be on the poster for Military Family Week (Nov. 19-26). The poster is distributed to military installations throughout the world.

Two winners will be selected from each of the military branches. Children from active duty, reserve, National Guard and DoD civilian employee families are welcome to participate. The theme of the contest is "My Military Family." Entries should depict some aspect of military life and its relation to the student's family.

Both essay and art contests entries may be mailed to: Armed Services YMCA, 6225 Brandon Ave., Suite 215, Springfield, VA 22150. Schools and youth-oriented programs may request a program package from Andree Swanson at 703-866-1260, or by e-mail at aswanson@asymca.org.

Questions about the program should also be directed to Swanson, or visit the Armed Services

AFTB seeks instructors

Courtney Linn
Army Family Team Building

Would you like to polish your public speaking skills, set your own hours and have some time away from the kids?

This can be done by volunteering with Army Family Team Building. An instructor training course is offered Jan. 31, Feb. 1-2 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Students will learn everything they need to know to begin teaching Levels I, II and III.

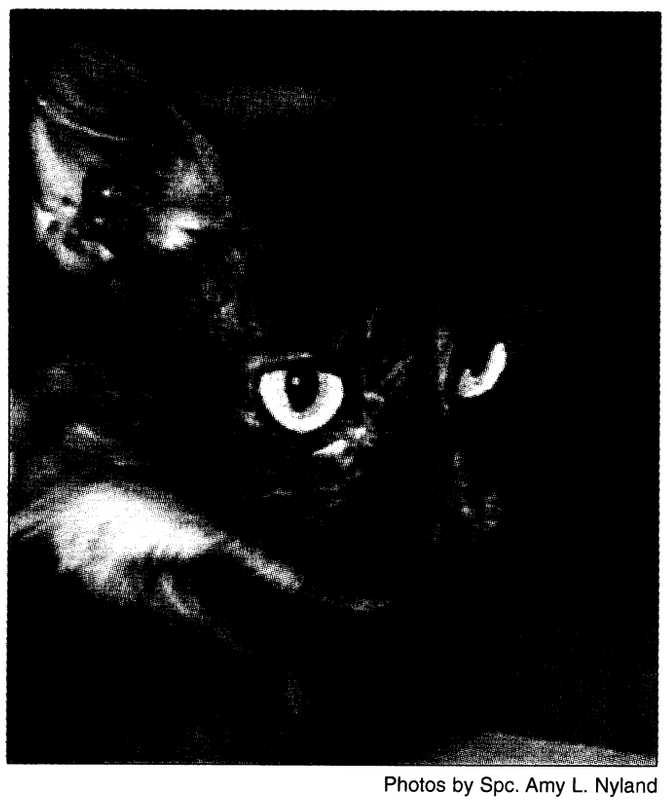
The Fort Benning community can have fun and relax while learning new skills at AFTB's monthly seminar. The seminar is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 4. Entitled Stop in the Name of Love, students will learn how to build better relationships, manage time, stress and conflict.

AFTB is offering a special incentive for friends attending the AFTB monthly seminar. Friends who attend the class together will each receive a chance to win a special door prize.

All Soldiers, family members, and Department of the Army civilians are welcome to attend classes. Courses and materials are free. AFTB classes are held at the FUN Center in Building 359, Ingersoll Ave.

To register, students must call the AFTB office at least three days before the course begins. Free child care is available for those who register and make the special request for care at least two weeks in advance of the scheduled class.

For those who register less than two weeks before the class, childcare is offered on a space available basis. Call 545-5377, or e-mail aftb@benning.army.mil for additional information or to register.



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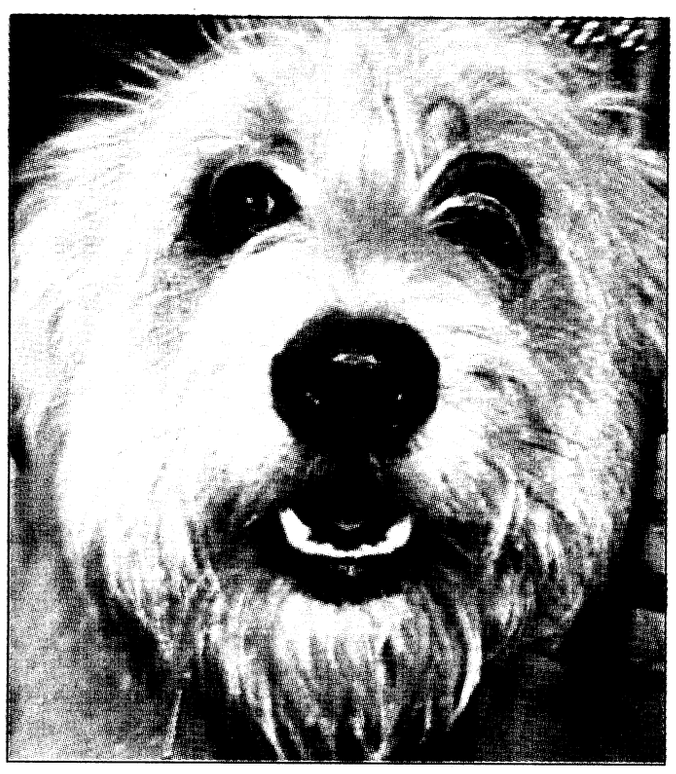
Take me home!

An adult female calico cat and Lucky, a 5-month old male Irish terrier mix who is up to date on all his shots, are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home.

Pet owners are required to pay for initial vaccination procedure costs, which can be anywhere from $10 to $30. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m Monday through Friday. For more information, call 545-4444.



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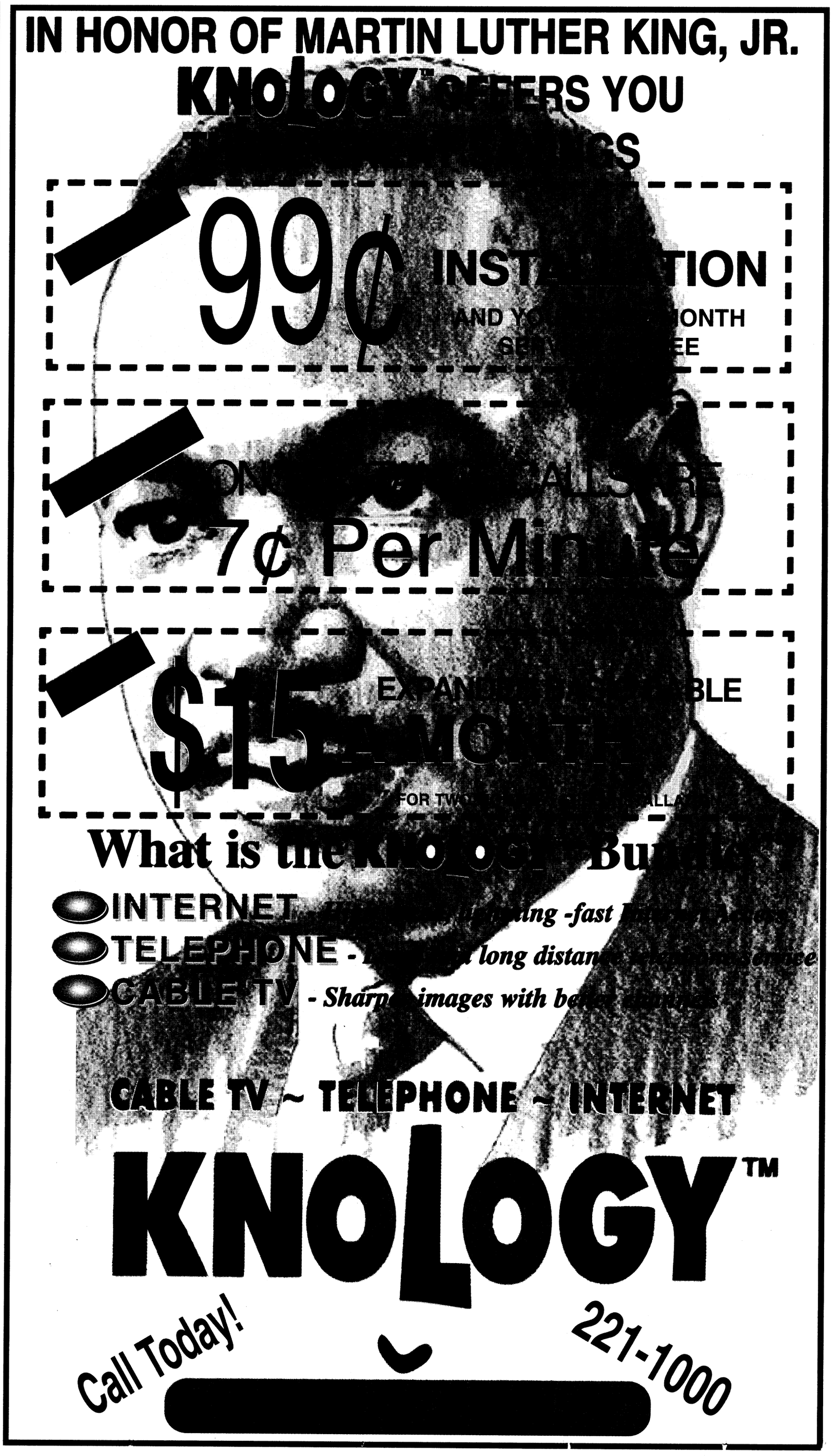

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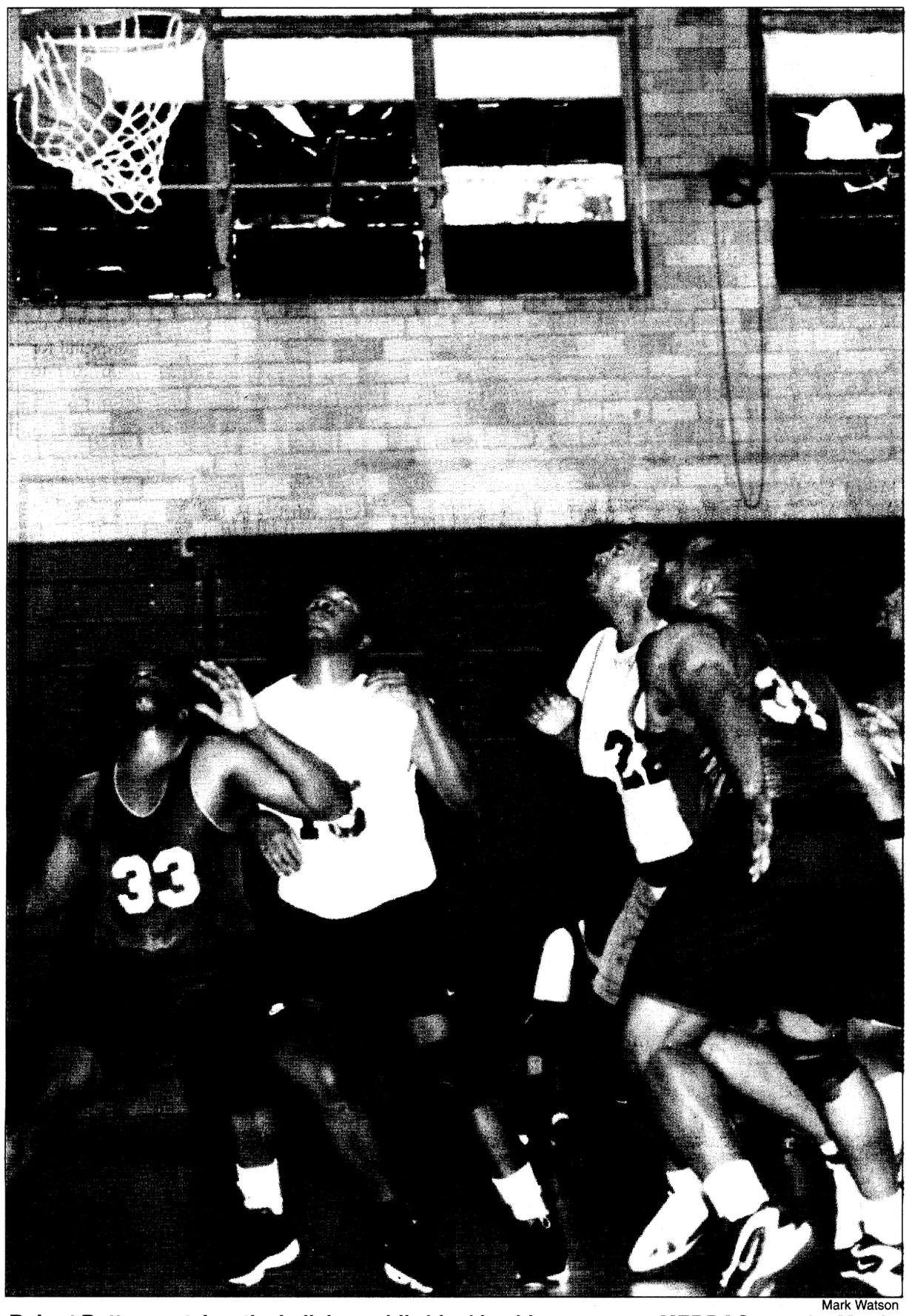

Mark Watson

Robert Bottam watches the ball drop while blocking his opponent. MEDDAC won the Martin Luther King tourney, beating the 10th Field Artillery, 43-40.

Millennium brings fresh start for sports

Sports advisory council to provide insight, feedback for office

Spc. Amy L. Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

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> **— Andrew Snoddy**
> Fort Benning sports director

For all of Fort Benning's die hard sports freaks and perhaps even the not so die hards, there is some good news concerning the post sports program and the direction its heading.

The year 2000 is a "new beginning" for the program with some important changes taking shape, said Andrew Snoddy, Fort Benning sports director.

Some of these changes involve giving the Soldiers more say in how the program is run, he said. The hope is to broaden the visibility of the program and get more feedback, suggestions and ideas for new and existing programs.

"We want to make sure we do what the people want, as opposed to what we think they want," Snoddy said.

One of the ways Snoddy plans to do this is by establishing a sports advisory council. Ideally, the council will be made up of brigade level representatives meeting on a quarterly basis to discuss information they received from Soldiers. Snoddy remarked that in the past the sports office had no mechanism for receiving feedback, but the advisory council will be the primary tool for this.

"Once the council is established it will be the vehicle through which we will get information and feedback," Snoddy said. "We can't get out and talk to every single Soldier, but with the council we can get a good feel for what's out there."

Right now the program is getting off the ground, but the hope is to have the council fully functioning by the beginning of summer.

Some other changes the sports program will see is in the way of flexibility, Snoddy said. As opposed to having a fixed schedule for games and tournaments the sports office will work to accommodate a unit's needs.

An example of this, he said is the 3rd Brigade. During this year's basketball season the 3rd Brigade will be deployed. However, instead of cancelling the season the sports program will structure the 3rd Brigade basketball league around the dates that are convenient for them. This allows them to still have a league and also a representative in the post-wide tournament.

Not only will there be greater flexibility in scheduling, but also in the different sports and tournaments that will be offered.

If there is an interest out there for a particular sport the sports office will definitely consider implementing it, Snoddy said. And even if there isn't enough support to start a league, there is still the possibility of creating a tournament.

One of Snoddy's concerns is the fact that there are no womens sports. This is one thing he hopes will change.

He also mentioned that the sports program has been restructured to offer something throughout the year. There is currently a racquetball tournament, sand volleyball and softball tournament already scheduled for the year.

However, Snoddy stressed that the only way the sports office can provide the kind of program Soldiers want is by knowing what they want. He said it is essential that Soldiers voice their opinions and ideas.

"We can never get too much information," Snoddy said. "And the more information we have from a broader cross section of the population, the better we can create programs, channel programs and meet the needs of the people."

If anyone has any ideas or questions about the program, call the sports office at 545-4300.

MLK tournament wraps up

MEDDAC tops HHC, 1st Bn., 10th Field Artillery, for post basketball title

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Rounding out the Martin Luther King Jr. U.S. Army Infantry Center Basketball tournament was the championship game held at the Bryant Wells Field House Jan. 14.

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery tipped off the game against U.S. Army Medical Department Activity for the title of post champ.

Both teams were undefeated as the game began in the single elimination tournament, but it was MEDDAC who pulled it out in the end to win the tournament, 43-40.

During the first 20-minute half each team tested the other team.

"We are a second half team," said Tyrone Herman, MEDDAC team member. "The first half we tested the other team and tried to find their weakness," he said.

At the end of the first half, 10th Field Artillery had a nine point lead, 32-21.

With the beginning of the second half, MEDDAC turned up the heat on their defense, allowing only four points to be added to the 10th Field Artiilery's score while posting 13 points of their own.

Early into the second half Robert Edwards, 10th Field Artillery, hit the floor in an attempt to rebound the ball and was injured.

"He was a key player, and ended up dislocating his left shoulder," said Christopher Rankins, coach for the 10th Field Artillery team.

"We used the same strategy as we did in the fist half, but losing (Edwards) really hurt us," said Rankins.

MEDDAC took advantage of the loss of the key player tying the game up with only seven minutes left in the game.

"They looked for their big man, and always passed to him," said Herman.

MEDDAC took the lead with five minutes left and remained on top till only one minute was left. With only seconds left, 10th Field Artillery sank their final two points tying the game at 40.

"It was our ball and we were told to stall. They weren't playing tough defense so I waited," said Herman. "When I shot and the ball ball bounced off the rim I thought we were going to overtime, but it went in, and I was really happy," he said.

"It was a tie game, and we were willing to take the chance on the shot. He shot and got a lucky bounce," said Rankins.

"We won six games games in a row, including the Christmas tournament, and we will be playing in the intermural, too," he said.

USAMU scores recent victories

Paula J. Randall-Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Shooters of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit have scored some major victories recently. The following results are some of their accomplishments.

•Hawaii Highpower, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, Jan. 16 — USAMU service rifle shooter Grant L. Singley won the match, followed by Christopher S. Hatcher in second place and Emil Praslick III in third.

•Mini-Interservice, Okeehobee, Fla., Dec. 10 — Service rifle shooter Rand D. Bentson won the 600-Yard Any Sight Match, followed by Tobie L. Tomlinson in second place and Singley in third; Troy L. Alexander was the winner in the Service Rifle Category.

•Bianchi World Championships, Hamilton, New Zealand, Nov. 25 and 26 — Action shooter Julie A. Goloski brought home the Silver Medal in Women's Division.

Blue Devils topple Hornets, win b-ball game 56-43

Teams in all divisions battle it out in youth basketball league

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> Blue Devils assistant coach

Youth Services hoop action continued Saturday, as the Hornets faced off against the Blue Devils in the 12-15 year age division.

Despite an incredible 20-point performance by guard Roosevelt Vickers, the Blue Devils defeated the Hornets, 56-43.

"Vickers did an outstanding job. He's a good shooter all over, and a good defender — just an all-around great player," said Hornets coach Anthony Wright.

Vickers put on a one-man show in the first quarter, leading the Hornets to a 16-10 lead. A second quarter display of defensive teamwork by the Blue Devils overcame Hornet opposition and took the lead for the rest of the game.

"We've been doing a lot of conditioning drills at practice, and it paid off. The defense really picked it up in the second until the offense got in the game. The defense really won it for us," said Charlie Conner, Blue Devil's assistant coach.

Blue Devil forward Joey Fix led his team with 15 points.

In the 6- to 7-year-old division the Black Bulls took the Blue Bulls, 10-7. Tre Powell nailed the victory for the Black Bulls with 8 points while Bruce Milsap was lead scorer for the Blue Bulls with 4 points. The Dream Team tied the Tigers, 8 -8 with lead scorers Jeffrey Sykes and Seandre Lee earning 4 points apiece for their teams.

During 8- to 9-year-old play the Lakers commanded a huge victory over the Green Tigers with a score of 51-9. Kahlee Tyler helped that victory with a total of 18 points for the Lakers while James Braddy sank 6 for the Green Tigers.

The Bulldogs earned the win over the Magics, 21-11. Bobby Seawright lead the way with 4 points for the Bulldogs and Ken Toliver tossed up 5 for the Magics.

The Tigers took a bite out of the Bulls with a 26-10 win. Corey Bush and Anthony Wright were both lead scorers for their teams.

In 10- to 12-year-old action the Tarheels defeated the Magics, 43-7. Both Edwin Cruz and Justin Lord of the Tarheels contributed 3 points while Graham Sherrill of the Magics put up 4.

The Ruff Ryders fell short to the 76ers, 14-22. Xavier Shaw helped seal the win for his team with 14 points.

The Blazers toppled the Knicks, 25-18 with the help of lead scorer Arthur Scott who nailed 11 points. Anthony Lacour of the Knicks contributed 10 to his team's total.

Finally, in 13- to 15-year-old play the Ballers beat Team No. 4, 50-34. Dominic Whitley made impressive play with 22 points for the Ballers while Ryan Roberts helped Team No. 4 along with 13 points.

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Aerobics begins — Aerobics will be held at Briant Wells Fitness Center Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 6 p.m.

Classes will incorporate kickboxing, circuit and interval training, body sculpting and toning and high and low impact aerobics. Appropriate shoes and a water bottle are encouraged.

For more information, call Sgt. Lenora Gogins-Watkins at 545-2353 or 545-9250.

Little League sign-up begins — National Little League registration for children residing on Fort Benning will take place at Rigdon Park located off of Hawthorne and South Lumpkin Road for boys and girls ages 5 to 18.

There is a $10 registration fee and $30 uniform fee. Birth certificate and proof of address are required. Dates and times for registration are as follows:

- Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Jan. 25 from 6-8 p.m.
- Jan. 27 from 6-8 p.m.

Girl Scouts schedule race — The Girl Scouts are holding a 5K race beginning at 9 a.m. Jan. 29.

Preregistration fee is $10 for adults and $7 for children 17 and under. Preregistration deadline is Jan. 27 at 5 p.m. Race day fee is $12 for adults and $9 for children. All registered participants will receive a long-sleeved Cookie Run T-shirt. Registration forms are available at all Columbus Regions Bank locations or you can receive one by mail by calling the Concharty Council office at 327-2646.

Team looks for players — Local softball team seeks high caliber players to play on Columbus team.

For more information, call Jimmy Armstrong at 566-2015.

Callaway Gardens offers clinic — The Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing School is conducting two-day clinics that include a group classroom session, field instruction and fly-fishing for rainbow, brown and brook trout in one of the Garden's premiere private lakes.

Topics to be covered include equipment selection, knots, fly selection and casting. The cost of $150 per student also includes lunch both days of the class.

Register now for clinics scheduled for Feb. 5-6, April 1-2, June 3-4 and June 24-25. Overnight accommodations are available. They are filling up quickly, so call the Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing Shop today at (706) 663-5142, or call 1-800-CALLAWAY (225-5292).

Post running club meets — The Follow-Me Roadrunners, Fort Benning's official running club, will hold their next meeting at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the U.S. Army Physical Fitness School, Building 468. The club's primary mission is to support the Fort Benning Army Ten-Miler team. This meeting will serve as a planning session for the year's events and be followed by an optional run.

For more information, call Capt. Danny McMillan at 545-6380 or 545-6386.

Auburn University hosts institute — Bass Fishing Techniques is America's only comprehensive institute dedicated to teaching anglers to become better bass fishermen. Its instructional staff includes 13 Bass Masters Classic Champions and 15 B.A.S.S. Anglers of the Year.

This year, Auburn will feature six top pros, including Denny Brauer, Guido Hibdon, Dion Hibdon, Ken Cook, Mark Menendez and Rick Morris. These anglers have vast fish-catching experience earned through years of trial and error on the water. The Bass Fishing Techniques Institute will shorten the "learning curve" by passing the fish-catching knowledge of the pros along to participants. Whether you are an expert or a beginner, Bass Fishing Techniques will improve your bass catching ability. Take this opportunity to visit the campus Feb. 5-6, while enjoying your passion of bass fishing.

For more information call the Outreach Program Office at Auburn University at (334) 844-5100.

Georgia Games to begin — The Georgia Games, the nation's leading state games program, will return to Atlanta for its 10-year anniversary, 2000 Championships and other amateur sporting events.

All Georgia residents will have the opportunity to compete or volunteer in a wide variety of events beginning in early spring and lasting through the fall. Athletes of all ages and skill levels can choose from more than 150 events taking place all over the state in 10 district sports festivals in May and June.

In July, more than 16,000 athletes and volunteers will participate in the 43 sports and 55 events offered during the five-day Olympic-style sports festival July 19-23.

Dates and locations for the 2000 Georgia Games are:

- Jan. 29 — Fashion For Life-Charity Fashion Show, Atlanta
- Jan. 30 — Super Bowl XXXIV-Georgia Dome, Atlanta
- March 5 — Spring Sports Fest, Johns Creek, Duluth
- May 13 — Centennial Olympic Park 5K Run-a-Round, Centennial Olympic Park, Atlanta
- May-June — 10 District Sports Festivals, throughout Georgia
- July 14-21 — Torch Run, throughout Georgia
- July 19-23 — Championships, throughout Metro Atlanta and surrounding areas
- July 21 — Opening Ceremonies, Georgia Tech
- Sept. 16 — Fall Jamboree, Life University, Marietta

For more information call the Georgia Games headquarters at (770) 528-3580 or visit the website at www.georgiagames.org.

Soldiers take to Volksmarching

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

Volksmarching clubs at West Point, N.Y., and Colorado Springs, Colo., sponsored year-round walks voted among the nation's best last year by members of the American Volksporting Association.

The 70,000-member association is the sport's U.S. sanctioning body. Both the Volksport Club of West Point and the Falcon Wanderers in Colorado Springs have large numbers of service members on their rolls.

The West Point volksmarch takes participants all over the U.S. Military Academy campus. The Colorado Springs volksmarch focuses on the Garden of the Gods park.

Volksmarching was brought to America largely by service members who received their first taste of the sport in Germany. Participants earn medals, pins, patches, steins or other souvenirs for completing noncompetitive walks over measured courses. There are two types of volksmarch in the United States.

The first is based on the European model and scheduled typically over one weekend. The second is the year-round or seasonal volksmarch. On these, local clubs measure their course, usually 10 kilometers, and designate a starting point. Walkers can do these walks any time during the year.

Association members voted the year-round volksmarch at Mackinac Island, Mich., as the nation's best last year. The march takes walkers past the historic sights of the island, located between the two peninsulas that make up Michigan.

The Top 10 Year-Round Events in 1999 were:

1. Mackinac Island, Mich.
2. Midtown Manhattan
3. Central Park, New York City
4. Fumee Lake, Mich.
5. Georgetown, Washington, D.C.
6. Kennebunk, Maine
7. Iron Mountain, Mich.
8. The National Mall, Washington, D.C.
9. West Point, N.Y.
10. Garden of the Gods, Colorado Springs, Colo.

To find the starting points for these walks, visit the American Volksporting Association Web site at www.ava.org. for links to local clubs and a listing of scheduled volksmarches.

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CAMPERS

Rank	Coachman 18"	Coachman 29"
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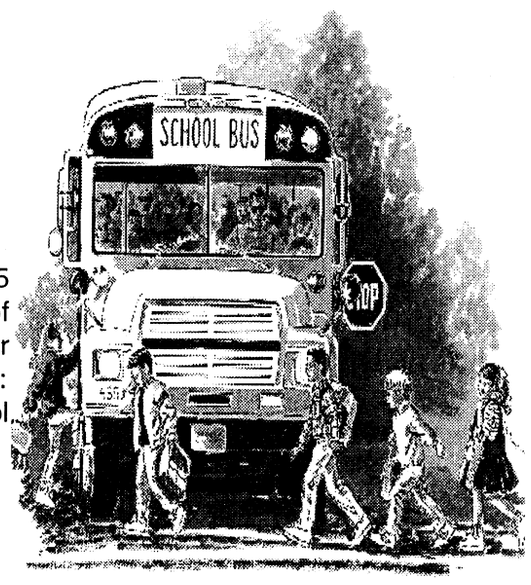

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71 El Camino, performance 350 eng and trans , four new tires, only about 5,000 mi on eng. Hector 685-2863 329-0932 (F28)

76 Cadillac Bicentenniel Convertible, triple white, parade boot, garaged, 62,000 mi, $12,000 (863)427-0195 566-8964 (F11)

79 Corvette, L82, daily driver, $9,200. 569-5283 (F11)

86 Plymouth Reliant, runs okay, as is $300. obo 683-6117, leave phone # for immediate contact (F11)

87 Oldsmobile Calais, 2dr, 6 cyl, auto, needs work $500.obo 682-6338 (F4)

88 Mazda 626 auto, am/fm cass, 4Dr, cruise control, ac, extra clean, $3,000. 297-2960 or 576-7297 (F28)

89 Grey Skyhawk, 4cyl, 85,310 mi, 4 new tires, rebuilt motor, cd player included $850. obo after 4:00pm 687-3441 (F28)

89 Eagle Summit 4DR, auto/trans, cold air, clean, runs great $2,595. obo 561-2244 (F28)

90 Toyota Camry LE, s.w ,auto, ac am/fm cass, pw/pl, sunroof, V6, extra clean, $3,000. 297-2960 or 576-7297 (F28)

91 Alpha Romeo Spyder Convertible, auto, A/C, red w/black cloth top, 64K miles. sweet car, exc cond, $10,500. 687-7713 (F4).

91 Eagle Talon, sporty 2dr AM/FM, CD,all power,air,tilt Pcsing need to sell ,$4000/obo 689-5172 (F28)

91 Toyota Tercel, 2dr, clean, runs great, $3,000 ED 571-4488 work/ 562-9240 home(after 5) (F11)

92 Ford T-Bird Sport, black, auto, air, runs great, 65k on engine, $6,500 obo 366-2329, 845-9774 (F5)

93 Mercury Topaz, silver, very sharp inside and out, runs great, power everything, cold a/c, pioneer stereo, $4,200 obo 568-9407 (F11)

94 Nissan Maxima GXE, good cond, $7,500. 568-9465 Mr. Martinez (F28)

94 Nissan Altima 60k, a/c, power windows, locks, mirrors, cd player, spoiler. Great cond, $7,800. 317-4890.(F11)

94 Mitsubishi 3000 GT SL, auto, green, tan leather seats, anti-theft, tinted windows, sunroof, 79k, $15,000.obo 566-8964 (F11)

95 Hyundai Accent, exc cond, 4dr, AC AM/FM cass, 4 spd, 52kmi, $4,500 obo 683-9514 (F28)

96 White Corvette, fully loaded, tan leather interior, 32,000 mi $23,000 561-3692 / 563-0969 (F28)

97 Pontiac Sunfire, red, 4dr. Perfect cond. and is being sold for a very great deal. 683-0841.(F5)

97 Mercury Crand Marquis, one owner, 21k, very clean, loaded w/ equipment. $15,000 298-2344 (F11)

98 MITSUBISHI GALANT ES Barcelona red ,tan enterior , fully loaded ,power everything, wood grain ,sunroof,cruise ,alloy wheels $ 14,000 obo 687-6875(F28) .

98 BMW 528i, sports package, oxford green, tan leather, moon roof, cd. 30k, immaculate $38,000 321-1627 (F4)

98 Mustang GT, red, power everything, cass/cd, leather seats, warranty, sport modifacion, sharp $19,000 221-7889 (F4)

SUVs, Vans & Trucks

79 F150 custom 300, 6 cyl, good work truck $500. after 5pm 855-3749 (F28)

85 CJ-7 Jeep 4x4, new tires, lots of chrome, V-8, beautiful, runs great, $4,900 obo 298-1752 (F11)

87 Toyota 4 Runner, 4wd, looks and runs great! $4,950. 682-4843 (F11)

89 Chevy S10 black, needs work, I want 700.00 for it, call James at 653-7330 (F4)

91 Suzuki Sidekick Jx, 4dr, a/c, 4wd, am/fm cass clean runs good, one owner, $4,500. 687-4121 or email: tlvdatsi@msn.com (F4)

91 Toyota Pickup 4X4, V6, 5-Speed, Red, 100K, Many Extras $6250 obo 689-0067x5092 or (912)369-6650 (F11)

93 Dodge Caravan, blue, cruise control, power locks, air, am/fm cass $4,800 obo 682-7487 spanish 685-0859 english (F4)

93 Jeep Grand Cherokee 4x4 Black/Tan Int. Custom wheels 142k, CD, lots of options. $8900.00 221-2179 Rick (F11)

94 Ford Explorer, AC, CC, PL/ PW tilt, exc cond, $8,500 obo. 562-0768 (F7)

94 Ford Explorer XLT, super clean, one owner, low mi, $9,995., hurry or will be gone 291-9677 (F4)

95 GMC Safari Conversion Van, exc cond, white w/ grey leather int, tv, vcr, video game compatible, dual stereos, $12,500 568-6322 (F11)

96 Dodge Grand Caravan LE, Fully Loaded. Rear A/C, 56K mi, Built In child safety seats & lots of other extras. $16675 , 480-2018 (F28)

97 BLK Silverado Exl Cab, 350, 5spd, loaded, tinted windows, roll-n-lock bed cover, 76k $14,000 firm 568-1547 (F11)

99 Chrysler Town & Country, 3.8L, candy apple red, tan int, 4dr, am/fm cass/cd, dual air, quad seats, exc cond $23,300 Tony 682-8164 (F4)

Motorcycles

77 Honda CB400 super sport completely restored w/Dyna Ignition and many extras, very clean, good first bike, runs great! $1500 obo 687-7630 (F11)

80 FLH Shovel Head, Custom Paint-Black and Pearl White,Whiteewall Tires, Windshield, SaddleBags. $11000.00/obo 649-4122 OR 568-1133 (F28)

91 HD Heritage Softtail, lots of chrome and extras, exc cond, must see.$13,000.682-4553 (F21).

94 Honda 250, dirt bike, great cond, must sell $700. obo 855-0259 (F28)

96 Harley Davidson, Electra glide, Black, 18,500 mi, $14,295 OBO, Steve (706) 561-5584 or VM (706) 653-2100 (F4)

98 Suzuki RM250, dirt bike, bought new in 99, never raced, great cond $3,300 obo 855-0259 (F28)

Boats, RVs

97 Stratos 285 Pro Elite w/175HP Evenrude,18'10", lots of extras, like new, 682-4553 (F21).

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Family Child care provider has openings, all ages. Call 682-6288 (P21)

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Owhead Road Ft. Benning, lots of baby snd toddler clothes (F28).

Perkins Place, 104 Dial St queen size waterbed,dressers,tables ,and more 8:00-12 (F28)

111 Dial St. 8-12 Perkins Place (F21)

6B Stone Court Bouten Heights 8am-2pm, lots of children's toys/ clothes, pictures, nick-knacks, kitchenware, and much more (F21)

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13" Monitor, good cond: $25. Computer speakers, new: $15. Tractor printer (B&W): $10. Robert:689-4715 (F28)

Children's Items

Graco toddler bed w/mattress, new $40. 989-3642 (F10)

Little Tykes Grand Mansion Doll House; all rooms furnished includes all outdoor toys and van; all in exc condi for $50.00 685-8322 (F10)

Children's clothes , exc cond good prices. Sizes 3T-4T boys. Girls sizes 10-12. 685-2436 (F28)

Like new stroller $35. 689-6242 (F28)

Beautiful wooden baby crib & matching changing table $125. obo 214-0378 or 545-5436 (F21)

Car seat, stroller combo, like new, exc cond. $65. call 652-3268 leave message (F28)

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GRACO swing battery op.35. infant car seat 15. 689-7373 or 464-8792 (F21)

White baby crib w/ dresser drawers attached to side and bottom $150. 687-0240 (F28)

Baby bouncy vibrating seat, clean, excellent cond., $15.00.685-9404 (F14

Baby activity play mat, clean $10.00.685-9404 (F14)

Stroller, great shape, $25.00.685-9404 (F14)

Car seat, base and stroller combination, clean, exc cond, perfert for new baby. $75.00 685-9404 (F14)

Baby clothes, good cond 683-0142 (F14)

Evenflo crib wo/ mattress $45. High chair $20. Infant carrier/carseat $15. 689-7773 for all inquiries (F14)

Furniture

90 inch white sofa, includes white and green cover. Sofa has beenscotchgaurded, but does need to be cleaned. $75.00 obo 682-4679 (F14)

Couch & loveseat (recliners) 1yr old $1000. obo 1-808-381-7066 eve (F21)

Couch and loveseat set, dark green, 1yr. old. $200/obo 683-9350 (F14)

Nice beige sleeper couch and loveseat, sacrifice for $300. 689-6242 (F28)

New swivel rocker $65. 689-6242 (F28)

Solid wood dining table w/4 chairs $100, Blu/w/ stripped full-sized sofabed $150. 685-3447/pg-317-7088 (F14)

Oak bunkbeds w/ twin mattress, and bunkie boards $125. 570-0550 (F21)

Oak end tables and coffee table $75. 570-0550 (F21)

Beds, dressers, tables, exc cond, seen by appt only, 912-838-6210. call between the hours of 9-12am, 7-9pm (F21)

Dining room table w/ 4 chairs $60. 689-6242 (F28)

Brand new toddler bed w/ mattress. 689-6242 (F28)

Dining table w/ 4 tables, glass top, 6 mo old, like new $200. (F28)

Living room set w/ accessories .$1,200. White leather couch and love seat, black lacker coffee and two end tables, Entertainment center, Pictures and statues, Area rug 10ft by 13ft. 687-8457. (F28)

PCSing must sell!, Overstuffed hunter green recliners (2). $250ea or $400/set obo. Contact Jeanine at 683-0198 (F28).

1 slightly used living room table. Made from marble and polished. 2 pieces. $75 obo. Robert:689-4715. (F28)

Living Room Set (1 EA. Couch, Loveseat, and Chair), good cond $300. German bedroom schrank: $400. Robert:689-4715. (F28)

New twin mattress set never used $125 324-4879

Dinning room Glass table set$75.00; Wooden futon with queen mattress $75.00. 689-6242 (F21)

Twin Bed - $100 (F21)

Matching Sofa, loveseat, and chair $299 computer desk, washer/dryer, and more. Must come see 687-1944 (F21)

Couch - $60, matching rocker - $35, pine coffee table - $20. 565-5034 (F28)

6ft Armoire $50. 687-0240 (F28)

Large solid wood table w/ six upholstered chairs. Asking $250 obo. 687-7985 leave a message (F21).

Full-sizbed; mattress,boxspring,frame $100 call 689-9319 (F21)

3 piece furniture set black in color around 1 year old for 150.00 call 689-0763 (F21)

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Ivory wedding dress size 16-18, never worn $400. obo 568-1094 (F28)

Boys bike $50. 570-0550 (F21)

Racing bicycles 1800 Trek carbon $1500, cannondale $1500, Schwinn $500. 566-8964 (F28)

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New mountain bike $60. 689-6242 (F28)

100 lb Canvass punching bag $55.Weight bench, leg extension $70, small trampoline $15. 682-4227 (F28)

Double bed mattress/box spring $75. floor fan$20. old freezer $35. 565-5034 (F28)

Two small fully upholstered club chairs w/matching ottomans, good cond, but need cleaning $20. ea set 687-8012. (F28)

White student's desk $25. Call 687-8012 (F28)

Entertainment center (white washed oak) $100 obo Other misc things 1-808-381-7066 eve (F21)

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Olympic Weight Bench W/400+lbs of Weights $225.00 689-6242 (F21)

Nordic Rider - $85; Entertainment Ctr $75; Queen Waterbed Mattress w/liner & heater - $40; Queen Oak Waterbead Headboard - $100. 569-5878 after 6pm (F21)

Whirlpool washer and dryer, good condition, $75.00; (221-3836) (F21)

Casio electronic keyboard, in exc cond, $150 (221-3836) (F21)

Body By Jake, ab's and back $75. obo 689-8684 (F21)

Livingroom set $300., entertainment centr $100. 689-6242 (F21)

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Big deer stand w/ knives, net, etc on Jan 3 in J-4 area , will give reward 480-8581, 682-2040 (F21)

Free pets

2 1/2 old cat, calicol, domestic, short hair, spayed, declawed, shots, baby allergic, 689-8684 (F28)

Two lovebirds w/ cage, easy to care for 683-9672 (F28)

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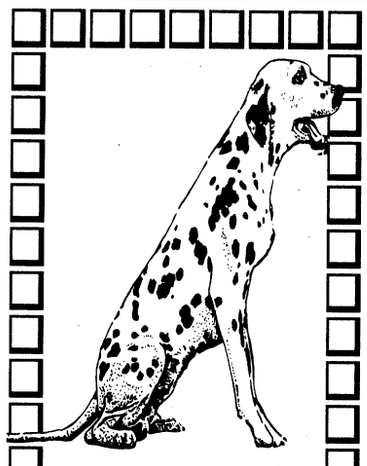

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Shinseki's new plan goes online

Fort Benning leads new Infantry force development

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

The Initial Brigade Combat Team's web site went online Jan. 11, and in three weeks it has generated more than 2,300 hits.

That's not surprising to Maj. Dave Pound, chief of the Concepts, Analysis and Integration Division, Directorate of Combat Developments.

The IBCT has sparked tremendous interest and comment throughout the military community, and Fort Benning is in the thick of the action for redesigning the Infantry force.

Things have been rolling along quickly since Oct. 12 when Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki presented his vision of a multi-spectrum force that, once deployed, has the lethality of a heavy unit.

Because of the lessons learned in Bosnia and Serbia, the Army realized there was a gap in the operational capability between light and heavy forces. The term medium brigade, between light and heavy, was used at first, but has since been replaced with Initial Brigade Combat Team, which is a more robust force, able to get to the fight quickly.

Shinseki's plan calls for the Army to transform two brigades at Fort Lewis, Wash., into units that can be on the ground anywhere in the world in 96 hours and use "off-the-shelf" vehicles to enhance the mobility and force protection of the brigades' Infantry forces.

The U.S. Army Infantry Center is supporting TRADOC's effort in crafting the plan for the IBCT, and personnel from Fort Benning have been working for more than four months on the project, logging long hours and frequent-flier miles.

Just last month, Soldiers from the DCD, 3rd Brigade and 29th Infantry Regiment returned from Fort Knox, Ky., after taking part in a Platform Performance Demonstration. Some 35 vehicles from all over the world were observed in an effort to determine potential candidates for the new brigades.

While Shinseki's announcement in October surprised some, Col. Jim Stone, director of DCD, Pound and others at Fort Benning had already put more than a month's worth of work into the emerging initial brigade concept.

The initial efforts included modeling and simulations of various Infantry force structures by the Dismounted Battlespace Battle Lab's Simulations Center, with

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DoD checks homosexual policy on post

Team evaluates implementation of don't ask, don't tell policy

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

A three-member Department of Defense Inspector General team is visiting post this week as part of a service-wide assessment of the implementation of the Homosexual Conduct policy.

The team is here for several reasons, Col. Ron Greene III, Fort Benning inspector general, said.

"They are looking not only at how we implement the homosexual conduct policy, but at the climate on post, to the extent to which the harassment of service members based on perceived or alleged homosexuality may occur. They are also looking at the extent to which disparaging speech or expression with respect to homosexuality occurs or is tolerated," he said.

Greene said the team is also here to determine whether Soldiers have been trained on the DoD policy. Additionally, team members will survey more than 1,000 initial entry training Soldiers in their last two weeks of basic training, as part of their assessment.

Fort Benning currently emphasizes human relations awareness through such training as consideration for others, prevention of sexual harassment and equal opportunity training, Greene said.

"The effort is to ensure that all Soldiers will be treated with dignity and respect at all times, and will be afforded a safe and secure environment in which to live and work," he said.

According to a Jan. 10 release from Headquarters, Department of the Army, the Army homosexual conduct policy, based on Title 10, United States Code, is unchanged. In order to fully protect the rights of all personnel, the following guidance has been provided:

• All Soldiers will receive refresher training on the homosexual conduct policy within 90 days, and the deputy chief of staff will establish a world-wide web page with resource training material to be used in this training at www.odcsper.army.mil.

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Sally Shutt

Family tradition

Pvt. Travis Cox, a third-generation Airborne graduate, exits the 34-foot tower during ground week. For complete coverage, see A-6.

License bill may save GIs money

House Bill 441 gets nod, could cut property tax from plate purchases

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

An attempt to make license plates a little less expensive for married military men and women is closer to becoming reality thanks to new legislation in the Georgia House of Representatives.

The House has passed and sent to the Senate a bill that would make jointly titled vehicles between a military service person and their spouse exempt from property tax, a benefit military members are already offered if the vehicle is titled in the service member's name only.

Sponsor of House Bill 441, Rep. Larry Walker, said he began formulating the bill last year, but was unable to approach the House for approval until last week when legislators gave their nod for the new bill.

The bill, Walker said, is set to make one jointly titled vehicle per family exempt from the ad valorem tax that is imposed by the state when purchasing automobile plates at the tag office.

"Originally the bill was drafted to cover all vehicles jointly titled between the service member and his or her spouse," he said. "But I had to accept the limitation to one vehicle to get it to pass.

"It's the best I could do," he said. "We have to take what we can get here."

While Walker said he will continue to push for the passage of the bill, it will have to face senate committees before going to the Senate majority for passage. He said he believes the bill will pass when it crosses the hall to the Senate.

"I don't see anything too controversial about the bill and see no reason for it to not be passed," he said. "But we will have to continue to monitor its progress to be sure."

Walker first learned of the inequity in taxation a few years ago after speaking with then commanding general of Warner Robbins Air Logistics Base, Gen. Ron Smith.

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Dignitary round table convenes at school

USARSA hosts board of visitors

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

Ensuring the maintenance of democracy in Latin America and continuing the educational excellence at the U.S. Army School of the Americas, was part of the agenda for the members of the Board of Visitors during their visit to the school, Tuesday through Thursday.

The BOV is a subcommittee of the Army Education Advisory Committee constituted under Public Law 92-463 (The Federal Advisory Committee Act), that provides the Secretary of the Army, the Chief of Staff and the Army's senior leadership with expert and continuous advice on USARSA's educational programs.

Lt. Col. Joseph Contarino, chief of staff, USARSA, and the Designated Federal Official for the BOV, said the advice relates to educational policies, curriculums, educational philosophy and objectives, program effectiveness, facilities, staff and faculty, instructional methods and other aspects of organization and management.

He said this was the seventh meeting of the BOV.

The BOV members who visit the school encompass a group of specialists in the fields of Latin American studies, foreign affairs, military affairs, human rights and education.

Former Ambassador David Passage is a member of the BOV and is visiting he school this week.

He said USARSA serves an excellent purpose for U.S. national interest, as well as for the interest of the Latin American countries who send their students to the school.

Passage emphasized that if the U.S. believes what it says it believes in human rights, civilian control of military establishments and the military serving the purposes of democracies, then training is a fundamental part of this belief.

"If the U.S. is not prepared to play a role in helping Latin American countries train their military forces in the defense of human rights, democracy and the values that we hold dear to us, then who on earth do we expect to do this?" he said. "It seems to me that this is an important role that the U.S. needs to play and USARSA is the institution which we have used for this purpose."

Passage, who's been associated with the U.S. government as a senior American diplomat for almost 35 years, said the BOV strongly supports the school, the purposes of the school and the way it advances U.S. national interests, as well as the interests of the other democracies in the western hemisphere.

"I am confident that whether the future brings a name or location change for the school, the purposes that are advanced by the school are purposes important for our national interest," he said. "That I'm confident will continue, whatever the guise, name or location. The important thing is that the purposes of the school continue."

People still fuel hatred, oppression

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



Who would have thought something as simple as refusing to go to the back of a city bus in Montgomery nearly 50 years ago would have such an impact on the way the world operates?

Rosa Parks was proud of her heritage when she told the bus driver in Montgomery she wasn't going to give up her seat and move to the rear of the bus.

She couldn't have possibly predicted that the impact of her action would start a movement that is still in motion today — the movement toward civil rights.

Ever since the Parks-sparked movement, Americans have cast aside the idea of separate but equal and delved into a level-headed approach to intermingling and equal races. Right?

Well, the answer on the surface appears to be yes.

Blacks hold key positions and leadership roles in every facet of the business world and are key players in today's global economy.

So why is it at certain restaurants blacks are not treated with the same respect as whites?

Why is it at certain times of night, a black man walking down the street may seem more suspicious than a white man?

Are we really at the pinnacle of equality for all races?

The answer, unfortunately, is no.

The civil rights movement Parks spawned should have set Americans sailing down the road to rights that are equal for all. So where did the equal rights boat run aground?

Perhaps the fingers should be pointed at those who lived during that era and have continued to spread their hatred and anger at the cause.

While I am not calling anyone a bigot or racist, there are numerous people who have in some cases unintentionally passed on the racial hatred and bias to their children.

How else could the hatred continue to be fueled unless by the word of those who were alive during the oppression?

For many of us, we were not even thought of at the time of Parks' push for equality, but we have heard both sides of Parks' story.

We have heard and read everything from calling the woman a hero to condemning the civil rights leader.

So what is the answer to stop the hatred and the passing of the infectious hatred to tomorrow's leaders?

In one word the answer is — education.

Becoming educated on the oppressed minority population during Parks' time allows even the most skeptical to come to the hypothesis that Park's push for equality is truly one deserving of a page in every history book for years to come.

Knowledge is power. Get some and get your story right before making off-the-collar remarks and formulating ideas about others.

If you do, you too will see the light that pushed Parks to success.

Words can hurt worse than actions

Spc. Amy L. Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



Sticks and stones will break my bones, but words will never hurt me.

My mother taught me this phrase when I was very young. I had just taken a verbal lashing from the neighborhood bullies, and being the sensitive child that I was, I ran home crying, knowing that with a hug and a kiss my mom could make things all better.

And of course she did make things better. After I got all snug in her lap, she gave me her usual pep talk. She told me the bullies' words were just that, and I shouldn't let them get to me. She then armed me with the phrase above and said the next time they bugged me all I had to do was say it and walk away.

It's funny how things were so much simpler when I was young. Today it's not as easy for many of us, as "sticks and stones," because it doesn't end with words anymore.

I wonder if the Soldier at Fort Campbell who was killed by a fellow Soldier because he was gay, believed in this phrase. After enduring endless harassment by his peers, I wonder if he tried to make himself feel better by thinking that these people's words were just that — words. I wonder if he could have ever guessed that these words would eventually turn deadly. The sad thing is we'll never know what he was thinking, because his life was cut short by hate and intolerance. There is no hug and kiss big enough to make things better for him now.

When we are young, we do stupid things. We make fun of people because they are different and we ostracize them if they aren't our idea of "normal." Even though it's wrong, we get away with it because we are young. So, why is it there are adults who still find it fun to partake in the same playground hate games of our youth? Why do some people find it sporting to single out others because they are different and make their lives miserable? Why do these same people let their hate become so uncontrollable they are forced to violence? And why more times than not, do these people get away with it? Of course, the only ones who can answer these questions are those who are guilty of it.

So this brings me to my next question, "What can we do about it?"

While I'm not an expert at combating intolerance, I know all of us are capable of doing something. If there is a situation that doesn't seem right, don't just sit back and let it happen, take action. Talk to the person who may be in the situation and find out what's going on. Then talk to someone who has the power to do something. And don't let it go until something is actually done.

I know it's easier for all of us to turn the other cheek and not get involved, but as adults we should know that words do hurt and can often be worse than sticks and stones.

Respect exists to preserve, defend freedoms

Our Army core value of respect is at the heart of everything we do as Soldiers.

It is the one value more than any other our Army exists to preserve and defend. Our mission to fight and win the nation's wars ultimately rests on the belief that there are certain fundamental freedoms that all people should enjoy and that these are worth fighting for.

Chief among these freedoms is the right to be treated with regard for basic human rights. Our Declaration of Independence states the nature of these rights very eloquently: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Respect is nothing less than the recognition of what our forefathers regarded as a self-evident truth — the truth that all people are created equal. Respect is the recognition of the inherent worth and dignity that all people have by virtue of their humanity. It is the first right of all human rights.

If all people are created equal, then all have a right to be treated with the same regard for their dignity as human beings. All have a right to be treated with justice and fairness. All have a right to an equal opportunity to enjoy life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

As Americans, because we believe in this fundamental equality of all people, respect means treating other people the way they should be treated. The simplest way to know how we should treat other people is just to ask how we ourselves like to be treated.

Respect implies the capacity to empathize with others and act on the basis of an awareness of our shared humanity. It means putting yourself in the other person's place, asking, and answering the question "How would I feel if that was me?"





As Soldiers, respect is a critical ingredient in the complex "glue" of cohesion that binds a good unit together.

Toleration of harassment or discrimination in any form corrodes the trust that Soldiers must have in their leaders and in one another in order to fight and win in combat.

Effective leaders show respect when they recognize the effects of cultural diversity on a Soldier's perception of a situation.

Even though we may not agree with them, seeking to understand the other person's perspective and what is important to them demonstrates respect.

As Soldiers, we must all work together to foster an environment in which we treat all people with the respect they deserve without regard to race, gender, creed, or religious belief. When we fail to do that and treat people in a disrespectful manner we not only rob them of their dignity as human beings, but we lessen our own dignity as Soldiers as well.

— Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne
Commanding General

African Americans play central role in development of nation

African Americans made an indelible impression on the fabric of our society. They played a central role in the development of our nation.

Through strength of will and unimaginable endurance, they survived the horror of slavery to become settlers, writers, artists and leaders in the religious, political and business world.

The traditions, values and strength that African Americans brought from their diverse countries of origin and difficult passages have not only reinforced the moral and political fiber of our country, but add beauty to our culture as well.

African Americans today continue to enrich our culture and quality of life through contributions in every segment of society from business, education and politics to science, law and medicine.

They distinguish themselves and bring honor to our nation by serving admirably in its defense throughout the world. As our African American communities grow along with our nation, we share a deep pride in their culture, traditions and values, recognizing the key role they play in the progress of our democratic system.

It is important to recognize the contributions African Americans made to the social, political and moral strength of the United States. I challenge each of you to recognize the many accomplishments of our African American citizens and to discover more about their rich culture and triumphant history.

In doing so, you will gain a greater understanding not only of the heritage of African Americans but of our national heritage, which are one in the same. Discover the undeniable kinship between African American heritage and that of every American.

In recognition of Black History Month and our nation's ethnic and national diversity, I proclaim the month of February as African American Black History for Fort Benning. This year's theme is Heritage and Horizons: "The African American Legacy and the Challenges of the 21st Century."

— Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne
Commanding General

VARIOUS VOICES

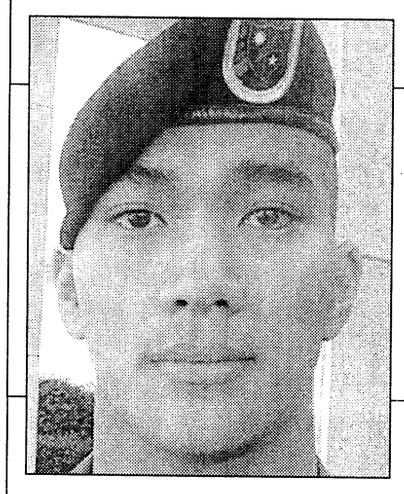
Which Black American has most influenced your life?



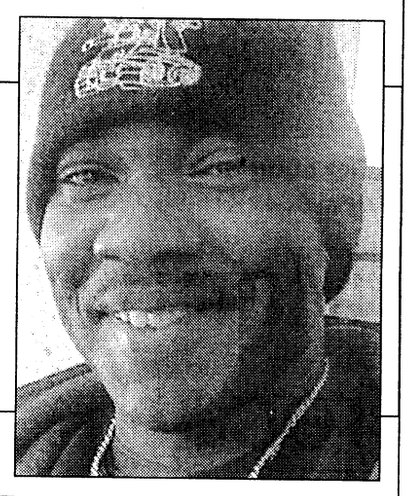
Alfreda White, family member— "My uncle Nathaniel Scott. When I was a little girl he made me believe I could do anything. He gave me my first job as a cashier at a Piggly Wiggly."



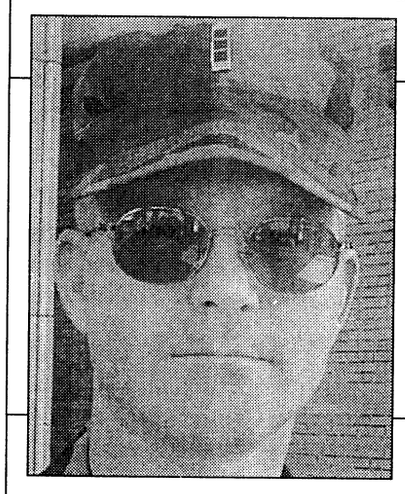
Staff Sgt. Angela Richards, U.S. Army Medical Department Activity — "Gloria Rayborn, the head nurse of the OB/GYN clinic at Martin Army Community Hospital. She was a teen-age mom who carried out her dream in spite of all the obstacles to become a registered nurse."



Pfc. Viwath Ith, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 75th Ranger Regiment — "Martin Luther King Jr. I think he has influenced everyone's life. Because of his work a lot of doors have opened for minorities."



Pfc. Clarence Young III, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment — "My mother, Joyce Young. Even though we struggled, she kept the family together and was able to work to keep food in three children's stomachs."



Chief Warrant Officer Charles Gully, B Company, 203rd Support Battalion — "Lt. Col. Glover. Back when I was a WO1, he helped me with mentoring skills and he guided me when I was new to the field."



Christina Jacobson, family member — "Probably Miss Sexton, my high school creative writing teacher. Because she was motivating and intelligent. I looked up to her. She made me want to be a writer."

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Storm's projected potential closes post

Order to close came after group assessment

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

While children of all ages waited anxiously by their radios last week in hopes of hearing if their school would be closed, post officials were working hard to get to the bottom of the wintery weather that was quickly approaching from the west.

By late afternoon Jan. 27, the projected path of the arctic front was poised and ready to strike the Columbus area — or so forecasters at the National Weather Service thought.

A closer look at the storm later that afternoon gave weather insiders what they thought to be an imminent strike of the icy blast and prompted post officials to resort to what Chief of Staff Col. John C. Latimer called the post's storm contingency plan.

That plan, Latimer said, brings together top officials from each of the post's major directorates to devise a proactive approach to the inclement weather.

"We assessed the storm and its possible effect on post Thursday," Latimer said about the collective group's meeting. "At that time we had information that placed the storm here at 4 a.m., plus or minus one hour, and we decided at that time to go ahead and make a recommendation to close post."

That recommendation, which was forwarded to the commanding general, was based upon what

> " We are always going to side with safety for our Soldiers and civilian employees."
>
> — Col. John C. Latimer
> Chief of Staff

Latimer called an evaluation of post activities.

"At the time the storm was supposed to be here, people would have been taking their children to child development centers, getting ready for PT and within a couple of hours school buses would begin to roll out for their morning pick ups," he said. "Also along that time, our civilian workforce would have been making their way into work as well.

"We wanted to avoid putting people at risk," he said. "And that is why we went ahead and submitted our recommendation to General Le Moyne."

The submission of the closure request was approved later that evening.

While Friday came and went without any significant precipitation, Latimer said the decision, in hindsight, still remains a good one.

"Given all the same circumstances, we would make the same recommendation again," he said. "We are always going to side with safety for our Soldiers and civilian employees."

A 30-man response team from the Directorate of Public Works was also stood up in the name of safety. Officials from Flint Electric were also ready to respond if the storm put post residents in danger.

The last time Fort Benning canceled work due to weather was four years ago, Latimer said. But the storm contingency plan that cancelled work Friday is used annually as inclement weather across the country causes Fort Benning to react in some way or another.

"Last year we assisted other posts by allowing them to send more than 125 aircraft here to get out of the path of a storm," he said.

While there was no aircraft movement needed for last week's forecasted storm, Latimer said the post dodged the bullet of Old Man Winter by only a couple of miles.

"We were only 15 miles south of the rain-sleet line," he said. "We just got lucky."

Although Latimer calls the narrow miss luck, he said there may be some kids who disagree with him.

"While some of the kids were a little disappointed we didn't get any snow, it didn't disappoint me at all," he said. "By not having the ice and snow, the post was saved thousands of dollars we would have had to spend on storm clean-up not to mention all the trouble it would have placed on individual families."



Sally Shutt

Tim Long welds bunk adapters in DOL's maintenance shop at Sand Hill. The new adapters allow bunks to be stacked for more floor space in the bays.

Adapters make room for troops

Sally Shutt
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"Bunking" beds is a tried and true method of creating more floor space. Parents do it in their children's rooms and college students in their dorms.

It's not a big deal. You buy a bunk adapter kit and you're set.

If only it had been that easy for Lt. Col. Ken Strickland, commander of 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade.

Strickland's battalion converted from One Station Unit Training to basic training this summer, resulting in an increase in the number of Soldiers living in Leonard Barracks.

The additional beds meant little walking space in the bays.

Bunk adapter sets cost $29 through the Army supply system, and Strickland needed 480. The battalion, BCTB and post didn't have $13,920 to spend on metal pipes.

Dan Gibbs of the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office conducted a worldwide computer and phone search for the elusive adapters. Then, Chief of Staff Col. John Latimer put out an all-points bulletin to Fort Benning units asking for adapters. Some were found at the Conus Replacement Center and Ranger Training Brigade.

But 300 sets were still needed. Fort Benning's Directorate of Logistics came to the rescue. Since Jan. 24, welders have been turning lengths of "cold water pipe" into bunk adapters.

Four 16 and 1/2-inch pipes are needed per set.

"If it can be fabricated, we can do it here," welder Donnie Nelson said.

It's a three-step process. The pipe, purchased by DOL from a Columbus vendor, is cut, deburred and fitted with collars 3 inches from each end. Three welders and one machinist are working on the project.

"The primary purpose of the maintenance division is to support the repair of equipment," said Ken Strumpler, the director of logistics.

The shop has repaired the Airborne jump towers, including all the pulleys, coupling and release mechanisms. In the past they have also fabricated gun mounts and executed other custom work for units on post.

Cutting cost was not the key issue with the bunk adapters, Strumpler said.

"It was the fact that DOL was able to support the mission and meet an urgent need," he said.

Soldiers from 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt., drop by the shop at Sand Hill daily to pick up the completed homemade bunk adapters.

"We pick them up as soon as they are finished," Strickland said. When the shop has created enough to complete a platoon, drill sergeants supervise the procedure and the Soldiers can finish the task in about an hour. "Comments have all been positive," he said.

Manufacturers voluntarily recall defective products

Army News Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, The Sherwin-Williams Co., of Cleveland, Ohio and Brockway Standard Inc. of Atlanta, Ga., are voluntarily recalling about 3,000 cans of Formby's Conditioning Furniture Refinisher.

The product and its vapors can seep or leak from the nozzle base at the top of the can, posing a risk of fire and chemical injuries.

The firms have received one report of an employee suffering minor burns when refinisher vapors ignited in a retailer's distribution center.

Formby's Conditioning Furniture Refinisher, used to refinish wood furniture, is sold individually and as part of Formby's "Introduction to Refinishing Kit."

The 32-ounce metal can reads, "Formby's Furniture Workshop" and "Furniture Refinisher" in white lettering on a burgundy and mostly green background.

A depiction of Homer Formby appears on the face of the can.

The product can be identified by a code on the bottom of the can written in black ink with one of the following lot number sequences: A961600, A961610, A961620, A961630, A967270 and A969330. Cans with blue ink codes are not subject to this recall.

Discount department, hardware and hobby stores nationwide sold the refinisher from October 1999 through January 2000. The individual cans sold for about $13 and the kits sold for about $16.

Consumers should stop using this refinishing product immediately, and place the product in a well-ventilated area. Since it can leak, care should be taken to keep the product from spilling by always keeping the container upright. Also, do not store near any source of ignition, such as near a gas-fueled appliance. Consumers should call (800) 523-9299 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. ET Monday through Friday for instructions on how to handle and return the refinisher for replacement or a refund.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270, or visit CPSC's web site at http://www.cpsc.gov/talk.html http://www.cpsc.gov/talk.html.

For information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call the above numbers

Computer armoire recall

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Sauder Woodworking Co., of Archbold, Ohio, is voluntarily recalling about 212,400 computer armoires.

The upper doors or upper door components can fall off, causing injury to nearby consumers.

Sauder Woodworking has received 143 reports of an upper door or its components falling off, resulting in 17 injuries, including a broken toe, cuts, scratches and bruises.

The recall involves the Monarch style computer armoire, models 2549 (washed pine finish), 2649 (woodland oak finish), 2749 (classic cherry finish), 8449 (fruitwood finish), and 9649 (amber oak finish).

The Monarch Computer Armoire measures about 41.5 inches wide, 23 inches deep and 73 inches high with the doors closed. Two upper doors open to reveal designated areas for a printer, monitor, and keyboard.

Two lower rollaway doors open to provide additional work surfaces and a file drawer. "Sauder" is imprinted into two metal strike plates, located in the corners of the upper doors.

The model number is located on a sticker that the consumer attached to the armoire or in the assembly instruction book.

Department, office and furniture stores nationwide sold these computer armoires from July 1997 through December 1999 for about $450.

Consumers should stop using the computer armoire immediately and call Sauder toll-free at (888) 800-6315 between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m. ET Monday through Friday and between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday to order a free repair kit.

The repair kit includes safety brackets for installation on both doors and installation instructions.

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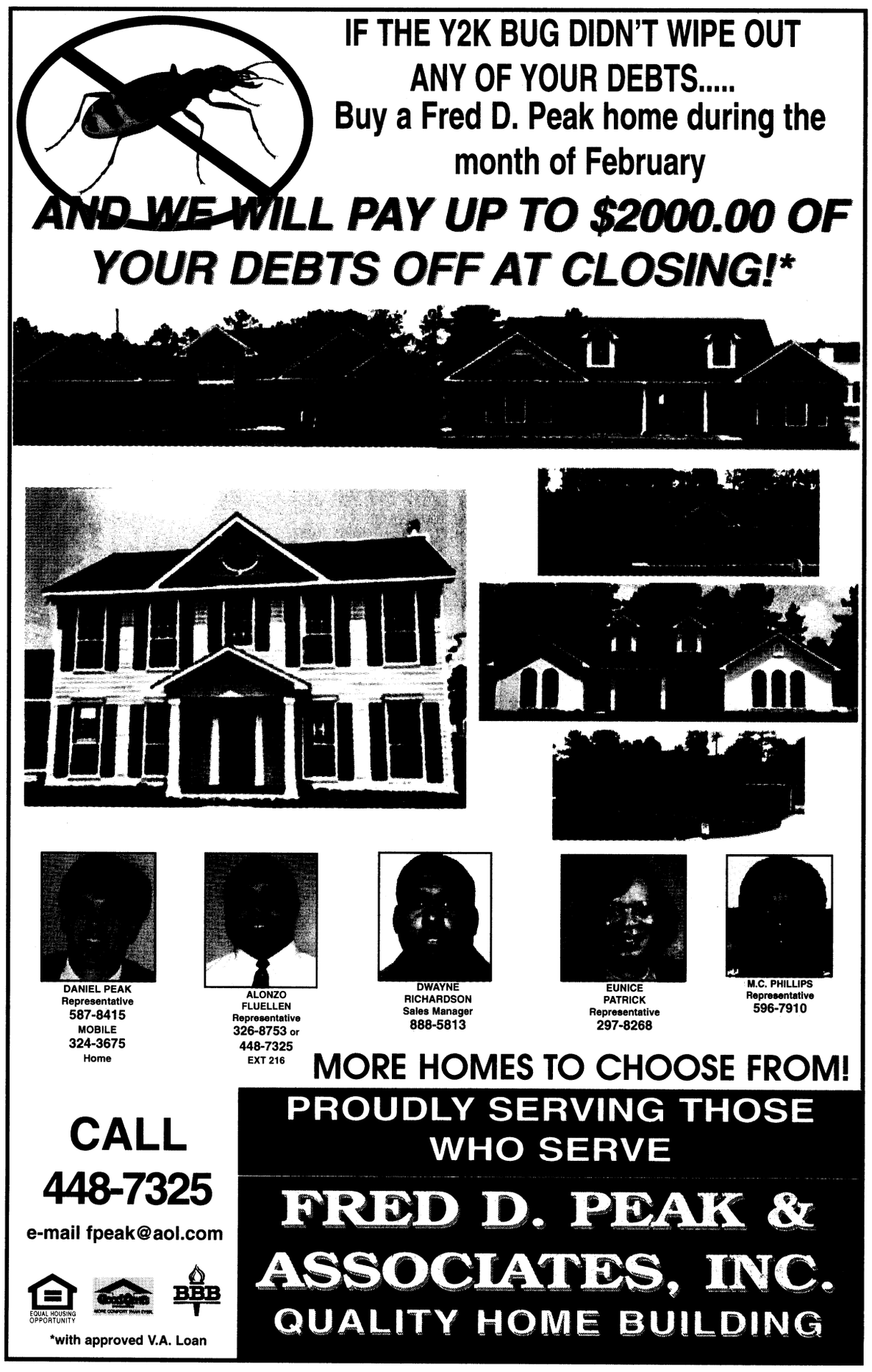

Plan: Takes Shinseki's plan to worldwide web

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subject-matter expertise provided by Infantry Captains' Career Course small-group instructors from Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate.

The Directorate of Threat and Safety provided potential threat capabilities and participated as the threat players in the efforts.

An after-action review followed each simulation, and Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, Fort Benning's commanding general, was briefed on the emerging insights gained by all participants, Pound said.

Le Moyne and Stone then briefed senior TRADOC leadership on an almost nightly basis.

"All this went on behind closed doors up until the Chief's announcement at the Association of the U.S. Army's annual meeting in October," Pound said.

After Shinseki made his plan public, other units on Fort Benning quickly became involved in the work.

"We developed a campaign plan to map out how the post would support the overall Army effort," Pound said.

The campaign plan's mission statement reads, "Fort Benning directs the integration of Infantry forces across the Doctrine, Training, Leader Development, Organization, Materiel and Soldier domains in order to support the development and fielding of the Initial Brigade Combat Team and the Army's overall modernization efforts."

The campaign plan's requirements were tasked out across Fort Benning, and showed what "we thought each post agency or organization would have to provide," Pound said.

In briefing the campaign plan to officials from across post Dec. 14, the commanding general wanted to show "the big picture and how Fort Benning was going to support it," Pound said.

Le Moyne also briefed the campaign plan to the student bodies of the ICCC, Officers' Basic Course, BNCOC and ANCOC.

"He knew the students were aware of the Army's efforts in the transformation of the initial brigades and wanted them to know exactly what the Army's plans were and the impact on the Infantry force," Pound said.

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> **— Mission Statement**
> Fort Benning IBCT Campaign Plan

Personnel from Fort Benning have been sent on temporary duty to Fort Lewis. A team, including a colonel, two lieutenant colonels, two majors and two NCOs, will remain there for the next six months working with other individuals from throughout TRADOC as the staff for Maj. Gen. James Dubik, TRADOC deputy chief of staff for transformation.

Lt. Col. John D'Agostino is the chief of the Initial Brigade Combat Team Task Force. He is the integrator for all of Fort Benning's actions.

"Everything that comes in to Fort Benning from all the other schools in TRADOC and from TRADOC headquarters comes through me, and I figure out who in the Infantry School is best suited to do the job," D'Agostino said.

CATD is writing doctrine for the brigade.

The Directorate of Operations and Training, in conjunction with the IBCT, is constructing the training plan, including leader development.

DCD is developing the organization and equipping of the initial brigade — for example, what type of vehicles and weapons will be used.

In February's issue of *Infantry Magazine*, Maj. Gen. Le Moyne's "Commandant's Notes" will focus on the overall concept of the IBCT, Russell Eno, editor, said.

The magazine is planning a series highlighting the initial brigades and the changes ahead for the Infantry.

Visit: Evaluates Fort Benning homosexual conduct policy

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• TRADOC has been directed to incorporate institutional training on homosexual conduct policies into all stages of the professional military education system within 90 days.

• The Army Inspector General has been tasked to specifically inspect homosexual conduct training throughout the Army and Reserve components.

• Verbal admission of homosexuality may be grounds for discharge. Commanders, in conjunction with the Staff Judge Advocate must, however, determine whether admissions are credible. In most cases of homosexual admission, no investigation is required.

In instances where the commander feels that the admission may not be credible, an inquiry may be appropriate and will be conducted pursuant to AR 600-20.

A "substantial investigation" is defined as one that extends beyond questioning the person, individuals suggested by the person for interview, and the person's immediate chain of command.

The secretary has designated the assistant secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs as the approval authority for initiation of substantial investigations.

Requests for approval will be forwarded through the command channels to the assistant secretary of the Army.

No further action will be taken, including processing the Soldier for discharge, until either permission for initiating the investigation is denied or permission is granted by the assistant secretary of the Army and the investigation is concluded.

• All applicable Army regulations will be revised as quickly as possible to reflect this guidance.

The deputy Chiefs of Staff for Operations and Personnel will work to revise AR 350-1 and mandate annual training on the homosexual conduct policy.

Bill: Could make Soldier's ad valorem tax obsolete at tag time

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"I wasn't aware there was an inequity with jointly titled vehicles until (Smith) confronted me with it," he said. "It has been something I have been working on ever since."

While Walker said it is difficult to tell the fate of House Bill 441, Sen. Ed Harbison of Muscogee County said he will ensure he does everything he can do keep the car tag tax bill in motion.

"I spoke with (Walker) before the legislative session and told him I wanted to work with him on this," Harbison said. "And I will do what I have to ensure the bill continues on schedule."

Keeping the bill in motion shouldn't be a problem, Harbison said, citing only slight opposition the bill faced in the House.

"I don't foresee any major problems with its passage in the Senate," Harbison said. "It faced only a few changes from its original form during its time in the House, and I think the same will hold true here in the Senate."

If the bill were to face changes in the Senate, the bill would have to be re-routed back through the House and then returned to the Senate for final approval.

Military men and women can expect to see the tax cut as early as 2001 if the senate decides give the bill the green light.

While there is no exact dollar amount on how much the bill could save Soldiers, officials at the Muscogee County License Bureau said in some cases, especially on new vehicles, the bill could save Soldiers hundreds of dollars annually.

The tax has already been omitted voluntarily by some counties, but counties surrounding Fort Benning — Muscogee and Chattahoochee — have opted not to put a freeze to the tax.

"Right now we are seeing some counties add the tax while others do not," Walker said. "I have serious reservations about that being legal."

While the legality issue has not been brought up, he said a verdict on the bill from the Senate should be announced by March.

DoD releases final Gulf illness studies

Reports claim no chemical agents released

Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — DoD released two "final reports" Jan. 13 on investigations into the possible detection of chemical or biological warfare agents during the Gulf War.

The reports deal with the reported detection of chemical warfare agents at Camp Monterey, Kuwait, and at An Nasiriyah Southwest Ammunition Storage Point in Iraq.

The Camp Monterey report states unequivocally that no chemical agent was present at the site while U.S. troops were present in 1991.

The investigation stemmed from an incident Sept. 14, 1991, in which several Soldiers reportedly became ill after spilling the contents of a metal can at the bivouac site, roughly 15 miles north of Kuwait City.

The original report released in May 1997 said the effects quickly subsided, and the Soldiers returned to duty.

The contents of the can had been assessed two days earlier as chlorobenzylidene malononitrile, commonly called CS gas and often used as a riot control agent. However, samples of the substance were taken to a Fox chemical reconnaissance vehicle as a precaution, said Bernard Rostker, special assistant to the deputy secretary of defense for Gulf War illnesses.

"The detection equipment in the Fox vehicle sounded alarms for the possible presence of cyclosarin, a nerve agent," Rostker said in a DoD news release. "Further testing done by spectrum analysis, however, confirmed that the substance was, in fact, CS." Three independent laboratories also confirmed that finding, he added.

This report includes new information from veterans that validates the original case narrative and further states that M-256 detection kits found no evidence of chemical agents at the site.

The second "final report" states it's "unlikely" U.S. troops were exposed to chemical warfare agents at the Iraqis' An Nasiriyah munitions depot.

DoD officials said mustard-filled artillery rounds likely were present at the site during the Allied air campaign, but not in any bunkers struck by U.S.-delivered ordnance in early 1991.

The report states the chemical agents were likely moved before U.S. forces occupied the site in March and April 1991.

Chemical and munitions experts at the site found no sign of contamination.

The full reports are available to the public at www.gulflink.osd.mil.

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Historic 'White Elephants' get face-lift

Revamped housing units become available

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It's out with the old and in with the new for 1st Lt. William and Allison Heck.

The couple will move within a few weeks from their home on First Division Road into a completely renovated version of their historic "White Elephant" company-grade quarters.

On Tuesday, the first building completed in Phase One of the renovation project, 400 Lumpkin Road, was turned over from the contractor, Trawick Contracting, to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The corps will make final inspections before turning the building over to the post Housing Office.

Families can start moving in mid-month, Ron Smith, chief of family housing, said.

Other completed buildings will follow quickly. 402 Lumpkin will be inspected Monday and 100 Running Ave. is set for Feb. 10, Bruce Morrow, general supervisor with Trawick, said.

Buildings will be completed every three weeks after that until all eight have been turned back over to Family Housing.

The 30 buildings known on post as the White Elephants have four housing units each. They were built between 1934 and 1935, and are listed on the National Historic Register.

The Directorate of Public Works and Trawick Contracting worked with the State Historic Preservation Office, and all of the changes met the guidelines for historic renovations. The final project is expected to cost about $13.5 million, Smith said.

Phase one started back in January 1999.

The majority of the quarters were vacated through attrition.

Families in the others were relocated to other company-grade quarters on post.

Phase Two, which includes the Heck's quarters on First Division Road, will get under way next and should be completed in about six months, Smith said.

The Hecks are the last residents remaining in Phase Two, which involves 10 buildings.

The third phase will take care of the 12 final buildings.

If anyone can appreciate the new changes in the quarters, it's someone who has lived in the older version.

The Hecks, who live on the second floor, will no longer have to take laundry down to the basement to wash.

A laundry room and second bathroom have been added to the main living floor.

Those changes and the updating of the kitchen please the couple, Allison Heck said.

"Everything will be brand new including the appliances and the cabinets," she said.

The outside also received a face-lift. Sidewalks and patios were added, and the yards landscaped.

The one-car garages were also refurbished.

To meet national fire safety guidelines for multiplex buildings, sprinkler systems were added.

Form documents experience for transitioning Soldiers

Chick Eagle
Army Career and Alumni Program

Transitioning Soldiers need to document military experiences, qualifications, work history, training, education and achievements.

Preparation of a resume is the accepted way for a job seeker to present his or her professional history to potential employers.

One very convenient source available, free of charge, to help with resume preparation is DD Form 2586, Verification of Military Experience and Training, said Dwayne Wight, Fort Benning's Transition Services manager.

The Department of Defense will issue each separating Soldier a DD Form 2586.

Soldiers who have completed numerous military training courses and served in many positions, experienced a wide range of responsibilities, perhaps too many for some to remember easily for inclusion on resumes, job or college applications need to fill out the form.

The VMET report is created from automated records on file and includes military job assignments, training programs with recommended college credits and civilian job titles relating to specific military occupational specialties.

Separating Soldiers should automatically receive the VMET report no later than 120 days before their separation date. However, because of changes in separation dates, it is recommended each separating Soldier call the office to check the status of the system.

Soldiers need to update the mailing address in the VMET office to insure it is received in time to be useful. CONUS based Army personnel should call: 1-800-258-VMET.

"Soldiers who have received their VMET are encouraged to bring it to ACAP Preseparation briefings, workshops and counseling sessions. This useful tool is available to separating Soldiers as a valuable entitlement to help transition back to the civilian workforce," Wight said.

For more information, call 545-2308.

post briefs

EOO conducts luncheon — The USAIC Equal Opportunity Office will sponsor a Black History Month Luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesday at the Officers' Club.

The guest speaker will be Brig. Gen. Dorian Anderson, Commander, Joint Task Force Six, Fort Bliss, Texas, and former Commander of the Ranger Training Brigade.

Tickets are $6.50 each. The menu includes baked chicken, collard greens, yams, cornbread, iced tea, coffee and rolls.

For ticket information, contact your unit EOA or call 545-3200 or 545-6665.

CID seeks information — The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command is seeking information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of six cell phones and viewing, projection equipment stolen from the Information Management Division, Martin Army Community Hospital, between Oct. 26-27.

The assistance of the local community is being requested in an effort to identify and apprehend the perpetrator(s).

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command is also offering a $200 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of a U.S. government Compass laptop computer from HHC, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, Building 9016, around Dec. 22.

CID is offering a $600 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of three SIDPERS servers, one CTX laptop computer and one Pentium computer from SIDPERS, Building 2618, between Dec. 22-27.

It is requested that anyone with information concerning these individuals contact the CID Duty Agent at 545-8916 or the Military Police at 545-5222.

The identity of anyone providing information will be kept in the strictest confidence.

Army increases OCS boards, publishes dates — The Army has approved an increase in the number of Soldiers who may attend Officer Candidate School. The revised HQDA OCS board schedule is as follows:

June 12-16 with applications due at PERSCOM no later than May 12. Applications must be received by PSRD no later than March 24. The Fort Benning board is April 3-7.

For more information, call Verna Clemons at 545-4702 .

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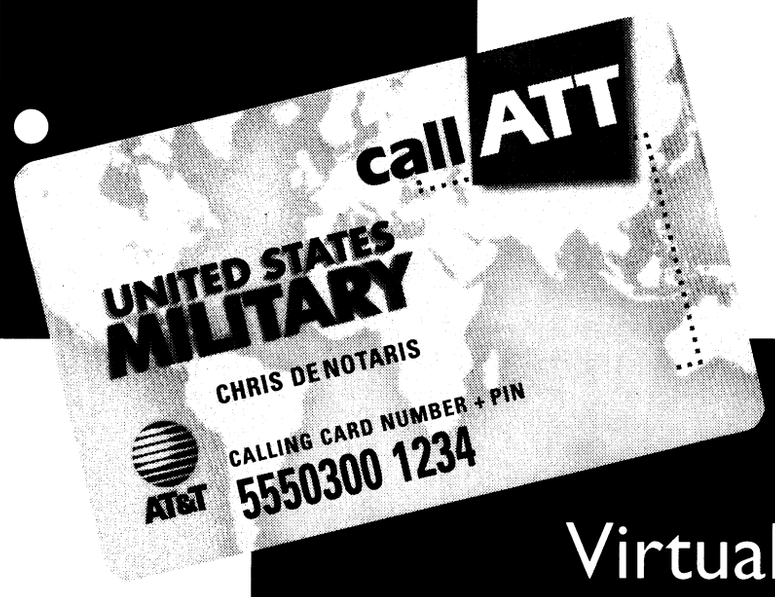

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Son follows in father's footsteps, goes Airborne

Proud dad relives past as son earns his wings

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Wayne Cox, left, congratulates son Travis after his second jump.



Photos by Sally Shutt

Pvt. Travis Cox undergoes jumpmaster personnel inspection in McCarthy Hall prior to his first jump.

Wayne Cox drove more than 12 hours from Ohio to Fort Benning to watch his son complete Airborne school last week.

The Vietnam veteran wouldn't have been anywhere else when Pvt. Travis Cox earned his wings. An electrical engineer, Wayne was at Fryar Field braving the cold weather for each of his son's five jumps.

Airborne School has become a family tradition in the Cox family. Travis, 20, is the seventh member of the family to earn his wings, dating back to his grandfather, Virgil, a 1948 graduate.

Virgil, who was in the Army Air Corps and then retired from the Air Force, had planned to visit Fort Benning and see his grandson, but he became ill and couldn't make the trip.

Wayne graduated in 1968 when he was 18, two years after his older brother, Ted, and three years before his younger brother, Mike. Virgil, Ted and Wayne served in Vietnam during the same time.

Ted's son, Ted Jr., earned his wings in 1988, and Mike's namesake, Mike Jr., followed suit in 1997. They are both assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg.

"I remember my father putting my wings on, and he (Travis) will remember this the rest of his life," Wayne said.

Despite his Airborne pedigree, Travis still had a hard go of it. Before Christmas, he sprained his ankle during the ground phase.

He recovered and returned for the next class after the holiday break. Assigned to C Company, 1st Battalion, 507th Infantry (Airborne), he was given the roster number 340G — the G signified that he was a recycle from the ground phase.

When asked why he chose to go through jump school, Travis answered with just four words, "Because everybody else did."

"And I thought I could carry on the family tradition. My father kept saying I was his last chance to go Airborne," he added.

Travis graduated from basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C., in July. He attended Advanced Individual Training for parachute riggers at Fort Lee, Va.

His next assignment is with the 82nd Airborne Division where he will have a chance to see his two cousins.

"It was a total surprise when I found out he had joined," Wayne said. "I found out only after he had seen the recruiter."

Jan. 24 Travis and the other students were preparing for their first jump at McCarthy Hall at Lawson Army Airfield. Wayne arrived at 6:30 a.m., after driving down from Ohio the night before.

"I talked to him for about five minutes and told him he looked good," Wayne said.

From a corner in McCarthy Hall, Wayne surveyed the proceedings as 288 students put on their equipment and waited for a weather decision. His jump wings were pinned to his Vietnam Veteran's cap.

"A few things have changed," Wayne said. "The ankle braces for one. I've never seen them before.

"Other than the ankle braces and the style of the helmets, they still act the same. The rookies still act like rookies, and the cadre still act like cadre, which is a good thing."

Wayne recalled his 23 jumps. "I always found it to be exhilarating and never worried about my safety," he said.

In addition to pinning on his son's wings, Wayne purchased Travis' first set of jump boots.

During jump week, the father and son had dinner together and talked about the day's events.

"He didn't ask for any advice," Wayne said. "He was just a little keyed up so I told him to stay calm."

"It really helped me out when my Dad showed up," Travis said. "I was feeling kind of nervous."

Love of teaching keeps drill sergeant on trail

Soldier shares experience with basic trainees

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer



Spc. Michael Maddox

Sgt. 1st Class Robert Young goes over general military knowledge with a Soldier from E Co., 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, after a Class A inspection.

Little did Robert Young know that when he first enlisted in the military in 1962, that he would still be serving his country through the millennium.

Young, a sergeant first class with the 1st Battalion, 329th Infantry, 84th Division, has been fulfilling his annual two weeks of active duty service by working as a drill sergeant for E Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment.

Young said it's been a long road to where he is now, but one he's enjoyed every second of.

His first experience in the military came during Vietnam when Young enlisted in the Marine Corps right after high school. The Bloomington, Ind., native was assigned to the 1st Marine Division during his 25-month tour.

After Vietnam, Young returned to Paris Island where he served as a drill instructor for three years. He later served sea duty as detachment gunnery sergeant on the USS Ranger.

It was around this time that Young decided to start a family.

"I wanted to raise a family and that was pretty hard to do back then," he said. So he decided not to re-enlist and to instead dedicate his time to building a family in 1971.

Young went on to have two sons and a daughter with his wife, Bobby, and ended up running his own 500-acre farm "raising cattle, kids and corn."

During that time, Young was out of the military for 20 years before he re-entered. He said he decided to join the military again, this time in the Army Reserves, in 1989 for several reasons.

"My son was in the reserves, and he was activated for Desert Storm. I thought, well, they got my boy so I thought I'd come back in too," he said.

"I came back in to go to Desert Storm, a lot of people were doing that because of Sadam's threat of a million man army," Young said. "With my experience as a DI, they sent me to do this instead."

"There's always been men from my family in every war, sometimes more than one at a time. I just figured it was the right thing to do," Young said.

Young added, he's enjoyed every minute since he came back in.

He said he enjoys the camaraderie the military offers.

"I enjoy working with the men and the military life," Young said.

He said he also likes being able to share his love of the military and America with today's new Soldiers.

"I have a flag that flies at my house everyday. I have a lot of pride that was instilled in me many years ago," he said. "I'd like to see these young fellows get it.

"If I can help them out in some way so they can come back from a war, that's what I'd like to do," he added.

Staff Sgt. David Santos said Young's dedication to service and knowledge brings a great aspect to the Soldiers training.

"He's awesome. We cannot afford as NCOs to lose the experience from a first-rated, excellent senior noncommissioned officer who knows all aspects of the United States Army and its environment," he said.

Pvt. Brent Thornton said that Young's example motivates him to do his best.

"He's very impressive," Thornton said. "It blows my mind to see a man of that age go along with us on marches and train us. It really impresses me, makes me want to drive on when I feel like I can't."

Young said bringing his knowledge to the unit is all worthwhile because today's Soldiers seem to soak up the knowledge the drill sergeants put out to them.

"These kids are much smarter than I was used to working with. They are intelligent, highly selected individuals as far as I'm concerned," he said. "When I did this before, it wasn't unusual to find someone with a third grade education.

"The Soldiers today are superior, young privates, more qualified and higher educated."

Young still runs his farm when he's not on drill or working here at Fort Benning.

He also has a black belt in martial arts and Tae Kwon Do and Hapkito three times a week with one class solely for children.

Working with the drill sergeants and commanders from 1st Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., keeps Young coming back to train Soldiers each year.

"The command philosophy, leadership style and expectations are right on target with the type of Soldiers the Army is receiving these days," he said. "The E Company, 1st Battalion., 19th Infantry Regiment drill sergeants and the reserve drill sergeants are the best I have ever worked with."

Young, who is 57, said he plans on leading new Soldiers as long as possible.

"I'll be here doing this as long as my health stays up, I'll stay with it," he said. "In another three years, they're (the reserves) going to do it for me anyway, you have to retire from the reserves at 60. But my health is good so I guess I'll be around until then."

Couple takes on challenge of Officer Candidate School together

Capt. Thomas Hanley
Officer Candidate School

While married couples have been in OCS before, they have normally been in different classes.

Class 2-00 has a unique situation as Adena Joy Weiser and Randall Weiser are students in the same class at the Army's Officer Candidate School.

They were both staff sergeants in the Army before they entered OCS.

"It is a great opportunity for us," said Adena, who described their careers with anticipation of future assignments. "We met at BNCOC, now we are at OCS, and we will be assigned to Europe together."

Both are meeting the challenges of OCS as Randall Weiser is serving as the student company commander, and Adena has been proving herself as the company physical training officer.

"We have separate jobs, and we are expected to live by the same rules as other officer candidates," said Randall as he described their interaction. "We really have not spoken to each other. The only chance we had to talk was when she had CQ duty. We addressed each other as Basic Officer Candidate Weiser. Everything has to be professional."

A Company Commander Capt. Ronnie Preston shares common feelings with these two candidates because his wife was a captain in the Army as well.

"Both are performing very well in the course, and this is a special opportunity to help young officers get started together," said Preston.

The Weisers are assigned to different platoons to ensure that they are facing the same experiences as any other candidate.

"It is nice for us to see the other getting smoked the same way," Randall said. "We can appreciate what each other are going through."

They come also from similar backgrounds as Adena was a licensed practical nurse who served as a drill instructor, while Randall served as an Infantryman in the 3rd Infantry Regiment, the 'Old Guard', before becoming an X-ray technician.

They attended the same BNCOC in 1996 and were married two years ago at Fort Bragg, N.C. The two were both Audie Murphy Award recipients prior to OCS.

The Weisers said they have been very fortunate because they have been able to depend on family support to make it through OCS at the same time.

"Parents and family have really been supportive, helping us manage bills and personal affairs while we are here," said Randall.

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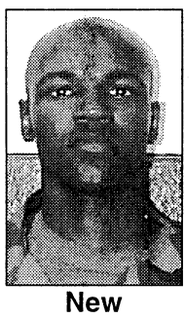
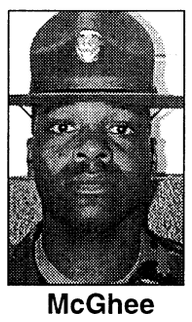


New

Pvt. Albert New
New Orleans, La.
B Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I joined for the challenge.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? For being an outstanding Soldier and for shooting 40 out of 40 during Basic Rifle Marksmanship qualification.



McGhee

Staff Sgt. Kelvin McGhee
Fort Valley, Ga.
B Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. My leadership style is participative. I believe that you can accomplish more with two better than with one. I also try to accomplish all tasks to the best of my ability.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I can apply all that I learn to train the trainees to become the best they can be. I can also take a civilian and turn them into a motivated Soldier.



Suing

Pvt. David J. Suing
Ogallala, Neb.
B Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? The thing that influenced me to join the Amy was the ability to gain some experience in life and to serve my country.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? Because I feel I did what I was told to do and I followed the Army core values.



Todd

Staff Sgt. John Todd Jr.
Hogansville, Ga.
B Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I lead from the front and never waiver the standard.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Knowing that every Soldier I have trained has met the standard and lives by the Army's seven core values.



Rivera

Pvt. Javier Rivera
Brooklyn, N.Y.
A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army to get the discipline and skills I needed in life to succeed.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I always gave my all in everything and always will.



Argo

Sgt. 1st Class James Argo
Kannapolis, N.C.
A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I lead from the front.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get my satisfaction from watching a Soldier overcome his fears and accomplishing the mission.

Pvt. Sean M. Markham
Chappaqud, N.Y.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army because I wanted to serve my country and earn some college money.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen for Soldier of the cycle because I did what I was told to do.



Tucker

Staff Sgt. Michael Tucker
Lexington, Ky.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I will always lead by example and never require anyone to do anything I would not do.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Knowing at the end of every cycle that the privates leave here and take a big part of me as a drill sergeant and leader with them for the rest of their life.

Speed limit in housing areas is 15 mph

Top teachers earn accolades

Wester, Gouine take home title of year's best

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

We would never have learned as much as we know now if it weren't for teachers.

From the kindergarten teachers, college professors, and from drill sergeants to other military instructors, they all play a part in the sculpting of who we are, and what we know.

To pay tribute to the most outstanding instructors on Fort Benning, the post held the Instructors of the Quarter presentation Jan. 25 in Infantry Hall.

The top senior NCO and junior NCO were recognized for their outstanding instructions.

The Senior NCO instructor was Sgt. 1st Class Steven J. Gouine, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, the primary instructor and NCOIC for Military Operations on Urbanized Terrain.

Receiving the title of Junior NCO Instructor of the Quarter was Staff Sgt. Michael A Wester, A Company, 6th Ranger Training Battalion, the primary instructor for the introduction of reptiles to Rangers.

The instructors were chosen by the Instruction Training Course.

"The ITC came down and watched me teach, and I was chosen I guess on a point system," said Wester.

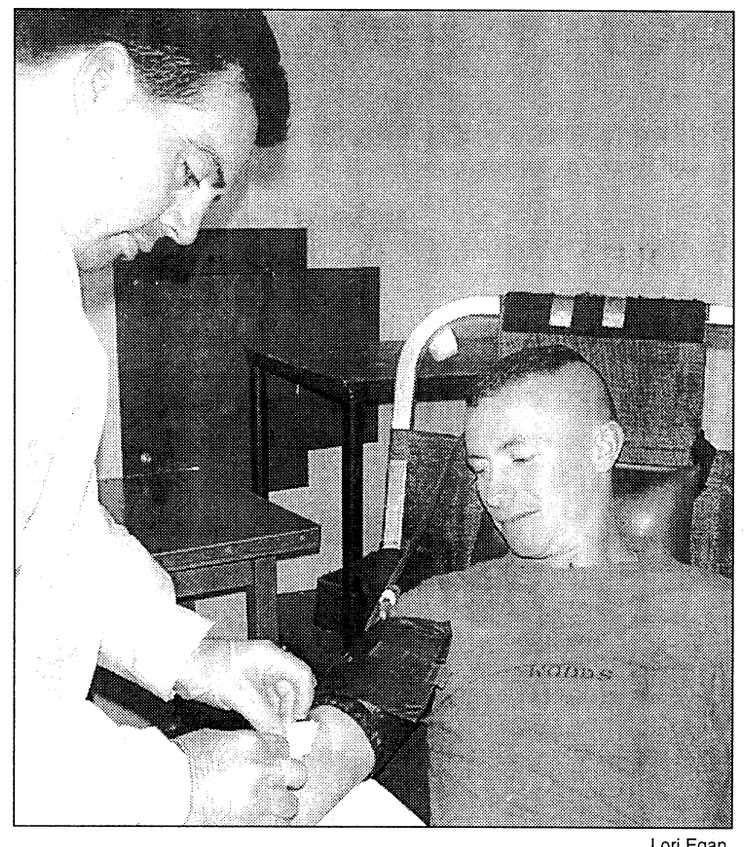
Gouine was also selected by the ITC for his superb instructions.

"It is really nice to get the recognition of doing your job correctly," said Gouine.

Wester agreed with his appreciation of the recognition.

"It shows that we are doing a good job, and it is really good moral," Wester said.

Both Wester and Gouine are now eligible for Instructor of the Year to be held next year.



Lori Egan

In the spirit of giving

American Red Cross nurse Mark Powers draws blood from Senior Officer Candidate James Woods, B Co., 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, during a blood drive Tuesday. Another blood drive will be 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday in front of the Drill Sergeant School.

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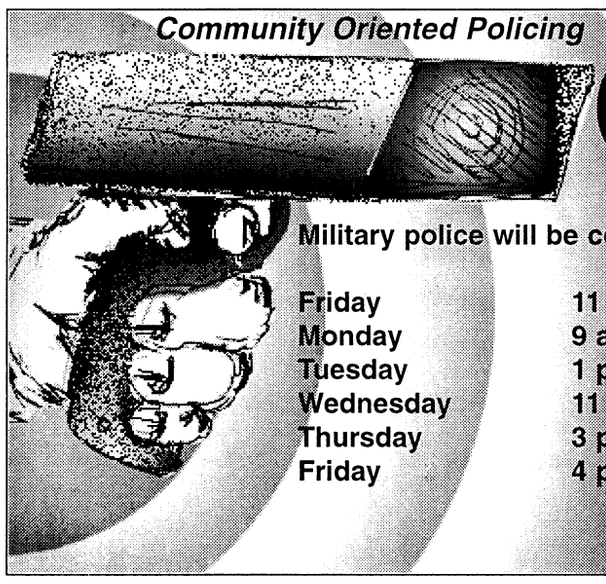

Cops Corner

Military police will be conducting increased speed enforcement in the areas listed below.

Friday	11 a.m. to noon	Wold and Edwards roads
Monday	9 a.m. to 10 a.m.	1st Infantry Division and Yeager roads
Tuesday	1 p.m. to 2 p.m.	Marne and 1st Cavalry Division roads
Wednesday	11 a.m. to noon	Anderson and Wold roads
Thursday	3 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Benning Boulevard
Friday	4 p.m. to 5 p.m.	Marchant and Riordon roads

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SECTION B

Stowers celebrates Black History

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"A Parade of African-American Leaders of the 21st Century" was the theme of a two-part play performed by fifth-graders at Stowers Elementary Jan. 25.

The 90-member cast presented brief biographies of more than 100 great black leaders to the audience of parents and students.

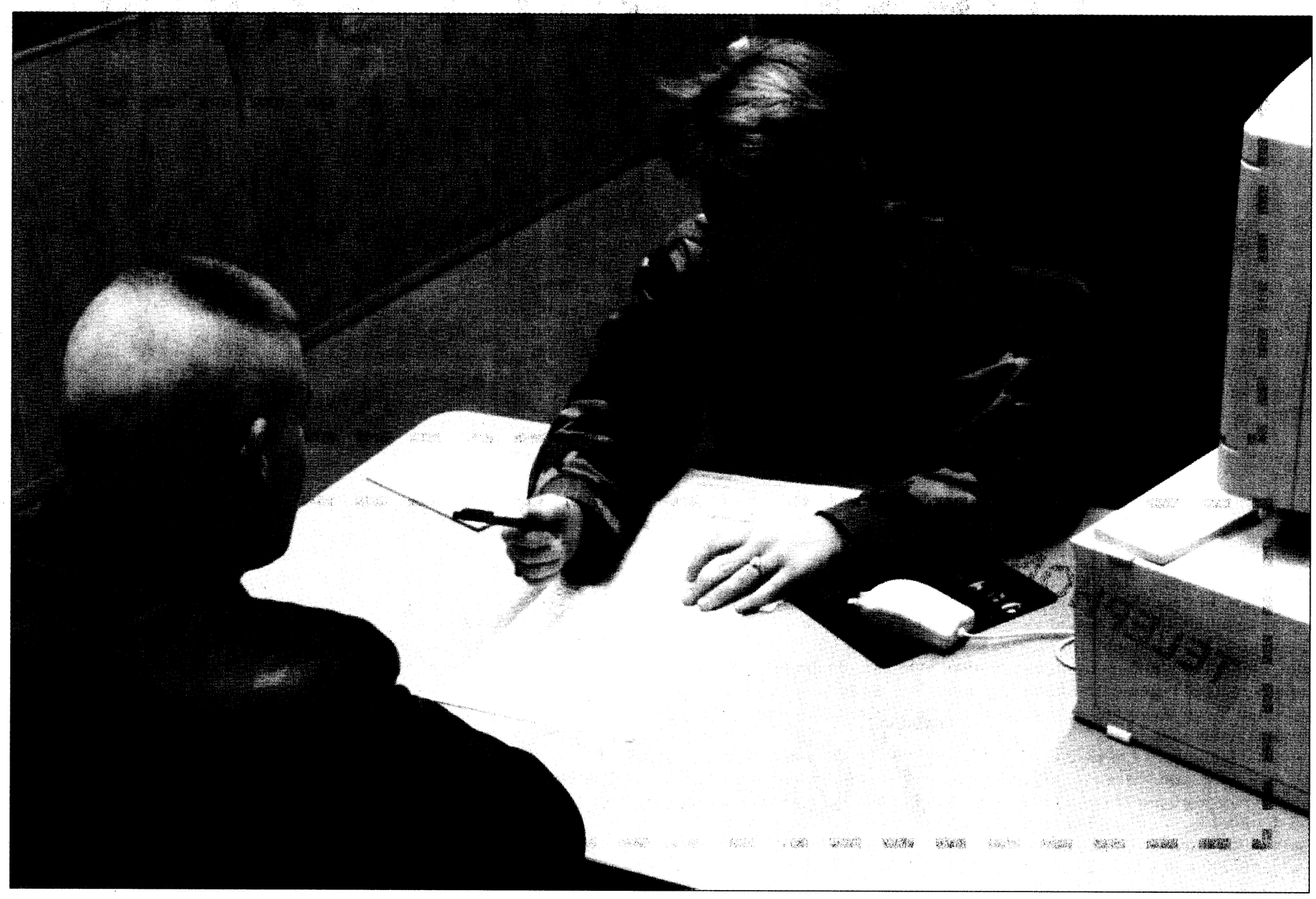
"I'm extremely proud of these students. They each did their own research and compiled the information they presented," said Ann Justice, social studies teacher and director.

In the opening act, students portrayed a slave family waiting for Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad.

Rolanda Kelly, of Columbus, sang a black spiritual, and students performed choreographed steps to "This Train is Bound for Glory."

Fifth-grader Kyle McKibben narrated the second half of the play. Students eulogized African-American leaders in the areas of science, performing arts, politics, education and the military.

"This has been a great opportunity for the kids to share what they have learned, through individual research, with their families and classmates," said Glenn Hughes, principal.



Sally Shutt

Rolling in the dough

Spc. Joel Habarad, (left), 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, files his tax return electronically Tuesday with the help of Spc. Deborah Godby, 63rd Engineer Company, 36th Engineer Group, at the Fort Benning Tax Center in Infantry Hall. The Tax Center is open for free tax preparation 8:30 a.m to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The center will also be open 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturdays in February, except Feb. 19. For more information, call the Tax Center at 545-4267.

Dental Activity offers advice to parents

Dentists warn that prolonged thumbsucking can cause problems

American Dental Association

February is National Children's Dental Health Month. For new parents who are concerned about their baby's thumbsucking, the Fort Benning Dental Activity offers the following advice.

Sucking is one of the baby's natural reflexes. As infants grow, sucking serves many purposes. Infants and young children may suck on thumbs, fingers, pacifiers or toys because it makes them feel secure and happy and helps them learn about their world.

Young children may find that placing a finger or thumb into their mouth provides them with a sense of security at difficult periods such as after a scolding or when separated from their parents.

Because thumbsucking is relaxing, it may induce sleep. For this reason, young children may often do this in the evenings or when they are tired.

The Dental Activity notes that prolonged thumbsucking can cause problems.

Once the permanent teeth erupt, sucking may cause problems with the proper growth of the mouth and alignment of teeth.

One factor that determines whether a dental problem may result is the intensity of sucking.

Children who rest their thumbs passively in their mouths are less likely to have difficulty than those who vigorously suck their thumbs. When a parent removes the thumb from the child's mouth, a "popping" sound is often heard.

The Dental Activity notes that some aggressive thumbsuckers may cause problems for their primary (baby) teeth. If you notice changes in the baby teeth, consult your dentist.

Usually, children stop thumbsucking between the ages of two and four.

Sucking gradually lessens during this period as they spend more of their waking hours exploring their surroundings. They should cease sucking by the time the permanent front teeth are ready to erupt. Peer pressure causes many school-aged children to stop.

Sucking a pacifier is not necessarily less harmful for a child.

Pacifiers can affect the teeth essentially the same way as sucking fingers and thumbs. It is often an easier habit to break, however.

The Dental Activity says to keep these tips in mind when helping your child:

• Instead of scolding children for sucking, praise them when they are not.

• Remember that children often suck their thumbs when feeling insecure.

Focus on correcting the cause of anxiety, instead of thumbsucking.

• Children who are sucking for comfort will feel less of a need when their parents provide comfort.

• Reward children when they refrain from sucking during difficult periods, such as when being separated from their parents.

• Your dentist can encourage children to stop sucking and explain what could happen to their teeth if they continue.

• If these approaches don't work, remind the children of their habit by bandaging the thumb or putting a sock on the hand at night.

Scrapbooks preserve memories in style



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LeAnn Volesky works on a scrapbook. Volesky spends 20 hours a week teaching other military families how to preserve memories with scrapbooks.

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An array of faded snapshots lay spread on the table in front of her. Shannon Secules shook her head in frustration, trying to recall names and places in the photographs.

"I know they're pictures of me and my brother before we started school, but I don't know when or where they were taken. My dad can't help much, because he was in the Air Force and gone most of the time. My mom died when I was in high school."

Secules spent her early childhood years in far-off locations, such as Sicily and Spain. She's got the pictures to prove it — but not the memories.

Soon after moving to Fort Benning last summer, Secules began sorting through old photo albums that had once belonged to her mother.

What she found was a large collection of unlabeled photos, with no obvious rhyme or reason to the arrangement. It took several weeks to organize the photos of events and people she could recall. The remainder still lay on her dining table.

"These are the last ones. I guess they were taken before I was old enough to remember. I look at them every so often and try to figure them out," she said. "It's like a missing puzzle piece. It's a tiny piece of my history that I'm missing."

These days Secules spends several hours each week recording her more recent history in scrapbooks for her children. She is one of a growing number of people who have discovered a passion for creatively preserving family memories and milestones.

"I don't want my daughters to go through the same thing I did. It's a lot of fun scrapbooking, but I'm very serious about what I'm doing," Secules said.

In fact, the words "serious," "obsessive" and "addicted" are often used by scrapbookers to describe their fascination with cutting, cropping, matting, pasting, and journaling every detail they capture on film.

"It's definitely an addiction. When I went to my first scrapbooking class, I knew within 10 minutes that this was for me," said LeAnn Volesky, a scrapbook consultant.

She said the current popularity of scrapbooking in the military community keeps her busy holding classes and 'crops' about 20 hours a week.

"As military families, we've been so many places and met so many people, that it's important to find a way to preserve all those experiences. It's not enough just to take pictures and leave them in shoe boxes, because we forget important details over the years," Volesky said. "Someday you'll want to remember the 'who, what, when, where, and why' behind every picture. That's why it's important to write details in your scrapbook. It's called journaling, and without it, you've just got a book of pictures."

Volesky said the interest in scrapbooking continues to grow as quality materials become easier to obtain.

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School staff wears badges, promotes Army values

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When school started last fall, the staff of Stowers Elementary joined the ranks of thousands who have pledged their allegiance to the Army values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage.

Principal Glenn Hughes and assistant principal Mike Starrett designed badges for every teacher and staff member with the seven Army values listed on the back. The badges are modeled after the Army values card currently issued to all Soldiers.

According to Hughes, the badges serve dual purposes.

"We were already implementing safety procedures, as part of our Fort Benning Safe Schools Plan. We went one step further and, using our digital camera, created these identification badges for all our staff to wear. Then we took these principles and adapted them for our

See **BADGES**, B-4

OCS family support group goes to field

Senior Officer Candidate Green Chandler
Officer Candidate School

Being away from loved ones can be stressful for Soldiers, especially when attending a military school in a restricted environment. As many students at the Officer Candidate School have learned, a good unit family support group can help reduce that stress.

As the wife of B Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment (Officer Candidate School) commander, Melissa Sheldon plays a key role in helping families in the unit stay informed and involved in company activities. Sheldon said B Co.'s family support group tries to break the stereotype of serving as social function for spouses. Instead, she said, the group aims to provide practical help for Soldiers' families.

"We're not just here to bake cookies and gossip. We like to provide real support to the families however possible," Sheldon said.

Despite the restriction of basic and intermediate phases at OCS, B Co's family support group focuses on increasing the interaction between Soldiers and their families wherever possible — even in the field. During the course, family members were brought to several field exercises to visit spouses, attend prayer services and learn about training. Seeing their spouse training in the field has helped families deal with the stress of separation, according to some Class 1-00 spouses.

Marie Towner, wife of Senior Officer Candidate Richard Towner, said she never knew what it was really like in the field and was pleased to learn about weapons, equipment and the conditions in which her husband trained. She said her visits to the field with B Co.'s family support group will help her when she can't be with her husband.

"When he's gone and I'm at home now I can understand what he's going through and be more sympathetic," Towner said.

Another spouse, Maria Marte, said she was impressed by the number of activities provided by the family support group. She also said that staying informed helped reduce the stress of being away from her husband, SOC Odalis Marte.

"They are putting a lot of effort in keeping the families in touch," Marte said.

Capt. Floyd Sheldon, B Co. commander, said the goal of the family support group is to keep families informed so they can react to different situations. He said bringing spouses to the field strengthens soldier and family morale.

"It helps them understand how hard it is for their spouse to train and to see what their living conditions are," Sheldon said.

SOC Edward Lerz said he was surprised to see a family support group for an Army school and he appreciates the fact that his wife always has someone to call on for help.

"It sets my mind at ease, which lets me concentrate on training," Lerz said.

Sheldon said he hopes the candidates and their spouses take what they have learned from B Co.'s family support group and apply it to their future commands.



SOC Green Chandler

SOC Odalis Marte takes time out with his wife Maria during a recent field exercise. Maria came out as part of the family support program.

ask the judge

Jane M. Winand
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q. I have just transferred to Fort Benning and I am looking to rent an apartment in town. At my last duty station, my landlord refused to return my security deposit and I had to get the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate attorney involved to get my money.

My old landlord tried to charge me more than the security deposit to repair damages to the apartment that were there when I moved in. How can I protect myself from an unscrupulous landlord?

A. The best way to protect yourself is to thoroughly document all of the pre-existing damage to the rental property before you move in.

Georgia law requires all landlords who own more than ten units, or are professional property managers, to conduct a premove inspection to determine if the rental property is in any way damaged.

Usually, the landlord will simply give you a standard form, tell you to list any damages and ask you to return the list to the leasing office.

A word of advice: Fill out the form and keep a copy of it! Far too many tenants do not take the time to properly complete the form and return it to the landlord. Consequently, when the landlord withholds the security deposit for "damages" to the property after you move out, there is no way to dispute the claim, other than to pit your word against the landlord's version of the facts.

By thoroughly inspecting the property and filling out the form, you will establish the condition of the property at the time you move in, thus making it difficult for the landlord to take advantage of you.

Photographs and a videotape of the property will document preexisting damages. Make sure that you keep a copy of the form and have the landlord sign your copy.

Once you move out of the apartment, the landlord must conduct an inspection, within three business days and compile a comprehensive list of damages that he or she plans to offset against your security deposit.

The landlord may only charge you for damages, beyond normal wear and tear, that occurred during your tenancy.

As the former tenant, you have the right to inspect the property within five business days of termination to determine if the list is accurate. If the list is not accurate, you must write a statement to that effect and submit it to the landlord immediately.

Assuming the property is substantially in the same shape when you vacate as when you moved in, the landlord must return your deposit within 30 days.

A completed pre-move inspection sheet helps prevent charges for damage that existed prior to your occupancy. In Georgia, a detailed inspection sheet signed by both of you and the landlord is conclusive proof as to the condition of the property at the time you moved in.

But what do you do if the landlord still will not return your security deposit, despite your "conclusive" proof? If the landlord won't return your security deposit, or worse, charges you more than your security deposit to repair pre-existing damage to the property, you may file a suit in small claims court to recover your money.

Georgia law allows you to recover three times the amount of the security deposit if the judge determines that any portion of the security deposit was wrongfully withheld.

If you decide that this course of action is necessary, you should make an appointment to speak with an attorney in the Legal Assistance Division. You may make an appointment by calling 545-3281 or 545-3282 at 8 a.m. Fridays.

volunteer opportunities

Installation Volunteer Coordinator Office

Here are some volunteer opportunities currently available.

• The Equal Opportunity Office needs volunteers to help with various heritage celebration activities. For more information, call 545-6665.

• Reading tutors and volunteers are needed to help support preschool literacy programs. Days and times are flexible. Please call 644-0368 or 682-2180 for more information.

• The Counseling Center needs administrative clerical support volunteers. Computer experience is preferred. For more information, call 545-8372.

• ACS Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance office needs clerical volunteers; commitment and confidentiality are required. For more information, call 545-7571 or 545-4043.

• ACS Relocation Program is looking for extra hands to assemble Welcome Packets.

For more information, call Marsha Collins at 545-7517or 545-4043.

• The U.S. Army Medical Department Activity is looking for hospitality specialists as greeters, information and patient guides, please call Cassandra Wyatt at 545-5194 or Terry Beckwith at 544-4564.

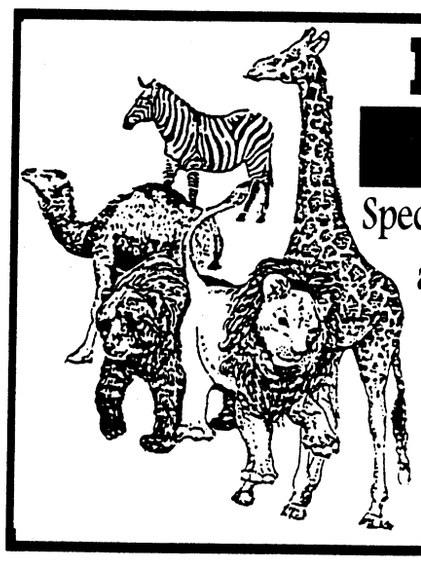
• CCSC needs school year tutors. Call 321-9596 or 687-5357.

Volunteer where you want and when you want. Some agencies provide paid childcare, offer job training and education.

For more information, call 545-3016.

The deadline for all 1999 volunteer hours, annual Excellence Award nominations and requests for invitations certificates is Feb. 22.

CALL THE IVC OFFICE AT 545-3016 FOR FORMS AND REQUESTS.



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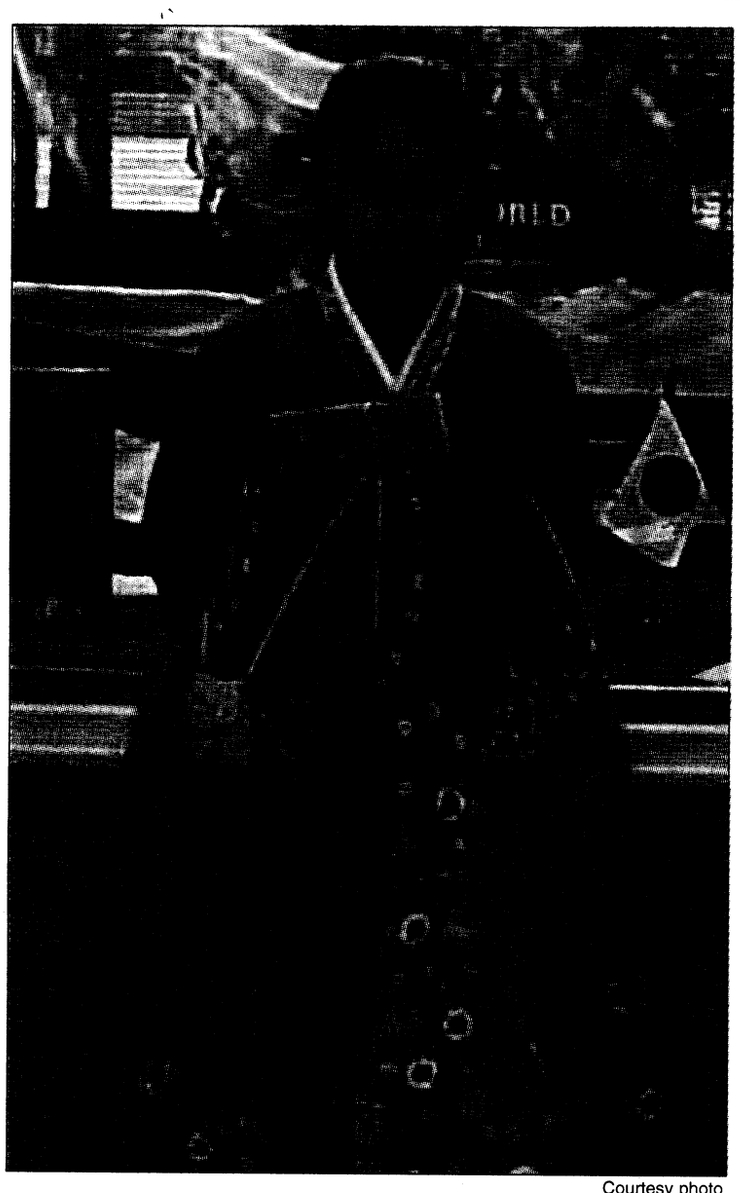

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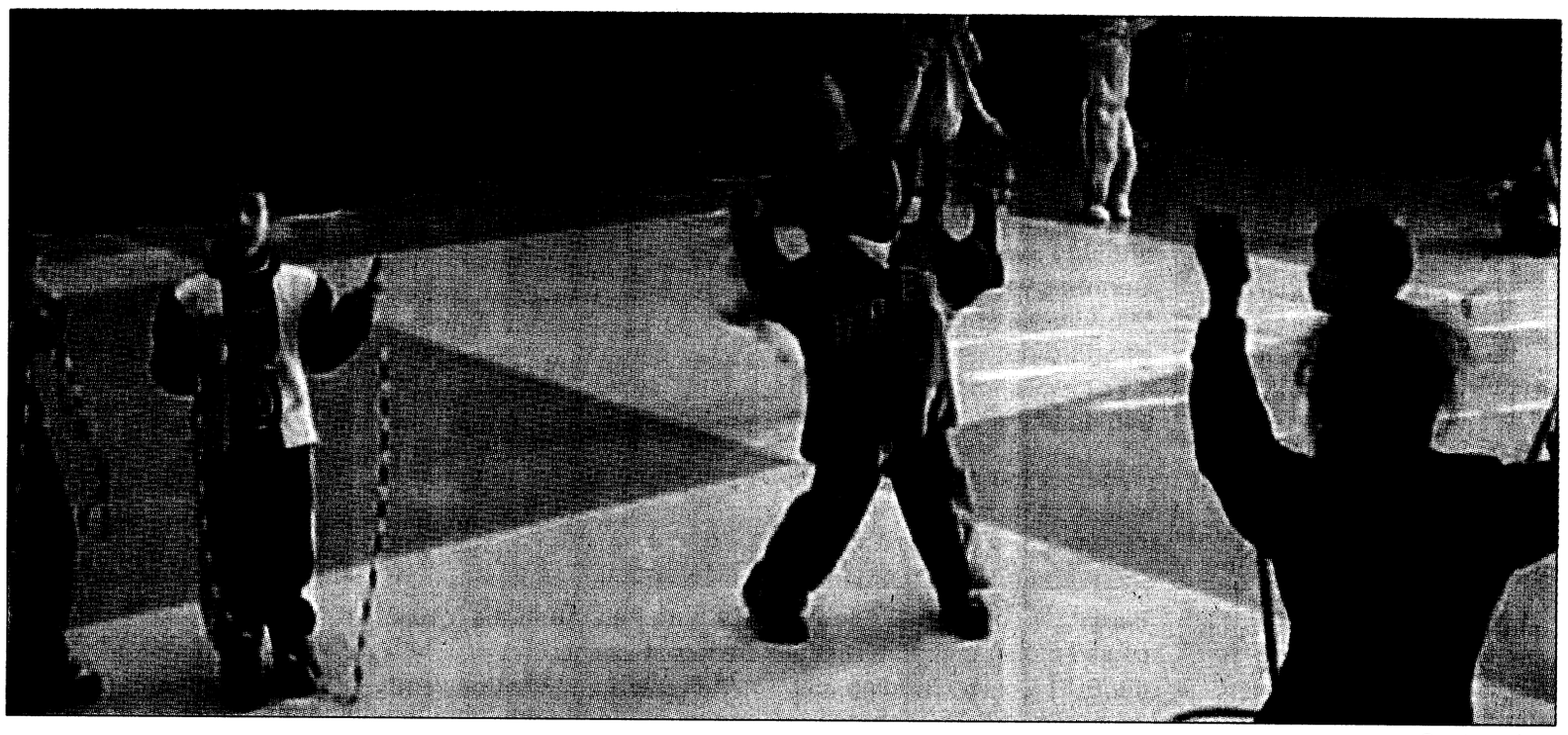
International Day

Third-grader Anna Routh wears the hand painted costume her grandmother gave her at Loyd Elementary School's International Day Jan. 17.



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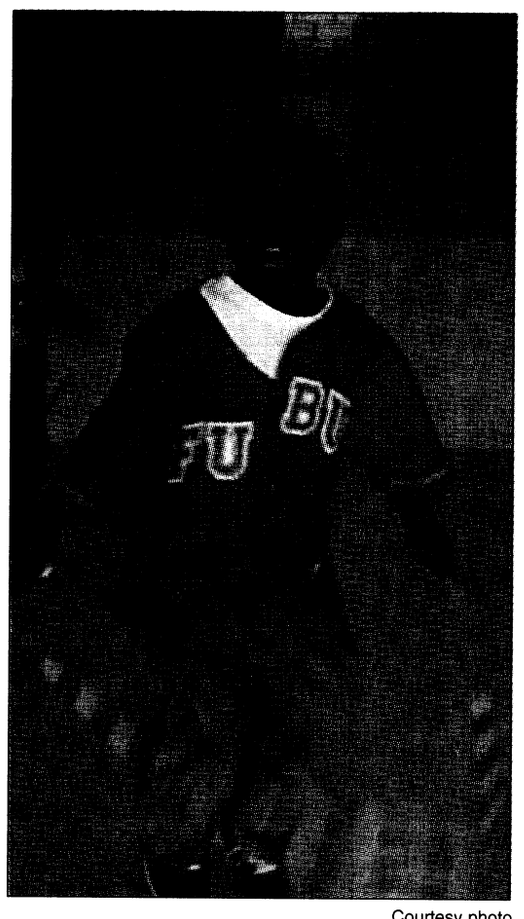
Kindergarteners integrate exercise, math and language arts while jumping rope at Loyd Elementary School.



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Nicholas Breckenridge jumps rope.

Students reinforce school skills

Jumping rope

Karen Baker
Loyd Elementary School

Some may consider physical education to be just an opportunity for children to get out of the classroom for some much-needed exercise, but at Loyd Elementary School it is an integral part of an integrated curriculum.

The entire student body is currently learning to jump rope, while at the same time learning valuable lessons in math and language arts.

The students started the unit in the middle of January and will continue through the month of February in order to celebrate American Heart Month.

Jumping rope is an excellent form of cardiovascular exercise. It is also a wonderful life long skill and an inexpensive form of exercise.

Older students are learning to jump rope and learning key math and language skills. The younger students are learning to count in consequential order, study units of measure and identify geometric shapes.

In the area of language arts, these students are forming letters with the jump rope and learning the proper use of the preposition words over, under, behind and beside.

With the older students, jumping rope reinforces many already learned skills, such as probability, problem solving and critical thinking.

The integration of physical education into the overall curriculum is not limited to jumping rope. This has been a top priority of Debra Mabry, principal of Loyd Elementary, for many years. One reason this concept has been so successful is that it allows the children to have fun, while at the same time learning important skills.

"I like counting while I jump," Denzel Robinson, a kindergarten student in Gussie Cromwell's class, said.

The faculty and staff at Loyd Elementary School create a well-rounded educational experience for each student. Physical education is a very important part of that overall experience, Mabry said.



Courtesy photo

Students use a ruler during the Math Mentors program.

Evening program teaches math

Katherine Walker
Loyd Elementary School

Loyd School held their second Math Mentors programs Jan. 19 with activities planned for parents and students in second through fifth grades.

The Math Mentors program gives parents the opportunity to actively take part in their child's math lesson and to gain some ideas to use at home.

By observing their child's Math teacher interacting with the students, parents can gain an understanding of appropriate strategies that they can use when helping their child with homework, Debra Mabry, Loyd principle, said.

Robert Thorne led second-grade parents and children in a hands-on measurement demonstration. The participants rotated around five stations, determining the appropriate unit to use in a variety of measuring situations, recording the data and compiling the results in a graph.

Second-graders learn about MLK in social studies

Louise Anderson
Loyd Elementary School

The three second-grade classes at the Loyd Elementary School have spent two weeks studying the life of Dr. Martin Luther King. All of the second-graders can answer the basics about King's life. They can tell you that he was born in Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 15, 1929, finished high school at the age of 15 and much more.

To learn about King's life the students participated in a variety of activities.

This learning process included: flexible working groups, reading relevant books, generation and discussion of vocabulary words and class discussions. These activities culminated with the three classes singing Happy Birthday to King and to the students who were also born in January — Deitra Ross and Brittany Brouillette. Students then ate chocolate birthday cake.

The second-grade classes' Social Studies motto is, "Social Studies is learning about the people and the places of the world and how they are connected."

Loyd Elementary School celebrated the outstanding success toward achieving DoDEA's Goals 2000 Jan. 19. The students have reached 78 percent of reading and language arts goals and 100 percent of the mathematic goals.

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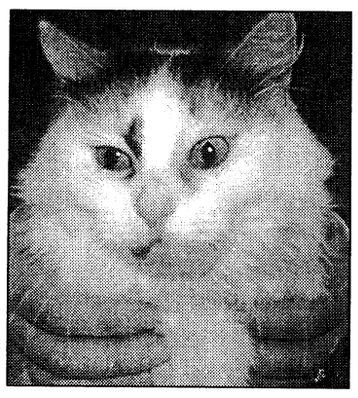



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Take us home!

An adult female white calico cat and "Leo" a gentle adult male chow and shepherd mix are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home.

For more information, call 545-4444.

births

Girls

Violet Ivy Temeyer — born Dec. 6 to Stacy and Spc. Timothy Temeyer.

Chera Kay Broadnax — born Jan. 7 to Capt. Crystal and Capt. Kevin Broadnax.

Amaya Kae Williams — born Jan. 8 to Amaya and Cpl. Lucas Williams.

Sydney Madison Messenger — born Jan. 19 to Spc. Kaci and Spc. Robert Messenger.

Boys

Tristan Hunter Breen — born Jan. 5 to Melanie and Staff Sgt. William Breen.

Blake Jackson South — born Jan. 8 to Vicki Strigin-South and Staff Sgt. Jackie South.

Jalen Alexander McWhite — born Jan. 8 to Karen and Staff Sgt. Joseph McWhite.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

community briefs

on post

Survival class offered to new moms, dads — The Family Advocacy First Steps Program will sponsor a "Survival Class for New Moms" 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday on the second floor, in the Regimental Conference Room, Martin Army Community Hospital. Newborns are also invited to the class.

Topics will include proper nutrition for mom and baby, sleep deprivation, fussy infants and coping strategies. First Steps volunteers will be available to share ideas for crucial adjustments when a baby enters the family.

For more information or to register, call the First Steps office at 544-2020.

Enlisted Wives' Club meets — The Enlisted Wives' Club will have a meeting 7 p.m. Feb. 9 in Building 80, Yeager Ave. A guest speaker will talk about "Finances and your Budget."

Childcare is provided during meeting times. For more information, call Jeanne Bower at 687-5175.

AFTB sets evening class schedule — Army Family Team Building will offer AFTB's Level I course 6:30-9 p.m. Feb. 7-8 at the FUN Center, Building 359, Ingersoll Ave.This course is designed for new people in the Army, leaders in the community or anyone interested in updating personal skills.

Registration is due today.

For more information or to register, call 545-5377.

Youth Services seeks young actors — Youth Services is looking for aspiring young actors ages 11-18 who are interested in performing in a musical. Students will meet 5-6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

There are six male roles and eight female roles. Students will also be needed for other roles including helping with the scenery, stage hands, props, costumes, music, etc.

The first meeting will be Monday in Building 1056. Adults interested in working with children on this project are encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Quintella Horn at 545-3070.

Youth Services sponsors fashion and talent show — Youth Services will hold a Black History fashion and talent show 7-9 p.m. Feb. 19 in the Youth Services Ballroom.

For more information, call 545-7945 or 545-3070.

ACAP highlights upcoming events — The Army Career and Alumni Program's calendar of upcoming events for job seekers is as follows:

LaGrange Police Department will be recruiting for police officers 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 10.

All briefings are in Building 2634 Soldiers' Plaza unless otherwise noted.

For more information, call the ACAP Center at 545-2308 or 545-2309. Or check the website, www.benning.army.mil/ACAP/.

VA establishes toll-free number — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has established a toll-free telephone number for veterans and dependents to get the latest information about VA educational benefits.

The toll-free number is (888) GI-BILL (888-442-4551).

By calling the toll-free number, individuals can obtain general educational information, detailed eligibility criteria and general background material on VA programs.

Photos: Make creative hobby

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"Photo albums are ruining their pictures. Now good products are readily available and you can find them in a lot of stores and specialty shops," Volesky said.

Avid scrapbookers define "quality materials" as acid- and lignin-free products designed for use in scrapbooks. Lignin is a chemical found in wood pulp that eventually causes paper to fade or turn brown. Photographs exposed to lignin over an extended period of time will fade or turn colors.

Acid- and lignin-free products are often more expensive than regular products, but many companies offer guarantees against fading. Specialty stores and craft stores offer a wide variety of chemical-free products, including papers, pens, stickers, die-cuts and borders.

"These days we have so many ways to enhance the traditional scrapbook. We've always enjoyed our photo albums. Now we're elaborating on that concept to preserve memories not only for ourselves and our children, but for generations to come," said Sissy Spivey who is the owner of Snip Snap Scrapbooks.

Like Secules, most people who scrapbook do so out of a desire to document important events and preserve memories. According to Spivey, often a momentous occasion, such as a wedding or birth, triggers an interest in scrapbooking.

"It's often an important event that gets people started, but once they begin scrapbooking, they're hooked on it and they involve their family and friends. I have mothers and daughters who come in to shop and scrapbook together. And recently a husband of one of my regular customers came in to purchase the materials to make his own scrapbook based on his military career," Spivey said.

Whatever the motivation for scrapbooking, Spivey said the outcome is the same for everybody.

"A scrapbook is about your history. The elements involved make it so much more enjoyable than a photo album. People want to see it. And when they look at your book, they get to know you. We're not just talking about your friends or family. We're talking about your grandchildren and their children."

For more information on scrapbooking, call Volesky at 682-7890, or Spivey at 320-0088.

Badges: Display values

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purposes, and listed them on the back of each card," Hughes said.

As part of Stowers citizenship program, students are taught to uphold these same values. According to Hughes, wearing the badges is a daily affirmation of the staff's dedication to the principles they teach and the safety of their students.

"They understand the need, first of all, as educators, to keep the children safe. Wearing these cards signifies our dedication to the education and well being of our students," Hughes said.

Pre-K teacher Louise Frazier said the badges not only help parents identify staff members, but they help the children as well.

"My students are 4-year-olds. If they get lost or disoriented in the school, I've taught them to look for someone wearing a badge," Frazier said.

Staff members wear their badges attached to long neck bands emblazoned with the acronym T.E.A.M. This stands for "Together Everyone Achieves More."

"This is really indicative of the team spirit that prevails here at Stowers. We're working together not only to achieve more in the areas of academics, but also to keep our school a secure place," Hughes said.

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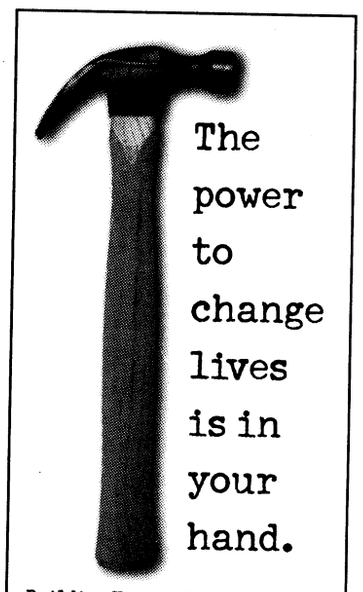

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Troubled marriages don't necessarily spell divorce

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center

You may be facing one of the most difficult decisions of your life. Your marriage is on the brink and is in deep trouble and you must choose between staying together or getting a divorce.

There exists no magical formula for making this decision and far too often a decision like this is made solely on an emotional level. The trouble with emotions is that they have the consistency of Silly Putty.

I have been asked on many occasions why I am so adamant in my opposition to divorce. I am one of six children and the only one of those six who is still married to his or her first and only spouse. I hate divorce.

The U.S. Census Bureau provides us a sad historical backdrop to what has become a national disgrace:

• In 1900, 1 divorce for every 10 marriages.

• In 1920, 1 divorce for every 7 marriages.

• In 1940, 1 divorce for every 6 marriages.

•In 1960, 1 divorce for every 4 marriages.

• In 1972, 1 divorce for every 3 marriages.

• In 1976, 1 divorce for every 2 marriages.


Rupel

And according to the latest statistics (1995) the rate of divorce has increased to nearly 52 percent of all first-time marriages ending in divorce.

Is there any reason why I should not be concerned, even appalled?

Given all this, is there any hope for a couple whose marriage is heading down the slippery slope to a divorce? Yes! There are two choices you and your spouse have: Proceed with your plans for a divorce or decide that you will remain married and attempt to resolve your problems. Let me say this at this juncture, there is no problem so great that God isn't greater.

The implications of divorce are so vast that most couples don't even stop to understand their decision for divorcing.

Don't proceed with a divorce until you and your spouse have sought the help of a chaplain, pastor or a trained marriage counselor.

The Fort Benning Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center can provide you with such help in your decision-making process. For more information, call the Family Life Center at 545-2050.

chapel notes

PWOC meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes Bible study, prayer, praise and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Sunday School meets — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel. If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex.

Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7-8 p.m.

All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Chapel conducts midweek service — A midweek worship service is now being conducted at 6 p.m. Wednesdays at the Kelley Hill Chapel. The service includes music, prayer and Bible study.

For more information, call 544-2432 or 544-3070.

Seasons offer time of renewal, hope

Chaplain (Maj.) T. Blake Bowers
Martin Army Community Hospital

reflections

Ecclesiastes 3:1 "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven."

We have experienced a historic event. Not only did we pass a century, we also passed a millennium. A time and a season has passed. We start another with new dreams and goals.

Each of you remembers some individual joy, tragedy or triumph or difficult time in your life. Perhaps a family death and the comfort of God's almighty arms. The welcome of a new child into the family and the voices of praise and thanksgiving that went heavenward, or the destruction of a treasured heirloom and God's grace or the blessing from God of a gift of rare value.

In all this time God has been present with you through all your times and seasons. Season means an appointed time, an appointed occasion. Time in this passage means the usual time.

Both give the sense of order and regularity from one event to another. Yet in our times God gives us choices. We should know also that God ordains the ways of man and arranges the details of our life. Both in the context of the big picture and individually. There is nothing we can do to stop being born and dying. Laughter and sorrow will go on. The events of tearing down and building up will go on and so forth.

The events or circumstances might be different but we go through some common experiences. Everything comes in its turn. Yet not everything lasts forever. God is with us through all times as he has been with saints before us in their times and seasons. God has ordained these times and seasons for you and me. Time will move on. We will have other events occur in our life.

Will we grow in our faith from them? Will we use our time and our season wisely and not squander it away on unholy time? As you reflect on your time, your season, use it to learn and grow, drawing you closer to Almighty God.

"And in the morning, a great while before day, he rose and went out to a lonely place, and there he prayed."
— Mark 11:25

National Prayer Breakfast

8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Feb. 11 at the Officers' Club.
The theme is spiritual fitness and the guest speaker is retired Col. Michael Bingham.
Tickets are $4 for E-4 and below and $6.25 for E-5 and above and civilians.
For more information, call 545-2288

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
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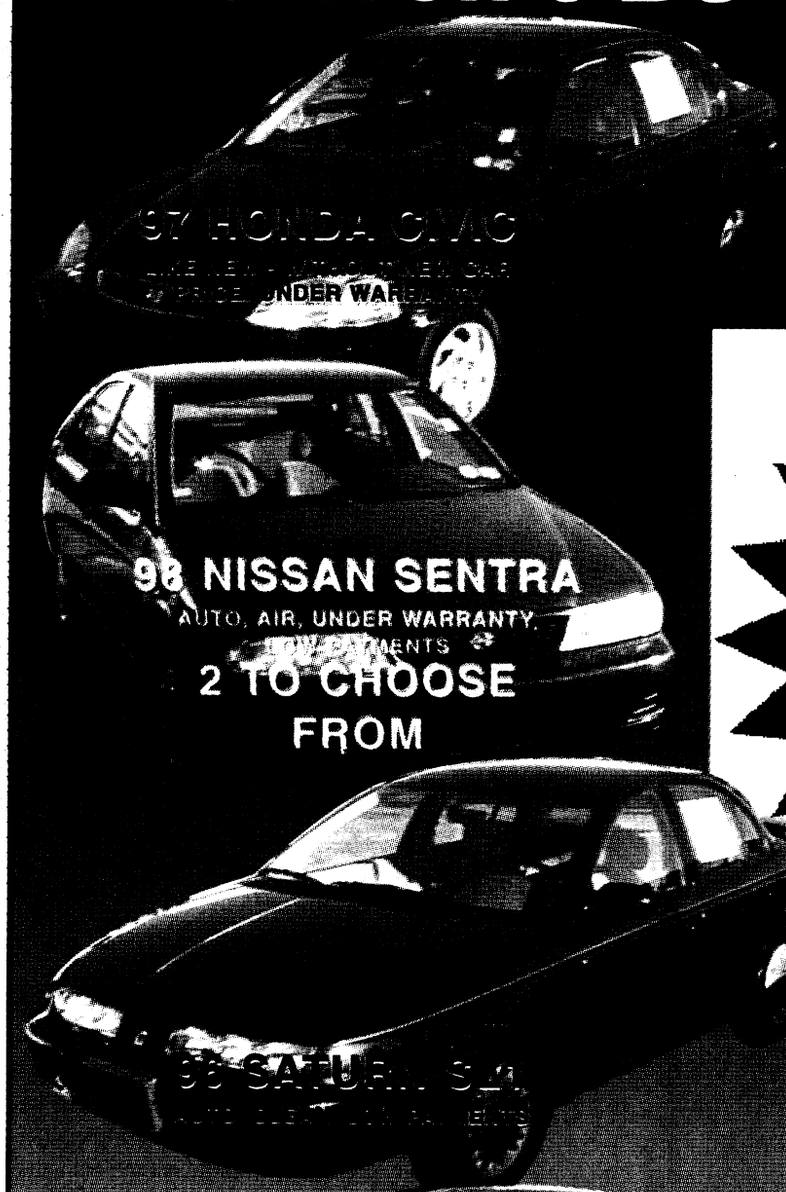

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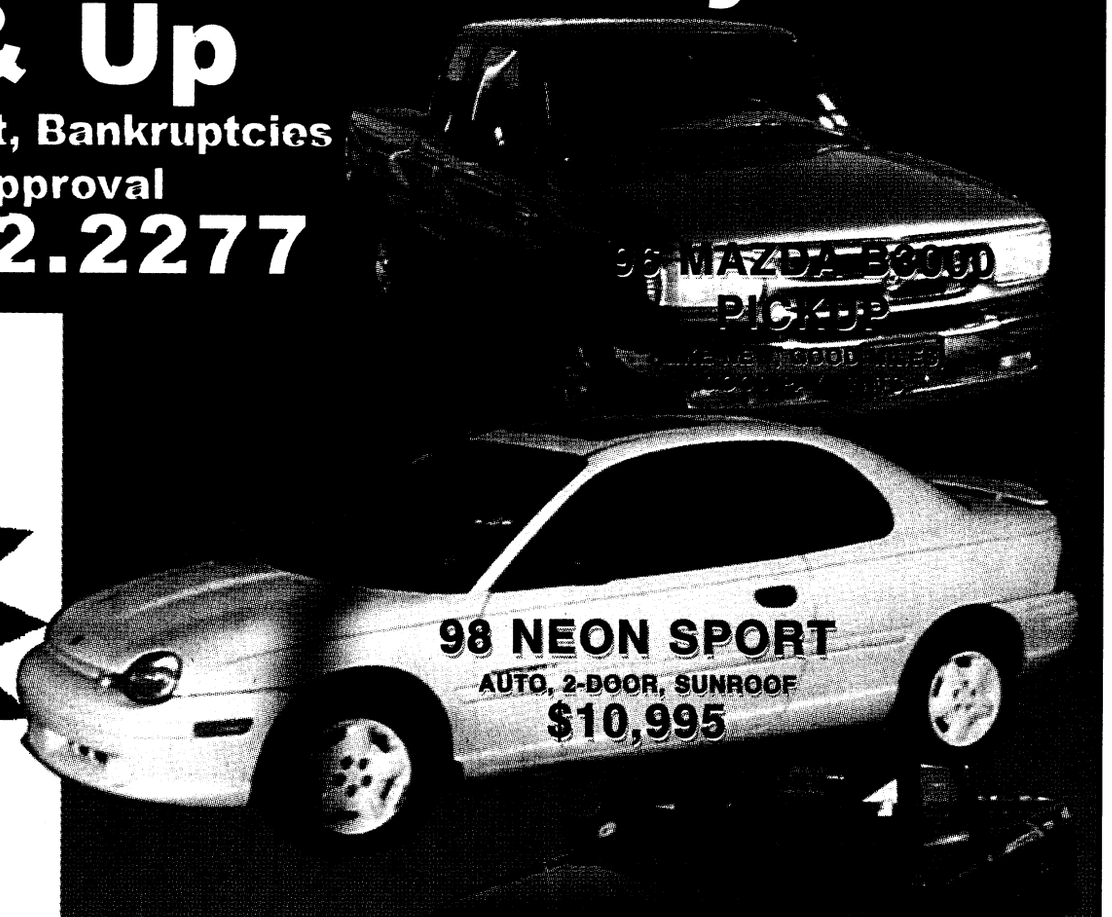

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Participants in the 20th Annual Girl Scout Cookie Run take to the rain-soaked road during the 5K event.

Girl Scout Cookie Run kicks off

Racers turn out for 20th annual run despite rain, cold

Spc. Amy L. Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

Neither rain nor a 19-degree windchill was enough to keep close to 150 runners away from the 20th annual Girl Scout Cookie run Saturday.

Runners both young and old alike gathered at Columbus State University to participate in the 5K and 1.5K races, paying no mind to the frigid temperatures and pouring rain.

For Chuck Walls, Fort Benning Garrison manager and race participant, the cookie run is a tradition he has upheld for the last seven years that not even the rain could interrupt.

Walls said that while it was tempting to stay home, the Girls Scouts is a great program to support and the run gives him the perfect opportunity to get out and exercise during the winter.

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>
> **— Chuck Walls**
> Girl Scout race participant

"I love this race," Walls said. "This is like the wintertime-keep-you-in-shape race. To make sure your're still running during the winter months."

Despite the less than ideal weather conditions, Rosie Fuentez, race director, said they had an impressive turn out with almost all preregisters showing up to run. Fuentez described the race as a way to "herald in the cookies." The cookie sale is one of the biggest fundraiser events for the Girl Scouts.

She said Girl Scouts start taking orders in January and the cookies arrive in February. After that the Girl Scouts set up booths around the community at such places as Walmart.

"This is just our way of letting the public know the cookies are coming and a way to get the community involved," Fuentez said.

The top three men in the 5K race were John Detro of Fort Benning in first place time of 16:43, Brian Eifler of Columbus in second with 17:05 and Bob Evans of La Grange, Ga., in third with a time of 18:18.

The top female runners were Laura Mayar of Phenix City in first with a time of 20:43, Amy Maresca of Fort Benning took second with a time of 22:29 and Stacey Judge of Columubs in third with a time of 23:53.

In the 1.5K race, the top female winners were Bryn Crawford of Auburn, Ala., with a time of 9:45 in first, Fern Lasseter of Columbus in second with 11:29 and Sally Lassiter of Columbus in third with a time of 12:18. The top male winners were Keith Maresca of Fort Benning in first with a time of 8:08, Don Cleveland of West Point, Ga., with a time of 8:58 in second and Garrett White of Columbus in third with a time of 10:54.

Amicalola Falls offers adventure

Spc. Amy L. Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

If you've lived in Georgia for any amount of time and haven't made your way up north, I advise you to get cracking.

outdoor corner

While almost all of Georgia offers something beautiful, in my opinion nothing beats the northern part. The Appalachian Mountains provide an abundance of opportunities for just about any outdoor adventure you can think of.

On a recent trip up north, I had an experience of a lifetime when I made a stop at the beautiful Amicalola Falls State Park just in time to see it snow.

Amicalola Falls is a great place whether it be just for a day or an extended stay. Like most state parks there are picnic sites, playgrounds and plenty of trails. If you want to stay awhile you have your choice of primitive to standard campgrounds, RV and trailer sites and cottages. For those who prefer posh over primitive there is also a 57-room lodge located at the top of the mountain.

However, Amicalola isn't your average park. Not only does it offer a 729-foot waterfall, the highest in Georgia, but it has an eight-mile approach trail to the southern terminus of the famous Appalachian Trail.

During my first visit to the park my friend and I drove to the top of the falls and took plenty of pictures. The extent of our exploring was a one-mile hike down the mountain and then back up again.

It was my second trip where I made a more rigorous venture and had the time of my life doing so.

My friend made the suggestion that we hike the beginning of the Appalachian Trail. Of course, that was before we realized we had to go eight miles just to get there. So, instead we settled on a five-mile hike up to a place called the Lenn Foote Hike Inn.

As soon as we got to our starting point we received a big surprise when the skies opened up and unleashed a flurry of snow. Being the northerner that I am, I was more than excited to see snow and couldn't wait to get on the trail.

The scenery of the trail coupled with the snow created an almost "winter wonderland" like atmosphere. However, even without snow the woods were unlike any I've seen before.

Each mile brought on a new and different texture that made every step exciting and beautiful. I never knew what was coming next. The landscape would change from compact areas of dense growth and overhang to wide open spaces with huge, lumbering trees. There were also plenty of mini-bridges and trickling streams to add to the experience.

I was captivated the entire five-miles and before I knew it we had made our way to the Hike Inn.

We stopped at the inn to rest and grab a cup of hot cocoa and I couldn't believe how neat it was. A sort of rustic, homey place, it is Georgia's only backcountry inn. It is a perfect place for people who love to hike and explore nature, but can do without sleeping in a tent.

After talking with the people who ran the place we opted to complete a loop trail to our starting point rather than go back the way we came. The loop would add about 1.5 more miles to the hike, but since we were feeling good we decided to go for the gusto.

In all honesty the trip back was a little less exciting partly because the dry and fluffy snow had turned to partial sleet and around the ninth mile I started to feel every inch of the trek. But once we made it back I couldn't get over how amazing the entire trip was. I had just gone nearly 12-miles in snow, rain and sleet and still had a great time.

When you go to Amicalola I suggest doing the Lenn Foote Hike Inn Trail. The trail is perfect for both beginning and advanced hikers. Maps are available from the lodge at the bottom of the mountain that highlight points of interest and trace the exact route.

You can get to Amicalola Falls by taking Georgia Highway 400 north out of Atlanta. After about 45 minutes you will see signs directing you how to get there. Park hours are Monday through Sunday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. A $2 state parks parking pass is required.

Bulldogs and Redbulls go head-to-head in YS action

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet

Youth Services basketball action moved to a new location Saturday. A defective heating system forced the hoopsters to seek shelter at Kelley Hill's Kefurt Gymnasium.

Otherwise, it was business as usual for the 8- to 9-year-old division, as the Bulldogs bull-dozed the Redbulls, 25-14.

Although the teams were well matched offensively, the Bulldog defense out-maneuvered, out-hustled, and out-lasted their opponents.

The Redbulls trailed the entire game, holding the margin to a narrow five points during the first two quarters. A third-quarter show of nonstop, aggressive defense tired the Redbulls, and, by the fourth, the Dogs held a strong 10-point lead.

"It was our hustle that won it for us," said Jordan Goodman, forward.

Assistant coach Tony Toliver credited the win to team cooperation

"We have a good team that always works well together. They did what seems to come natural to them," said Toliver. "They played team ball."

Kevin Toliver, guard, lead the Bulldogs with eight points. Center Cory Bush scored six to lead the Redbulls.

The 4-1 Bulldogs will face the Tigers Saturday at 10:45a.m. in the Kefurt Gymnasium.

In other basketball league action in the 6- to 7-year-old division the Dream Team fell to the Blue Bulls, 10-12. Corey Saunders of the Blue Bulls scored half the teams points with 6, while Dream Teamer Jeffrey Sykes put in 8.

The Black Bulls trampled the Tigers, 12-5. Tre Powell helped seal the victory for the Black Bulls with 6 points and Chase Holbrook was top scorer for the Tigers with 3.

In 8- to 9-year-old play, with the help of an impressive 18 points by Kahlee Tyler the Lakers manged to sink the Magics, 39-11. Raishaun Bennett came out as top scorer for the Magics with 4 points.

The Tigers and the Green Tigers went head-to-head and came out even both scoring 24 points. Anthony Wright helped the Tigers along with 13 points, while James Braddy threw up 18 for the Green Tigers.

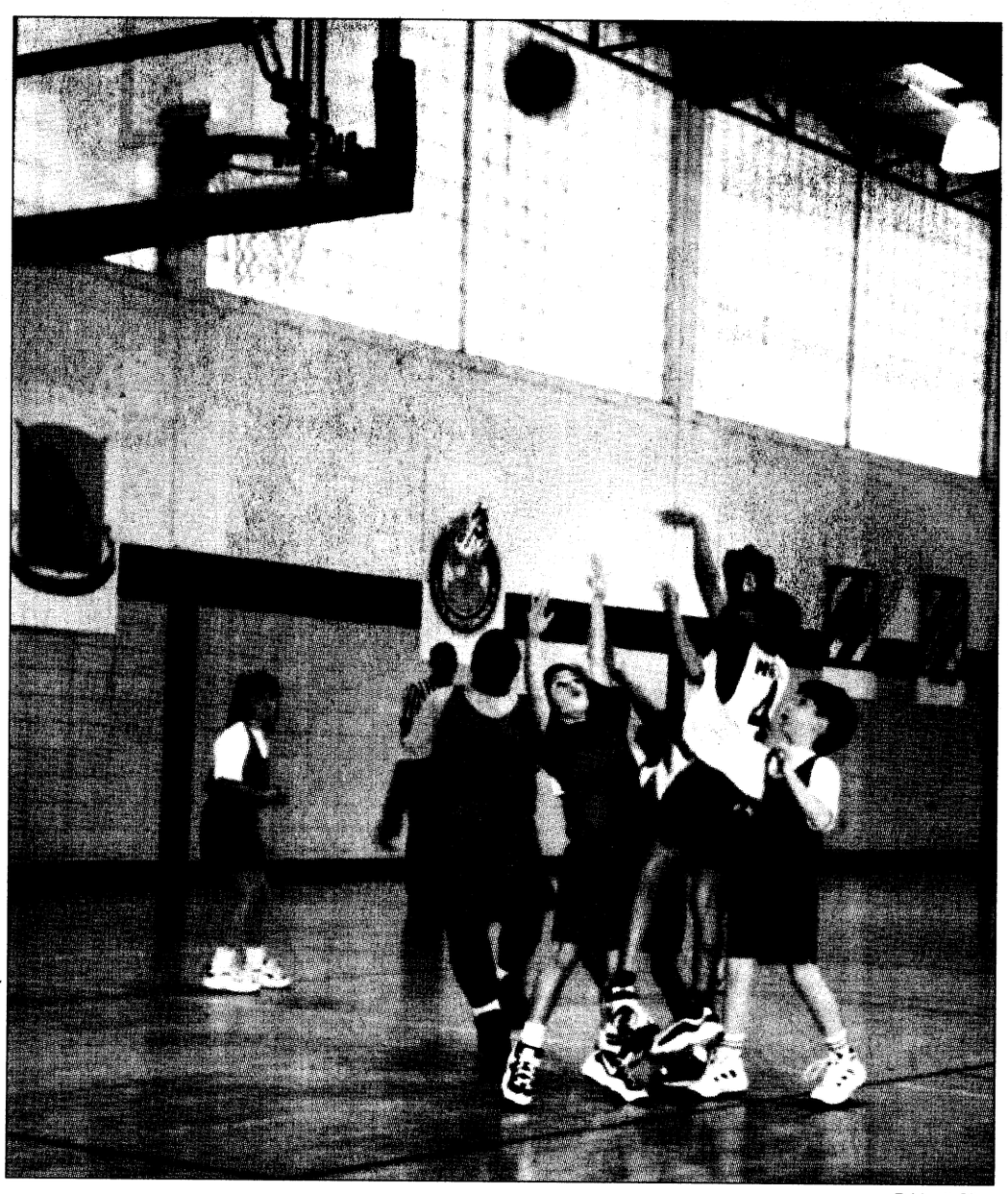
In the 10- to 12-year-old division the Ruff Ryders drove over the Magics, 38-6. Walter Mcgee helped lead his team to the victory with 10 points.

The Blazers were defeated by the Tarheals, 25-8. Tamisha McFadden scored 4 for the Blazers while Courtland Akinloye tossed up 6 for the Tarheels.

The Knicks and the 76ers took to the court with the 76ers coming out on top with a score of 43-27. Anthony Lacour was lead scorer for the Knicks with 18 points as was Shaw Xavier for the 76ers with 16 points.

The Blue Devils and the Ballers in the 13- to 15-year-old division battled it out with the Blue Devils beating the Ballers, 41-31. Brandon Smith of the Ballers was top scorer with 11 points.

The 76ers nixed the Hornets, 48-39 with Ryan Roberts helping his team to the victory with 15 points and Earnest Tyler giving it his all for the Hornets with 14 points.



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The Bulldogs and the Red Bulls struggle for the ball during YS basketball.

NRMB needs information

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Post deer hunters do more than harvest deer in a season, they help wildlife managers track the deer population.

Hunters supply much of the biological data on the post deer population by turning in deer permits or "kill cards" at the end of the season, said Pete Swiderek, post Fish and Wildlife supervisor, Natural Resource Management Branch, Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Public Works.

"The card only takes a few minutes to fill out, but it helps us keep track of the number of animals taken," Swiderek said.

That is, of course if hunters turn in their card, he added. Hunters who don't turn in kill cards by Feb. 15 run the risk of having hunting privileges suspended for a year.

The card, which is issued with every post hunting license purchase, allows hunters to record where and when they killed a deer. They also track the gender and weight of the deer. That, in turn, provides wildlife managers with important information about the habits of post deer, and consequently, the number of deer to be harvested the following year.

USAMU shooter wins Soldier of Year title

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

A shooter with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit has won her third major Army title for 1999.

Julie A. Goloski, a member of the U.S. Army Action Shooting Team, was named as the 1999 Military Marksmanship Association Soldier of the Year.

She also recently wont the titles of Army Female Athlete of the Year and the Army Marksmanship Unit Female Shooter of the Year for 1999.

The Military Marksmanship Association, formerly called the Army Marksmanship Unit Association is the official alumni association of the Army Marksmanship Unit. The Marksmanship Association chose Goloski from a group of nine Soldiers who were nominated.


Goloski

Other nominees were: Kenneth A. Johnson, the 1999 U.S. Army Male Athlete of the Year; Troy A. Bassham, a 1999 Military World Games Gold Medalist; Sgt. Armando R. Ayala, 1999 USA Shooting Running Target Shooter of the Year; Theresa E. DeWitt, 1999 Women's National Double Trap Champion; Shawn C. Dulohery, 1999 National Skeet Champion, Lewis A. Tippie, 1999 Interservice Rifle Champion; Adam E. Sokolowski, 1999 National Junior Pistol Champion; and Charles P. Gartland, 1999 Pan-American Games Pistol Gunsmith.

Goloski was presented the Soldier of the Year Award by retired Col. Mac Johnson, Military Marksmanship Association president at the association's annual meeting Saturday at Fort Benning's Pool International Shooting Complex.

The prize was a .22-caliber match pistol donated by Smith & Wesson engraved with her name.

"Being named Soldier of the Year by the legends who have made the Army Marksmanship Unit an elite unit is an extreme honor," Goloski said. "Competition for the award was so fierce this year as the unit had one of its most successful years.

"It brings me great pride to work with such great champions and to bring home the gold to the U.S. Army," she added.

Goloski was the 1999 Women's World Speed Shooting Champion, as well as the 1999 Open and Limited U.S. Practical Shooting Association Women's National Champion.

She was also this year's Military Division Gold Medalist and Female Silver Medalist at the Bianchi cup, as well as winning gold medals at the Single Stack Classic, Kentucky State Championships, and the Golden Gate and Aware Invitationals.

"Through her determination, hard work and dedication, Julie has become the best female action shooter in the nation as demonstrated by her many achievements this year," said USAMU Action Pistol Team Coach Ray Arredondo. "She won nearly every match in which she competed, something no other American female action shooter has ever done. She also keeps informed of the latest trends and developments to ensure that she is on the cutting edge of technology in her sport."

When she's not competing, Goloski trains U.S. Army rangers in pistol shooting to prepare them for the annual Best Ranger Competition, as well as doing numerous public appearances and media interviews to assist the Army's recruiting mission.

Hunters help control swine

Pigs feeding habits pose threat to environment

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

> "The smaller pigs are really good to eat."
>
> **— Jim Graham**
> Fort Benning Rifle and Pistol Club assistant manager

Fort Benning hunters now have a year-round open season for feral swine.

Because of a rapidly growing population, the pigs are becoming a problem to the environment.

"They feed by rooting, taking their nose and dislodging the ground cover and dirt, and in some areas we have sensitive, rare plants that are being disturbed," said Pete Swiderek, Fish and Wildlife supervisor for Natural Resource Management Branch of Environmental Management Program for Director of Public Works.

The hogs can also have a serious impact the creeks and streams.

"With the ground loosened, erosion from the rain and wind can result in sedimentation and the silting of the streams that will lower the quality of the water," he said.

The pigs not only impact vegetation, but they have a serious impact on humans, especially Soldiers who are training.

"We had one situation where pigs were rooting in a drop zone, and that's not good. Soldiers don't want to land in a hole a foot and a half deep," Swiderek said.

The damage also includes rooting up some target cables on Carmouche Range, as well as tearing up some of the ground near the Main Post Bowling Alley.

Their numbers along with their digging habits is really what causes the extensive damage.

"If they are eating well they can have up to two litters per year with six or seven piglets in each litter," Swiderek said.

Having been deemed a pest, feral swine are now added to the post hunting regulations for animal management.

"I hunt them for the meat," said Jim Graham, Fort Benning Rifle and Pistol Club assistant manager whose choice of weapon is a .50 caliber black powder rifle.

"The smaller pigs are really good to eat," he said.

Hunting the pigs for meat isn't the only reason that people pursue the animals.

"They compete with the deer for food," Graham explained. "I hunt them to help out the deer."

Swiderek agreed that the hogs had an impact on the deer.

"Hogs pretty much eat anything. Dead or alive, (they eat) snakes, lizards, rats, roots, grass, bugs, nuts and berries," he said.

Hunting the swine does have a health risk.

"There are two diseases that (the pigs) are particularly known for, and they are tseudorabies and brucellosis," Swiderek said.

"Brucellosis is a bacterial disease that people can contract. We advise people to always wear plastic gloves when field dressing the pigs," he said.

sports shorts

Little league extends registration — Registration for National Little League for children residing on Fort Benning and in South Columbus will include the following dates for registration:

- Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday from 6- 8 p.m.
- Thursday from 6-8p.m.

Registration will be held at Rigdon Park located off of Hawthorne and South Lumpkin Road and is open to girls and boys ages 5 to 18.

Registration fee is $10 with a $30 uniform fee. Birth certificate and proof of address is also required. For more information, call Patrick Stout at 682-8244.

Briant Wells holds racquetball tourney — A singles racquetball tournament will be held Feb. 11-13 at the Briant Wells Fitness Center. Registration deadline is Tuesday.

The categories are male open, male over 40, male novice and female open.

For more information, call Nancy Collins-Hadley at 545-4388.

Rugby football club begins spring season — The Columbus-Fort Benning rugby football club will open their spring season with a home match against division rivals Montgomery at 2 p.m. Saturday.

The match will be held at the club grounds at 22nd Ave. and Blanchard Industrial Blvd. behind Dolly Madison Bakery. Admission is free.

Club training sessions are also held at the grounds at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All interested athletes are welcome to attend.

For more information, call Jim Muldoon at 327-6544 or Bill Breen at 448-4925.

ROTC sponsors race — The Auburn University Air Force ROTC detachment is sponsoring a 5K run Thursday.

The race will begin at 4 p.m. on the Auburn University campus at the corner of Wire and Thatch Roads.

Registration is $15 before Feb. 1 and $20 after. Participants can register online at www.valentine5k.com.

A portion of the profits will go to the Camp ASCCA to benefit challenged children and adults.

All entrants receive a long-sleeve T-shirt, and are automatically entered in drawings for a number of prizes.

First, second and third place winners in both male and female categories will win cash awards of $100, $60, and $40, respectively. Drawing prizes include: a $200 ski jacket from Southern Trails, various services from the Auburn Dillard's Hair Salon, a $200 gym membership, memberships in GNC's gold card club, and much, much more.

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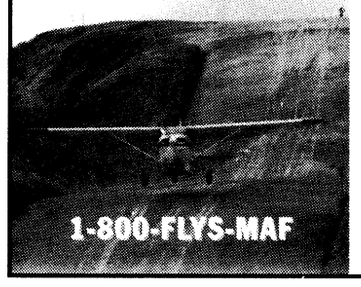

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86 BMW 325 2DR, AC, sunroof, 5spd, 6cly, 154,000 mi, $4,800 obo Doug at 689-0067 x5095 (F25)

87 Dodge Daytona Shelby Z 2.2 I, turbo, t-tops, blace ext, grey int, fair cond $2,100 (F25)

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91 Mitsuabishi 3000GT, white, maroon leather, pwr windows, locks, cd, all wheel drive, twin turbo, VR4 $11,000 obo 565-7457 (F18)

92 Ford T-Bird Sport, black, auto, air, runs great, 65k on engine, $6,500 obo 366-2329, 845-9774 (F4)

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91 Toyota Pickup 4X4, V6, 5-Speed, Red, 100K, Many Extras $6250 obo 689-0067x5092 or (912)369-6650 (F11)

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95 GMC Safari Conversion Van, exc cond, white w/ grey leather int, tv, vcr, video game compatible, dual stereos, $12,500 568-6322 (F11)

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201-A Christian Lane, Custer Terrace, multi family , furniture, toys, etc (F4)

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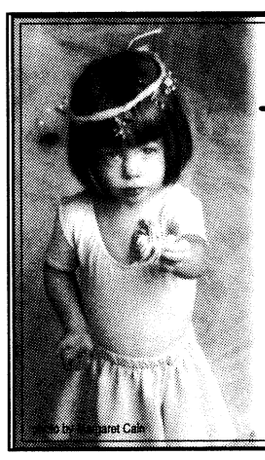
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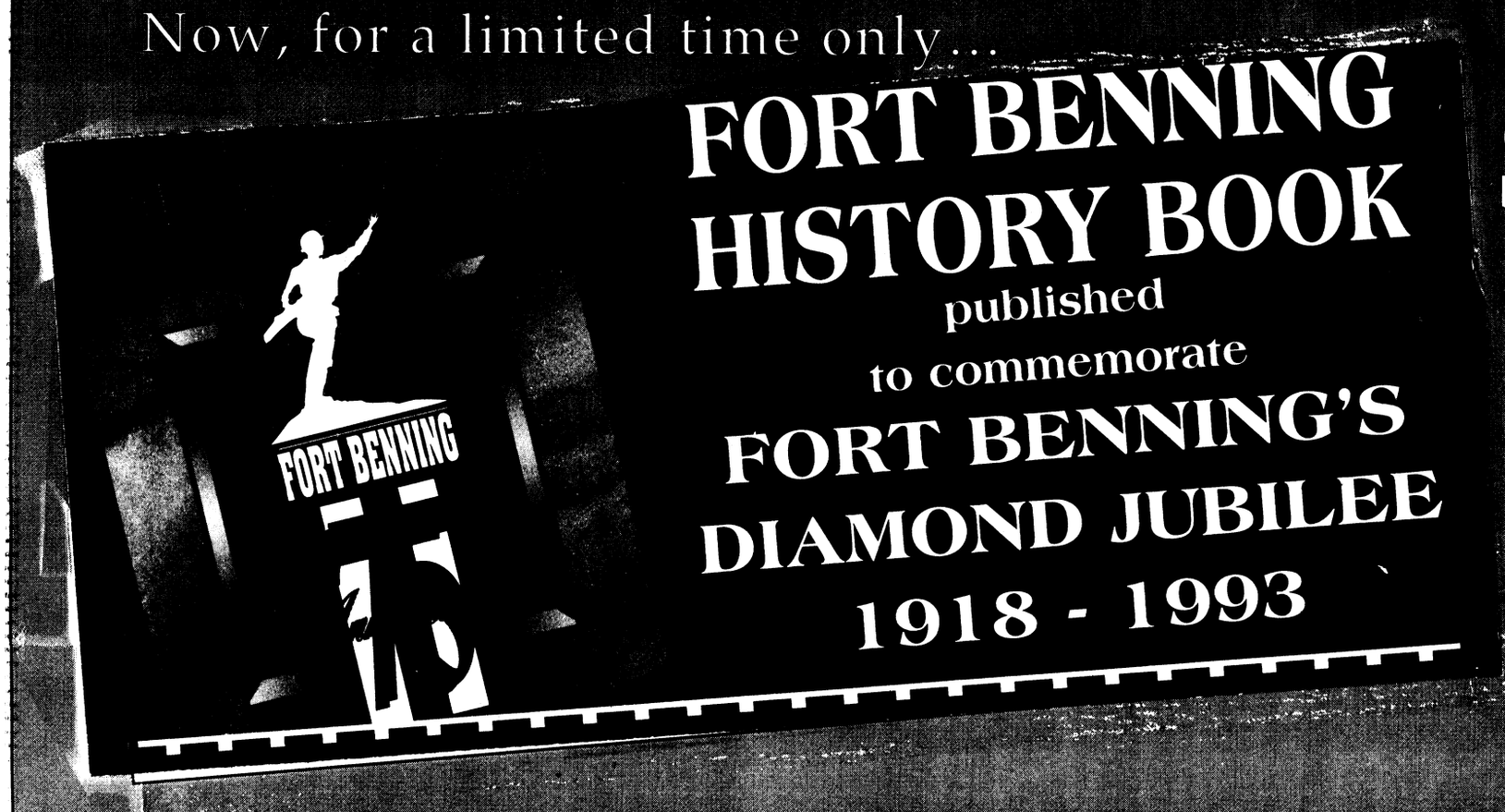

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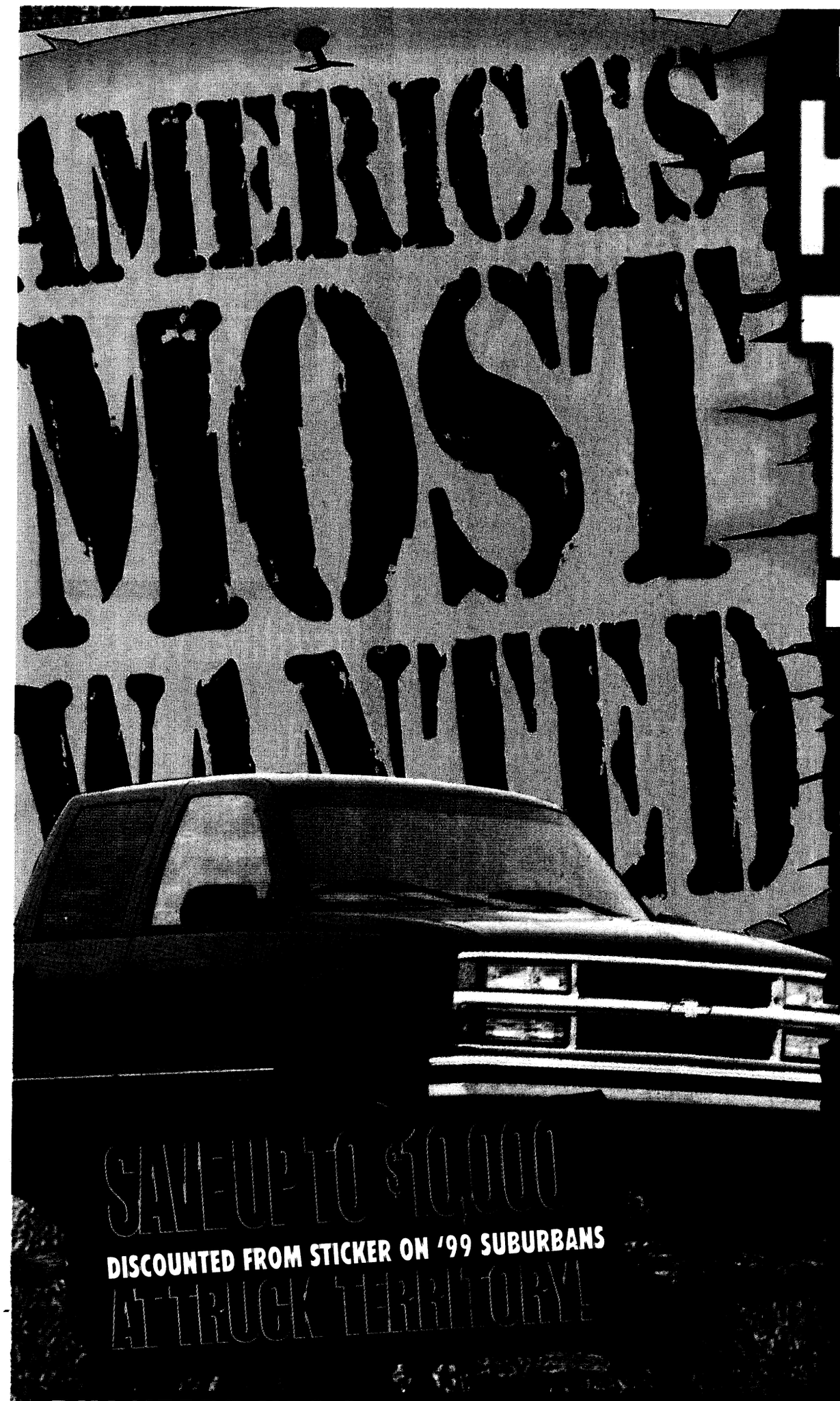

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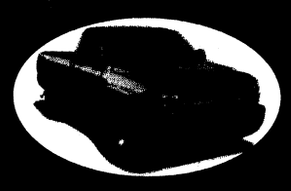

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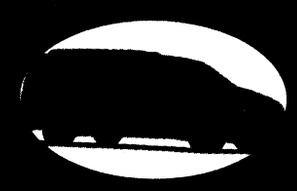

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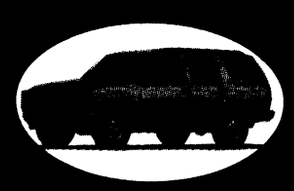

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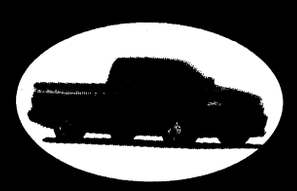

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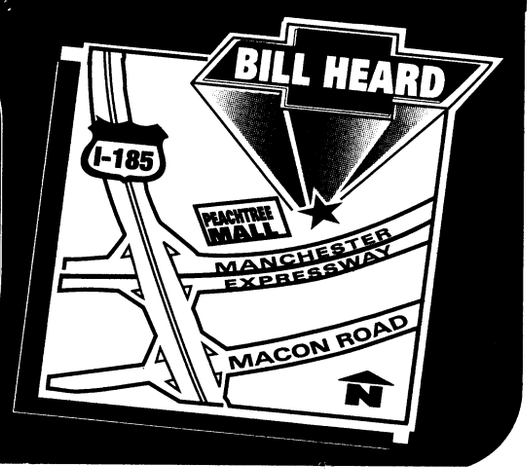

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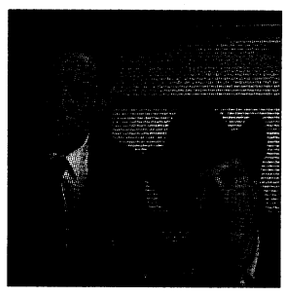

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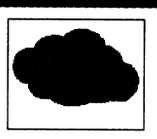
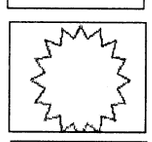
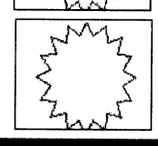
Friday		high 74 low 48
Saturday		high 70 low 40
Sunday		high 56 low 23

New budget returns mixed reviews

Clinton calls for military pay hike, boosts in spending

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Washington's top military officials were offered a mixed bag of benefits Monday when President Clinton announced his proposed final budget — one that directs a purse of more than $291 billion in the direction of the Department of Defense.

Clinton's promised bag of budget benefits includes everything from a 3.7 percent pay hike for Soldiers and DoD civilians to a revamping of the ailing medical system aimed at boosting benefits for both active-duty troops and retirees.

But the increase in defense department spending that exceeds last year's budget by more than $13 billion has some local officials skeptical on the reality of the Clinton budget becoming final.

"The president's proposed budget is irresponsible," said Doug Graham, a spokesperson for Rep. Mac Collins late Wednesday evening. "The budget proposes 84 new programs and billions of dollars in new spending, not to mention a doubling of payroll taxes."

The budget, which Graham said Clinton based on a false premise of a government surplus, does have a silver lining for America's men and women in the armed services.

"Representative Collins is in favor of the budget's boost to defense spending aimed at bettering the quality of life for servicemen and women and giving them the means to fight and win wars," he said. "I am sure Mac will ensure that remains true as the budget is voted upon in the upcoming weeks."

As the vote nears, Fort Benning Soldiers will have to wait and see if the $39.8 million slated for the post's barracks project and airfield addition will actually make their way to the final budget this fall, but post officials are confident that the money will materialize.

The funding for the second phase of the Kelley Hill barracks project and the addition of a fixed wing aircraft hangar at Lawson Army Airfield are in line to

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Pfc. Mitch Frazier

Soldiers from 3rd Brigade participate in 3rd Infantry Division's annual training exercise, Marne Focus. The exercise began late last month at Fort Stewart and will continue through the end of the month.

Troops deploy for training

3rd Brigade trains at Fort Stewart during Marne Focus

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

The red Georgia clay of Fort Stewart's training areas were spotted with tan tanks and smoke Sunday when elements of 3rd Brigade rolled onto the ranges as part of this year's 3rd Infantry Division's annual training exercise, Marne Focus.

The exercise, which enlisted the efforts of more than 3,000 of Fort Benning's Soldiers and their armored equipment, began late last month in the swampy sands of Fort Stewart and will wrap up at the end of February, brigade officials said.

"This allows us to put together plans and coordinate efforts in a real-world type environment," said 1st Lt. Joshua Doscinski, C Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment. "It gives a lot of these people a first time together to actually operate as a team."

Operating as a team is what the elements found to be the key to success early Sunday morning when the group faced off against themselves in a tactical maneuver designed to build teamwork and coordination between the tank crewman and the Bradley crews tackling the situation.

The scenario set half of the group as the opposition force attempting to defend a territorial dispute with the other half as the aggressors.

But how can these Soldiers safely play war with their colleagues without bullets? The same way they did as when they were kids — with cap guns.

Only this time those cap guns have been replaced by M1-A1 Abrams tanks and Bradley fighting vehicles outfitted with blank ammunition and multiple integrated laser engagement systems.

"Except for the fact that there are trees everywhere, this is about as real-world as it gets," said Staff Sgt. James O'Mailey, 4th Battalion, 64th Armor Regiment, Fort Stewart. "We try to make the best of it, realizing this land isn't exactly like the contingency we would probably be facing in the desert.

"But we make do with what we have," he said. "You will never know exactly what you would do during the real thing, but any type of training is good."

That training impact, O'Mailey said, is

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Woman hails Soldier as hero

Specialist returns money found in parking lot

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

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Helen Edwards recovered a lot of money when a Soldier did the right thing.

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Spc. Cornelius Bennett, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, had a medical appointment the same day.

Bennett was walking through the hospital parking lot and saw the purse lying by the curb.

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Top doc initiative hits MACH

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New Army vision becomes reality

Brigade plan focuses on organization

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Teamwork has been the catalyst throughout the Infantry School in transforming Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki's vision of a modern full-spectrum force into a working prototype.

"This really has been a team effort on the part of all the key members of the Infantry School staff," Col. Jim Stone, director of the Directorate of Combat Developments, said.

The Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate, Directorate of Operations and Training, Office of Infantry Proponency, Dismounted Battlespace Battle Lab, 29th Infantry Regiment and the Ranger Training Brigade are all contributing to the Initial Brigade Combat Team.

"In order to move this initiative forward, it has taken the involvement of all of these people," Stone said.

Initial efforts centered on the "organization and operation" of the brigade.

"That has taken a tremendous amount of work to get the squads right and the platoons right to make sure we have the right structure, the right numbers of people, the right kinds of MOSs and the right kind of equipment."

The brigade will have two core qualities — mobility and the ability to achieve decisive combat action through dismounted Infantry assault.

"It's essentially an Infantry brigade. Our main watchword has been to ensure that it was capable of executing Infantry-intensive tasks," Stone said.

The planners started with the Airborne or Air Assault Infantry organization as the base, and added personnel, weapons and equipment to enhance mobility, lethality and force protection.

Two brigades at Fort Lewis, Wash., are being transformed into the initial brigades, and Shinseki has said that the first will be operationally capable by December of 2001.

The initial brigade organization includes:

- Three Infantry battalions of three companies each
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On a rainy Friday evening, in a tiny chapel in Florida, surrounded by a small group of family and friends, Tom and I promised to love, honor and cherish one another for all our lives.

And then there was that part about forsaking all others. The honeymoon was barely over when Tom packed his bags and ran off to join the Army. I went back to Momma in Indiana for the 16 weeks it took him to complete basic training and AIT.

We were just a couple of kids. We were certainly too young to understand the realities of a life-time commitment — to each other or the Army. When they said it wouldn't last, I was never really sure if they were talking about the marriage or the career.

This Valentine's Day, we will celebrate 14 years of marriage. We've spent many of those anniversaries, especially the earlier ones, separated by military miles. And we were often too broke to give those that we spent together more than a cursory celebration. Funny how those memories remain the sweetest.

Like the first anniversary we spent in Fort Drum. February in Watertown has absolutely no redeeming qualities. Despite the three-foot snow drifts, we dressed up in our finest, and headed to Ontario, hoping to dance til dawn in the fanciest night club we knew. I think we circled the dance floor one time before my morning sickness (what a misnomer!) put an end to the evening. There's nothing romantic about nausea.

There was the time Tom saved enough of his paycheck to surprise me with a dozen roses. He somehow sweet-talked his way into the back room of the florist and hand-picked a dozen tea roses, my favorite, in 12 different shades. There were pink, red, yellow, white, peach, — even orange and purple. I've received many bouquets since then, but none has ever meant more to me than that rainbow of tiny roses.

And there was the anniversary I spent alone, sitting on our front porch, listing the reasons I was glad I had married him. Never mind that I was all alone on Valentine's Day, again. Never mind that I was all alone on my anniversary, again. As I put it all on paper, I realized I wouldn't change a thing.

For every tearful good-bye, we've had a happy reunion. For every friend we've waved farewell to, two more have taken his place. For every home we've left behind, just when I've finished decorating, there's a new one waiting for just the right touch. And for every time Tom has missed one of the kids' birthdays, he's turned an ordinary day into one of celebration.

So when I said I'd do it all over again, he took me at my word. Tomorrow night, surrounded by a small group of friends, old and new, we'll renew our vows. This time the kids will be there. The church is different. Maybe the sun will shine. But the commitment remains the same. Come what may, we'll head blissfully ignorant into the next 14 years. Happy anniversary Tom. Looks like we made it.

Thievery goes beyond material possessions

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary



A thief is a thief is a thief. Strong words from Lt. Col. Terry Kelley with the Directorate of Public Safety.

It's not a break-in at the post exchange or commissary that has the chief of the Law Enforcement Division concerned but parking at these locations.

Reserved parking spaces are the issue, and people who park in reserved spaces are inconsiderate, Kelley said.

People who illegally or wrongly park in reserved spaces are thieves. They are taking something that is not theirs to take.

Handicap parking spaces are reserved spaces.

A year ago when I was in Idaho, I drove into the parking lot of a small town's grocery store. The two handicap parking spaces were closest to the entrance on the side of the building. On the outer wall of the grocery store was a pay phone. As I was getting out of my car, the driver of a four-door pickup truck for a construction firm pulled into both of the reserved handicap parking spots. The driver jumped out of the illegally parked truck and went to use the pay phone. My jaw hit the ground. I was simply amazed at this man's audacity and lack of courtesy. Then because I stared at him as I walked across the parking lot, he stopped his phone conversation and started cursing at me.

What a creep! Luckily for me my daughter was with me and I didn't sink to this man's level of boorish behavior.

When I told my mother of this incident she said, "Lori, you are not in the Army any more. You're not at Fort Benning and people carry guns in their cars. You're lucky he just cursed and didn't shoot you."

Well she is right, I'm not in the Army any more, but I am back at Fort Benning where parking illegally in a handicap parking spot can cost upward to $500. And if the person elects to contest the ticket in federal magistrate court, court costs of an additional $25 are added to the bill if they are found guilty.

That is a lot of money for the convenience of parking closer to the building.

When talking about parking in undeserved reserved parking spots, Kelley said people should think about how they'd feel if they were entitled to reserved parking and someone else parked in it.

One time when I was walking into Infantry Hall past the rows of reserved parking, I noticed a car blocked in by another car. The blocked car had a note on it, instructing the owner to report to the person whose space was reserved.

I'm just betting that wasn't a pleasant conversation for the person who parked in an undeserved parking spot.

There's a reason parking places are reserved. It's so handicapped and other deserving people can be assured convenient parking. And while it may not be a crime to be inconsiderate, morally it's still a crime to be a thief.

Take quiz; match people with contributions

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

A fabric woven and stitched from a single thread would be a tapestry with no texture and of little intrinsic value. It would be functional, perhaps, but weaker and of little consequence next to a piece blending yarns and threads of different colors, weights and lengths.

The people whose lives and deeds making up the tapestry our country is today are like those different threads. Some of their lines are broad and bright, unmistakable mileposts marking their gifts to the threads woven in after. Other threads are not so wide, their colors muted, but still irreplaceable in the grand scheme of a master weaver. To remove even one would damage and weaken the whole.

This month we celebrate Black History Month. Contributions from African-Americans affect all Americans.

In tribute, *THE BAYONET* has chosen 12 African-Americans whose gifts touch all Americans.

Not all of the 12 are household names, not all of their actions were earth shaking; but each, in his or her own way, added to the world we live in today.

Can you match the American with the deed?

1 A conductor on the "Underground Railroad," she also served as a spy and scout for the Union Army during the Civil War between 1862 and 1865.

2 After emancipation, he worked in West Virginia coal mines, attending school when he could. He went on to graduate from Hampton Institute in 1875, and went on to found the Tuskegee Normal School in Alabama.

3 Educator, political advisor, civil rights leader and founder of the Daytona Normal and Industrial Institute for Negro Girls. Founded a teaching hospital bearing her name which grew to a college. Served two terms as president of the National Association of Colored Women and advised the Coolidge and Hoover administrations on issues affecting African Americans.

4 First African American to serve as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom at retirement.

5 A landmark setting lawyer and one of history's great judicial figures. Served as chief counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund. Argued 32 civil rights cases before the Supreme Court, winning 29, to include Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kan., which ended segregation in public schools. First African American on the Supreme Court.

6 Inventor and businessman who invented and patented a "safety hood and smoke protector." In 1916 he led a team of volunteers wearing his "gas masks" and rescued 32 workmen who had been trapped in a tunnel 250 feet under Lake Erie. Also patented an automatic traffic signal. He sold the technology to General Electric for $40,000.

7 One of the first heroes of the war in the Pacific. A Navy mess attendant at Pearl Harbor, he had never been trained to fire a machine gun because of Navy segregation policies. During the Dec. 7 attack, he abandoned the galley and manned a machine gun on deck. He is officially credited with downing two enemy planes, and witnesses have said he downed as many as six. He was awarded the Navy Cross for "distinguished devotion to duty, extreme courage, and disregard for his own personal safety during the attack."

8 Anti-lynching leader, teacher, suffragist, journalist, speaker. Part owner and editor of the Memphis Free Speech and Headlight. Sued and won her case against a railroad for forcefully removing her from a segregated ladies' coach. Wrote "Southern Horrors: Lynch Law in All Its Phases." Was one of two black women to sign the call for forming the NAACP.

9 Probably the most prolific female African-American authors of the century, she wrote seven books and 50 shorter works with topics ranging from an autobiography to folklore, music and mythology.

10 Discovered processes for preserving blood for transfusions. Was appointed to the faculty of Howard University and was appointed head of surgery. During World War II, was appointed head of the National Blood Bank program. He resigned from that position because of the government policy mandating that blood only be given to patients of the same race as the blood donor's. Went on to serve as chief of surgery at Freedmen's Hospital in Washington, D.C.

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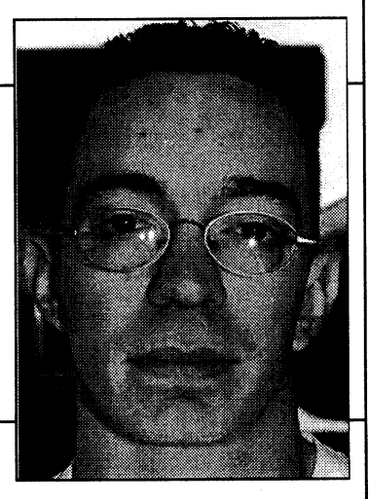
VARIOUS VOICES

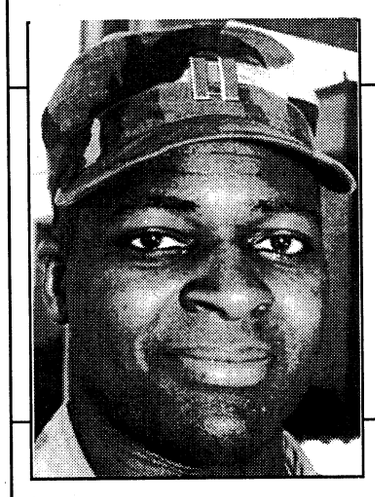
What is the most romantic way you've celebrated Valentine's Day?



Belle Poppenberger, family member — "My husband and I went and saw *Phantom of the Opera* in Austin, Texas. And we had dinner in an Italian restaurant. It was the best Valentine's Day ever."



Pfc. Christopher Fones, B Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry — "The best Valentine's Day ever was when I prepared a candlelight dinner for my wife. I cooked her a medium rare steak (her favorite), sauteed mushrooms, baked potato and served chilled wine."



Capt. Cecil Henry, B Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "Two years ago when I got back from NTC, a friend baby-sat our son for my wife and I so we could spend the entire night alone. We had a candlelight dinner."



Spc. Ronda Bryan, 14th Military Police Brigade, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. — "Four years ago, when I was in Atlanta, I was serenaded. The song was *Always and Forever* and I've never forgotten that Valentine's Day."



Jo Grub, family member — "The most romantic Valentine's Day was when we were in Italy. My husband bought me a dozen red roses, which are very expensive in Italy, and took me to a very fancy restaurant."

To suggest future topics or questions for Various Voices or to volunteer your opinion on upcoming questions, call 545-2201.

for the record

In last week's issue of *THE BAYONET*, on Page C-1 it was incorrectly reported that the 76ers beat the Hornets in Youth Services basketball action. The Hornets beat the 76ers, 48-39. *THE BAYONET* apologizes for the error.

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Post gathers for Black History celebration

Luncheon honors advancements of minority leaders

Bridgett Siter
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"Celebrating Black History" was the theme of the Black History Month luncheon at the Fort Benning Officers' Club on Tuesday. More than 400 Soldiers and civilians gathered for the ceremony which was sponsored by the USAIC Equal Opportunity Office.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott New called the event "a time of sincere appreciation for African-American history." New said the celebration of Black History Month is an opportunity to focus on what we have in common as human beings and to see ourselves through the eyes of God.

"It is good to remember the many contributions of black Americans to the history of the United States. Each of us can learn from, and be proud of, those who are reaching their potential," New said.

Students from the Spencer High School African American Dance Group performed choreographed steps to West African music. Wearing traditional African dress, they led the audience in singing "Lift Every Voice and Sing," the African-American National Anthem.

The 4th Street Baptist Mime Group received a standing ovation for their performance of "The Battle is Not Yours." In white face paint, the troupe dramatized the black spiritual based on a speech by Martin Luther King Jr.

Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton, Deputy Commanding General and assistant commandant, U.S. Army Infantry Center, cautioned Soldiers and civilians alike to avoid becoming cynical in their efforts to combat racism on a day-to-day basis.

"If there's cynicism out there, it needs to be worked through so that folks understand there is still work to be done. We do not want to go back to the old way," Eaton said.

Eaton introduced the guest speaker, Brig. Gen. Dorian T. Anderson, Commanding General, Joint Task Force Six, as "no stranger to Fort Benning." Before being assigned to the Joint Task Force, Anderson was the Commander of the Ranger Training Brigade at Fort Benning.

"I'm delighted to be back home. You don't know how good you have it here until you leave. It is an honor to be asked to speak at this event," Anderson said.

Anderson lauded the contributions of black leaders throughout history and challenged black Americans to rise to the standards set before them by leaders such as Martin Luther King Jr. and Harriet Tubman.

"Where are we in our efforts? How far have we come? The challenge is clear. We have more opportunities than ever before in the new millennium. We need to segregate ourselves from the things that are destroying us and our human potential. We need to free ourselves from the very things that are returning us to slavery — things like drugs and the erosion of the family structure," Anderson said.

Anderson said that the answer to today's problems with racial and social inequality can be found in the past.

"We must seize the moral high ground and rediscover family values. Through scientific advancement we have created a world-wide neighborhood. Now we need to create a world-wide brotherhood."

Class: Reinforces hospitality

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they treated customers and each other.

People started pouring into the business, and their success is designed to motivate others.

The instructors keep the fish theme alive in the class by decorating the conference room with fish, snacking on goldfish crackers and throwing "beanie" fish around for fun.

The customer service training has been mandated by the Surgeon General of the Army.

"First, it has to do with our mission of providing good health care and customer service to Soldiers, family members and retirees," Terry Beckwith, public affairs officer, Martin Army Community Hospital, said.

"Secondly, we have to think of the future of our hospital," she said. "Without our patients we wouldn't be here."

Beckwith and six other members of the MACH staff were trained at Madigan Medical Center in Seattle and are now giving the classes every Tuesday and Thursday morning.

And everyone — doctors, nurses, pharmacy personnel, clerical workers, housekeepers, etc. — is required to attend.

"From the commander on down," Beckwith said.

"The intent of this initiative is to improve the customer relations skills of all health care and administrative staff throughout the Army Medical Department," Beckwith said.

"Quality customer service brings our patients back again and again, because they know we care," she said.

Customer service is "critical due to the financial incentives inherent in enrollment-based capitation funding that our military treatment facilities may operate under in the future," she said.

Under enrollment-based capitation, military treatment facilities will receive a set amount per person enrolled in Tricare Prime starting with the 2001 budget. Satisfied patients are more likely to enroll in the Prime program at MACH.

"Our goal is to keep our active-duty family members and retirees coming back to our facility because they have the option to go somewhere else," Beckwith said.

Carolyn Bradley, MACH patient representative, is an instructor.

"Those who attend go away with a sense that the patient is why we are here, and that's why we have a job, and we need to find a way to let patients know they are important to us," Bradley said.

"We become complacent because we've done the job over and over again," Bradley said.

The equipment and technology found throughout the hospital often confuse patients, along with knowing how the appointment or referral systems work.

"We should take the time, slow down, and explain the procedure to the patient," Bradley said.

Maj. Wanda Scott, executive officer with the Healthcare Management Division, agreed that personnel often hear the same questions throughout the day.

"But when it comes down to happening to you, it doesn't matter what your knowledge base is, it becomes very personal."

While some personnel may balk at attending a four-hour class on "manners," Scott has found that evaluations received from MEDDAC employees have been positive.

"We were not willing to just put a program out there to punch a ticket," Scott said. "We wanted it to make a difference, not only in our patients' lives, but also in our own personal lives."

The instructors will travel to the 5th Ranger Training Battalion in Dahlonega and the Dear Clinic at Anniston Army Depot, Ala., to teach the class to the medics and civilian personnel there.

Once all workers have taken the four-hour session, they will be required to attend an annual refresher course, Beckwith said.



Sally Shutt

Carol Abbott throws a plush fish toy during the hospitality class at MACH. The class, sponsored by MEDDAC, is part of a force-wide effort to boost customer service at Army medical facilities worldwide.

Find: Earns accolade

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"I didn't know what it was ... I thought it could have been a bomb or something so I reached over with my foot and opened it," Bennett said.

After finding out who the Soldier was who found and returned her purse, Helen wanted to thank her hero. So her husband Leland, a retired major, started calling around.

Helen said she really wanted Bennett's good deed to be recognized.

During an awards presentation, Helen met her hero, and Bennett was awarded a unit coin from his brigade commander, Col. Frank Helmick, and a hug of appreciation from Helen.

Helen said, "He didn't have to turn (my purse) in, but he did what was right and that is why he is my hero."

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Officials hope programs will right recruiting woes

New approaches will recruit college students, dropouts

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

In an effort to boost recruiting, the Army announced last week the launch of two new pilot programs aimed at assisting high school dropouts and college-bound students.

The programs are expected to bolster the Army's ailing recruiting program, a system that fell nearly 6,300 troops short in 1999.

The programs, GED Plus and College First, are aimed at enticing more troops into the pool of potential Soldiers making the possibility of reaching recruiting goals a real possibility.

"We are interested in expanding recruiting markets by identifying larger segments of populations with indicators of retention and trainability," said Lt. Col Harold Hardrick, commander, Atlanta Recruiting Battalion. "Today's force requires highly motivated, skilled Soldiers to maintain readiness — these programs serve those needs."

GED Plus, the Army's High School Completion Program, will send nearly 6,000 non-high school graduates to take the General Education Development (GED) test at government expense in hopes of the drop out passing the test and enlisting in the Army.

While the GED program may lure interested individuals into recruiting stations, Dave Foster, chief public affairs official for the Atlanta battalion, said perspective Soldiers attempting to enlist under the blanket of the new program will face more stringent standards than high school graduates.

GED Plus enlistees will have to initially take an Assessment of Individual Motivation and return a minimum score of 46 out of 100. If a passing score is logged, it is on to the standardized military entrance exam, the Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery where the enlistee must score at least a 50, a score that is five points over the national average and 19 points over the minimum regular enlistment score.

"We are holding these potential enlistees to a higher standard than normal enlistees to prove the validity of their education," Foster said. "The Army is not lowering their standard whatsoever. We are just simply making an opportunity available to people who before have not had the same opportunities as others."

The new program is expected to cost each recruiting battalion nearly $100 per enlistee who takes the GED as the battalion is responsible for the cost of the class, books and the cost of the test.

The program is slated to cost the Army nearly $3 million annually.

Presently, the Atlanta battalion is one of only a handful of locations nationwide playing host to the GED Plus pilot program scheduled to run through Sept 30, 2003.

The program initially sparked debate from the upper echelon's of the Pentagon because the government is reluctant to endorse any incentive that may be perceived as decreasing the quality of troops.

But Secretary of the Army William Cohen, teamed up with retired Gen. Colin Powell to endorse the new recruiting process.

"We want to extend Army recruiting by identifying people with high indicators of of trainability," Cohen told reporters last week. "This program does this."

"We should have no fear that in any way are we going to lower the standards of the U.S. Army," Powell said at the same news conference.

The second of the two pilot programs put into effect last week, called College First, is an initiative by the Department of Army to target college-bound high school graduates to serve on active duty upon finishing two years of college.

The program, which allows enlistees to participate in either Reserve component or Delayed Entry Program while attending school, will pay the student-enlistee a $150 monthly stipend.

Officials hope the program, which is slated to cost the Army $3 million annually, will boost recruiting in the selected demographic.

Presently the Army only recruits .25 percent of the college-bound population annually.

But teens in the Columbus and Fort Benning area hoping to walk into a local recruiting station and sign under the new college first option, may not want to act so fast. The pilot program is only available in Raleigh, N.C., Columbia, S.C., and Jacksonville, Fla.

Both the GED Plus and the College First program will be re-evaluated in September 2003 to determine the success both. At that time, the duo pilot programs will either be erased or find their way into the recruiting command's regulation books, Foster said.

School holds week of education

USARSA hosts week celebration of human rights

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

The U.S. Army School of the Americas held its annual Human Rights Week, Monday through today inside Ridgway Hall.

This annual event combines the 40 hour block of instruction on Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law given to the students attending the Command and General Staff Officer Course with guest lectures, panels, workshops, and displays, which are related to the topic.

"This event can be described as a week of activities that celebrates the respect for human rights and international humanitarian law," said Maj. Tony Raimondo, judge advocate for USARSA and principal human rights instructor for the school. "This week also exemplifies what we do best here at USARSA, and that is teach respect for human rights as an integral part of military training and doctrine."

Guest speakers for the week-long human rights training included Francois Senechaud, with the International Committee of the Red Cross and Steven Schneebaum, a human rights attorney in Washington, D.C. Other speakers who also lectured during the week included USARSA's Commandant, Col. Glenn Weidner.

Schneebaum is a former member of the Board of Directors, International Human Rights Law Group, and a current member of the Board of Visitors for USARSA.

The BOV is a subcommittee of the Army Education Advisory Committee constituted under Public Law 92-463 (The Federal Advisory Committee Act), that provides the Secretary of the Army, the Chief of Staff and the Army's senior leadership with expert and continuous advice on USARSA's educational programs.

The week-long forum will have a Human Rights Panel today, encompassing a group of specialists in human rights from the professional, academia, governmental and non-governmental field.

"We as Soldiers must understand all the principals, protocols and applications of human rights laws," said Maj. Carmen Estrella, a CGSOC student.

MACH opens new Healthcare Management department

Hospital change eases communication among branches

Sally Shutt
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In an effort to improve customer service and streamline hospital operations, Martin Army Community Hospital stood up a Healthcare Management Division in June.

Four branches fall under the division — beneficiary, marketing, data and medical services.

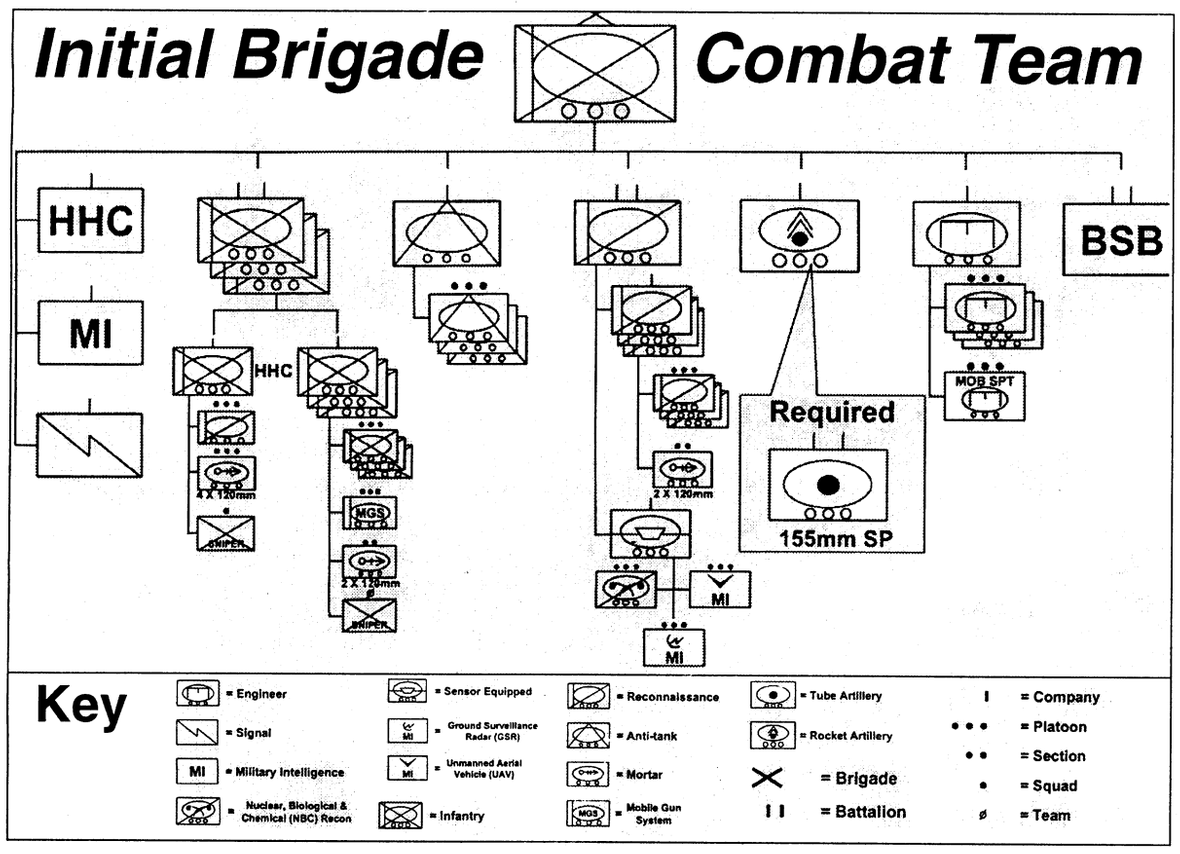
"We stood up the division to facilitate communication between the different branches," Maj. Wanda Scott, division executive officer, said.

"In the past a branch would have only one piece of a person's health care. Now, we've put all the people who deal with the patient into one division."

The enrollment office, patient services, health care finders, health benefits advisors, consult coordinators and all health care service contracts, including Tricare, fall under the Beneficiary Services Branch. The Marketing Services Branch includes the marketing and public affairs office, patient representatives and information desk.

The Data Services Branch handles data analysis. The Medical Services Branch encompasses case managers, risk management, quality management, credentialing and utilization management.

Patients should have an easier time finding answers to their questions, Scott said. When individuals call with questions about their health care, if the person on the other end of the phone doesn't know the answer, he or she should refer the callers to someone within the Healthcare Management Division.



Plan: Brings life to new brigade

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to carry a nine-man Infantry squad and the crew members," Stone said.

There will be several configurations of the vehicle — one for mortars, anti-tank, fire-support, reconnaissance, etc.

"It's similar to going to a car dealer. You can get several different models of Ford.

They are all Fords, and they all look about the same. But each individual organization has different requirements," Stone said.

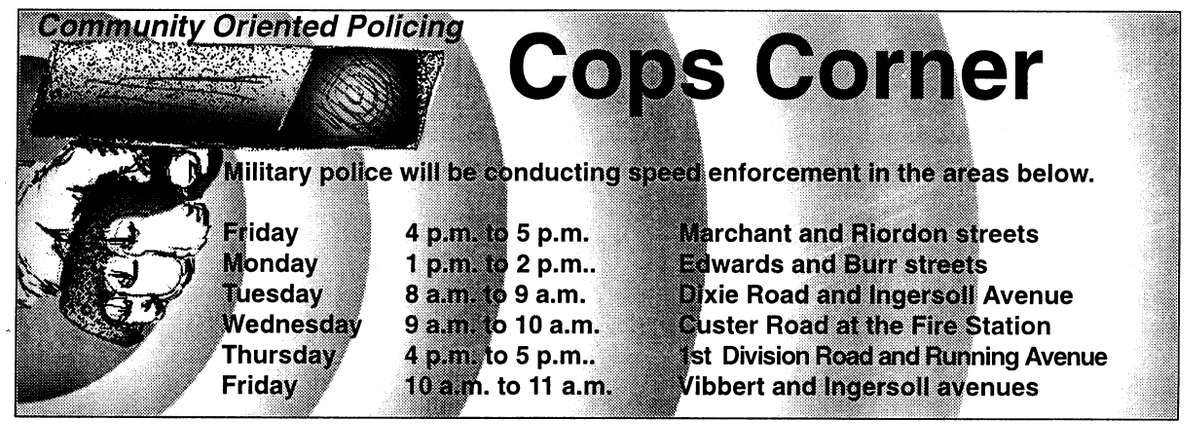
"One unique factor emerging from this new organization is the organic combined arms companies," said Maj. Dave Pound, chief of the Concepts, Analysis and Integration Division, DCD, alluding to the integration of indirect (mounted 120 mm mortars) and direct-fire weapons systems (mobile gun systems), as well as personnel, including indirect fire support teams.

Each Infantry battalion will have a reconnaissance platoon capable of conducting simultaneous mounted and dismounted reconnaissance. There is a four-gun 120 mm mortar platoon also equipped with four 81 mm mortars to support dismounted operations. The battalion will field a 10-man sniper squad equipped with heavy and medium caliber sniper systems.

Each rifle company has three rifle platoons, a MGS platoon and a section of two 120 mm mortars mounted on IAVs. The mortar section is also equipped with two 60 mm mortars to support dismounted operations. The company will also have a three-man sniper team.

Each rifle platoon has three nine-man squads with a Javelin command launch unit (CLU). Every weapons squad has two three-man M-240B machine gun teams and two Javelin gunners with CLUs.

For more information on the modernization efforts, visit the www.benning.army.mil/BCTTF website.



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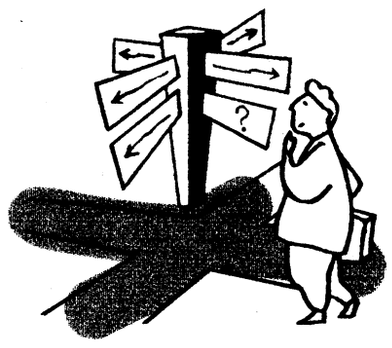

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Richardson

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? There were certain goals that I wished to accomplish in my life, and I decided that becoming a Soldier of the U.S. Army would give me the discipline and directive to best fulfill those goals.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? My platoon nominated me as the distinguished honor graduate of the cycle. My fellow Soldiers characterized me as being dedicated, motivated, responsible, caring and intelligent. They felt I was a great platoon guide and that I always led by setting a good example.

Staff Sgt. Antonio Wiggins
Spring Lake, N.C.
D Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. Good leadership comes when a Soldier understands the task. I want my Soldiers to be able to come to me with any problem. I feel my leadership style is one that understands Soldiers first.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? That I have had a part in the Soldierization process of the new Soldier of today's Army.

Pvt. Anthony Crafter
Macon, Ga.
C Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade


Crafter

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? The chance to make a better life for my family. Thus far, the decision has proven to be the best I've made in life.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen as honor graduate because I possess the qualities of a leader — discipline, honor, integrity and pride. A positive role model will always shine and stand above the rest.

Staff Sgt. Jonathon Holmes
Beaufort, S.C.
C Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade


Holmes

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. Both directing and leading by example. Because I'm hard but fair and leading by example because the Soldier will see that you can accomplish any task or mission.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Knowing that I was a positive role model for Soldiers that are just entering the Army.

post briefs

CID offers reward

The United States Criminal Investigation Command is offering a $300 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the larceny of a 1991 red Kawasaki Ninja ZX-6 motorcycle from Magrath Street., Fort Benning, between Dec. 14-15 1999.

Also, CID is offering a $200 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of a U.S. government Compass laptop computer from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, Building 9016, around Dec. 22.

CID is also offering a $600 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of three SIDPERS servers, one CTX laptop computer and one Pentium computer from SIDPERS, Building 2618, between Dec. 22-27.

The assistance of the local community is being requested in an effort to identify and apprehend the perpetrator(s).

It is requested that anyone with information concerning these individuals contact the CID Duty Agent at 545-8916 or the Military Police at 545-5222. The identity of anyone providing information will be kept in the strictest confidence.

47th Inf. Regt. plans ceremony

Former members of the 47th Infantry Regiment are invited to attend the regimental association change of authority ceremony 9 a.m., March 14 at on Pomeroy Ficld.

The 2nd and 3rd Battalion, 47th Inf. Regt., are co-hosting the event as the incoming honorary commander, retired Brig. Gen. Douglas Smith, and the outgoing honorary commander, retired Col. Ed Thurman.

RSVP no later than March 5 to Sgt. 1st Class Michelle Ingram at DSN 784-8733 or 544-8733 or e-mail ATSH-BCB-S1@benning.army.mil.

Air Force conducts reunion

Torrejon Air Force Base, Spain (all units) will conduct a seventh reunion Aug. 31 to Sept. 3 in Mount Laurel, N.J.

For more information, contact Burnethel Sanford, P.O. Box 3492, Riverside, CA 92519.

2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt. sponsors blood drive

The 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment will sponsor a blood drive from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday in Infantry Hall.

For more information, call Cassandra Wyatt at 545-5195.

EOD holds seminar

Anyone interested in becoming an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Technician and meets the following requirements, are encouraged to attend a recruitment seminar from 9 a.m. — 4 p.m. Feb. 22 — 23 in Building 4, Classroom 3.

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Personnel are only required to attend.

For more information, call 545-4154 or 545-4974.

OCS holds selection board

The next Officer's Candidate School DA selection board will be April 3-7. The packet must reach DA no later than March 31. Local board for Fort Benning will be from Jan 31 to Feb. 4. Applicants must turn in their packets no later than Jan. 18 to Building 2619, PSRD.

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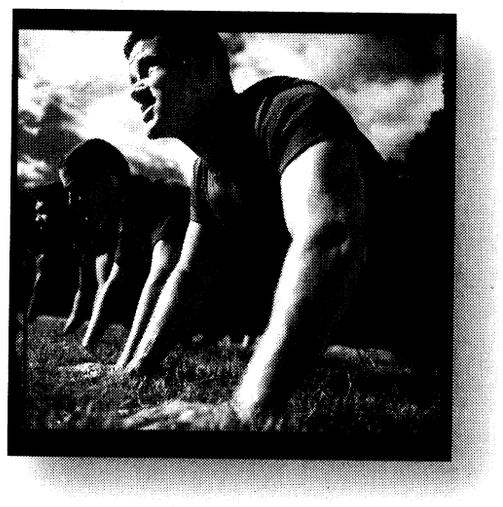

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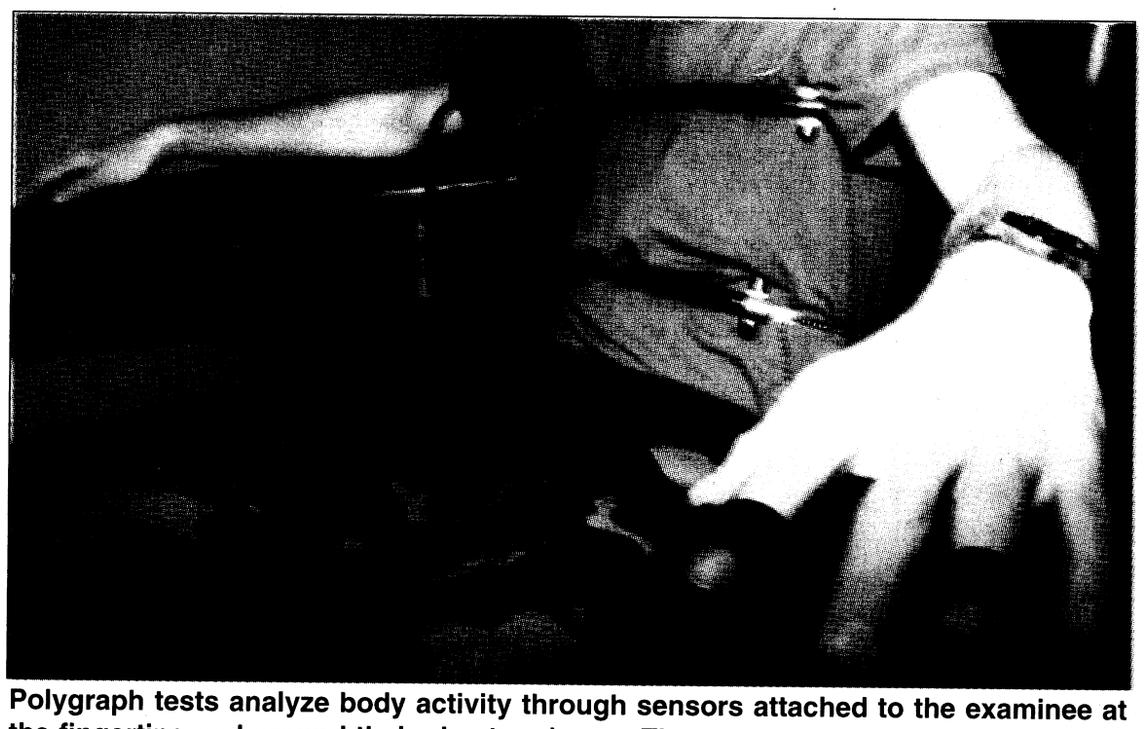
Commanders can get to the bottom of an investigation and find out if their troops are telling the truth with a little help from Fort Benning's ...

Lie detector

Photos and story by
Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer



Special Agent David Reisinger, Fort Benning's Criminal Investigation Command, administers a polygraph test earlier this week. Reisinger, one of the Army's 20 polygraph examiners, offers polygraph assistance to both military police and unit commanders to assist in unit-level investigations.



Polygraph tests analyze body activity through sensors attached to the examinee at the fingertips and around their chest and arm. The sensors record pulse, breathing and blood pressure providing data to a nearby computer for analysis.

Commanders now have a new tool in their investigative arsenal when attempting to determine whether a Soldier's story is true during a commander's inquiry investigation.

The tool comes courtesy of the Army's super sleuths, the special agents of the Criminal Investigation Command. But CID officials said, the tool really isn't new at all.



So what exactly is this crime-fighting tool? The Army's top cops call it a polygraph, but those outside the field of finding the bad guys know it by only what it is used for — lie detector.

"Polygraph tests are a tool we make available to commanders to help them resolve (Army Regulation) 15-6 investigations," said Special Agent David Reisinger, a polygraph examiner assigned to Fort Benning's CID detachment. "The test assists commanders in resolving unit level matters that don't fall within the investigative jurisdiction of the military police or CID."

Reisinger, a 13-year veteran of CID and one of the Army's 20 elite polygraph specialists, said some of the investigations CID assists units with polygraph examinations include disrespect to an officer or NCO, return of a positive urinalysis for drug use and missing items from a unit's inventory.

While Reisinger said the Army makes the tool available to commanders, many opt not to use Reisinger's lie detecting resource in fear of their unit appearing on the post police blotter.

"As long as the offense doesn't fall under the MP or CID purview," he said, "the test will not hit the blotter."

Although the results of polygraph tests are not admissible in any judicial hearing, Reisinger said it is not the polygraph that is the true lie detector.

"There is much more to administering a polygraph than putting the instrument on a person and asking a simple series of questions," he said. "If that was the case, anyone could come in here and give the test. But there's more to the test than sitting down and answering a list of questions."

In both the case of attempting to solve a crime and determining a commander's inquiry investigation, a polygraph test begins long before the suspect is strapped into the polygraph machine.

The process begins as soon as the suspect is brought to the CID office and undergoes an initial interview.

Once it is discovered how the person will respond to interview questions, Reisinger formulates a plan on how to question the examinee to allow them to properly plead their case.

"During that initial interview, I figure out how they are going to respond to certain questions and certain situations," he said. "I learn what they do when they lie and then focus upon that to analyze if they are really telling me the truth when they are taking the test."

Analyzing a reaction called flight, fright or freeze, Reisinger said he can typically pin point how their body will react when they tell a lie.

"It is simple physiology really. When your body undergoes stress, it reacts in a certain manner. The same is true when you tell a lie — that is how the polygraph and I can point out a lie," he said. "That reaction, called flight, fright or freeze, is what I use to determine whether the person is really telling the truth."

The polygraph machine, which is attached to the suspect's fingertips, chest and arm, logs heart rate, pulse, sweat and breathing activity and records the results during each question.

On a nearby computer screen, Reisinger analyzes those answers, looking for an indication of flight, fright or freeze, in an effort to disclose whether the examinee is being truthful in their answers.

"Upon completion of the test, I can then go back and compare the individual question results and dictate if the person was undergoing flight, fright or freeze at the time of their answer," he said. "Then it is just simply reviewing those results with the examinee, and if they return a positive result in them lying, I ask them why they did it.

"More times than not they will confess to what they are here for," he said.

While here for Reisinger is usually Fort Benning, the top cop is able to take his polygraph show on the road to assist commanders in the Southeast and Puerto Rico.

"The polygraph is such a useful tool during commander's investigations, we want to make it available to them regardless of their locations," he said. "Thanks to laptop computers, we can take the polygraph anywhere at anytime."

The ability to be mobile sends Reisinger on the road with the polygraph nearly two times a month with his latest endeavor taking him to Alabama.

"It used to be where the analog polygraph machine was bulky and difficult to move," he said. "Now we have the luxury of easily taking our polygraph to commanders locations, making the use of the polygraph more accessible to everyone."

Maj. Dennis Wince, commander of the International Student Training Detachment here, said accessibility led him to call upon Reisinger when property was stolen from the unit last year.

"The polygraph is another tool commanders can call upon in situations like we had to help eliminate a possible list of suspects," Wince said. "And anytime you can cut down the time it takes to solve a crime, the better chance you have in finding the person responsible."

Presently, Reisinger is at the top of the Army's all-star investigator's list for finding the persons responsible for criminal acts, logging a 100 percent confession since Oct. 99.

Reisinger can be reached at 545-8914 or via email at ReisingerD@benning.army.mil.

Expert Infantry site ready for test

Sandbags, nets set for event to name top combat troops

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

Phase one of this year's Expert Infantryman's Badge testing is now underway with more than 45 NCOs and Soldiers from units all over post taking to Burroughs Range to get the site well prepared for the close to 500 EIBers expected to undergo testing at the beginning of March.

The Soldiers began setup Monday and will spend until the middle of next week constructing 24 testing sites, said Sgt. Maj. Dwayne Dikes, operations sergeant major for the 29th Infantry Regiment and EIB coordinator.

In order to get the sites ready, the Soldiers will do everything from clearing debris and growth to sandbagging and erecting camouflage nets and booths. They will also be required to gather the appropriate equipment for their particular station and ensuring everything is set up correctly and able to operate smoothly, Dikes said.

Everything has to be done to standard, which means making the sites perfect for training conditions, he said. An example of this was having to remove a small tree that would have ultimately interfered with communications at one of the testing sites.

After the setup is complete, Dikes will inspect each of sites to make sure they are to the standard set by post command sergeant major Command Sgt. Major Mack Vereen and 29th Infantry Regiment Commander Col. Carter Ham.

> "The crucial thing is when (the Soldier) comes to a site nothing is required of him. All he needs to do is show up, get his briefing and then test."
>
> **— Sgt. Maj. Dwayne Dikes**
> EIB site coordinator, 29th Infantry Regiment

For Staff Sgt. William Simmons, NCO Academy, Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course, EIB setup "is all a part of the training."

All of the effort that goes into perfecting the sites is done to benefit the Soldiers who will be testing, Dikes said.

"We want to make it comfortable for the Soldiers when they come to test," Dikes said. "We need to make sure that he gets a clear and concise understanding of what he must do. The crucial thing is when he comes to a site nothing is required of him. All he needs to do is show up, get his briefing and then test."

After the site is complete the second phase entails certifying the graders. All of the NCOs involved in the setup process will go through the certification process from Feb. 22-25.

Once certification is complete the graders will man the sites they created and watch as another batch of EIB hopefuls do their train-up and then make their rounds through the stations.

Editor's note: *Be sure to pick up the THE BAYONET in the coming weeks for continuing coverage of EIB testing.*

Soldiers: Prepare for NTC at exercise

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beneficial to the troops even though there is no real impact of a successful hit or kill like there is in real war. The laser-equipped engagement system called MILES for short sometimes gives Soldiers a false feel of what is really happening he said.

"Sometimes while you are doing this you wonder, 'would I really be doing this like this if this was real war?' He said. "I would probably kick it up a notch."

Kicking it up a notch would be hard to imagine for some of those involved as the screaming radio traffic during the heat of the Sunday morning scuffle sounding more like excerpts from a Desert Storm documentary than a training exercise.

Sgt. Burto Arrindell, B. Company, 1st Bn, 15th Inf. Regt., said the reason why many of these training battles are so intense is because Soldiers are not fighting an unknown enemy — they are fighting their colleagues and friends. He said all of them are looking to log a win and earn bragging rights with a victorious battle.

"Having your buddies in the other tanks trying to attack you makes it that much more challenging and fun," Arrindell said. "You see your buddy in the other tank, and you want to kill him."

While the light-hearted side of earning bragging rights is a good morale boost for the Soldiers of the 3rd Brigade, this year's Marne Focus also serves the Soldiers with an additional training incentive.

The exercise was also designed to prepare the unit for their upcoming trip to the desert sands of the National Training Center nestled deep within California's Mojave Desert.

"There is no doubt this will help us to get ready for NTC," O'Mailey said. "The Russian-based doctrine used here by the OPFOR is exactly what we will see when we get to California."

The Soldiers of the 3rd Brigade are slated to deploy to NTC sometime next month.

Budget: Gives DoD $291 billion

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receive the proposed funds, said Ken Holloway, the post's master planner. Those funds have already faced slashings to the tune of a couple million dollars, Holloway said. Those cuts come in line with an Armywide initiative to cut spending, not as part of Clinton's proposed budget, he said.

The cut came to what planners call contingency money, funds that give builders additional purchasing power in case complications occur during construction. He did note construction will continue as planned in accordance with available funding for the projects.

DoDwide barracks projects and other quality of life projects top expenditure lists in Clinton's proposed budget plan, a move that has earned him accolades from Washington officials and military analysts.

"In order to maintain an all-volunteer force, we should not ask if we can afford to improve members' quality of life — we simply can't afford not to," said Sen. Max Cleland. "With the lowest unemployment rate in 30 years, the U.S. military is competing with the private sector for talent more than ever. Our policies, pay rates and benefits must reflect that reality.

"From salaries to housing improvements to health care, this budget is a step in the right direction for our recruiting and retention needs," he added.

While those quality of life issues will continue to top legislators "keep list" for the fiscal 2001 budget, military health care and housing allowances have also sparked the attention of Washington lawmakers.

Secretary of Defense William Cohen announced last month a plan to put an additional $3 billion into increasing housing allowances with the intent of driving out-of-pocket expenses from 19 to 15 percent in FY 01 to zero by FY 05.

That, however, remains to be unseen in the president's latest plan.

Also unseen in Clinton's final fiscal plan, is the revamp of military medical care.

The issue, which has become a hot topic of Washington officials, was discussed, but the boost to active-duty and retiree health care was only mentioned by a senior DoD official who called the medical care situation "a story in progress."

The first issue, he said, is to tackle the problem of medical service for active-duty members and their families living in remote areas. Under a new proposal, he said, DoD would pick up the bill to provide Tricare Prime for families of those service members and their families.

The defense department did add money from the budget this go-round for the elimination of co-payments under Tricare Prime for those service members who have to use civilian facilities.

"It's an equity issue," he said. "Service members treated at a military facility have no co-pays while those treated at a civilian facility currently do."

While some money found its way to the proposed military health care spending plan, other items in the arena failed to make a showing on the list of expected expenditures.

Failure to put money into the purse of the retiree health care plan raised some questions Monday evening, the official said.

But he noted the agency has acknowledged that in the past retirees were seen on a space-available basis in military treatment facilities, and now those spaces are disappearing with the force downsizing.

"There are two things you need to know in the end," he said. "One, there is a very big issue involved here, the question of equity and keeping faith with retirees. Second, there's a very big bill with any proposal."


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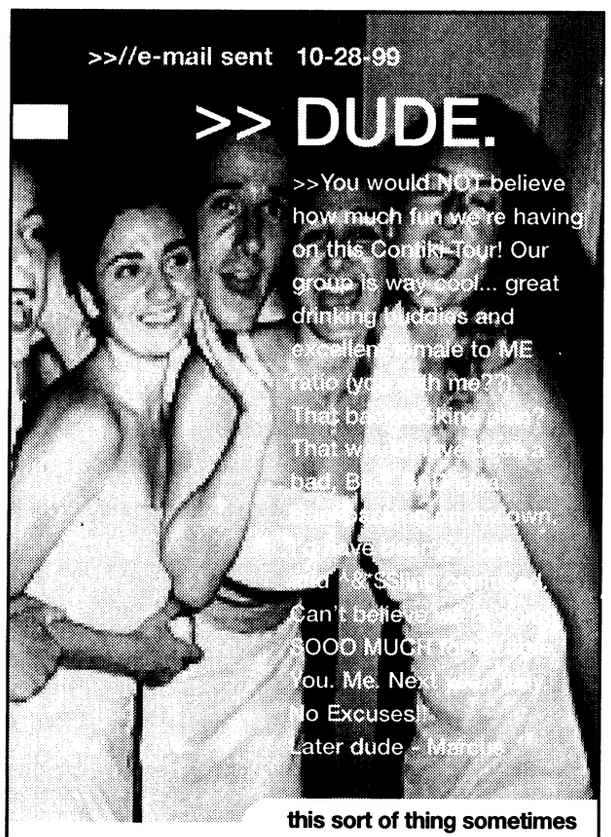

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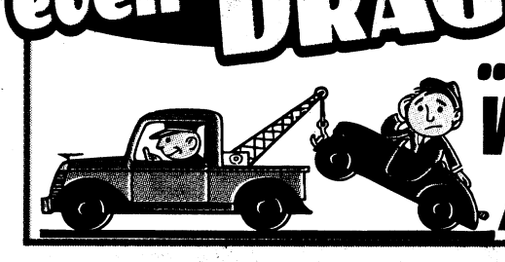

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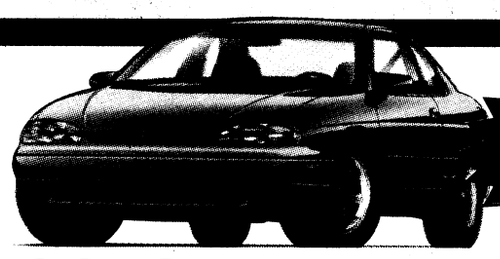

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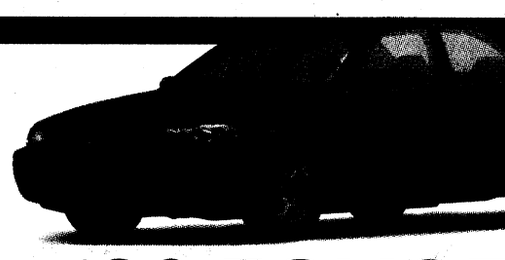

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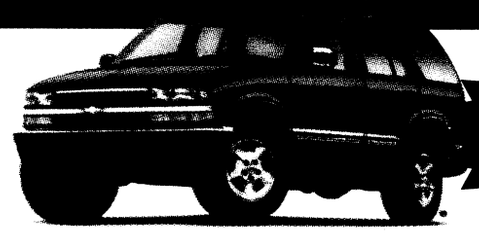

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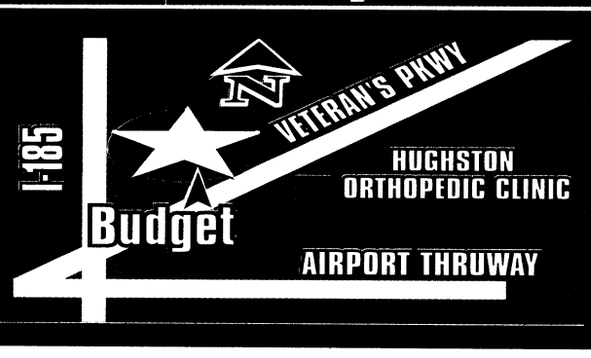

COMMUNITY

Loyd Elementary School celebrates Arbor Day with the annual planting of a ...



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Katherine Walker's pre-K students measure their height against the height of the newly planted tree at Loyd Elementary School Monday.

Timeless treasure

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Loyd Elementary students gathered on the front lawn of the school Monday to watch Principal Debra Mabry and Columbus City Councilman Robert Poydasheff plant a "timeless treasure."

The annual tree planting ceremony kicked off the school's month long celebration of Arbor Day. The Green Ash was donated by Mead Coated Board, Inc., and the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission.

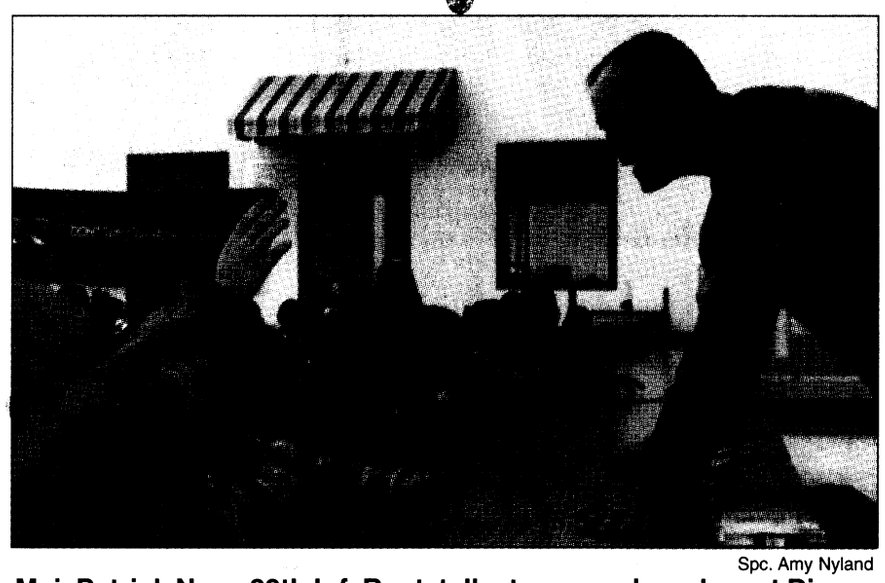
"I am delighted to be able to take part in this ceremony, and to be able to play a role in stressing the importance of preserving our ecology," Poydasheff said. "This type of activity allows the students to understand the importance of trees and their benefits to the community at a very early age. Hopefully they will keep sight of this as they grow older."

Poydasheff presented Mabry a certificate, on behalf of the City of Columbus, in appreciation for the school's contribution to the beautification of Fort Benning.

"It's very important for the beauty of the school and the beauty of the world to plant trees. Trees are important for all of us," Poydasheff said.

In preparation for Monday's event, students in all grades have been learning about the life cycle of the tree and the history of Arbor Day.

"We've learned about how trees help keep the air clean, and we learned that pioneers started this tradition in Nebraska," said fifth-grader Bethany Lazier. "So it's really cool that we get to do it here at school."



Spc. Amy Nyland

Maj. Patrick Nary, 29th Inf. Regt. talks to second graders at Dimon Magnet Academy about staying in school.

Soldier encourages kids to follow dreams

Spc. Amy L. Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

When Maj. Patrick Nary, executive officer of the 29th Infantry Regiment, makes a visit to one of the local schools, he isn't trying to promote the Army. Instead, he donates his time to encourage kids to do something he said he thinks is extremely important — stay in school.

And while most would probably assume this message is best suited for middle and high schoolers, Nary has a different view. He takes to the elementary schools to talk with students in all grades about the importance of graduating high school and accomplishing their dreams.

"I enjoy talking to little kids and to youth to try and stimulate them into thinking about what they want to do in life," Nary said right before a visit to Dimon Magnet Academy to talk with second-graders. "At that age most of them believe they can do anything and you want to enforce that."

Nary has been making visits to Fort Benning and Columbus schools for the last year and said he became involved when he was contacted by members within the school system looking for positive role models.

He said many other Soldiers from the 29th also visit area schools to talk about the importance of staying in school.

While talking to kids is nothing new for the more than seven-year veteran of the recruiting world, he said it can sometimes be a little harder to keep their attention at such a young age.

"At that age their attention span is really limited so I use a lot of gimmicks to keep them focused," Nary said. "When your dealing with elementary school kids you try to make it as fun for them as possible."

Some of these gimmicks include slides, card tricks and of course the usual goodies such as pencils and hug meters.

Even though it is mostly fun and games when he visits the schools, his message is serious — in order to go anywhere and do anything, kids need to stay in school and get their diploma. Which in turn means staying off drugs and doing the right things, he said.

Kathleen Powell, second-grade teacher at Dimon Magnet Academy said it is a treat to have Soldiers like Nary come to the school. She said it is important for the kids to see positive role models.

"I think with there being so much negative in the world, anytime someone addresses them in a positive way it goes so far," Powell said.

She also mentioned that his message makes a bigger impact on the kids because he isn't a teacher, but a community member.

Even still, Nary said the bottom line is to be there for the kids as a mentor.

"If there is an opportunity to touch one kid, to change his life, to have him go down the right road or come back from a wrong one, that is what I hope to get from talking to these kids."

"It might be a word I say, it might be a pencil I give out that says, 'Be all you can be' or it could be a hug meter that reminds them they are somebody."

Nary encourages everyone to consider being a mentor. He said schools are always looking for positive role models.

"If you call any school and say you'd be interested in volunteering, I'm positive they would be more than willing to have you."

Computer program brings sea to life

Class explores underwater sealife without leaving room

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The students in Marie Hand's enrichment program recently took a field trip under the sea, without ever leaving their classroom.

The 30 second- and third-graders, from McBride Elementary School, participated in a research project about rare forms of sea life. The majority of their information was gathered from a computer program called "A Field Trip Under the Sea."

The program features colorful underwater graphics that allowed the students to delve deep into sea beds, where they explored the feeding habits, survival techniques and breeding methods of sea creatures such as the glass jelly fish, purple sea snails, squirrel fish and sea squirts.

Although the computer program was their primary source of information, students also gathered data from the Internet and the library.

"The purpose of the whole research project was to strengthen their research and presentation skills. Each student picked a form of sea life they were not familiar with. They gathered information and used their own words and graphics to create flip-charts about their subject," Hand said.

The students displayed their finished works at an open house for parents and staff members Friday.

"After all their hard work, it was important that the parents see what all was involved in the project," Hand said. "We're incorporating a lot of different learning techniques and developing skills that they will use throughout their school years."

Second-grader Morgan Gadd chose to research the dugong, a sea animal related to manatee and sea cow, because it's name reminded her of a Poke´mon.

"It's like her to pick something no one else would choose. We were all curious about it and we had fun helping her research it," said her mom, Ra Gadd.

Second-grader Shelly Lindblade likened her subject of choice, the sea squirt, to a "bowl of macaroni and cheese."

"It's yellow, and it looks just like a bunch of noodles with holes in them. I like it because it looks funny," she said.

Middle school incorporates non-traditional sports into PE program

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Remember when gym class meant calisthenics and dodge ball, tube socks and community showers?

Welcome to the 21st century physical education class, where aerobics and Tae Bo have replaced sit-ups and jumping jacks. Students play games with futuristic names such as "Eliminator" and "Survival."

The staff of the Faith Middle School's PE department has developed a curriculum to rival most high school programs. Parents use adjectives like "progressive" and "innovative" to describe it. Students just call it "cool".

"It's creative," said sixth-grader Kristen Anderson. "We're doing a lot of activities that we wouldn't get to do at other schools."

"So many of the kids who come here have only been exposed to traditional sports, like basketball or volleyball," said Jimmy Cochran, PE instructor. "We've adapted this program to introduce them to as many physical activities as possible. The kids love it. We have a 95 percent participation rate."

Achieving this level of participation required the PE staff to accommodate the special needs of adolescents and young teens. Last year the staff realized the co-ed structure of the classes hindered the students' participation. Classes are now separated for the boys and girls.

"Middle school is all about doing what is best for the students. They're often afraid of failure in front of the opposite sex. We eliminated that problem and have had a remarkable increase in participation," Cochran said.

Anderson agreed that

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Bridgett Siter

Scott Denny, Faith Middle School PE instructor, assists Jimmy Campbell in gymnastics.

Former Soldier, doctor travels to Ghana for mission

Sally Shutt
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Dr. Sarah Barr, a former Army captain and general medical officer at Martin Army Community Hospital's emergency room, arrived in Africa Monday for a two-month stay.

Barr is in Nalerigu, Ghana, at the Baptist Medical Centre, a 100-bed hospital run by the International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Association.

"I'll be doing out-patient and in-patient care, as well as assisting in surgery and whatever they can find for me to do" Barr said last week.

Since leaving the Army in 1997, the Chicago native has been working on her residency in family practice at the Medical Center in Columbus.

This is not the first foreign mission trip for Barr. While a college student at Cedarville College in Ohio she visited China.

As a medical student she worked in Bangledesh for 10 weeks, and just last year she traveled to Mexico with a group from Morningside Baptist Church.

"I have an interest in medical missions, possibly for the long-term," Barr said. "This will be my chance for first-hand experience in it."



Barr

The trip is part of her residency training at the Medical Center, and she remains on salary.

During her five years in the Army, Barr was stationed in Germany and Macedonia. That international experience will be helpful.

"I've deployed to different places so I know how to pack and what general preparations to make. I also know how to be flexible," Barr said.

Updating her shots was one item on her preparation list.

"Some of the shots I needed I had already received while active duty," she said.

Before flying from Atlanta Sunday, Barr spoke during the worship service at Morningside Baptist, seeking prayer for her safety, health and that of her patients in Ghana.

"And for guidance about my future and where God wants me in regards to missions," she said.

The doctor is expected to return April 7.

Dentists warn parents to start children early, set good oral hygiene habits

American Dental Association

The way children care for their bodies today will have an impact on their health far into the new century. The good news is that preventive dental care has dramatically improved the oral health of American children. It's now possible for many children to reach adulthood without ever experiencing tooth decay.

February is National Children's Dental Health Month and the Fort Benning Dental Activity has these tips for parents and caregivers:

• Take your child to see the dentist regularly, beginning by the child's first birthday.

• Put only water in a child's naptime or bedtime bottle.

• Start brushing as soon as the child's first tooth appears.

• Begin flossing when two teeth begin to touch.

• Brush and floss your child's teeth daily until the child can be taught to do this alone.

• Make certain your child gets the fluoride needed for decay-resistant teeth. Ask your dentist how this should be done.

• Ask your dentist about dental sealants, a thin protective barrier that shields the chewing surface of back teeth against tooth decay.

Good oral health practices should begin in infancy and continue throughout adult life. In your child's early years, you must provide this care. Later you will need to instruct, monitor and motivate your child to help maintain good oral health habits.

Attitudes and habits established at an early age are critical in maintaining good oral health throughout life.

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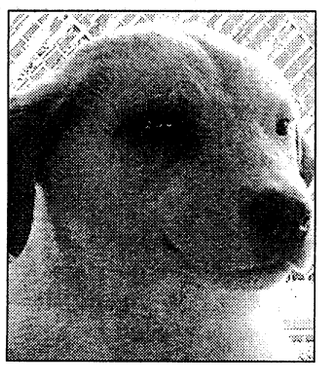

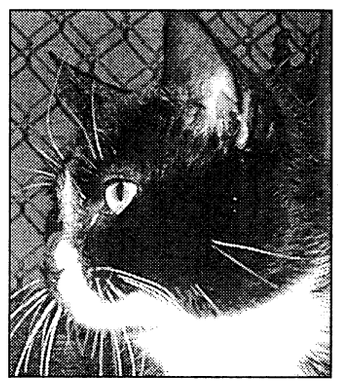

A 10-week-old female mixed breed dog and an adult male domestic short hair cat, are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home.

Pet owners are required to pay for initial vaccination procedure costs, which can be anywhere from $10 to $30. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m Monday through Friday.

Photos by Spc. Amy L. Nyland

births

Twins

Charles Joseph and Christian Frank Corulli — born Jan. 21 to Maj. Anna and Markrico Corulli.

Girls

Katherine Grace Daniel — born Jan. 22 to Dena and Capt. Shawn Daniel.

Chiane Armani Taylor — born Jan. 22 to Pfc. Jamaica Taylor.

JoLynn Suzanne Meenan — born Jan. 23 to Mary and Sgt. 1st Class William Meenan.

Kwandajah Chardae Gonzalez — born Jan. 23 to Lenitha and Staff Sgt. Rogelio Gonzalez Jr.

Jade Ivear Peoples — born Jan. 24 to 1st Lt. Catina Green-Peoples and Capt. William Peoples.

Caitlin Ariel Stough — born Jan. 25 to Amy and Sgt. Peter Stough.

Tenaiya Imani King — born Jan. 26 to Spc. Tiffany and Forrest King III.

Boys

Noah Charles Peltier — born Jan. 20 to Ami and Capt. Brandon Peltier.

Mark Dalton Harrelson — born Jan. 21 to Spc. Nadean Dalton and Mark Harrelson.

Thomas Anthony Clifford — born Jan. 22 to Debra and Sgt. 1st Class Charles Clifford.

Erik Allen Griffin — born Jan. 23 to Melissa and Spc. Timothy Griffin.

Richard Braylon Kirby — born Jan. 23 to Teresa and Capt. Homer Kirby III.

Charles William Filmore — born Jan. 23 to Courtney and Sgt. Christopher Filmore.

Nolan David Walters — born Jan. 23 to Melissa and Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Walters.

Thomas Alexander Downes — born Jan. 24 to Spc. Rosemary Downes.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

Free tax preparation

The Tax Center offers free tax preparation and is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:30 a.m. to noon Feb. 12 and 26 in Infantry Hall. For more information, call 545-4267.

ask the judge

Carolyn E. Moller
Office of Staff Judge Advocate

Q. I was the successful bidder in an online Internet auction for a set of high quality turn-of-the-century sheep wool clippers sold by a man in England. After the auction closed, I contacted the seller by e-mail and we agreed that I should send him a check to his English post office box and then he'd send the cutters. I sent the check express mail over a month ago and yet my clippers haven't arrived. I tried contacting the seller at his e-mail address but I haven't gotten a response. I fear the worst. What do you think?

A. It appears that you've been the victim of a ba-a-a-a-ad and very common form of Internet fraud. We can try to recoup your losses but it sounds like a tough battle. However, since this is a common problem, I'm going to focus on how to avoid getting sheared again.

The Internet provides consumers with a wide world of information, and sellers with a new way to promote their products or services.

Crooks also recognize the potential of cyberspace. The same scams that have been conducted by mail or phone can now be found on the Internet, and new technologies are resulting in new ways to commit crimes against consumers.

Therefore, the secret to successfully using online auctions is to manage your risk before the point of sending payment.

The simplest way to avoid getting swindled online is to deal with established merchants rather than individuals. Incidents of the blatant fraud of non-delivery by merchants is tiny compared to the risk when dealing with individuals. Merchants typically have reputations to uphold, investors to please and the hope of reaping long-term profits through sound business practices. Individual sellers are guided often only by their own moral compasses, which, on occasion, may be susceptible to the influence of short-term greed.

When dealing with a merchant online, you can further reduce your risks by making payment by credit card. A credit card purchaser can challenge any transaction by credit card directly with the credit card company. The credit card company then launches it's own fraud investigation and will credit your account until the matter is resolved. If you are working with an individual seller and pay with a cash or check, you lose the amazing power of plastic.

If you decide to make a purchase from an individual seller in an online auction, there are several ways to minimize the risk. The strongest protection is simply getting the seller to send the item cash on delivery.

This effectively shifts the burden of loss over to the seller. Also, make sure you check out the credentials of the seller through posted reviews from previous buyers on the auction site. Though good reviews can be faked or new identities for a scoundrel created, bad reviews typically ring true and can provide a needed warning.

You may also protect yourself as a buyer by requesting the seller's home and work phone and street address (not just post office box) before sending payment.

That way, you'll have a more substantial point of contact prior to sending money. Whatever you do, do not under any circumstances send money to someone who is unwilling to give you any more information than an e-mail address and P.O. box. This is a sure sign of fraud.

Further, when contemplating any purchase at an online auction involving more money than you want to risk losing, consider using an escrow middleman to broker the deal. Such online escrow brokers are common at all the major online auctions. The escrow broker holds payment from the buyer until the buyer confirms that the product arrived and in the condition advertised.

Such brokers charge a service fee for their assistance, but many buyers find this service well worth the peace of mind gained.

For more information or internet fraud or to make an appointment with a legal assistance attorney, call 545-3281 or 545-3282.

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Penny O'Connor
Directorate of Public Works

The Clean Air Act Amendments are now 10 years old and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is getting tough on certain issues. The CAAA regulate Class I Ozone Depleting Chemicals commonly known as freons and halons. The CAAA banned the production of Class 1 ODCs in the US. However, these chemicals continue to exist in large amounts throughout the country. Fort Benning is no exception. The post has several large chillers that contain Class 1 freons.

Some of these chillers are beginning to age and show normal wear and tear. It is common for small leaks to develop. However, leaks greater than 10 percent a year are prohibited by the regulations. It was the fear of violating the leak regulation that sent the DPW Environmental Management Programs Branch on the hunt for funds to avoid problems with leaks.

The hunt led north to Fort Monroe, Va., and TRADOC rather than up the stairs to the DPW. Using a pot of TRADOC money known as P2 (Pollution Prevention), the Class 1 ODC containing chiller at Reggie's is getting retrofitted. It wasn't exactly a pot of gold but it was enough for that project.

Lots of communication, cooperation, and coordination between DPW branches made this possible. This is what it takes to keep Fort Benning running smoothly while reducing environmental risks.

Every replacement or retrofit of a Class 1 containing chiller reduces the risk of violating the CAAA.

Therefore, money from other DPW projects on post is not diverted to satisfy the EPA. And the next time you enjoy lunch in the cool interior of Reggie's or mambo the night away you can be assured the air conditioning is in tip top shape and not violating the CAAA.

Trash schedules

There will be no yard waste picked up in Family Housing on Feb. 21. The next scheduled yard waste pick up will be Feb. 28.

There will be no refuse or recycle pick-ups on Feb. 21. Port, Kawamura, Fernandez Streets, and Indianhead Terrace areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Feb.21 will be picked up on Feb 22. Refuse and recycle collection in family housing for Feb. 22 through Feb. 25 will be picked up as normally scheduled. For more information, call DPW Construction Inspection Branch, 545-4232

Schedule for the Self Help Center

In observance of Presidents' Day Feb. 21 the Self Help Center, including the Loan Equipment Section and Venetian Blind & Shade Shop, will be closed on Feb. 19 through Feb. 21. The Self Help Center will reopen for business 8:30 a.m. Feb. 22. For more information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

ACS home buying seminar

Find out how to save $30,000 or more on a house 6:30 p.m. Feb. 29 in the Family Unit Network Center, Building 359. Registration is required. Call 545-7517 or 545-4043.



Montana pioneer talks about homesteading

91-year-old shares his experiences

Owen Ditchfield
White Elementary School

Most students learn about homesteading through books. But fifth-graders at E.A. White Elementary recently got a first-hand account of growing up on a homestead in Montana from someone who lived it.

Montanian E.P. (Monty) Myrick was visiting his daughter and her family in Columbus and stopped by the fifth-grade classes of Pam Tate and Ann Smith to share memories and answer questions about his 91-year-old life.

Myrick related how his family moved to Montana by train when he was only 1-year-old. His father started a bank near Fort Benton, (Mont.) but, when the Great Depression began, he didn't have the heart to foreclose on his friends and neighbors' property, so he got out of the banking business and bought over 400 acres of prairie that had never been planted.

Many of the students' questions centered around everyday life in a land where Myrick said, "You might see a neighbor about once a month. Everyone was too busy working the ranch to do much visiting."

He told how it was a 30-mile, all-day trip in a horse drawn wagon to go to town for supplies, so whatever the family needed, they usually made or grew for themselves ... or did without.

Another story the students enjoyed was about the time a kitten tried to sharpen its claws on the leg of a cow Myrick was milking. The cow reacted so fast, Myrick didn't know what happened. When he picked himself up, the cow's foot was through the milk bucket and the cat was dead.

"It was like an explosion," Myrick said.

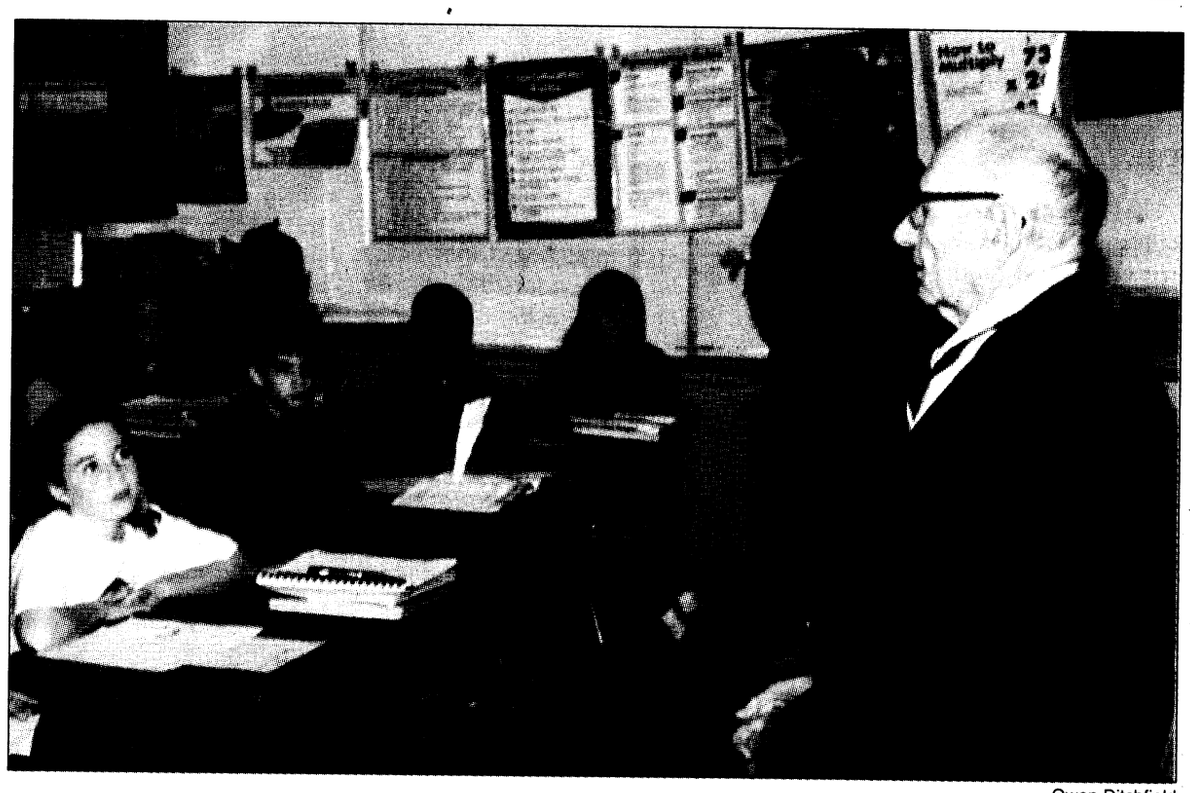
There were eight to 10 students in the small school he attended from first grade to eight, plus his folks did some home schooling when the weather was bad.

When traveling, Myrick said that they not only had to deal with ice and snow, but muddy roads, which were often so bad that the decision as to which town to go to for supplies depended on which was uphill for an empty wagon or downhill for a loaded one.

The weather on the prairie could also be unpredictable, such as the time the family went into the house to avoid a rainstorm. A little later one of the farm hands came to the house to see if everyone was unhurt. He explained that the barn was gone. Although the animals weren't hurt by the tornado, one horse didn't stop shaking until the next day.

Since Myrick has lived most of the 20th century, the students had prepared many questions about the changes he had seen. Myrick told about their pre-electricity vacuum cleaner, operated manually by one of the children pumping a bellows source of suction. The earliest phone lines were barbed-wire fence, but there were often interruptions when a rancher cut the wire to let cattle through.

During the Great Depression, Myrick could not find a steady job, even though he had a degree in electrical engineering. Fortunately, he was able to go back to the homestead and work for food and other necessities.



Owen Ditchfield

E.P. (Monty) Myrick answers questions from White School fifth-graders about his 91 years of life, growing up on a homestead in Montana. Pam Tate listens in the background.

"At least people with a farm didn't starve," Myrick said.

Myrick had been dating, and was engaged to Rose, his future wife for eight years, but couldn't afford to support a family. He had decided that he needed $1,000 in the bank and a steady job first. He had the money, but no job.

When he was finally employed by Montana Power, working on hydroelectric dams, he immediately got married.

After working at several dams, he was finally promoted to the head office in Butte, Mont., and put in charge of automating all the dams on the Missouri River.

Still very active for someone 91 years old, Myrick lives in a retirement community but often travels around the country to visit his four children in Pennsylvania, Washington, Oregon and here in Columbus. He tries to walk over a mile a day and often bowls three days a week. On the week of his birthday this past June, he bowled his age, plus 100.

At the end of the hour talk, the students still had many questions, and hope to keep in contact with Myrick as they continue their studies of the 20th century. As they begin the new century, the students were fascinated by the opportunity to learn from a person who had lived in every decade of that period.

Pilot program helps students learn math skills using computer

White Elementary students work at own pace with Accelerated Math

White Elementary School

E. A. White School is piloting a new program called Accelerated Math in fourth and fifth grades.

This program individualizes the assignments for each child based on results of diagnostic tests. Students solve problems, mark a special answer card and then check their own work by running the card through a scanning machine.

The student then can print another practice lesson or take a test depending on the results of scores on the activities.

"I learn a lot of different kinds of math. It is fun to do, and I feel proud when I make good scores," said Ken Harris, one of the students working with this program.

Students enjoy the freedom of Accelerated Math, said Dorothy Hyder It allows each student to proceed at his or her own rate. Faster students may move along without having to wait on those having difficulty with a skill.

Students are taking control of their individual math progress. After several practice activities, the program determines if a student has attained a level of mastery of a skill.

Students do not fear testing on a skill because they have proven to themselves that they are ready and capable.

A test is prescribed, and if a student demonstrates 80 percent or better on the test he or she moves on to new skills.

Shannon Chambers, a fifth-grade student from Ann Smith's class said, "I like Accelerated Math because it gives me a better understanding of the arithmetic. It's cool to check yourself and be able to make your own test."

"Accelerated Math allows me to use class time to give individual attention to those who need help in mastering a skill already taught or to provide new instruction to students who are ready to move on to new skills," Hyder said.

"The Accelerated Math program provides the teacher the ability to work one-on-one with every student. It gives opportunities to explain processes in a way each student can understand. Students with similar shortcomings can be placed in small groups."

The Parent-Teacher Organization bought the necessary software and equipment to enhance the mathematics program.

Rain forest enhances creative thinking

White Elementary School

Rain softly falling, singing birds and crickets chirping are sounds that can be heard at E.A. White School as students explore the rain forest without leaving the building.

A new form of virtual reality is emerging in the hallway outside of enrichment teacher Evelyn Braman's classroom.

Students used creative problem solving skills to build the rain forest.

"We need to save the rain forest because we use the plants for medicine," third-grader Darby Kelso said.

Students wrote to the president of the World Bank Company expressing their concerns about the depletion of the rain forest and the possibility of tax dollars being spent on an oil pipeline through the Cameroon rain forest.

They researched information about various animals, plants and insects that live there in order to prepare for their role as tour guide.



Evelyn Braman

Third-graders Slater Kirk and Raymond Fletcher work on the rain forest project at White Elementary School.

Aided by technology in the form of PowerPoint presentations the students are eager to show their support and desire to save the rain forest.

The students will share this information with their classmates as they take them on a guided tour.

To set up a tour with our guides, call 545-4623 and ask for Evelyn Braman.

The Parent Academy is 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday at Faith Middle School

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on post

Auction offers many items — There will be a property auction 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Outdoor Recreation Equipment and Storage, Building 1704, Gillespie Street. Some of the many items to be sold are: Chevy vans and trucks, boats, jet ski, washers, dryers, ice machines, kitchen equipment, food server line, furniture and much more. Items may be previewed 9 a.m to noon Sunday. Terms of the sale are cash, visa or check with a bank letter guaranteeing the check up to a specific amount and date. All items are "as is."

For more information, call 545-2348.

USARSA hosts family night — The U.S. Army School of the Americas and the Host of Latin Americans, will sponsor the annual "Meet Your Family Night" at the Officers' Club Feb. 25.

HOLA is a sponsor and hospitality program designed for local families to help USARSA's Latin American students, guest instructors and their families understand the American way of life by giving them an opportunity to participate in home and community activities.

HOLA is always looking for local sponsors. If anyone is interested in extending American hospitality to an international student or family, call Cecilia Alexander at 545-1285

ACAP highlights upcoming events — The Army Career and Alumni Program's calendar of upcoming events for job seekers is as follows:

Vinnell Corp. will be recruiting 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 17 for jobs in Saudi Arabia.

Georgia Department of Corrections will be testing 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 17.

New York Life Insurance will be recruiting for agents 8-11 a.m.

Polk County Florida Sheriff's Office will be recruiting for deputy sheriffs and corrections officers 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 24.

Palm Beach County Florida Sheriff's Office will be recruiting 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 2.

All briefings are in Building 2634 Soldiers' Plaza unless otherwise noted.

For more information, call the ACAP Center at 545-2308 or 545-2309. Or check the website, www.benning.army.mil/ACAP/.

Commissary to close for holiday — The Fort Benning Commissary will close Feb. 21 in honor of Presidents' Day. The store will re-open at 9 a.m. Feb. 22.

Valentine gift shop open for business — Fort Benning Youth Services and the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers present the Valentine Day Gift Shop. It is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday in Building 1056, Youth Services.

Balloons, candy, stuffed animals and silk flower arrangements are available.

Order your sweetheart a special valentine gift and the BOSS Program will deliver (on post only).

For more information, call 545-3070.

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Helpline offers free training for volunteers — CONTACT Helpline invites you to take part in a free training program that can lead to rewarding volunteer service with the 24-hour telephone helpline. The CONTACT Helpline is there to talk to people who are considering suicide. The 50-hour program teaches listening and communication skills that can help you help others and yourself.

Spring classes will be held Tuesday evening, March 7 and Thursday morning, March 9. For more information or to register, call 327-3999.

EBONY Fashion Fair benefits Metro Columbus Urban League — Make a date to see EBONY Fashion Fair, a benefit show sponsored by the Metro Columbus Urban League Guild for the Metro Columbus Urban League 8 p.m. Feb. 18 at the Bradley Theater. See the best and newest fashions created by world-famous designers and worn by the beautiful EBONY models.

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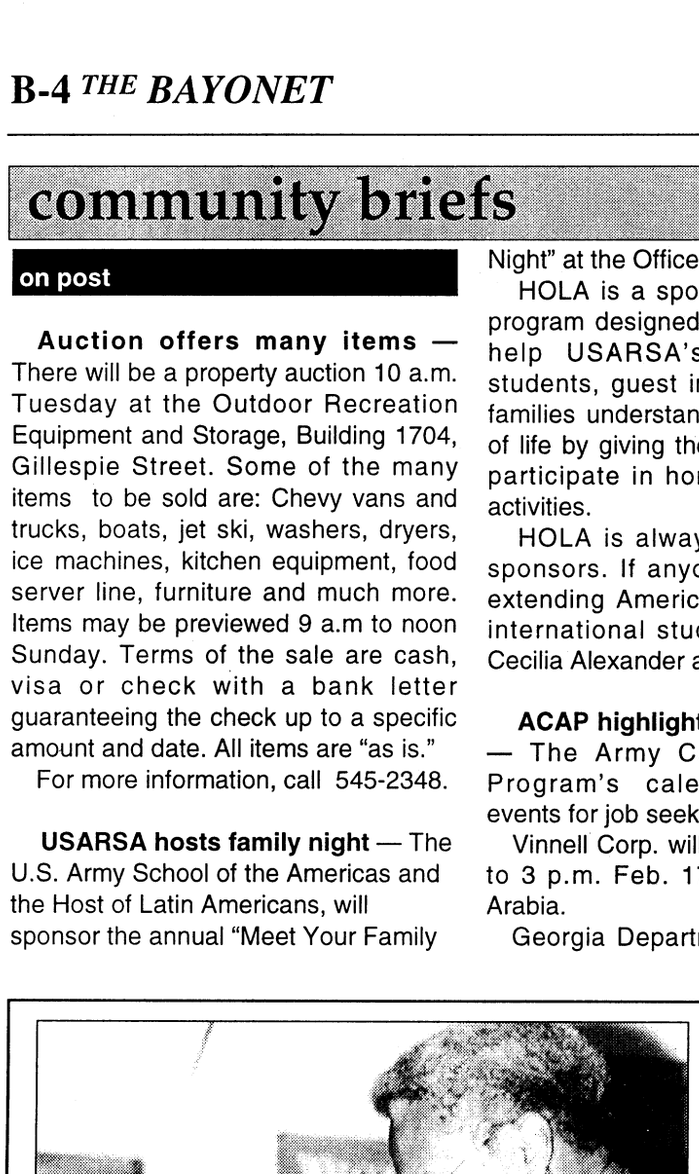

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Happy 58th birthday AER

Al Deane, Army Emergency Relief officer serves Sgt. 1st Class Bruce Everott, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Brigade, a piece of birthday cake. AER turned 58 years old Feb. 4.

volunteer opportunities

Installation Volunteer Coordinator Office

Here are some volunteer opportunities currently available.

• The Equal Opportunity Office needs volunteers to help with various heritage celebration activities. For more information, call 545-6665.

• Reading tutors and volunteers are needed to help support preschool literacy programs. Days and times are flexible. For more information, call 644-0368 or 682-2180.

• The Counseling Center needs administrative clerical support volunteers. Computer experience is preferred. For more information, call 545-8372.

• ACS Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance office needs clerical volunteers; commitment and confidentiality are required. For more information, call 545-7571 or 545-4043.

• ACS Relocation Program is looking for extra hands to assemble Welcome Packets. For more information, call Marsha Collins at 545-7517or 545-4043.

• The U.S. Army Medical Department Activity is looking for hospitality specialists as greeters, information and patient guides, call Cassandra Wyatt at 545-5194 or Terry Beckwith at 544-4564.

Volunteer where you want and when you want. Some agencies provide paid childcare, offer job training and education.

For more information, call 545-3016.

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PE: Takes on new look at Faith

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segregated classes are preferable.

"The girls don't concentrate on what they're doing when the boys are around because the boys show off," the sixth-grader said.

In separate classes, the students focus on traditional sports, such as football and basketball, and less conventional activities, like dance, bowling, archery, golf, angle ball, badminton and sumo wrestling.

"When we first introduced wrestling, the kids were expecting TV-type wrestling. I had to explain that we wouldn't be doing drop-kicks or sleeper holds," Cochran said.

Instead, students watch a video about the Japanese sport of sumo wrestling. They learn the significance of the sumo rituals, such as ceremonial bowing and clapping out of respect for their opponents. The students then get the opportunity to practice both the wrestling techniques and the ceremonial rituals.

Cochran, Emerson, and their colleagues, Scott Denney and Tori Noon, instruct each activity in two-week units.

"At the middle school level, kids get bored easily. We want to present as many possibilities as we can — to give them a taste of a wide variety of activities, ultimately to develop life-long interests in different areas," Denney said.

This variety is the key to a well-rounded middle school PE program, according to Emerson.

"Unfortunately, traditional organized sports have put so much pressure on kids, we find they're getting burned-out and quitting by the time they're teens," Emerson said. "At this age, they should be trying many different sports. They can make decisions about which ones they want to continue to participate in when they're in high school."

"They need this variety to discover their strengths and interests. They discover things about themselves they wouldn't know otherwise," Cochran said. "For instance, at the eighth-grade level, we do collegiate wrestling. The smaller boys, who haven't been so successful on the football field, suddenly discover that they're pretty good at wrestling, so they find their niche."

Annetta Curtis, mother of sixth-grader Jemesa Curtis, said she is pleased at the variety of activities offered at Faith.

"I was actually surprised. It's not just climbing ropes and playing kick-ball like when I was in school. I remember I hated gym. My daughter loves it," Curtis said.

Although the program is designed to expose students to a wide variety of sports, Denney said each activity is carefully selected for the individual skill it develops.

"It's not just about exercise, but about the skills they learn from those exercises. Even traditional games, such as 'Capture the Ball,' teach problem-solving skills," he said. "That's the 'education' in 'physical education.'"

Indeed, putting the "education" back in PE, meant developing age-appropriate programs for the different developmental levels of middle school grades.

"Sixth-graders are still self-consumed — not yet team oriented. We do a lot of self-testing, combative activities, like arm wrestling and Indian leg wrestling. In the seventh grade, they're starting to develop some concept of teamwork. By the eighth grade, we're challenging them and expecting more from them," Cochran said.

"At each grade level, we gear our activities to their capabilities. But at every level, we want them to put forth an effort, try new things, learn to work together and discover something they enjoy and are successful at," Emerson said.

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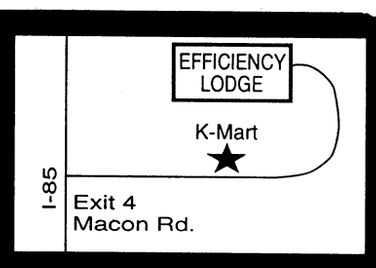

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America needs parents to instill godly values

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Abraham Lincoln said, "A child is a person who is going to carry on what you started ...

He will assume control of your cities, states and nations. He is going to move in and take over your churches, school, universities and corporations ... The fate of humanity is in his hands."

America more than ever needs godly parents instilling godly values in its children.

Dennis Rainey in his book, One Home at a Time, wrote, "The home is the best place for a child to learn about God ... our best hope for renewal lies in the restoration of godly home."

God places great value in children and parenting is a lofty and honorable calling. Parenting should not be left up to someone other than the parents.

It is not the school's responsibility, nor the day care center's or the local church's.

For many parents children are not a gift but a burden.

That is why I challenge all parents to commit themselves to making their family a higher priority than a career.


Rupel

There is no job worth losing one's family over. If the job becomes so demanding that it consistently takes you away from your family then it is time to find another job.

Unfortunately we have created a cultural climate in America that wars against the family and the home.

If you choose or have chosen to be a parent then be one.

Be willing to spend time with your child and give him or her top priority. Father Patrick W. Egan said, "We in the 'me generation' need to hear a little less about self-fulfillment and little more about self-denial.

Perhaps denial and sacrificial love is the ultimate key to fulfillment."

Americans can no longer afford living self-centered lives.

If we are ever to reclaim our children there must be a spiritual renewal in our land because a nation that excludes God is headed for disaster.

This little note that came over the Internet sums it up pretty good:

Dear God,

Why didn't you save the school children in Littleton?

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A Concerned Student

And the reply:

Dear Concerned Student,

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If you would like to learn more about Bible-centered parenting, call the Family Life Center at 545-7777.

chapel notes

PWOC meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The program includes Bible study, prayer, praise and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Sunday School meets — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road, from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel. If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7-8 p.m.

All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Catholics conduct confirmation class — Confirmation classes for adults who plan to be confirmed in the Catholic tradition will begin on March 5. The classes will be conducted in Faith Middle School during CCD, from 10:10-11:10 a.m. To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-5508.

church briefs

Church holds recital — The Chattahoochee Valley Community College Music Department will host a student recital featuring performances by CVCC voice, piano and instrumental students at 8 p.m. Feb. 18 at the Lakewood Baptist Church, 4011 Lakewood Drive, Phenix City. The recital is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Emily Davis 291-4988.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

Valentines opportunity for selfless giving

Chaplain (Capt.) Mark Diddle
1st Battalion, 38th Infantry

reflections

It happens this time every year. We have been hearing about it through the media for several weeks now.

Everywhere we turn we see red, white and chocolate. Radio stations have contests asking you to share your story about it. Valentine's Day is that one day a year that we seem to place other persons' interests before our own.

We can remember red hearts, chocolate candy, red roses and romantic dinners. These memories bring a smile to our face.

Why do we concentrate so much on this one day? Perhaps each day is an opportunity to treat others with unselfish consideration. This appears to be the way Jesus lived his life and the way he instructs us to live ours.

Philippians 2:5-11 begins with "Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus."

Selfless service brought Christ great joy. Reading the previous verses helps us to understand how Jesus lived out this attitude of selfless service.

Some of what these verses tell us are; love one another and work together (versus two), work with humility (versus three) and look out for the interests of others and not just your own (versus four).

I enjoy Valentine's Day. It is exciting to see my wife's eyes light up and a smile dance across her face when I give her a valentine present. I am sure you have experienced at least one Valentine day that brings back memories similar to mine.

What memories could you build if you lived with the attitude of Christ? How would your relationships change with this new focus? I would imagine each new day would be a day to look forward to, a day that we discovered something new and exciting.

Think about the day that you discovered Christ and the excitement that happened within you. What if we decided this year we were going to extend Valentine's Day and make each day one in which we shared the love Christ shares with each of us?

Now that would be exciting ... and a way to enhance the lives of others around you.

"And in the morning, a great while before day, he rose and went out to a lonely place, and there he prayed." — Mark 11:25

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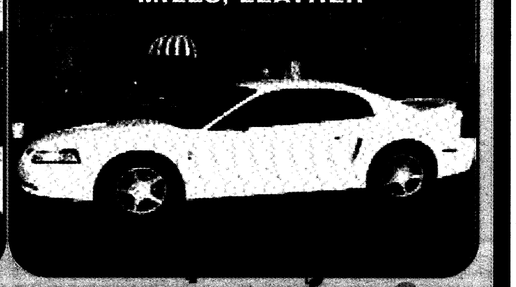

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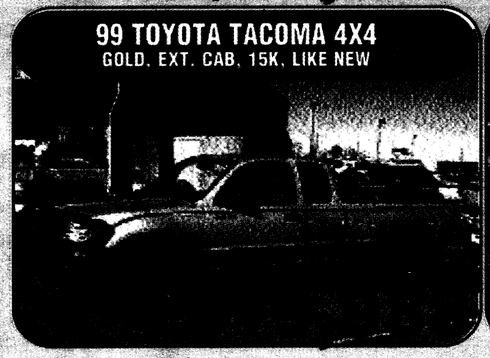

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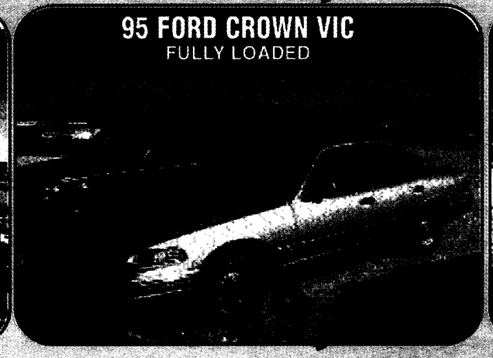

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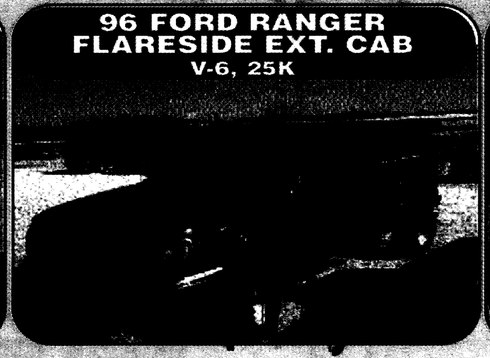

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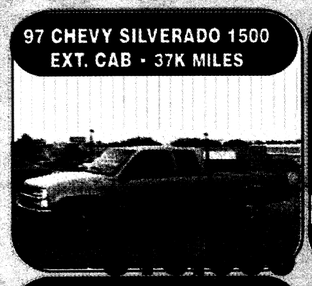

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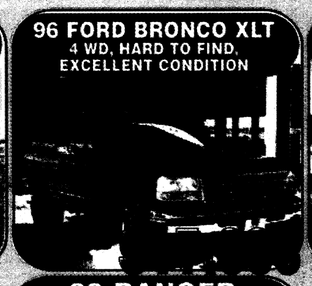

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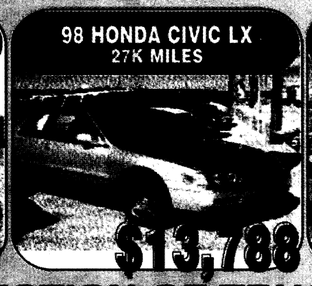

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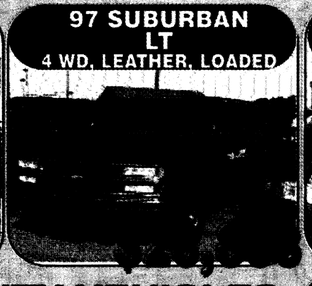

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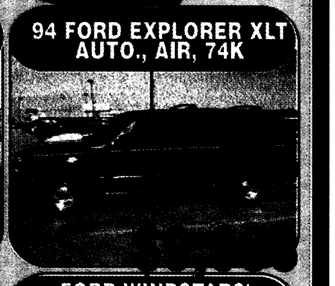

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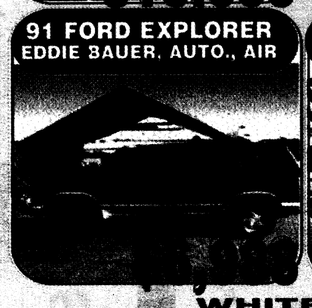

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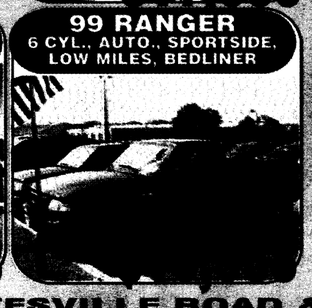

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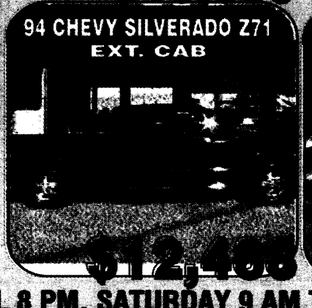

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Youth baseballers get new four-field complex

Close to $2 million in NAF money goes toward new facility

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

It won't be long until Youth Services baseball participants can bid farewell to their weathered and worn baseball fields and welcome in the new and improved.

Work on a new four-field YS sports complex began Jan. 10 and is projected to wrap up by mid-June, said Moe Klaus, quality control officer for The Korte Company, contractors for the project.

The close to $2 million complex is being built at the corner of McIver and Yeager avenues across from Faith Middle School and Dexter Elementary and will encompass 12 acres, said Klaus. The facility will be a wagon-wheel configuration with a concession stand located in the middle.

Some of the more prominent features of the complex is stadium-like lighting and sprinkler systems for each of the fields.

Klaus explained they just finished stripping the sod and are now working on moving dirt and leveling the site. After that they will create the footings and concrete support for the structure and hope to have that finished by March 31.

However, baseballers won't be able to take to the fields until next season, to allow time for the sod to settle, said Linda Laine, YS director.

Laine mentioned that new fields have been something YS has wanted since the mid-90s. And while a request was submitted and excepted in 1998, work was pushed back until now. The project is being paid for with non-appropriated funds.

"We requested new fields because the ones we are using are in such bad shape," Laine said. "We use them year after year and they are worn down. Ideally, you want to have a year's rest, but we haven't been able to do that."

She said although they are continually repairing the fields, safety was becoming a concern. The new complex will alleviate those concerns by offering lighted walkways and fenced fields.

Not only that but the complex is located in one central location, which it is extremely beneficial to both YS and parents, Laine said. Parents with more than one child involved in baseball will no longer have to worry about leaving their child at one field to go to another.

She added that having a central facility also makes it easier for YS because all the equipment and games will be in one location.



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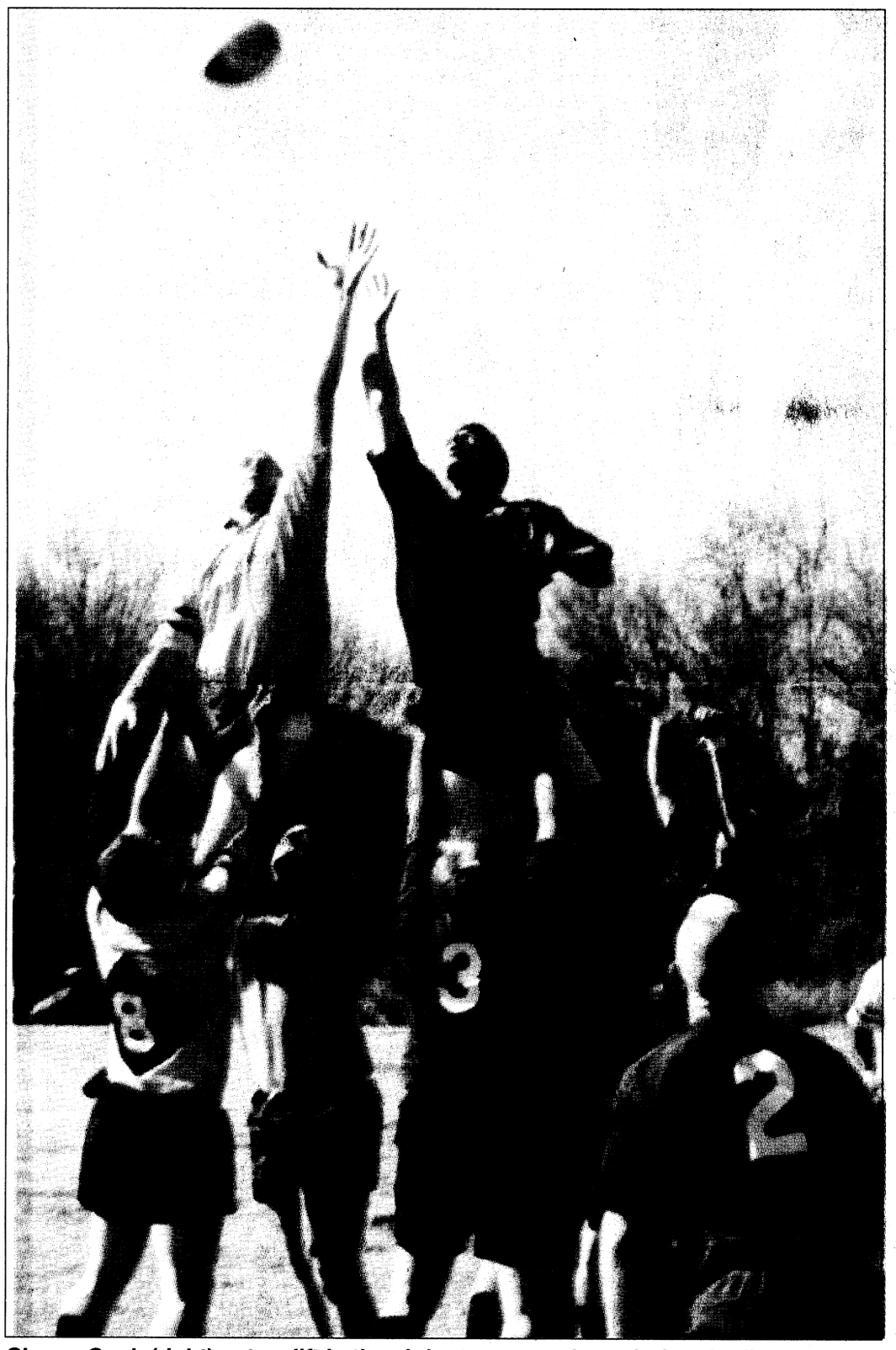
Workers level the site where the new YS Sports Complex will be located.



Shawn Cook (right) gets a lift in the air by team members during the line out.



Photos by Spc. Amy L. Nyland

Fort Benning and Montgomery face off in the scrum during Rugby action Feb. 5 at the CruiserDome.

Cruise-A-Matics dominate opener

Jim Muldoon
Columbus-Fort Benning Rugby Football Club

The Columbus-Fort Benning Rugby Club won its opening match of the season, 20-0 against the Montgomery Yellowhammers on Saturday.

After Montgomery dominated the opening 30 minutes of play by camping on the Cruise-A-Matics line, only to be turned away by the home team forwards, the local ruggers mounted an attack off a Bill Breen kick into space that the visitors could not cover. Wing Forward Darren Monaco crashed over with a quick penalty tap to secure a 5-0 halftime lead.

The Cruise-A-Matics came out strong in the second half with Monaco again surprising the Yellowhammers with a 30 meter penalty dash for a 10-0 lead. Flyhalf Tim Butterfield surprised the defenders with a high up under kick that inside center Breen cleaned up and bulled over for a 15-0 lead. Eight man Sean Cook finished the scoring with a five meter driving scrum which he picked up and was able to bury for the 20-0 final.

The Cruise-A-Matics travel to Atlanta next Saturday to challenge division rivals High Country. Home games are played at the CruiserDome located behind the Dolly Madison factory located on Victory Drive For more information, call Gary Kent at 324-4924.



Joe Hyder (left in black) and Shawn Cook (right) fight for the opening kick from a Montgomery Yellowhammer defender.

Lakers trounce Redbulls in b-ball action

Bridgett Siter
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The undefeated Lakers trounced the Redbulls Saturday in the 8-to 9-year-old division of Youth Services basketball.

The combined efforts of Laker teammates Travis Lush and Kahlee Tyler, guards, and Korey Williams, forward, proved too much talent for the Redbulls, resulting in a 44-10 upset.

"We need to work on the fundamentals of passing and shooting. They just executed these a lot better than we did," said Redbulls coach Don Sando.

Lakers coach Michael Gathers said his players have been honing their individual and corporate skills.

"They've come a long way since the beginning of the season. They've just jelled as a team," Gathers said. "We've been working on team-oriented skills, and more importantly, individual skills. They work together beautifully."

Tyler led the Lakers with 16 points, followed closely by Lush's 12 points.

Center Cory Bush scored 7 points for the Redbulls and proved to be a formidable opponent defensively.

The Lakers will take on the Tigers, 12:55 p.m. Saturday, at the Youth Services gymnasium.

In other divisions of play the 6- to 7-year-old's battled it out with the Black Bulls taking the Blue Bulls 20-15. Tre Powell put in 12 for the Black Bulls while Tavia James added 8 to the Blue Bulls score. The Dream Team dribbled over the Tigers, 7-4 with Sandra Lee and Chase Holbrook scoring two each for the Tiger's total. Montrel Crawford gave the Dream Team its edge with his four points.

In the 8- to 9-year-old division the Bull Dogs took a bite out of the Tigers winning 24-15. Both DeAndre Murphy and Jordan Goodman contributed eight points for the Bull Dogs while Anthony Wright put up an impressive 12 points for the Tigers. The Magics slipped past the Green Tigers 21-19. Both Robert Judkins of the Magics and James Braddy of the Green Tigers tossed up nine for their teams.

The 10- to 12-year-old Blazers fell to the 76ers 30-24. Arthur Scott and Eddie Jones contributed nine apiece for the Blazers while 76er Xavier Shaw managed to throw up 16 points.

The Ruff Ryders were steamrolled by the Tar heels 54-23. Michael Eberhart and Walter McGee put up 8 points for the Ruff Ryders. Courtland Akinlaye lead his team to victory with an astounding 30 points.



Bridgett Siter

Edgardo Rivera (left) tries to steal past Laker Guard Kahlee Tyler.

The Magics snuck past the Knicks 16-14 with Destiny James tossing up half the Magic's points and Anthony Lacour putting in 8 for the Knicks.

In 13- to 15-year-old play the 76ers nixed the Ballers 35-26. Antonio Holden was lead scorer for the Ballers with 9 points while Darnell Love gave 11 points for the 76ers.

Finally, the Blue Devils stopped the Hornets 59-41. Joey Fix helped his team to victory with 26 points while Earnest Tyler put up 14 for the Hornets.

Shooters face new course

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

More than 50 competitors faced a new course of fire and target in the monthly International Defensive Pistol Association shoot at English Range Saturday.

There were two stages. At one stage the shooters had to double tap, fire two bullets at the same target in rapid succession, five targets at ranges between five and 15 yards. At the second stage, shooters had to double tap four paper targets and knock over a steel target three times.

The switch of the target, which scored two different ways, helps shooters prepare for an upcoming Glock Sport Shooting Foundation pistol competition by getting used to a different target.

Shooters competed in four different classes, which were the stock service, enhanced service, custom service and back-up automatic classes.

The top shooters in the stock service class were Jonathan Moore, Robert Knott, and Jon McMullen.

In the enhanced service class, Moore took the top spot once again with Mel Lucas and Jesus Hernandez trailing just behind.

Topping the custom service was Al Edwards, Dennis Cavender and Frank Russo.

In the back-up automatic class Frank Russo took top honors followed by Steve Zynda and Victor Hallalf.

Jeff Bardley shot the top score for the new shooters with Rodney Lenton and Brandon Reil trailing.

Earning the title of top female shooter was Kelly Murray.

The next IDPA shoot is scheduled for March 4. It will be a warmup for the GSSF match, the largest pistol competition on Fort Benning and one of the largest in the nation.

Diverse terrain, plant life make Pine Mountain Trail ideal

Spc. Amy L. Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

outdoor corner



I must say to my own discredit I spent a long time whining about how there was nothing to do around Columbus that would satisfy my thirst for outdoor adventure. Of course, I never really took the time to find out if there was or not, it was just easier to complain about it.

It wasn't until I saw a brochure for the Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park that I discovered there is a 23-mile foot trail crossing the Pine Mountain ridge called the Pine Mountain Trail.

So, one day on the spur of the moment I loaded up my pack and headed out there. I went out on North Alternate 27 and Georgia Highway 85 toward Warm Springs, and sure enough about 10 miles from Warm Springs was a sign for FDR State Park. Once I got into the park I only drove for about five miles before I saw a sign for the trail where it crossed the highway.

I decided that would be my starting point and got busy. The first marker had a number of destinations and their mileage; I ended up choosing a 3.5-mile hike to a place called Dowdell Knob.

At this point I was skeptical about how the hike would be, but it didn't take long before I was kicking myself for not discovering it earlier.

About a half a mile in I was greeted by mossy, rock outcrops that would make a number of appearances throughout the trail. While there are clearly marked areas that cut through the rock, I found it more fun to meander up and around, creating my own unique path. As the hike progressed so did the scenery. Plant life and terrain transformed with each new mile.

One minute I was walking through typical brown woodland and the next I was surrounded by the type of flora you'd expect to be nestled along the beach.

At one point I came to the most crystal, clear stream I had ever seen. The tranquility was absolutely mesmerizing and if it hadn't been for the frigid temperatures I would have thrown off my shoes and soaked my feet in the inviting water.

Something I really appreciated about the trail was the fact that it wasn't just a straight shot on flat ground. There were plenty of switchbacks to keep you on your toes and even more hills to get the ole heart beating. A number of times I found myself having to take a rest after plowing up a fairly steep incline.

When I finally made it to Dowdell Knob, I was more than ready to sit down, relax and enjoy my surroundings. After picking a rock that formed a kind of ledge above the valley I just laid back and soaked in the lushness of the land that appeared before me.

When I finally got done with the hike I realized that the mere 3.5 miles I had gone was only the tip of the iceberg. I still have almost 20 left to do. Recently I got a map and found there are a number of falls located along of the trail. Not only that, but 11 designated camping sites.

As I get the chance to explore more of the trail I will be sure to point out places I found particularly interesting. At this point I recommend just going to FDR State Park and stopping at the first place that sparks your fancy. Dowdell Knob is a great place to have a picnic or just take in the scenery, whether you drive or hike there.

There are plenty of other places to enjoy as well with miles and miles of hiking. I'm guessing you could make a number of trips and still not run out of things to see and do.

Aside from Alternate 27 and Highway 85, you can get to FDR State Park by taking 185 North and watching for the signs. A $2 Georgia State Parks pass is required.

USAMU hosts Olympic Selection matches to determine competitors

40 shooters compete world's top athletes

Paula J. Randall-Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit will host the first of two Olympic Selection Matches that will choose the U.S. Shooting team to compete in the 2000 Olympic Games this September.

The first Olympic selection competition will be conducted April 19 to May 5 at Hook and Phillips Ranges and the Pool International Shooting Complex on post. The second selection match is scheduled for June 21 to July 1 in Atlanta at the Tom Lowe Shooting Grounds, formerly called the Wolf Creek Olympic shooting Center.

Shooters' scores from both matches will be added together and the top one or two shooters, depending on the discipline, will make the Olympic Team. Currently, in the 17 shooting disciplines in the 2000 Olympics, 12 have two quota slots each, four have one slot each and one has none.

Forty USAMU Soldiers, including 11 former Olympians, will be competing against 500 of the country's top shooters for 28 slots on the U.S. Olympic Shooting Team.

Out of the possible 431 Olympic slots the U.S. Team could have been given, 28 quota slots were awarded to the United States by American athletes winning them; nine Olympic quota slots were won by USAMU Soldiers.

Fort Benning's Olympic Selection Matches begin with the Shotgun Trials.

April 19 is a training day and Men's and Women's Trap competition will be conducted april 20-23. Men's and Women's Double Trap runs April 25 and 26 and Men's and Women's Skeet will be held April 28 to May 1.

The 10-Meter 30+30 Running Target Matches will be April 27-30; this competition is for men only.

Competition in Women's Three Position Free Rifle is set for April 26 and 27 and the men will compete May 1 and 2.

Men will compete in the Air Pistol matches May 1 and 2 and the women will compete May 4 and 5. Male pistol shooters will compete in the Free Pistols trials May 4 and 5.

All competition starts at 9 a.m. except for the shotgun matches, which start at 10 a.m.

The Olympic Selection Matches are open to public and the media are invited.

The Olympics will be held Sept. 15 to Oct. 1.

After the Opening Ceremony Sept. 15, the Olympic Shooting Competition will take place Sept. 16-23 at the Syndey International Shooting Centre Park, which has a capacity of 7,000 for the Games.

The Olympic closing ceremony is Oct. 1.

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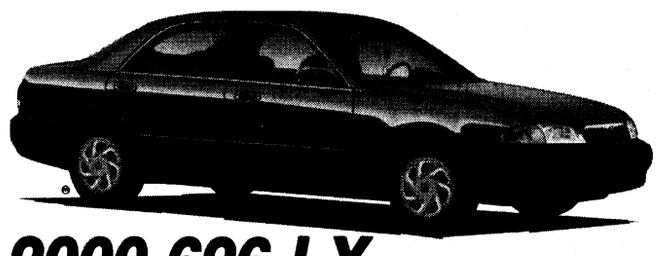

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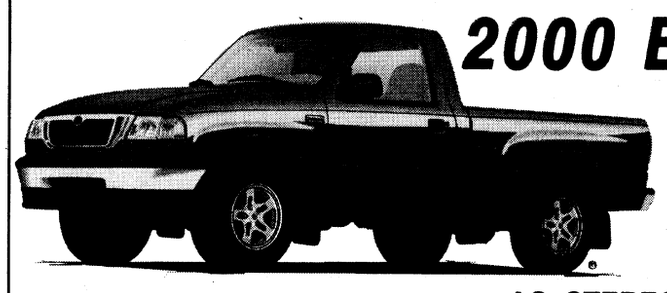

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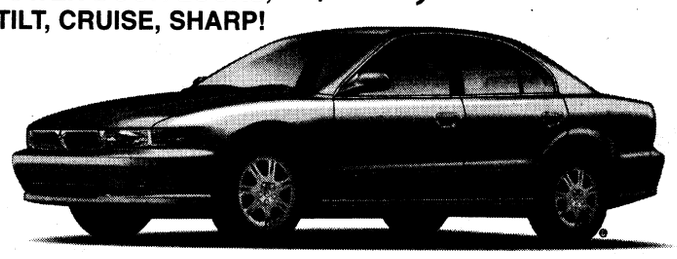

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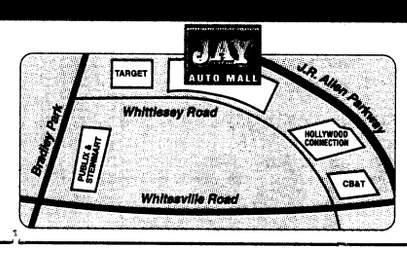

Autos for sale

70 Dodge Coronet Superbee black, V-8, mags, new tires, exc cond, runs great. $6,000, must see. 687-4336 after 5pm (F18)

76 Cadillac Bicentenniel Convertible, triple white, parade boot, garaged, 62,000 mi, $12,000 (863)427-0195 566-8964 (F11)

79 Corvette, L82, daily driver, $9,200. 569-5283 (F11)

86 Plymouth Reliant, runs okay, as is $300. obo 683-6117, leave phone # for immediate contact (F11)

86 BMW 325 2DR, AC, sunroof, 5spd, 6cly, 154,000 mi, $4,800 obo Doug at 689-0067 x5095 (F25)

87 Dodge Daytona Shelby Z 2.2 I, turbo, t-tops, blace ext, grey int, fair cond $2,100 (F25)

91 Toyota Tercel, 2dr, clean, runs great, $3,000 ED 571-4488 work/ 562-9240 home(after 5) (F11)

91 Mitsuabishi 3000GT, white, maroon leather, pwr windows, locks, cd, all wheel drive, twin turbo, VR4 $11,000 obo 565-7457 (F18)

93 Chevy Camaro Z28 pwr everything T-tops low milage,5.7,350cu LT1 engine,hunter green,new tires ,racing rims 683-9356 (F25)

93 New Yorker, loaner, all power, gooks great, beige leather int, low milage, priced below consumer guide lines, 569-6505 (F25)

93 Nissan Altima, auto, pw/pl, am/fm, cass chrome rims. Need engine $1,500 685-1722 or 545-5179 (F18)

93 Plymouth Laser, Dark green, automatic, a/c, am/fm cassette, good condition, $5,500, call 683-0966 (F18)

94 Nissan Altima 60k, a/c, power windows, locks, mirrors, cd player, spoiler. Great cond, $7,800. 317-4890.(F11)

94 Mitsubishi 3000 GT SL, auto, green, tan leather seats, anti-theft, tinted windows, sunroof, 79k, $15,000.obo 566-8964 (F11)

97 Chevy Cavalier RS, Exc Cond, Power Everything, Dual Airbags, Antitheft System. 9,700 neg. MUST SELL, PCSING! 689-3242. (F18)

97 Mercury Crand Marquis, one owner, 21k, very clean, loaded w/ equipment. $15,000 298-2344 (F11)

97 Mustang "Cobra" SVT, 5speed,convertable,White on white, black leather,loaded& Powerful Car. $2????. 689-3034 after 6p.m (F3).

81 Chevy Malibu, 77K orig. miles. New transmission, runs great. $1400 OBO. 685-2348. (F18)

86 Nissan 300ZX, catchy red 2dr, t-top, tinted windows, new clutch. $2700 OBO. Leave phone # at 683-1405. (F18).

97 Blue Dodge Neon, AC/CD/5-spd, new tires, asking $7500. 33,000 miles. Great car, exc. cond. 687-5125. (F18)

94 Geo Tracker, auto, white ext. w/ blk int. Must sell. $4000 OBO. Call 689-3987. (F18)

99 Dodge Advenger, red, loaded, asking pay off $18,000 call 569-1310 (P11)

SUVs, Vans & Trucks

85 CJ-7 Jeep 4x4, new tires, lots of chrome, V-8, beautiful, runs great, $4,900 obo 298-1752 (F11)

87 Toyota 4 Runner, 4wd, looks and runs great! $4,950. 682-4843 (F11)

91 Toyota Pickup 4X4, V6, 5-Speed, Red, 100K, Many Extras $6250 obo 689-0067x5092 or (912)369-6650 (F11)

91 Ford Explorer, Eddie Bauer, GRN, Great SUV, new engine, new brakes, tires, air conditioner and much more. $7000.00 obo. 687-4295 Jeremy (F3)

93 Jeep Grand Cherokee 4x4 Black/Tan Int. Custom wheels 142k, CD, lots of options. $8900.00 221-2179 Rick (F11)

94 Ford Explorer, AC, CC, PL/ PW tilt, exc cond, $8,500 obo. 562-0768 (F7)

95 Nissan XE, 5spd, bed liner, tool box, am/fm cassette, ac, 43,000mi, $6,700. (F3)

95 GMC Safari Conversion Van, exc cond, white w/ grey leather int, tv, vcr, video game compatible, dual stereos, $12,500 568-6322 (F11)

95 Chevy Blazer, V6, auto, cd, ac, cc, power locks, $14,500 obo, hurry or will be gone 682-7513 Joe (F25)

97 BLK Silverado Exl Cab, 350, 5spd, loaded, tinted windows, roll-n-lock bed cover, 76k $14,000 firm 568-1547 (F11)

99 Forerunner, 23,ooo mi, black, 4cyl, auto, towing package, power, am/fm cass, sacrifice, $24,500 (912)649-4848 or page 334-448-6844 (F18)

94 Toyota Pickup, Ext Cab, V6, 5-spd, Winter Package, 68K, white, extras, $12000 OBO. (912) 369-6650 or (706) 689-0067x5092. (F18)

94 Ford Ranger. $6,500. well maintained,. new tires. Great Cond Can be seen at Ft.Benning's Lemon Lot. 565-8051 (F25)

94 Dodge Grand Caravan ,great cond dual airbags a/c remote entry exc family vehicle 689-6009 $7,800 (F25)

96 Ranger Supercab, white, 4cyl, 5spd, 39k, eng good, r/ r, qtr panel dented $8500 obo 298-8234 7-10pm (F3)

96 Toyota Tacoma, alloy wheels, low profile, camper shell leer, cab high bed liner, exc cond, low mi, $10,000 obo 682-1019 (F3)

96 Ford Explorer XLT, loaded, exc cond, must see $15,800 563-5624 (F11)

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77 Honda CB400 super sport completely restored w/Dyna Ignition and many extras, very clean, good first bike, runs great! $1500 obo 687-7630 (F11)

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77 17 Ft. Run About. $1,000. 140 hp Merc in board out. needs batt, starter, a tune up and seat cushions 565-8051 (F25)

98 GSX LTD Seadoo 951CC, 49 HRS, Exc cond factory installed air inake, over sized pistons comes w/ trailer, cover,and vest. $6,100 obo 683-9787, 544-8430 (F25)

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Softball: player are need for downtown league (male). Contact 1SG (ret) Jimmy Armstrong at 706-566-2015 (F11)

CHILDCARE NEEDED 5 days/week for 3yr old. call Jared or Lisa at 689-0978. Custer terr. or McGraw area please (F18).

Yard Sales

McBride Pride P.T.O is having an inside yard sale at McBride Elm, 500 Cluster Rd., from 9-12 on Sat. Feb. 5th 2000. Booths are still available for rent. Call Lindsey at 682-3976 or Stacey at 685-1689. Booths are $5 or bring in a bake sale item. Call before 5 p.m. on Fri. Feb. 4th for reservations. (F11)

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Electronics

AST Laptop 133 MHZ, 16 MB, 3.5 floppydrive, CD Rom, external modem, and much more. $850.00 (682-2947) (F7)

Dell Laptop, Lattitude XPi, Pentium 150, 32 Megs RAM, 2.1 Gig HD, great condition, Runs Win98 well. $825 OBO 480-2018 (F18)

133 MHZ 32 megs ram 32x cd rom 33.6 fax/ data modem 14" monitor multimedia $350 (F11)

Packard Bell computer, 133mh, mini toner, monitor, keyboard, mouse exc cond $500 obo call after 1800 561-0415 (F18)

Pentium computer 133mhz, 850 meg hd, color printer, cd, floppy, and software. 56K modem, 14 in. monitor. Asking $650. 689-9993

AST computer with monitor, speaker and printer. $600 obo. also VHS video camera $300 obo . Serious inquires only call 563-8280 (F11)

Childcare

Seeking childcare provider in my home for 3 month old Mon-Thur 3-1030pm. Call Cpt Laundette Stewart at 322-3293. (F11)

24 hour childcare has openings $10 off registration until Feb 28. 568-9848 (F11)

Licensed provider has fulltime openings, new borns are welcome Cynthia 682-9938 (P18)

Affordable childcare M-F ages 12mo to 4yrs, Lakisha Bradley 685-1141 (F11)

Children's Items

Graco toddler bed w/mattress, new $40. 989-3642 (F10)

Childs loft bed w/ desk $150 (F11)

Little Tykes Grand Mansion Doll House; all rooms furnished includes all outdoor toys and van; all in exc condi for $50.00 685-8322 (F10)

Baby walker, back carrier, boy clothes, 683-0142 (F11)

Complete set disney books 683-0142 (F11)

Exersaucer/car for children 4 months & up. Never used $20.00 Call Amy 687-4295 (F18).

Little Tykes car- $15. 682-4227 (F18)

Race car bed w/ matress and sheet sets, comforter 689-2219 (F18)

Boys clothes sz 2t-3t, winter 689-2219 (F18)

Changing table and misc 689-2219 (F18)

Beautiful wooden baby crib and matching changing table. $100 obo 214-0378 or 545-5436 (F11)

Even flo child car seat (like new) $40 misc. baby items-great deals 568-4439 (F11)

Double stroller with hoods and front seat turns to face back payed $150. asking $100 obo.682-7306 (F11)

Furniture

Black leather couch, fair cond, folds to sleep[er $30. 2 wooden/ cushioned chairs $30 ea 682-4992 (F11)

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Beige rocker recliner Fair cond. Clean. $50 685-9661 (F18)

Couch Exc cond. Blue, burgundy and forest green plaid. Large, very comfortable, has many throw pillows. $350.00. Contact Stephanie (706)221-0127.(F18)

Sofa, Loveseat, Recliner set (will sell separately) $200 687-9574 (F11)

Like new full-size mattress, box spring and frame - Chirotonic Regal by Restonic. Asking $150. Mrs. Forman at 660-8714 (F11).

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Table w/ 4 chairs...$75 687-9574 (F11)

Rattan Bar swivel stools and mirrow's asking $500 obo 561-3834 (F11)

Solid wood bunk beds complete $50.00 after 5 685-4931 (F11)

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Coffee and End Tables Solid Oak with Brass Trim Exc cond like new. $150.00 Mrs. Ross hm# 682-8686 wk# 544-4573 (F11)

Dining room table w/4 chairs like new $175.00 , love seat and matching recliner $175.00 obo. 566-2015 or 563-0632 (F11)

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Dumbbell weights include 5-30, mult of 10, triceps pressdown bar and chinning triangle, never used $400 685-3237 (F11)

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92 Peachtree Peachstate 14x76 3br, 2ba, central heat/ ac, masonite siding, shingle roof, glamour tub, front deck $12,000 562-0363/366-4184 (F3)

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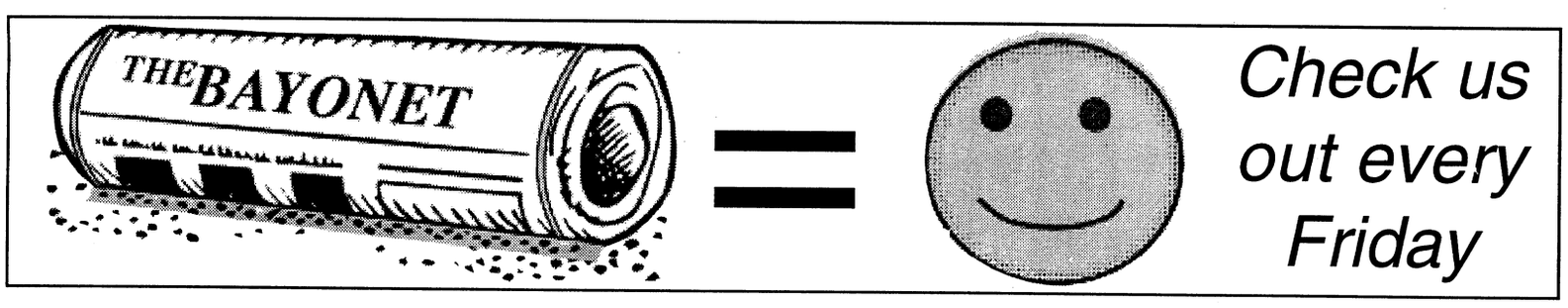

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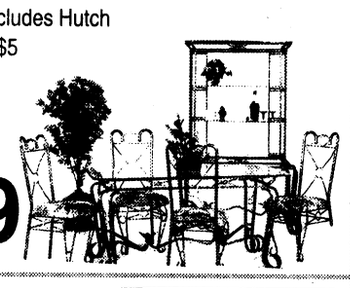



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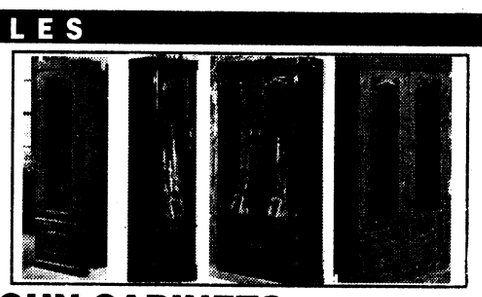
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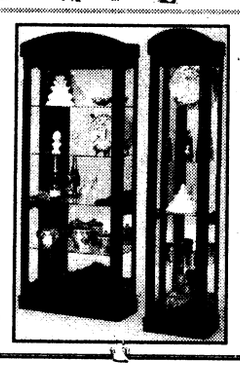

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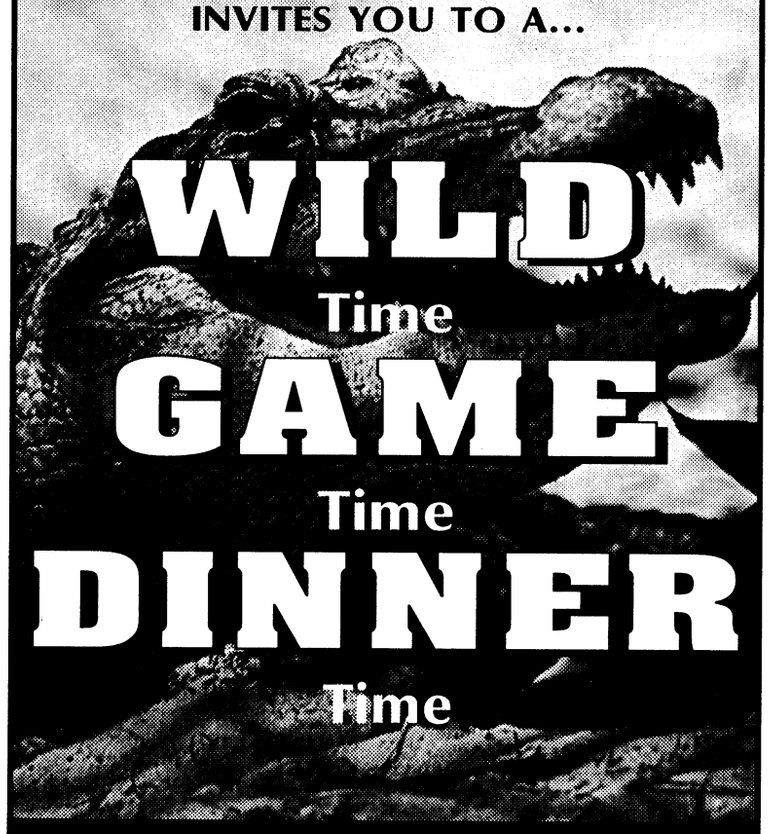

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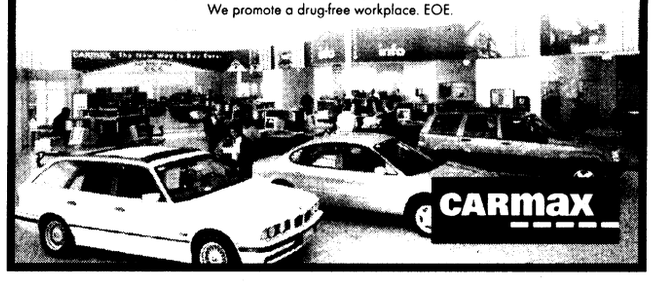

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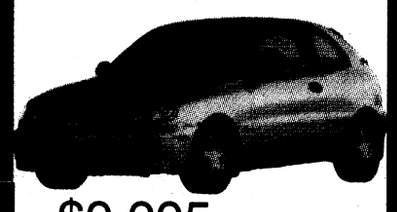

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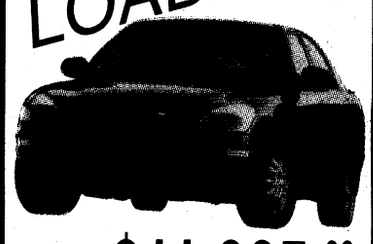

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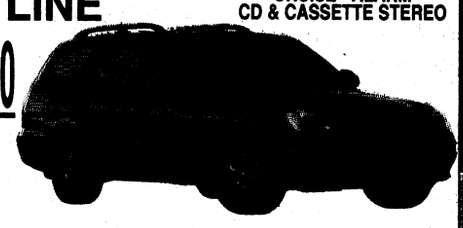

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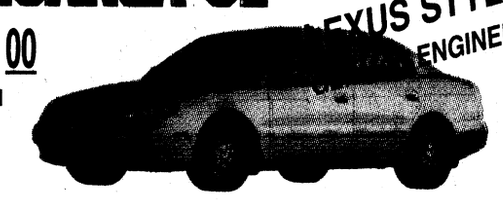

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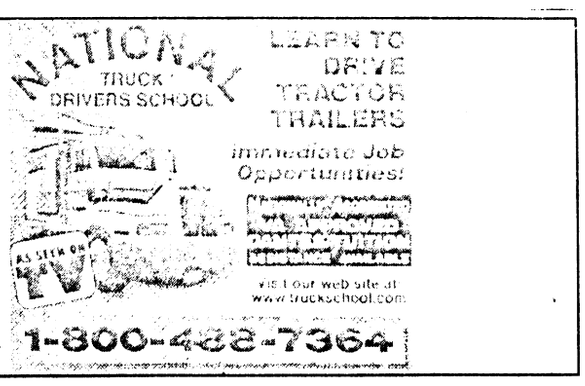

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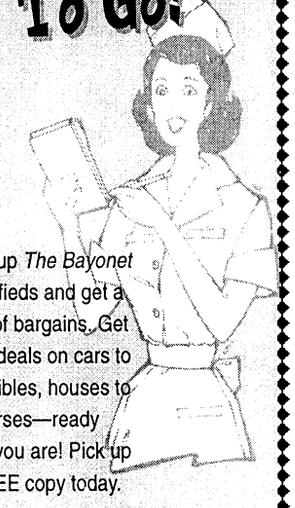

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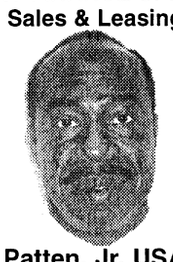

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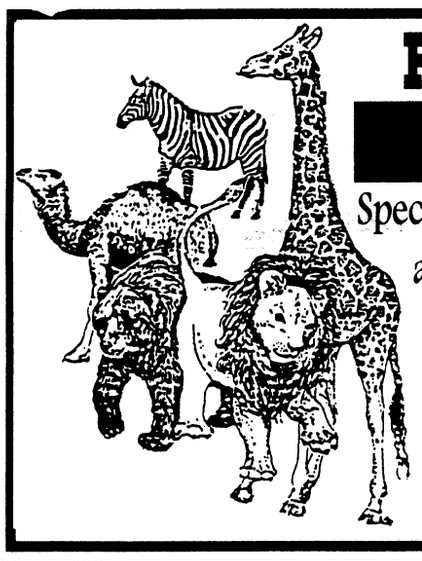

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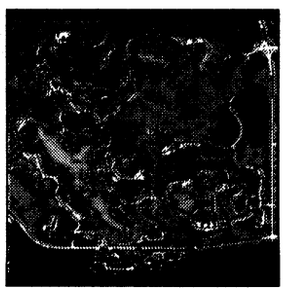

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DoD promises new barracks

Initiative gives Soldiers modern facilities by 2008

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

If the president's proposed budget announced last week earns the nod of Washington lawmakers, installations across the Army will have nearly $600 million in funding to revamp the Army's aging barracks.

The construction program, which earned its way into the books of Army planners in 1995, is aimed at creating a better quality of life for America's servicemen and women, said Col. David Reed, office of the chief of staff for installation management.

"There has been a direct link between the Soldier's quality of life and retention," Reed said. "The (barracks modernization) program is aimed at making the best quality of life for Soldiers.

"Most Army barracks were built in the early '50s, before most of our Soldiers were even born," he said. "The Army has realized the problem and that is why there is a push to get the new facilities constructed."

In a Department of Defense survey of single service members, officials established a strong link between quality of life and retention.

Seventy-three percent of the Soldiers surveyed told housing officials it was important to have a private room and 65 percent of those said they were dissatisfied with the privacy in their current room.

Reed hopes to decrease that dissatisfaction with funds appropriated in the upcoming budget to construct the Army's new One Plus One barracks.

Those rooms, according to DoD plans, put Soldiers at specialist rank and below in a barracks room with private sleeping areas joined by a shared bathroom and common area. The program puts a larger set of quarters in place for Soldiers holding the rank of sergeant and staff sergeant and gives them a private living room and bathroom.

The One Plus One concept is slated to provide more than 170,000 new or renovated barracks spaces worldwide.

The posts in this year's receiving line for funding courtesy of Clinton's new $423 million barracks building project, include Fort Bragg, N.C., Schofield

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Sally Shutt

Maj. Keith Johnson, Columbus' Big Brother of the Year, plays with his 'little brother' Cortez Channey and his two sons, Julian and Kyle, at the Columbus Museum Sunday afternoon.

Officer earns 'major' honor

Health instructor named Columbus' Big Brother of Year

Sally Shutt
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Maj. Keith Johnson was recently named Big Brother of the Year for Columbus, and 9-year-old Cortez Channey is very proud.

Channey, a fourth-grader at Downtown Elementary Magnet Academy, has been Johnson's little brother for about 18 months.

Saturday the two, along with other Big Brothers Big Sisters teams, made Valentines to share with nursing home patients. On Sunday, Channey, Johnson and the officer's two sons, visited the Columbus Museum after attending church together.

"He's funny and he helps me," Channey said. "If I ask him a question, he tells me the answer."

Johnson spends about three hours each Saturday and Sunday with Channey. In addition to the one-on-one time, Johnson wanted to integrate his little brother into his family. His wife, Stacy, is very supportive, and Channey attends Christ Community Church with them and participates in other family activities.

Johnson has seen considerable changes in his little brother since being partnered.

"Cortez has become a lot more outgoing, is doing better in school and respects adults more," Johnson said.

Channey's mother, Latasha, is a single parent with two younger sons. The responsibility of being the oldest didn't leave the boy much time to enjoy being a kid, Johnson said.

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Website offers help with 2000 vote

Site explains absentee voting ballots

Staff Sgt. Kathleen Rhem
Armed Forces Information Service

WASHINGTON — You can tell it's an election year, because there's a nonstop media barrage telling which candidates are saying what where.

But where do uniformed members find clear-cut information on how to vote in their home districts?

Well, look no further than the Federal Voting Assistance Program new 2000 election Web site at http://www.fvap.ncr.gov.

Program officials have created the 'one-stop shop' for the roughly 6 million potential voters covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986.

The FVAP is responsible for informing and educating all U.S. citizens worldwide of their right to vote, fostering voter participation and protecting the integrity of the electoral process at the federal, state and local levels.

To military members and civilian employees and their families stationed oversees, the different voting rules at federal, state and local levels may be as confusing as a maze.

Perhaps the most important thing for them to know about absentee voting is how and why to fill out the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot, Standard Form 186.

When a Web site visitor clicks on 'Learn About Absentee Voting,' several links will lead to different information about the postcard-sized form, which isn't available online. Individuals are advised to see their unit voting assistance officer.

The site gives guidelines for determining or establishing a legal residence. Some service members mistakenly believe they may claim any state as their legal residence or that their home of record is automatically their legal residence. Actually, they must meet certain requirements.

For instance, a person must have a physical presence in a

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Millions may be host to disease

Nearly 25 percent of population carry meningitis

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

It was a sunny Friday afternoon in January 1999 when an Alabama woman picked her 17-month-old daughter up from her grandmother's house just south of Birmingham.

The January Alabama sun was warm on her face, but the forehead of her little daughter, China, was even warmer.

She had a fever and her mother decided to make a stop by the neighborhood care center to get China examined before the two would spend the unusually warm winter weekend together.

The physicians at the clinic diagnosed the toddler's 102-degree fever as the result of an ear infection in her right ear. Medicine was prescribed and China and her mother were on their way home to enjoy each other's company.

But after a fun-filled day of playing, laughing and smiling on Saturday, China awoke Sunday as a different child.

She was lethargic — in and out of sleep all day long waking only for minutes at a time.

China's distant look in her eyes worried her mother and eventually prompted the woman to once again seek medical help, this time in the form a phone call to the local emergency room. Again doctors told her this was normal with an ill child, and the two went to bed.

After a quick shower and primping, China's mother returned to where she had laid China down to sleep the night before, but what she found would be the beginning of the end of the little Alabama girl.

China's eyes where blank. Her face and lips were twitching, and her mother immediately put the child in the car and rushed her to a nearby hospital.

Doctors awaited the two's arrival. After being questioned about possible drug intake, doctors diagnosed the 17-month-old with meningitis.

She was air-lifted to Children's Hospital in Birmingham where she arrived minutes later in seizure.

Throughout the day, China became more and more distant to relatives, including her mother. Later that day, doctors told the

See **DISEASE**, A-4

ACOE suggestions might be hit

Spc. Clyde Snively
Bayonet columnist

commentary

My momma used to always tell me, if you don't step up to the plate, you'll never get a hit.

She would remind me that I could strike out (I usually did), but it was guaranteed that by not coming to bat I had no chance in Hades of making it to first base. None, nil, zero, zilch.

So I've spent a lot of time striking out, which makes the few hits I do get even more precious to me.

During the next few weeks the post is going to be asking for ideas from Soldiers, civilians, family members on ways to best spend our Army Community of Excellence winnings from last year — $500,000.

Now a half-million big ones sounds like a lot of money to someone who pulls in a mere thousand or so a month (disregard what the *Army Times* and the Finance and Accounting people tell you on your Leave and Earning Statements each year — if the money's not in the bank, you can't spend it). But that's a subject for another column.

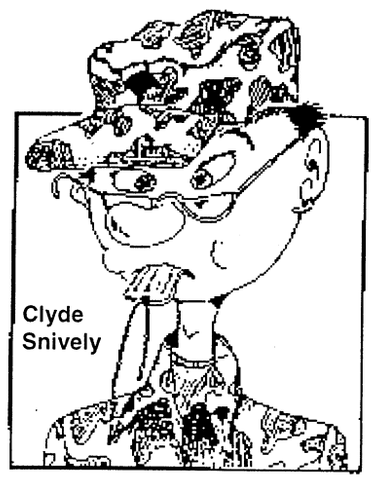
Anyway, guess what, $500,000 doesn't really go all that far.

For instance, it wouldn't come close to providing climate control to all the great stuff we have in the National Infantry Museum, but it would purchase a lot of playground equipment.

But oh, by the way, we ain't wasting money on playground equipment again. And you know why? Because it gets bashed. What's with society nowadays, it's as if we have to strike out and break things, or paint graffiti on walls, or key people's cars.

I thought we were all one big family and we looked out for one another. I guess not.

Now I know there are people in



housing areas who are saying, "Hey, my kids didn't break the stuff, why should they suffer?" Well guess what, what did you do to prevent it being vandalized or abused to the point of uselessness?

For me, I like the trail that connects Fort Benning to Columbus and Phenix City. It gives me an easy access into the downtowns of both cities and there's this great little place that makes its own beer and ...

You get the drift.

So in my mind, the money we spent linking in with Columbus was well spent. As a cyclist I'd like to see us take some of that money and repave the shoulders on some of our key roads that go to Uchee Creek, or make the loop around the ranges. If you have to ask "why," you haven't ridden on our roads except maybe in a Bradley or an M-1 Tank.

I have no idea what paving a two foot swath would cost per foot, so I'm sure we're talking another strike out for Snively. But, hey that's my idea and I'm stuck with it.

But here's the deal, if you have a project that will improve the quality of life, is not something the Army is supposed to resource, then fill out the suggestion form you'll find around post or in this newspaper (starting next week). Or you can scribble it on a paper napkin or whatever and get it turned in to the Garrison Commander's office, Room 550, Infantry Hall.

Who knows, you may get a hit.

Fort Benning schools step above all others

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

We home schooled our children at our last duty station. There, I said it. In some circles, that's tantamount to saying, "I have a contagious disease. ACHOO!"

Some people tend to view homeschool families as heretics, extremists, or to put it bluntly, weirdos. And some of us are. But by and large, we're a growing number of people so dedicated to the safety and education of our children. that we're willing to go to great lengths to protect and teach them ourselves.

I was excited to meet another group of people with these same commitments when we moved to Fort Benning. It wasn't the local homeschool network. It was the teachers and staff at Stower's Elementary School.

A lot of research and deliberation preceded our decision to put our children back in school. Along the way, I found that someone, long before me, had put a lot of research and deliberation into staffing this school. Stowers has the best group of teachers I have had the privilege of knowing in the 16 collective years my children have attended school.

Brittney, my second-grader, has been blessed with a teacher whose reputation preceded our introduction. My neighbors told me Kris Clemons was somewhat of a pied-piper of 8



year olds, and I have to agree. I've spent a lot of time in the classroom this year, often unannounced, and I have never seen her class disorderly. Nor have I ever heard her raise her voice. That would explain why all her students obviously adore her. But how do you explain the remarkable increase in reading test scores her students achieve every year?

Jacob, our fourth-grader has a disorder called Visual Perception Deficiency. That's a very technical way of saying his brain doesn't always agree with his eyes. It doesn't matter that he has an enviable IQ or an astonishing memory. What matters to Jacob is that he can't always read as fast as his classmates. In fact, he stressed so much over this early in the year, I decided to visit his teacher and discuss the problem.

Although I have always shared Jacob's medical history with his teachers in the past, few have ever tried to understand the complexities of VPD. And who can blame them? We'll all agree that teachers are overworked and underpaid. It's not reasonable to expect them to understand or make allowances for a complicated, confusing condition that few have ever even heard of.

Imagine my amazement (OK, I cried) when Jacob's teacher, Sherri Strickland, offered to help Jacob in any way possible. I believe her exact words were, "Of course we can make exceptions under these circumstances. That's what we're here for."

As it turns out, Jacob is an Honor Roll student, a Golden Stallion, and a member of the yearbook staff. The credit goes to Mrs. Strickland and her teaching partners, Suzanne Shwedo and Frankie Inman, whose constant encouragement has motivated Jacob and restored his self- confidence.

It's obvious Principal Glenn Hughes has a team of teachers who not only love what they do, but love the little ones they do it for.

In my work with the Bayonet, I've had the privilege of getting to know educators in most of the schools on Fort Benning. I'm continually amazed at the dedication and the enthusiasm they bring to work each day. They keep our Bayonet staff busy writing about new school programs and extracurricular activities because they are constantly looking for new ways to inspire and motivate their students.

The home school is a remarkable institution, one I support wholeheartedly. We may chose to do it again one day. But for now my faith in educators has been restored. Anyone who believes our education system is on the brink of demise, just needs to visit our schools here on Fort Benning.

Quiz continues; match contributions

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

African-Americans have contributed to our country from its founding. Most Americans are familiar with names like Martin Luther King Jr., Harriet Tubman, Colin Powell and Ella Fitzgerald. There are many others. They may not be as well known but their lives helped to shape our country as all of us know it. Here are 10 African-Americans and a very brief description of their lives. Can you match the citizens with their accomplishments?

1 His extraordinary heroism in France during World War I inspired his company to continue an attack against tremendous odds. In recognition of his actions, his surviving sisters were presented his Medal of Honor on April 24, 1991. A post school is named for him.

2 Served 10 years in the Illinois House of Representatives, voted Best Legislator every year. Went on to be the first African American woman to sit in the U.S. Senate and second African American since Reconstruction to serve as a senator.

3 First African-American general officer in the regular army. Entered military service and served as a temporary first lieutenant during the War with Spain in July 1898. Mustered out in March 1899. Enlisted in June 1899 and joined the 9th Cavalry as a private. Worked his way through the ranks and retired as a brigadier general July 31, 1941. Recalled to active duty as a brigadier general the next day.

4 Awarded the Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism in action in 1943 when the ship he was on board was hit by enemy bombers and abandoned. Assisted several Soldiers to the safety of a raft rather than save himself. Dragged down by the sinking ship and drowned. Physical training field on main post is named for him.

5 First southern African-American to serve in Congress since Reconstruction. Commanding public speaker. Delivered an electrifying keynote address at the 1976 Democratic National Convention.

6 Had little formal education, but was literate and became a self-taught astronomer and surveyor. In 1791 at the age of 21 he built a wooden clock, the first made in the new world. Assisted in surveying the District of Columbia. Urged Thomas Jefferson to abolish slavery through regular correspondence.

7 Awarded the first patent for a fire extinguisher in 1872.

8 First African-American to graduate from the U.S. Military Academy.

9 At one time, was the highest ranking woman on active duty in the Army. Served as the commanding general of Fort Belvoir, Va., and deputy commanding general of the Military District of Washington.

10 "Warrior Intellectual." Playwright, best known for "Raisin in the Sun." First African American to win the New York Drama Critics Circle Award. Worked to abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee.

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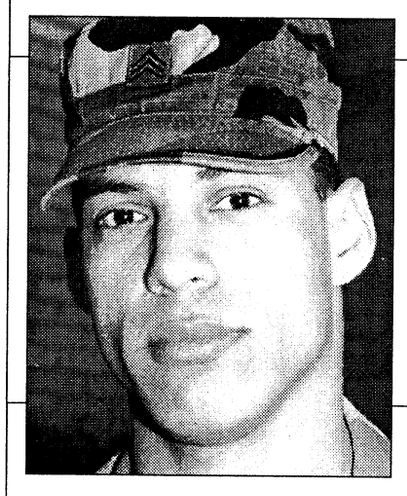
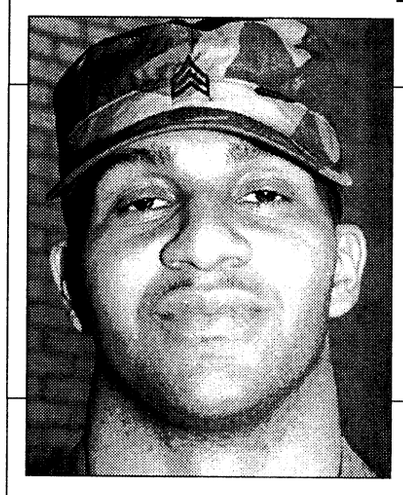


Sgt. Matthew Anderson, U.S. Army Medical Department Activity — "I think we should spend the money on a new Main Post gym."



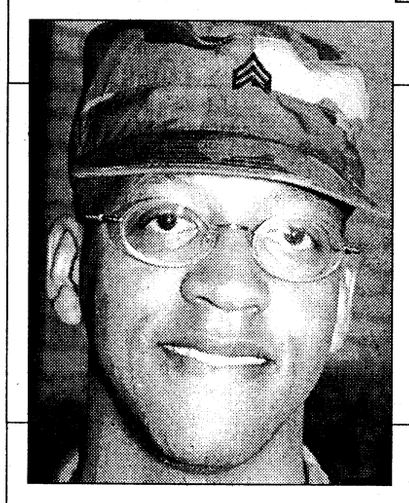
Capt. Julie Brown, C Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I think the money should be used to enhance the quality of life for single Soldiers — whether it be spent on upgrading barracks or on the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program."



Sgt. Carl Harris, Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery — "The money should be spent to upgrade the playgrounds, parks and recreational facilities."



Susie Nunnery, family member — "I think the money should be spent on parking in the housing areas. "



Sgt. Anthony Davis, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group — "I think they should improve the playgrounds — clear out tree lines and put in more playgrounds."



Kenya Kellogg, family member — "The money should be spent on the children, on more activities like the carnival in 1998 or upgrading and building more playgrounds."

To suggest future topics or questions for Various Voices or to volunteer your opinion on upcoming questions, call 545-2201.

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Soldier: Finds joy as brother

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On Saturdays, he likes to take his little brother to the library or athletic events around town. They also spend a lot of time playing football and basketball.

"I've taken him to Doughboy Stadium and played one-on-one football. It almost killed me," Johnson said.

At first the Johnson boys — Julian, 6, and Kyle, 4, — were leery and questioned why their dad was spending so much time with another boy.

"I explained that Cortez doesn't have what they have; he doesn't have a father," Johnson said. "They've learned that it's OK to share."

In addition to being a big brother, Johnson also serves on the advisory committee and sits on the program management committee.

"I wanted to make sure that I have an impact on the program beyond one child," Johnson said.

"He is extremely dedicated to the program," Big Brothers Big Sisters of Columbus Director Beth Dreyer said. "He's an unofficial spokesperson for us."

To those who say they don't have time to volunteer, Johnson proves you have to make the time.

"Although he is married and has two sons of his own, he still makes the time to be matched with a little brother," Dreyer said.

Johnson is the Combat Health Support instructor and the operations officer for the Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate. Brochures about the program rest on his desk in Infantry Hall.

Before moving to Fort Benning from Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Johnson called the Columbus BBBS program. BBBS matches an adult volunteer with a child, age 6 to 14, from a single-parent family.

"I knew that I wanted to get into a mentoring program, and it provided me with an opportunity to give back to the community," he said. "If I believe in it, I'm going to push it, and I believe Big Brothers Big Sisters is a good thing."

There are about 40 active-duty volunteers working in the various programs offered by BBBS.

There is a mentoring program at Faith Middle School, and for those who don't have the time to be a "big" on a regular weekly basis, there's Big For A Day.

"Once you start, you get addicted. You get around these little kids and see that you can have an impact," Johnson said.

He encourages young Soldiers to reach out and volunteer because there are children on the waiting list. Channey waited about a year before he was matched.

"It's for anyone who has the time or if you can make the time. It's very rewarding to see the changes in these children."

Frequent moves in the military are routine, so Johnson knew from the beginning he would not be able to maintain the one-on-one relationship with Channey forever.

This summer the major will move to Koreå, and he would like to find another mentor for his little brother before he leaves.

"If I find someone willing to take Cortez, then we can have a smooth period of transition and Cortez will not have to go back into the queue," Johnson said.

For more information call Big Brothers Big Sisters at 327-3760.

Project: Constructs new barracks

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Fort Benning

A barracks project on Kelley Hill and a fixed-wing aircraft facility at Lawson Army Airfield are scheduled to spend the $39 million allotted here.

The barracks project is phase two of construction aimed at updating all of Kelley Hill's barracks facilities to the One Plus One standard, said Ken Holloway, post master planner.

The entire building project began in 1994 with the addition of barracks on the west side of the Kelley Hill complex, he said.

The fiscal 01 phase of the project, which has been allocated $24 million in the new budget, will be combined with the first phase, fiscal 00, project's $21 million. Together this two-phase project will build new barracks rooms for 384 Soldiers. four battalion headquarters buildings and 12 company operations facilities, he said.

Although the plans call for all of this construction, Holloway said the $24 million will not be enough to complete the entire project.

"The entire project was originally estimated to cost $47 million," he said. "But instead of being allotted the entire amount at once, we were given less than half of the money in FY00 and the remainder is supposed to come in next year's FY01 budget."

With half of that money left in the uncertainty of next year's budget, Holloway is concerned whether that money will ever materialize.

"We hope the money will come our way next year, but we don't know anything for sure," he said. "So we are working a plan now that will see what exactly we can construct with the money we have now."

Separating funds over a two-year period for barracks construction project is new to Fort Benning, The split in funds is nothing new though for large multi-million dollar facilities such as hospitals, he said.

"This is the first time in my 22 years of working here that I have seen anything like this ever happen to a construction project of this sort," he said.

While Holloway is left to sort out the discrepancies with the Kelley Hill project, he said the 2008 initiative to bring post to the One Plus One standard is on schedule.

The 75th Ranger Regiment will be able to take possession of their new One Plus One barracks complex beginning in May.

"We funded our barracks for Soldiers and have kept faith with where we wanted to go with the One Plus One concept by 2008," said a senior Army official. "What this really means is one room for one Soldier, and another room for another Soldier — a far stretch from gang latrines and open bay-type living that we had just a couple of years ago.

"We will accomplish this by 2008," he said. "We're not going to break faith with that goal and the FY01 budget helps that."

Although completion of the barracks project is scheduled for 2008, Soldiers can get a glimpse at the new barracks online courtesy of a website launched last year at www.hqda.army.mil/acsimweb/bar-test/default.htm.

The site features a virtual tour of the new One Plus One barracks at Fort Rucker and Fort Bragg.

Total cost for the barracks modernization program is expected to cost the Army $8 billion.

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Disease: May prove fatal if not detected soon

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woman her daughter had a good chance of being deaf and to prepare for a long hospital stay.

Breathing tubes and monitors surrounded the little girl as she laid in the hospital bed clinging to life.

By the next morning, China had suffered a stroke and became immune to any type of stimuli.

Streptococcus pneumonia meningitis claimed the life of 17-month-old China Marie Ray Jan. 12, 1999.

Her death, now more than a year ago, serves as a reminder of how lethal this unknown disease really is.

Usually referred to as spinal meningitis, the disease is an infection of the fluid surrounding the brain or spinal cord that lives in the back of the nose and throat in nearly 25 percent of the world's population, according to the Meningitis Foundation of America in Indianapolis, Ind.

Occurring in two distinct forms — viral and bacterial— the disease attacks people's immune system after making its way to the host's bloodstream. How the disease becomes blood-borne is still a mystery to doctors and scientists worldwide.

Capt. Brian Alsip, a doctor at Martin Army Community Hospital's preventive medicine center, said the least dangerous of the two strands of disease comes in the form of a virus.

"Viral meningitis is generally less severe, and resolves without a specific treatment," Alsip said. "While bacterial meningitis may result in brain damage, hearing loss or even death."

Like in China's case, bacterial meningitis' lethality can be caused by a type of the disease called Streptococcus Pneumonia. Neisseria is also another strain of bacterial disease.

While it is unknown, Alsip said, on how the disease is transferred from the carrier to their bloodstream, he did note that the disease is not easily caught through casual contact.

"The disease is far less contagious than the common cold or the flu," he said. "The bacteria responsible for the disease is transferred through the exchange of respiratory and throat secretions that commonly occur during kissing or coughing."

Even though Alsip said the disease is not easily contagious, he said meningitis has spread to other people who had close or prolonged contact with the infected person.

"In day cares or households, people who have had direct contact are at risk," he said.

While the symptoms for the disease are similar to that of a cold or flu, he said there are some combinations of things to look for.

In adults and older children, vomiting, high fever, severe headaches, neck stiffness, a sensitivity to bright lights, drowsiness and other joint pain are very common.

The disease becomes more difficult to diagnose in cases like China's where the patient is unable to tell the physician what is ailing them.

In babies and infants, he said, watch for high fever with hands and feet feeling cold, vomiting, refused feedings, high-pitched crying, a dislike of handling, neck retraction, difficulty in waking and a pale or blotchy complexion.

The skin is perhaps the best evidence of meningitis, according to the foundation.

Regardless of age, a rash that looks like small cluster of pin pricks will quickly turn into purple areas of skin damage.

This is an indicator of blood poisoning and requires the patients to seek immediate medical attention, Alsip said.

While all symptoms may not appear at once, it is important, he said, to dictate between the common cold and meningitis.

The key, he said, is meningitis sufferers will become very ill, very quickly.

Treatment for the disease varies by type of meningitis, but he said proper antibiotic treatment of most common types of bacterial meningitis can reduce the risk of death from the disease to below 15 percent, although that number is greater for those in the at-risk population, he said.

While everyone is susceptible to the disease, the MFA's website (www.musa.org) notes, those under the age of 5, between the ages of 16 and 25 and over the age of 55 are most at risk to fall victim of the deadly disease.

A vaccine is available to help thwart the spread of the disease; however, it is limited to only certain strains.

The MFA website lists possible promising new treatments for the disease, but most are still awaiting approval by the Federal Food and Drug Administration.

In the last study conducted by the Center for Disease Control, the organization found nearly 13,000 cases of meningitis were reported annually.

Ten percent of that number, including 17-month old China, proved to be fatal.

More information about the causes and treatment of meningitis is available at the MFA website or by calling Alsip at 544-1144.

Is that cold you have more than just a bug?

Here are a few symptoms of meningitis that can help you decide whether that winter bug is more than just a cold.

SYMPTOMS

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- Regardless of age, a rash that looks like small cluster of pin pricks will quickly turn into purple areas of skin damage.

Website: Helps Soldiers with 2000 vote

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state and have an intent to remain or return. Also, spouses can't just assume their sponsor's legal residence; they must meet the same requirements in their own right.

Residency and other rules are spelled out by clicking on 'Learn About Absentee Voting' and then on 'Voting Residence for UOCAVA Citizens."

Other helpful features on the site include links to state election sites, a handy chart listing the dates of all state primary elections, and answers to frequently asked questions.

There is also a link to a U.S. House of Representatives page that lets visitors search for their representative by state and ZIP code.

The site further helps unit voting assistance officers by providing information on training and allowing them to download pamphlets and flyers about the Federal Voting Assistance Program.

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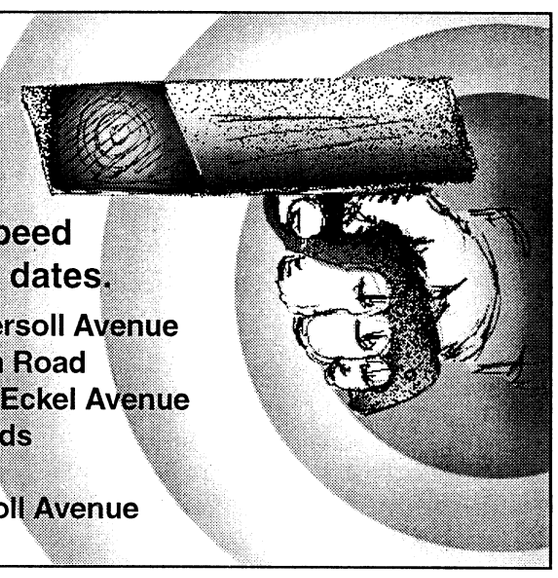

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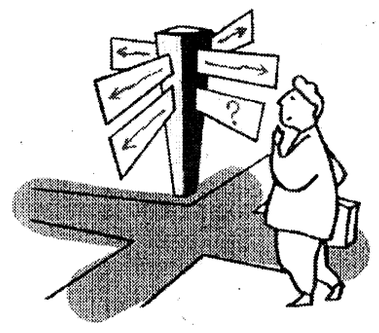

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Future Bradley leaders get hands-on training

Field training exercise gives Army's new lieutenants real experience

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer



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Students at the Bradley Leaders' Course participate in a field training exercise at Cactus Range.

After five-and-a-half weeks of learning the ins and outs of the Bradley Fighting Vehicle, more than 65 Soldiers in the Bradley Leaders' Course were given the chance to experience the weapon and all its might during a field training exercise Feb. 9-11.

The three-day mission had the students making their way from Ruth Range to Cactus Range while fighting in both offensive and defensive positions, said Maj. Carlos Pignato, commander of the Bradley Instructor Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment.

The first two days of the FTX required the students to maneuver as a platoon element against an enemy objective.

On the third day the exercise culminated with a full scale company attack. Throughout the entire event the Soldiers were required to control 600 horsepower of raw metal while working hand-in-hand with a dismounted Infantry squad.

Pignato described the FTX as the finale to all of the training received during the course.

"This (FTX) is where everything they've learned from CATD (Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate) and classroom instruction to live firing and close combat tactical training is combined together and applied," he said.

Before the exercise, everything the students did was on an individual basis, but the FTX requires a platoon collective piece, Pignato said. He added that every Soldier is given the chance to be in a key leadership position. The BLC is the only time mechanized Infantry leaders receive training on the Bradley before they go to their assignment.

A new addition to the course was the incorporation of night operations, said British Sgt. Maj. Kenny McDonald, training officer for the Bradley Leaders' Course, BIC, 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt.

McDonald said this addition taught the Soldiers how to employ the vehicles as part of a company defense at night. Which in turned helped the Soldiers understand the night observation capability of the Bradley.

While students learn a number of things from the exercise, an overall understanding of the Bradley and how it fits into a combat scenario is one of the key things the Soldiers take away, Pignato remarked. He said the most specific thing is the art of maneuvering the Bradley and their Infantry squads at the same time, which is almost always the most difficult part.

"For the first time they are physically going through the hardship and confusion of war while trying to keep control of their elements," Pignato said. "They are trying to fight on a three-dimensional battlefield with moving pieces and dismounted Infantry squads; they need to put it all together and make it work."

Bradley Leaders' Course student Capt. Robert Van Etten, mission commander, led a successful attack, but agreed that coordinating and keeping track of all of his elements was hard.

Van Etten said he believes the FTX is the most important part of the course because it gives them hands-on experience after all the weeks of practice.

"It is a great learning experience," Van Etten said. "I learned how quickly the Bradley can bring the fight to the enemy. I was a light Infantry platoon leader and seeing this I realize how fast the Bradley is and what kind of fire power it can bring to the objective immediately."

Van Etten's realization is exactly what Pignato said he thinks all students will get out of the exercise.

"This gives them more of an appreciation of the complexity of not just firing, but trying to employ it (Bradley)," Pignato said. "Compared to a simulator where there's air conditioning and you can walk out anytime, there is no place to walk out here.

They are fighting against vehicles breaking down, commo problems and trying to get everyone to go in the right place at the right time. The frustration level builds up and they learn it's a lot more difficult than they realized."

Pregnant Soldiers learn to stay in top shape

Expecting mothers continue to work on physical fitness

Sgt. Lori Smith
Assistant editor

A group of nearly 10 Soldiers and I were stretching out one cool, dark morning preparing for a run — pregnancy PT style.

Although the physical changes of our first trimester bodies were not apparent to the average eye, the changes going on inside our body were creating havoc.

While preparing for the run, one of the Soldiers said, "I sure hope I don't get sick. I just ate."

I thought to myself, "Just ate! How could anyone eat this early in the morning?"

"If I don't eat before PT I get sick," she confided to a friend.

"Oh great. If she gets sick I don't know what I'll do," I thought. We finished stretching and took off.

The pace was a nice, even jog up a hill, around a corner and to the half way point.

However painful running had become for us with our aching bladders and creeping nausea, we went on.

We are Soldiers; I thought to myself. We will not let this whole pregnancy thing get the best of us.

All was quiet, except for the sounds of heavy breathing.

But after turning our group around to head back to the Youth Activities Center I saw that we had lost one of our Soldiers. She was on the side of the road, bent over, fighting a bout of morning sickness.

It was not a pretty sight. Every few steps she tried to take, the sickness consumed her. But she did not give up and eventually finished the run.

Looks like eating didn't save her from the dreaded morning sickness after all.

Pregnancy is a time for many physical and psychological changes. Nausea often takes over for many expecting mothers, making a normal day difficult to get through, much less a physical training session.

Community Health Nursing has developed a PT program that is specifically designed for those Soldiers who are doing PT for two.

The program known as Military On the Move is mandatory for all active duty pregnant Soldiers stationed at Fort Benning, said Cindy Irwin, MOM coordinator. The program is designed to address many of a pregnant Soldier's needs.

"Four days a week we concentrate on keeping the Soldiers physically fit and the fifth day is spent in a classroom," said Irwin.

Soldiers not only get classes on fitness and nutrition but also on other areas that concern a soon-to-be mother.

Irwin said classes include subjects such as budgeting, childcare, car seat safety, family care plans and what to expect during the upcoming labor.

The majority of the MOM Soldiers are first-time mothers. But, said Irwin, classes offer something for everyone.

Sgt. 1st Class Elena Moralez, DOL transportation, who is pregnant with her second child, said she has much to gain from the classes.

There has been a span of 13 years since her first child was born. And it has been quite some time since she's belted a car seat into her car.

The car seat safety class was a great refresher course for her.

"The class helped me understand all the features on the seat," which, Moralez said, could save her child's life one day.

Additionally, she enjoys the guest speakers that come in to talk. "The classes are a good place to network and meet other women who are in the same situation. There is a wealth of information just talking among the Soldiers in class."

Irwin said that the pregnant Soldiers in the Army haven't always been so lucky to have their own specialized PT program.

When Moralez was stationed in Germany, pregnant with her first child, her unit did not have a PT program designed for expecting mothers. Instead, the unit alienated pregnant Soldiers from the rest of the unit.

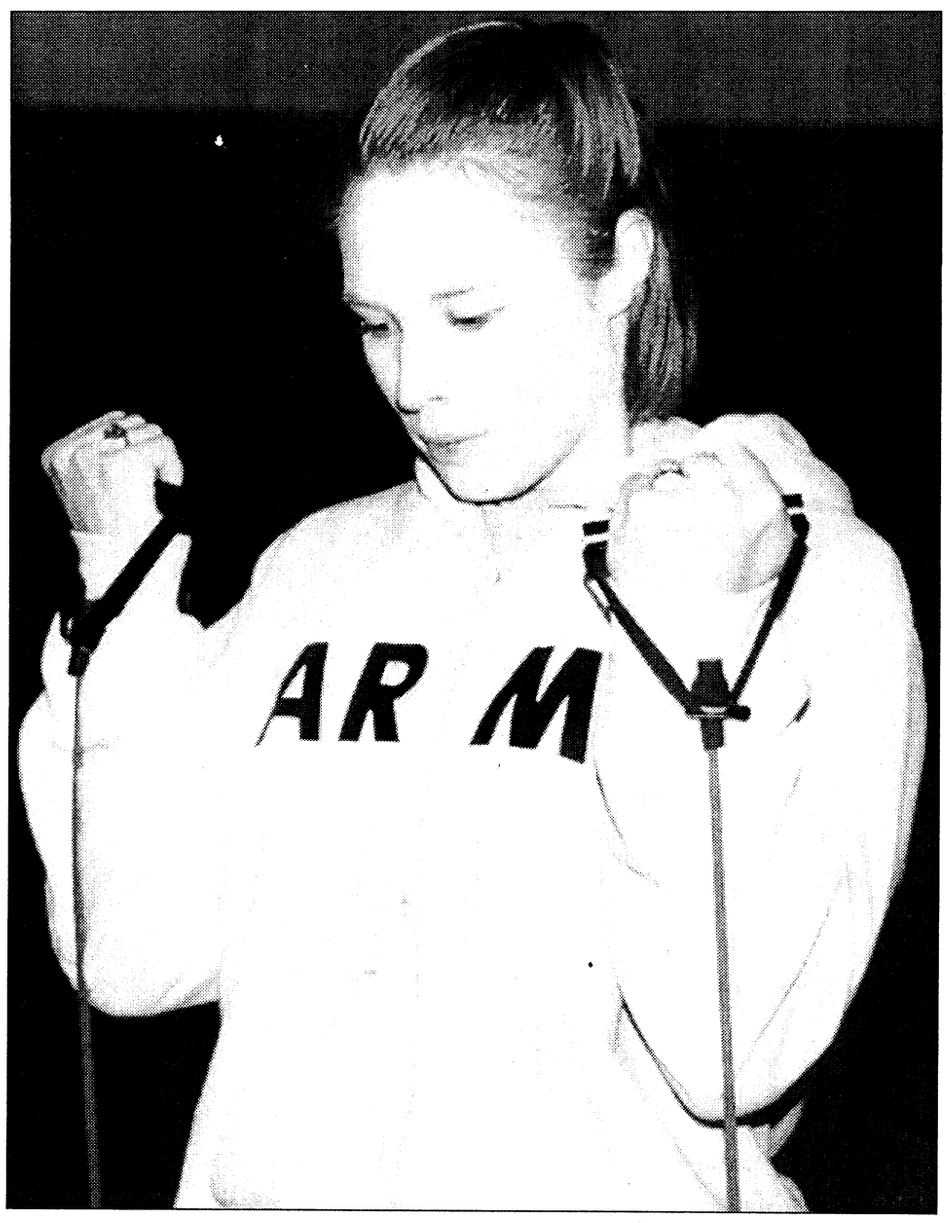
"They made us just go off to the side and do what we could do. It wasn't anything strenuous or structured — just a lot of walking.

"Here we have a lot of variety in what we do," said Moralez. "We do a lot of step aerobics, strength training as well as walking and running."

Irwin said the MOM training program is tailored for every trimester. A Soldier can work to her ability, without overdoing it in order to maintain a level of fitness.

Soldiers in their first trimester still run, while second and third trimester Soldiers walk with the option to run. They also do step aerobics and strength training with elastic bands instead of weights.

"We would like to see Soldiers retain a high level of fitness," Irwin said. "But like all Soldiers, it is necessary for pregnant Soldiers to motivate themselves and put everything they can into their training.



Sgt. Lori Smith

Pfc. Annie Artalejo, Headquarters and Headquarter Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry, participates in resistance training exercises.

After the baby is born and the Soldier returns to work, she returns to the MOM program for the six-week post partum PT.

"Our goal is to have Soldiers who complete the MOM program go back to their units and pass the APFT," said Irwin. "During this time I try to get Soldiers ready to return to their respective unit's PT program. We concentrate on preparing them to take the APFT."

Besides passing the APFT, most of her Soldiers are concerned with getting back to their pre-pregnancy weight.

"I'm determined to get my body back," said Spc. Alberta Cole, a light-wheel mechanic with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment. "This is why I work so hard."

Some mornings it's a little harder than others to crawl out of bed due to many sleepless nights caused by a tossing and turning baby inside. Cole said it sometimes takes a lot to motivate her in the morning. And who better to motivate Cole and other Soldiers than Irwin.

She has been there. Irwin, a certified aerobics instructor, was 37-weeks pregnant with her fourth child when she took the job as coordinator.

She said the exercise she did before her delivery made it much easier to get back to her pre-pregnancy fitness level.

The Community Health Nurse office will provide briefings on the MOM program to commanders and first sergeants upon request.

For more information on the MOM program or to register, call the Community Health Nurse Office at 545-4041.

GoreTex coat regs change

AR 670-1 now explains name tape requirements

Army News Service

A change in regulations standardizes the size and type of cloth nametapes and ranks authorized for the Extended Cold Weather Clothing System parka.

The change to Army Regulation 670-1 applies to regular Army, National Guard and Reserve soldiers wearing the ECWCS parka, more commonly called GoreTex among the ranks.

According to new Army guidance, nametapes attached to the ECWCS will be 1/2-inch wide and 3-1/2-inches long, with 1/4 -inch block lettering.

The nametapes will hold up to 14 characters and be attached to the pocket flap on the left side of the parka, only.

Cloth insignias of grade with Velcro fasteners are no longer authorized for wear.

The only authorized cloth rank insignias are those that are sewn closed, like shoulder bars.

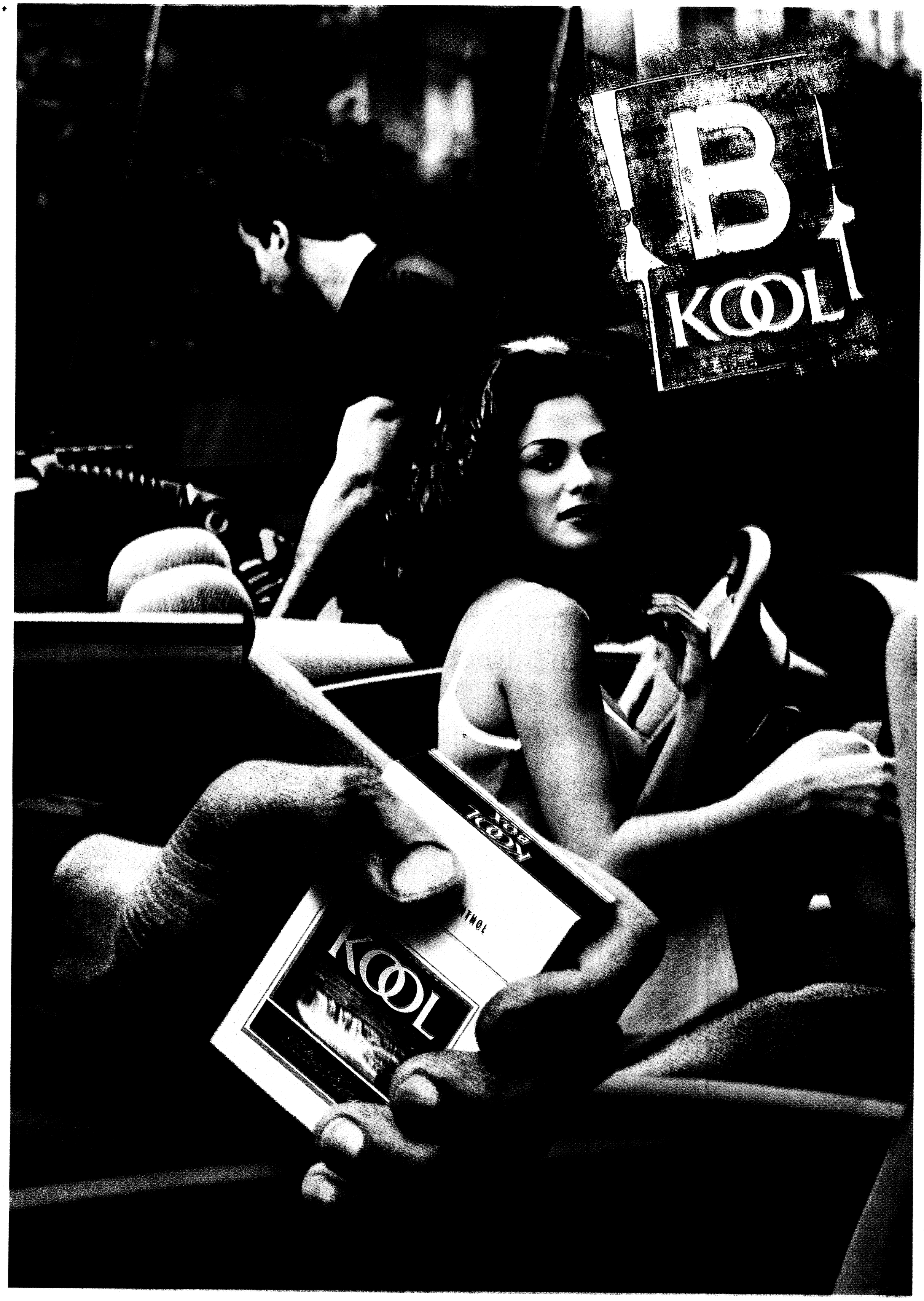
The loops slip over the front tab of the parka the same way that shoulder boards slip over the epaulets on the green shirt and sweater.

Soldiers may use pin-on insignias of grade if they desire.

The new size nametape and closed-loop cloth insignias of grade are available in Army military clothing sales stores.

After Sept. 30, no other sizes of nametapes will be authorized for wear on the ECWCS parka.

The above information covering the wear on nametapes and cloth rank insignia on the ECWCS parka will be included in the next revision of AR-670-1.



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47th Inf. Regt. invites members to ceremony

Former members of the 47th Infantry Regiment are invited to attend the regimental association change of authority ceremony March 14 at 9 a.m. on Pomeroy Field.

The 2nd and 3rd Battalions, 47th Inf. Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade, are co-hosting the event. The incoming honorary commander is retired Brig. Gen. Douglas Smith, and the outgoing honorary commander is retired Col. Ed Thurman.

RSVP no later than March 5 to Sgt. 1st Class Michelle Ingram at DSN 784-8733 or 544-8733 or e-mail ATSH-BCB-S1@benning.army.mil.

Prescribed burning to take place

Prescribed burning of woodland areas will take place Feb. 21 to Feb. 27.

If weather permits, the following areas will be affected: A7, A13, C1 D14, E4, E6, E7, F1, G7, H2, K14, K20, L2, L3, L6, Y1, Y3, Z1, Z2, BB4 and the Sand Hill Cantonment area.

Burning will occur in pine stands within these areas to enhance endangered species habitat and training areas.

Adjacent areas may experience drifting smoke and reduced visibility.

For more information, call Jack Greenlee at 544-6120.

CID offers reward

The United States Criminal Investigation Command (CID) is offering a $300 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the larceny of a 1991 red Kawasaki Ninja ZX-6 motorcycle from Magrath St., Fort Benning, between Dec. 14-15.

Also, CID is offering a $200 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of a U.S. government Compass laptop computer from HHC, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, Building 9016, around Dec. 22.

CID is also offering a $600 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the larceny of three SIDPERS servers, one CTX laptop computer and one Pentium computer from SIDPERS, Building 2618, between Dec. 22-27.

The assistance of the local community is being requested in an effort to identify and apprehend the perpetrator(s).

It is requested that anyone with information concerning these individuals contact the CID Duty Agent at 545-8916 or the Military Police at 545-5222.

The identity of anyone providing information will be kept in the strictest confidence.

Air Force conducts reunion

Torrejon Air Base, Spain (all units) will conduct a seventh reunion Aug. 31 to Sept. 3 in Mount Laurel, N.J.

For more information, contact Burnethel Sanford, P.O. Box 3492, Riverside, CA 92519.

MACH, JAG holds class

The Martin Army Community Hospital Department. of Family Practice and the JAG office present its quarterly Advance Directives class. Interested persons will have the opportunity to write living wills and durable power of attorney documents under the direction of a physician and a lawyer.

The class is scheduled for 1 p.m Feb. 9 in the Family Practice conference room. This is a free service.

To reserve a seat in advance, call 544-3066 or 544-3067 or stop by the Family Practice Center in person. Walk-ins without reservations are welcome.

EOD holds recruitment seminar

Anyone interested in becoming an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Technician and who meets the following requirements, is encouraged to attend a recruitment seminar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 22 - 23 in Building 4, Classroom 3.

- Enlisted sergeant and below, officers captain and below;
- GM score of a 105 or higher;
- Two or more years active duty service time;
- Must be a U.S. citizen;
- APFT qualified;
- Soldier must volunteer for EOD duties; and
- Have a strong desire to better yourself and future career opportunities.

Personnel are only required to attend one day of the briefing. There will also be displays on certain EOD tools and equipment.

For more information, call 545-4154 or 545-4974.

The Fort Benning Commissary will be closed Monday in honor of Presidents' Day.



Bridgett Siter

Queen of dance

The Spencer High School African dance team performs at the Fort Benning Black History Month Luncheon Feb. 8. From left to right are ninth-grader Ashya Croney, ninth-grader Dehsaun Ingersol, 12th-grader Tiffany Wilkenson and ninth-grader Shelby Sims.

ACAP services have time limits

Chick Eagle
Army Career and Alumni Program

Transitioning Soldiers, Department of Army Civilians, and family members are authorized to use Army Career and Alumni Program services from 180 days prior to separation date and up to 90 days after their separation date.

This is the official Department of the Army policy for use of ACAP services. Normally, the ACAP process begins with attendance at the almost weekly three-day ACAP Preseparation Program.

After this three day formal process ACAP becomes an as-scheduled service. Soldiers receive individual counseling sessions as needed to assist with transition planning and facilitate job searching.

A successful transition to civilian life requires hard work and starting at the 180 day point helps reduce separation stress on the Soldier and his or her family.

"Starting early also reduces problems with the chain of command because it allows greater scheduling flexibility around required Army duties," said Dwayne Wight, Fort Benning's Transition Services manager.

The policy also allows retirees additional time to begin the ACAP process. Retirees are authorized to begin up to one year before retirement date if needed.

This is sometimes necessary because of the extended time on active duty and the need to make certain all transition decisions and the job search are carried out successfully.

ACAP services may be used on an exception basis beyond the 90 days after separation and retirement. Only the TSM can grant authority, and it is only given on a case by case basis to clients who have unique circumstances for why they did not complete ACAP services in the prescribed time.

For more information, call the Transition Services Manager at 545-4913 with questions about official ACAP timeliness requirements and the window of opportunity to use ACAP services.

For more information, call the Fort Benning ACAP Center at 545-2308 or 545-2309 or visit Soldiers' Plaza, Building 2634.

Transition and job search information is also available on the ACAP Center web site: http://www-benning.army.mil/ ACAP/.

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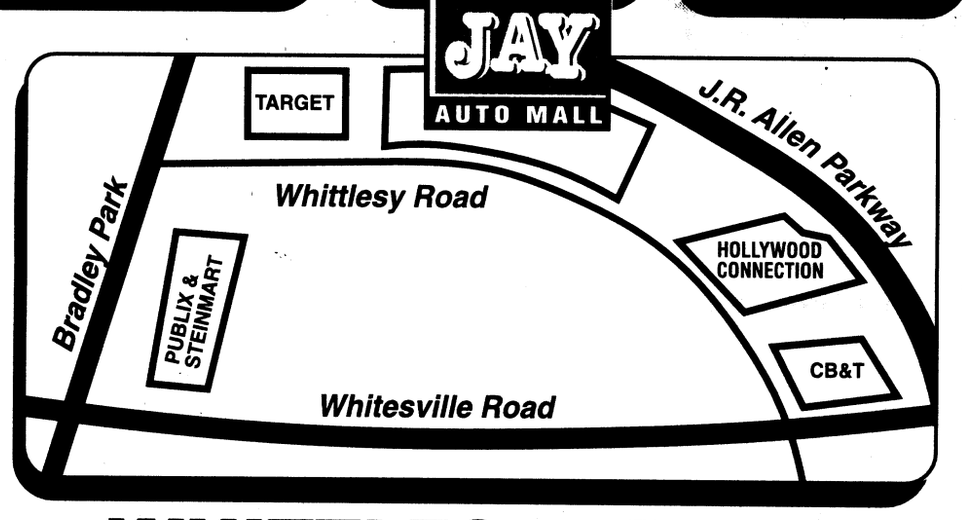

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Parents learn to give 'gift of inner discipline'

150 participants gather for annual Parent Academy

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

Giving children the gift of inner discipline was the topic of the annual Parent Academy Saturday.

About 150 parents and teachers listened to keynote speaker Barbara Coloroso talk about "winning at parenting without beating your kids."

Using wit and wisdom, which Coloroso said is essential in raising children, she talked about raising children to take responsibility for their actions and become productive citizens who care about neighbors.

Three ideas she emphasized were:

• "Kids are worth it."

• "I will not treat a child in a way I myself would not want to be treated."

• "If it works and leaves a child's and my own dignity intact, do it.

"Kids are people — don't treat them in a way you, yourself, would not want to be treated," Coloroso admonished. "Remember that child will be the one picking out your nursing home."

Teach your children the three truths about life — life is not fair, life hurts and life is good.

The 52-year-old mother of three said parents need to teach children to celebrate life.

"Make life fun for them — let them experience joy.

When the kindergartner doesn't want to stop watching the TV and get ready for the day, swoop down and pick the child up and dance the child to the car, she advised. By the time you are driving to school, the child might remember he wanted to finish watching the television program.

"Celebrate in the good times with family and community, and then in the bad times you'll have rituals and traditions to fall back on."

By doing this, it helps children learn that even after they experience adversity, life will be normal.

Coloroso, who at one time was a Franciscan nun, used her background as a special education teacher to convince parents that rewards are just another form of bribery and learning has intrinsic value of it own for children.

"Most children come to kindergarten motivated to learn," she said. "By the time they graduate from high school they've learned to ask 'What do we get?' 'Do I have to?' and 'Does it count?'"

She said parents who disagree with the reward system schools often use should talk to the teachers and see if other methods are useable.

"The reward system has never worked with James," Sarah Hertig said, speaking of her second-grader. "He responds better to positive feedback."

Ask children to look over their day, to tell you the accomplishments, the failures and the plan to fix the failures, Coloroso encouraged her audience.

"Use the car pool time to listen to your children," she said.

"The best advice I got from the seminar was to give a child a chance to think for themselves," Hertig said. "If it isn't unhealthy, immoral or going to kill them

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Wilson celebrates with open house

Construction ends, Wildcat Cafe opens

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Wilson Elementary School celebrated the completion of its year-long renovation by hosting an open house Feb. 9.

"It's finally done, and we're here tonight to celebrate," said principal Phyllis Parker.

The celebration featured performances by the Wilson Elementary Choir, directed by Geraldine Carlvin, and a video presentation "A Day in the Life of a Wilson Student," produced by student members of the Computer And Technology Society.

The event marked the grand opening of Wilson's newly restructured cafeteria, the Wildcats' Cafe. The family-style dining room features small, round tables, checkered tablecloths, floral centerpieces and cafe-style awnings over the doorways.

"It's so much friendlier and warmer," said retired teacher Nancy Holdbrooks. "The smaller seating arrangements add to the family atmosphere." Holdbrooks was one of several retired staff members visiting Wilson for the first time since the renovations were completed.

"This is home to us. I'm excited to see the improvements," said retired counselor Ann Spencer. "The teachers are the heart of the school, and it's so nice for them to have a beautiful place to work."

Holdbrooks and Spencer both noted that new light fixtures and

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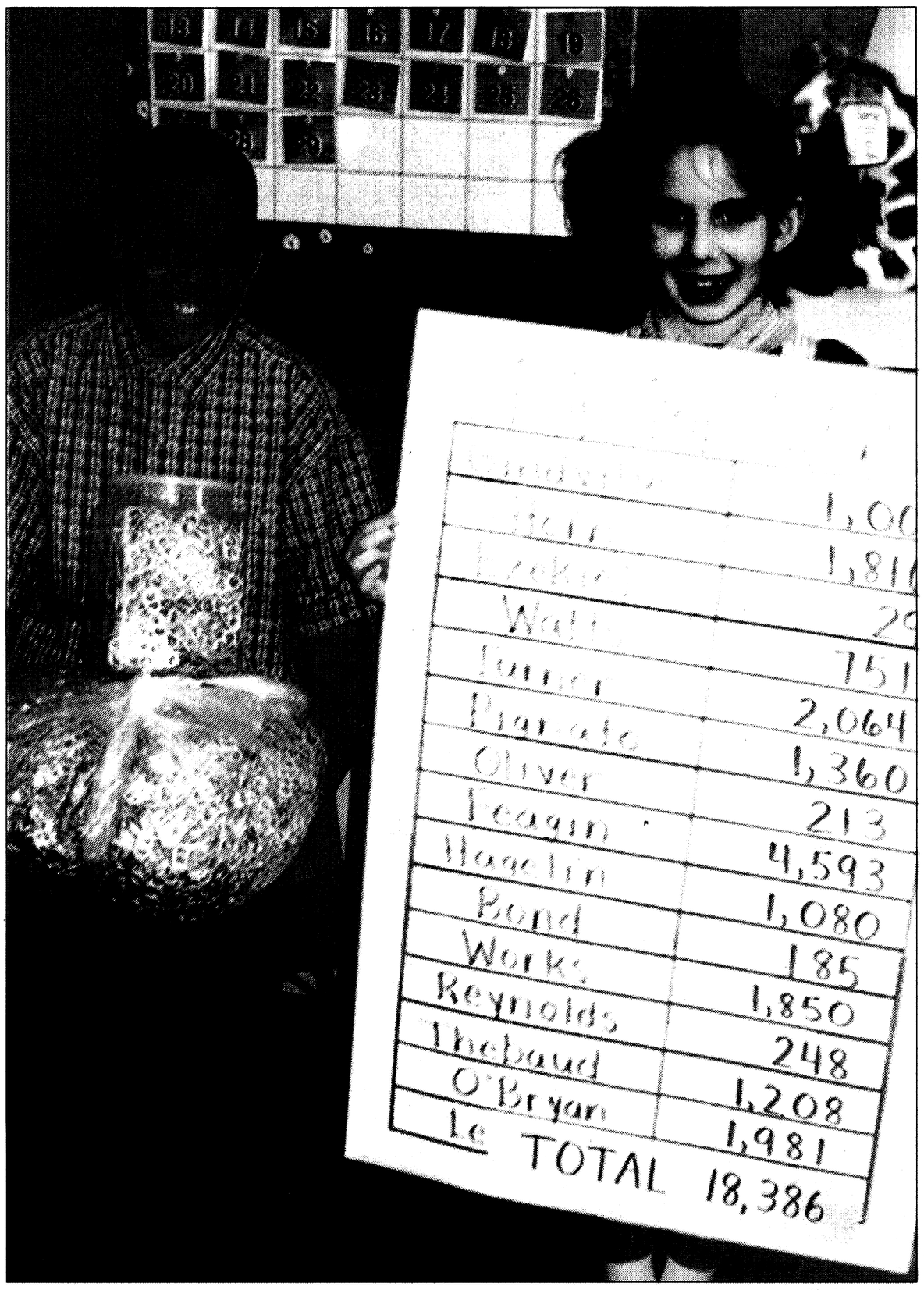
Pop tabs help Ronald McDonald



Pfc. Mark Watson

Anthony Jones and Elise Anderson along with other Dexter Elementary students, have collected 18,386 pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House to help pay the water bill.

Recycling efforts benefit local charity

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Dexter Elementary School is collecting aluminum can pop tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald Charities of West Georgia, Inc. until the end of May.

The tabs are recycled, and the money is donated to the Ronald McDonald House on Hamilton Road in Columbus to help pay its water bill.

"The whole school collects the tabs, but we are the class that accounts for and turns in the tabs," said Terri Bond, a third-grade teacher at Dexter Elementary.

"I think it is great how we can recycle the tabs instead of throwing them away," said Elise Anderson, a student in Bond's class.

Anthony Jones, also a third-grader agreed. "I really like helping someone, even though I never have met them," he said.

Bond said she learned about the tab collection for the house while in college and wanted to carry on the collection when she finally became a teacher. Her class has been collecting since the beginning of the school year and will continue until the end of the year, when the class that collects the most tabs will receive a popsicle and soda party.

So far the school has collected 18,386 tabs. Laura Feagin's second-grade class is in the lead having collected 4,593 tabs.

The Ronald McDonald house is a "home away from home for families who have loved ones in the hospital — to help ease the bills," said Susan Yaksh, house manager.

The house has 10 rooms with bathrooms. There is also a parlor, a library, a play room for toddlers, a large family room, a kitchen and a teen room, complete with a television and games, she said.

The house is available to be used by families that live outside the city limits of Columbus and Phenix City and have a loved one in the hospital who is under 21. Soldiers and family members are eligible to use the house.

"Recently a young Soldier's wife became sick, and her family from out of town used the house for a while," Yaksh said

Although the house is not free, it is very low cost, Yaksh said.

"The guests, who are referred by hospital social workers, will pay between $3 and $10 depending on annual income," she said.

A manager is in charge of the house for two weekends a month, and volunteers take care of the house other weekends.

"We do have some rules. The families are responsible to clean for themselves. There is no smoking or drinking in the house, and they must visit the loved one in the hospital," she said.

Schools on Fort Benning and around the outlying area are collecting the pop tabs for the house to help offset the water bill and eventually help out with other bills.

The public is invited to join the school's efforts. Pop tabs can be turned in to Dexter Elementary school during the school year, or taken directly to J. T. Knight and Sons, Inc. on 6th Avenue and 6th Street in Columbus.

For more information about the Ronald McDonald house, or to volunteer, call 321-0033 or write to Ronald McDonald House Charities of West Georgia, Inc., 1959 Hamilton Road, Columbus, GA 31904.

Newest USAIC chaplain brings enthusiasm to job

Fort Benning's newest chaplain delivers brief sermon at breakfast

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Give Chaplain (Col.) Mike Hartsell a microphone and an audience and you can expect a sermon — even a brief one delivered while welcoming guests to the National Prayer Breakfast Feb. 11 at the Officers' Club.

As the installation staff chaplain, Hartsell is the senior pastor on post.

He took about two minutes at the breakfast to remind everyone to beware of apathy in their relationships and work on building strong marriages.

It was Hartsell's first "sermon" since arriving at Fort Benning last month.

He hasn't had much time to slow down since moving from Fort Gordon, Ga., where he was the installation staff chaplain at the U.S. Army Signal Center.

His wife, Lynda, is a special education teacher in Augusta, and she will be moving to Benning this summer.

The move was a quick one for the chaplain. He arrived on a Thursday at midnight, inprocessed Friday morning and found an apartment later that afternoon. Then he left TDY for a chaplains' conference as Fort Benning's senior chaplain.

He is still unpacking boxes in his office on the fifth floor of Infantry Hall.

Hartsell grew up near the bayous of Louisiana and graduated from Louisiana State University with a degree in psychology. He received his commission through the ROTC program there.

Hartsell also holds masters' degrees in theology and education, and is working on his doctorate in ministry from Erskine Theological Seminary.

Whether in the military or in civilian life, Hartsell said he would have been a minister.

When he entered the chaplaincy 25 years ago, Hartsell knew he had found his place.

"I found that there was a special sense of community in the Army that I didn't find in the civilian sector," he said.

A chaplain's ministry is much more expanded and diverse than pastoring a local congregation.

"I liked the opportunity to travel and provide ministry in a wide variety of places and assignments," he said.

He also likes the emphasis on physical fitness and the challenge of being a good staff officer.

"There is nothing to compare to the kind of supervisory experience a chaplain has.

Every Army chaplain has to be a supervisor at some point in one's career, but not all local pastors have that responsibility," he said.

Hartsell is the overall supervisor of 70 chaplains and chaplain assistants at Fort Benning.

A Christian, Hartsell said that his ultimate goal is to share the gospel with others and to have "an overall positive impact on Soldiers and family members."

His overriding philosophy is "to bring joy to the workplace, to the home and to the community," he said. "There needs to be more joy in the world, in our culture and Army."

He attributes a lack of joy to stress, a lack faith and an inability to fulfill personal dreams.

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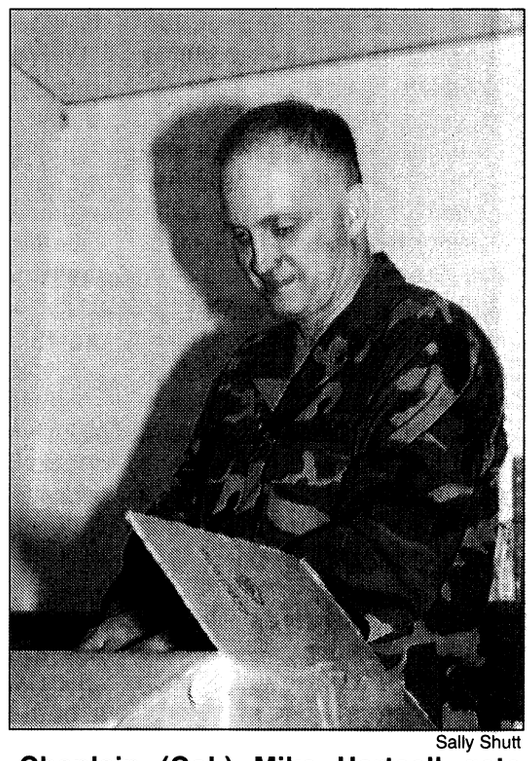

Sally Shutt

Chaplain (Col.) Mike Hartsell gets ready for duties as post chaplain.

ask the judge

Capt. Richard Henry
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q. What is the Earned Income Credit, and how can I qualify for it?

A. Earned Income Credit is a refundable credit that is treated like a payment, such as withheld income tax. You may receive a refund even though you never paid any tax or had any tax withheld. EIC provides tax relief to low-income workers, including certain workers with no children. The EIC is available to members of the armed forces who are stationed overseas. Taxpayers eligible to claim EIC are:

• Married taxpayers who are entitled to a dependency exemption for their child, grandchild, eligible foster child or stepchild. These taxpayers must generally file jointly, but not always.

• A custodial parent, even if that parent agrees to allow the noncustodial parent to claim the child as a dependency exemption.

• Surviving spouses

• Heads of households who maintain a home for a child, adopted child, stepchild, eligible foster child or descendent of a child and

• Workers without qualifying children with earned income (or adjusted gross income) of less than $10,200.

The taxpayer (or the taxpayer's spouse) must be 25 years of age or older (but not 65 of age or older) before the end of the tax year. The taxpayer (or the taxpayer's spouse) must not qualify as a dependent on another taxpayer's income tax return. Taxpayers who take advantage of the foreign earned income exclusion are not entitled to EIC for that tax year.

Taxpayers with qualifying child(ren) must:

• Have earned income of under $26,928 if one qualifying child ($30,580 if two or more qualifying children).

• Have a qualifying child who lived with the taxpayer in the taxpayer's main home for more than six months of the tax year.

• File a joint return if married, and

• Complete and attach Schedule EIC to the tax return.

A qualifying child includes taxpayer's son, daughter, adopted child, grandchild, stepchild or foster child who at the end of the tax year was 19 (or under 24 and a full-time student) or any age if permanently and totally disabled. If a taxpayer is receiving EIC because of a qualifying child, the child must reside in the same principal place of abode as the taxpayer for more than one-half of the taxable year. The principal place of abode must be located in the United States. For purposes of determining whether a qualifying child meets the residence test, the principal place of abode shall be treated in the United States for any period during which a member of the Armed Forces is stationed outside the United States while serving on active duty. Taxpayers without qualifying child(ren) must:

• Have earned income and AGI under $10,200.

• Have main home in U.S. for more than six months of the tax year (or overseas if a member of the armed forces stationed overseas).

• Be at least 25, but under 65 (if filing jointly, either spouse may satisfy age component of test).

• File a joint return if married, and

• Not be a dependent or qualifying child of another taxpayer.

Earned income includes both taxable and nontaxable earned income. This means wages, salaries, tips and other employee compensation. For military taxpayers it also includes BAQ and BAS. This is the amount that appears on the military W-2 Form in Block 13 as the amount next to "Q."

For further information see IRS Publication 596, Earned Income Credit. Additionally, Tax Center 2000 is open for business in Infantry Hall, Classroom 1. between 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The phone number is 545-4267.

births

Girls

Promise Joy Metzger — born Jan. 21 to Yvette and Capt. Christopher Metzger.

Nyjia Lynne Green — born Jan. 28 to Shekina and Spc. Stacey Green.

Gloria Le'Nita Jones — born Jan. 28 to Staff Sgt. Constance and Carroll Jones.

Veronique Amani Laney — born Jan. 31 to Fadima and Sgt. James Laney.

Abigail Elizabeth Sides — born Jan. 31 to Elizabeth and Capt. James Sides.

Tionna Toya Nicole Howell —born Jan. 31 to Toya and Spc. Tyrone Howell.

Koen Tamsen Gore — born Feb. 1 to Nicole and Staff Sgt. Kenneth Gore.

Secoura Macelle Johnson — born Feb. 1 to Amanda and Spc. Travis Johnson.

Boys

Isaiah Austin Poulson — born Jan. 20 to Nyssa and Pvt. 2 Cory Poulson.

Christopher Joseph Berg — born Jan. 27 to Margaret and Capt. Robert Berg.

Cameron Alan Camp — born Jan. 30 to Raelynn and Spc. Gregory Camp.

Christopher James Davidson —born Jan. 31 to Spc. Mary Morrison-Davidson and Spc. Robert Davidson.

Andre Eduardo Fonseca — born Jan. 31 to Lilliam and Spc. Eduardo Fonseca.

Luis Gustavo Medina Rodriguez — born Jan. 31 to Janet Medina and Maj. Luis Medina Fernandez.

The Commissary will be closed Monday for Presidents' Day. It will reopen Tuesday with regular hours.

community briefs

on post

Bachelor of Science degree offered — The Medical College of Georgia in conjunction with Columbus State University is offering an information session on the Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy.

For more information call 545-1085 or 689-8668.

HOPE scholarships available — The Georgia HOPE Grant Program is now available to all active duty military and their dependents who are stationed at Fort Benning and live in Georgia. Certificates and diplomas are available in over 40 different programs. For more information call 685-8549.

AFTB offers evening classes — Army Family Team Building now offers evening classes to people who are unable to attend classes during the day. Level II will be offered 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays until March 28.

Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians are welcome to attend classes. Courses and materials are free. AFTB classes are held in building 395 on Ingersoll Avenue on Main Post.

For more information call 545-5377.

ACS relocation program — The next spouse orientation program will be held at 8:45 a.m. March 10 in building 359, the Family Unit Network Center.

Newly assigned personnel are able to receive information about the installation's services and facilities.

For more information call ACS at 545-4043 or 545-7517.

AER Scholarships available — Army Emergency Relief Scholarships are now available to help offset the cost of undergraduate level education and post secondary vocational training.

For more information on who is eligible and application information call 545-2536 or 545-4043.

Auction offers many items —There will be a property auction 10 a.m. March 14 at the Outdoor Recreation Equipment and Storage, Building 1704, Gillespie Street. Some of the many items to be sold are: Chevy vans and trucks, boats, jet ski, washers, dryers, ice machines, kitchen equipment, food server line, furniture and much more. Items may be previewed 9 a.m to noon March 10 and 13. Terms

Youth Services seeks young actors — Youth Services is looking for aspiring young actors ages 11-18 who are interested in performing in a musical. Students will meet 5-6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

There are six male roles and eight female roles. Students will be needed in other roles including helping with the scenery, stage hands, props, costumes, music, etc.

The first meeting will be Monday in Building 1056. Adults interested in working with children on this project are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Quintella Thorn at 545-3070.

Youth Services sponsors fashion and talent show — Youth Services will hold a Black History fashion and talent show 7-9 p.m. Saturday in the Youth Services Ballroom. For more information, call 545-7945 or 545-3070.

Strays stay at Vet Clinic — Animals impounded at the Fort Benning kennel facility may be released by calling either the Military Police at 545-5222 or Veterinary Service at 545-4444 or 545-5690 during normal business hours, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Circumstances requiring release at times other than regular business hours should be coordinated through Veterinary Service.

An impoundment fee of $5 per day for each animal will be assessed for the days an animal remains in the stray facility.

Animals not claimed by an owner within three working days become property of the U.S. government and may be adopted by a new owner or euthanized as circumstances dictate. For more information, call 545-4444 or 545-5690.

off post

VA establishes toll-free number — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has established a toll-free telephone number for veterans and dependents to get the latest information about VA educational benefits.

The toll-free number is (888) GI-BILL (888-442-4551).

By calling the toll-free number, individuals can obtain general educational information, detailed eligibility criteria and general background material on VA programs.

Callers can get specific questions answered by education case managers during regular business hours (7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Anyone wanting education program information can also contact the Department's education division at (404) 656-2306.

CSU offers adult re-entry class — Columbus State University now offers a class for adults who want to start or finish a degree. The course is a refresher for math, reading and writing and helps with the ease back into school.

The cost is $98 and includes a textbook.

For more information call the CSU office at 545-1085 or 689-8668.

Spencer High School holds PTSA meeting — There will be a Parent, Teacher, Student Association meeting Tuesday in the Spencer High School Auditorium at 7 p.m.

This month's meeting includes a student awards presentation.

PTSA memberships are only $4 and are available at the door.

Patch Pre-School raises money — The Fort Benning Early Childhood Development Center known as Patch Pre-School, located on Fort Benning, will be selling opportunity tickets for a night in the Honeymoon Suite at the Gates House Bed and Breakfast located in Columbus. Ticket sales will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 5-6 at Wal-Mart on exit 6. For more information,call 687-9259.

Auburn University offers workshop — The Auburn University Outreach Program Office will offer a workshop, "Storytelling: Finding Your Voice" Feb. 26 at Pebble Hill, the Auburn University Center for Arts and Humanities.

Those interested in storytelling will learn the mysteries of a well-told story, and how to give their storytelling the spark of life. Christine Shumock, workshop leader, is a well-known storyteller throughout the Southeast and has led national storytelling workshops.

The cost of the day long workshop is $75 and pre-registration is required.

For more information or to register, call (334) 844-5101 or (334) 844-3109.

Auburn University offers courses — The Outreach Program Office at Auburn University will offer three Certificate Courses this winter. One will be in MS Office, featuring Word, Access, Excel and Powerpoint; the popular Paralegal Certification Program will once again be offered along with a new program in Legal Investigation. Classes start soon so call (334) 844-5100 for more information or to sign up.

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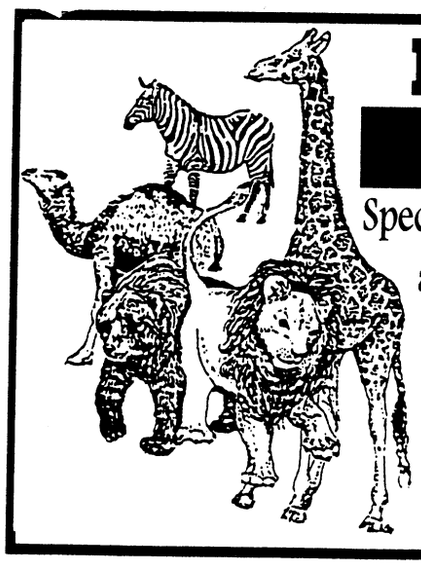

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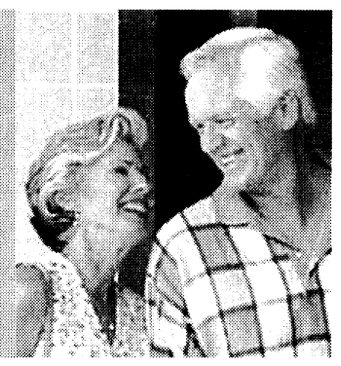

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5th RTB helps with Special Olympics

Master Sgt. Dan Rhodes
5th Ranger Training Brigade

The 2000 Lumpkin County Special Olympics local winter games were held Jan. 21 at the Park and Recreation facilities in Dahlonega, Ga. Three counties, Dawson, Lumpkin and Union sent nearly 200 special needs children to the games. Several members of the 5th Ranger Training Battalion volunteered to assist the community in support of the event.

"The Olympics are great for the community and I really enjoy working with kids who are at a disadvantage," said Sgt. 1st Class Lloyd Galimore. "I really love seeing the smiles on their faces." Galimore was in charge of the basketball event.

"I have always heard about the Special Olympics and wanted to experience this with all the kids. I also believed it would be fun, and it was very enjoyable," said Staff Sgt. Chris Hansen, who also volunteered and ran the field hockey and slalom event.

Master Sgt. David Lopez also helped by escorting one of the groups to each event. "I have worked with the Special Olympics up to the state level games and I really enjoy helping these children."

"Special Olympics brings together folks from all walks of life; students and adults with special needs, families, civic organizations, leaders, sports associations, high school and college students, government, federal and social agencies and caring citizens who recognize the importance of this event and who donate their time, energy and money to make it happen," said Toni Marshall, organizer and leader of the Olympics.

As all the Special Olympics competitors and volunteers gathered for the start of the games, they recited the Special Olympics motto; "Let me win ... If I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

Hospital offers free vasectomies to Soldiers

Permanent male birth control safer than female sterilization

Martin Army Community Hospital

Vasectomy is a safe, permanent method of birth control that is offered free of charge to Fort Benning Soldiers. About 500,000 vasectomies are performed each year in the United States.

Soldiers who are interested in a vasectomy can visit their Troop Medical Center or Primary Care Provider to discuss obtaining a referral. The physician who will perform the procedure will then meet with the Soldier and discuss the various methods of family planning, including permanent methods and temporary methods.

Temporary methods of family planning include oral contraceptive pills, Depo-Provera shots, the rhythm method, diaphragms and condoms. Condoms used with spermacide are the most effective way to prevent the spread of the AIDS virus and other sexually transmitted diseases.

Permanent methods include female sterilization (tubal ligation) and male sterilization (vasectomy). Those who are certain that they desire no further children should seek these procedures.

Individuals seeking permanent sterilization are often over the age of 25, have 2 or more children, and are in a stable relationship.

The vasectomy is much safer than female sterilization. The failure rate is less than 15 percent. The procedure can be done in the outpatient setting under mild sedation and local anesthesia.

The patient can expect to be off his feet for 72 hours (usually Friday-Sunday) and will then be placed on a light-duty profile for 2 weeks.

A semen analysis is done a few weeks after the procedure to ensure that the procedure was effective. Vasectomy does not affect testosterone levels or sexual function in any way.

If interested in obtaining more information about vasectomy, or other forms of contraception, visit the TMC or Primary Care Provider.

Wilson: Opens Wildcat Cafe

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lighter colored walls improved the overall atmosphere of the school.

"It is lighter and brighter," said Holdbrooks. "It just makes you feel good, and that adds to the learning ability."Among those on hand to see the results of the $3 million renovations was Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander and a school board member.

"We're here to view the product of a year's work," Mitchell said. " Although we all agree schools are a whole lot more than bricks and mortar, certainly providing a functioning physical plant and a reasonably modern facility is going to set the right atmosphere for our children."

Visitors toured the school and had refreshments in the Wildcat Cafe.

Second-grade teacher Michelle Allen said that many parents visited her room for the first time since returning to the classrooms in January.

"Wilson has always had an open door policy. It's a very inviting school. But it's nice to have a big event like this to encourage parents to visit their children's classrooms."

Chaplain: Makes plans for seminar

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He plans to offer a seminar on post entitled *You Don't Have To Go Home From Work Exhausted*, based on a book by Ann McGee Cooper.

"It talks about recapturing one's childhood and applying the principles to your adult life. Children are hopeful, optimistic and full of joy," he said.

This is the chaplain's first assignment to Fort Benning. In addition to Fort Gordon, he has served in Germany, Korea, and at Fort McClellan, Ala., Fort Polk, La., Fort Bliss, Texas, and Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

The Hartsells have two daughters. Jenny, a graduate of Louisiana Tech, is married to an Army officer, and Debbie is a senior at Arizona State University.

Gift: Gives poise

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let them do it.

"The Parent Academy made me feel like I wasn't a total failure," Hertig said. Her husband, Staff Sgt. Michael Hertig, D Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, agreed.

"Coloroso is a captivating speaker who uses humor to get her point across," he said. "There are things we are doing right, and there are things we need to improve on. We'll reflect upon what we are doing now and see if change is in order."

In addition to the keynote speaker, Fort Benning educators presented classes on topics such as helping children with homework, kindergarten readiness and using computers.

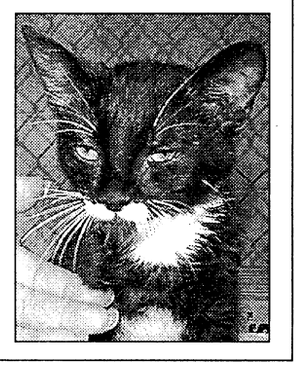
"We were a little nervous about giving up our Saturday but the day flew by," Hertig said. "How many seminars do you get to go to on the outside that are free — free program, free lunch and free child care. You can't beat that."



Photos by Spc. Amy L. Nyland

Take me away

A young female pit bull mix and a 3-month-old female domestic shorthair cat are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m, Monday through Friday. For more information, call 545-4444.



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Penny O'Connor
Directorate of Public Works

Holiday schedules for trash and recycle collection

There will be no yard waste picked up in Family Housing on Feb. 21. The next scheduled yard waste pick up will be Feb. 28.

There will be no refuse or recycle pick-ups on Feb. 21. Port, Kawamura, Fernandez streets, and Indianhead Terrace areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday. Refuse and recycle collection in Family Housing for Tuesday through Friday will be picked up as normally scheduled. For more information, call DPW Construction Inspection Branch, 545-4232

Holiday Schedule for the Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center

In observance of Presidents' Day Feb. 21 the Self Help Center, including the Loan Equipment Section and Venetian Blind & Shade Shop, will be closed on Saturday through Monday. The Self Help Center will reopen for business 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

For more information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

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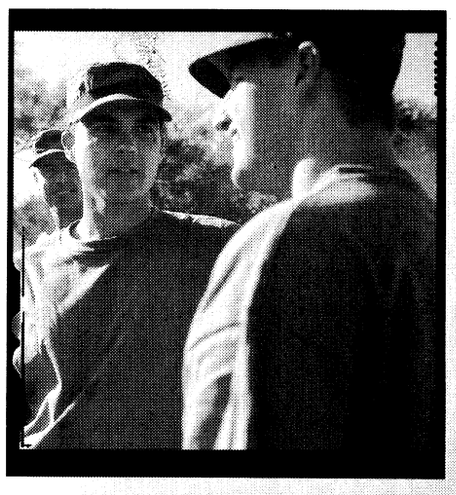

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Wilson fourth-graders create web page

Site provides due dates for assignments

Margaret Koger
Wilson Elementary School

The fourth-grade students at Wilson School are wired!

They boast their own home page that is linked to the school's web site.

Inspired by recent staff development classes offered through Columbus State University, teachers Tina Bal, Julie Miller and Kirven Boyce wanted to use technology as a tool to help motivate, teach and challenge their students.

The web site has three sections. These include "What's the Scoop?" which tells about the current units of study and other pertinent information for both the students and their parents.

The second section is "This Week in Fourth Grade" which tells about the current events in the school as well as due dates on projects and assignments.

The third section is the "Question of the Week" which is an interactive link where students can answer trivia questions based on math, science and social studies.

Although the fourth-grade teachers are presently authoring the page, students are involved in the design as well.

School photo club member Josalyne Tomczweski is the official photographer for the site. Using a digital camera, Josalyne takes pictures, then uploads them to the site.

Using the philosophy of "each one teach one" Josalyne plans to teach other students so that there will be a pool of fourth-grade photographers. Teachers also plan to make the students reporters for the site. Ultimately, the goal is to have students updating the pages.

Although the creation and maintenance of the site is an ambitious undertaking, the fourth-grade teachers are committed to the task.

"We are doing so much at our school using Internet sites, and since so many of our students' families are on the Internet, we thought that this would be an exciting, challenging new educational tool," teacher Julie Miller said.

Children agree.



Margaret Koger

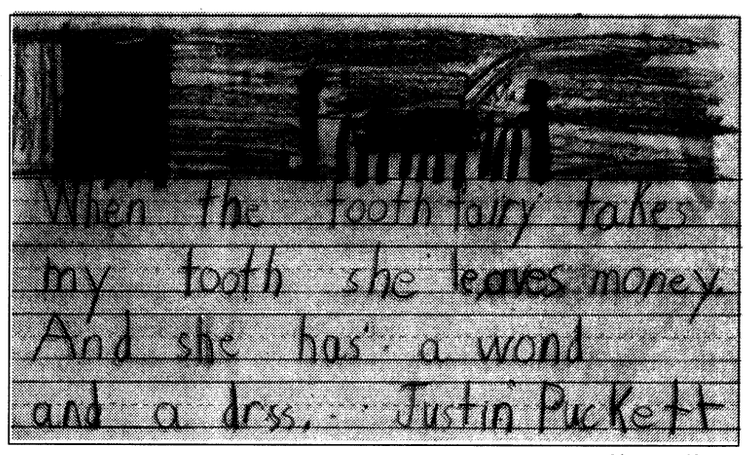
Josalyne Tomczweski and Deontre Bennette visit the fourth-grade web page.

"I like the web site because my mom and dad can see what I am learning, and I like the trivia question because we get prizes," said fourth-grader Mark Grimm.

The fourth-grade home page has been a welcome addition to Wilson's already comprehensive web site.

Students in other grade levels are also visiting the page and e-mailing the teachers. Teacher Julie Miller is up for the challenge.

"Education, like everything else, is changing and we see this as an opportunity for our students," Miller said



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First-graders Justin Pickett explains how the tooth fairy works.

First-graders learn about dental hygiene

Dr. Wanda Person
Wilson Elementary School

First-graders at Wilson School can tell you more than a few ways to practice good dental hygiene.

The classes have been studying dental health for the past few weeks in observance of Dental Health month.

Using eggs, soft drinks and water, students experimented to find out what happens if you go to bed after eating food containing sugar without brushing your teeth.

Students submerged one egg in water and one egg in cola and left the eggs over night. The following morning, the egg in water was still clean and white. The egg in cola, however, had turned brown.

"I think this was a great visual for the students. They could really see the impact not brushing has on their teeth," Jennifer Ragan, first-grade teacher, said.

She showed students how brushing removed the brown stain from the egg and helped them to realize how important brushing their teeth every day is.



Margaret Koger

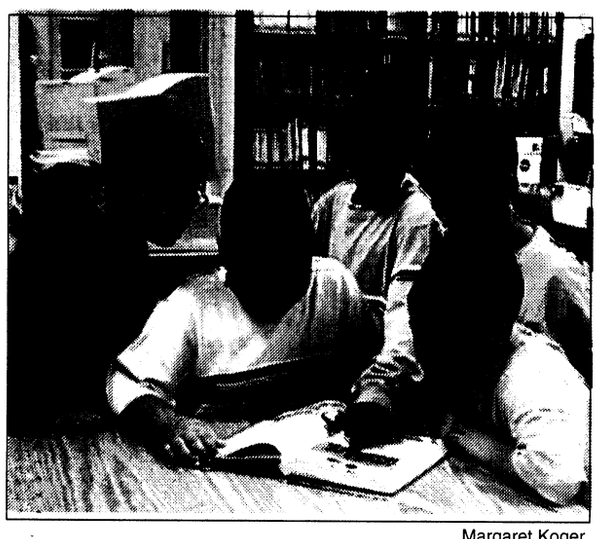
First-graders observe an experiment on the effects of sugar on teeth.

"They were very excited to share personal stories, and they were just amazed that from sitting in soda just one night an egg could be stained so badly," Ragan said.

The activity produced the desired results. "Now I know that if you don't brush your teeth they might turn all brown and you'll get cavities," said student Ryan Cofer after the experiment.

Chelsea Stephens also shared what she learned, "I learned to floss my teeth because I can't brush all of the plaque and food out with a toothbrush."

Contestants discover significant contributions



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Third- and fourth-graders search for the answers to the daily trivia questions.

Dr. Wanda Person
Wilson Elementary School

Do you know who is responsible for helping millions of American drivers to avoid accidents everyday?

It's Garrett Morgan, the inventor of the automatic traffic signal.

Do you know who developed the procedures that allow blood plasma to be collected, stored and shipped?

It's Dr. Charles Richard Drew, noted for his research in blood plasma and for setting up the first blood bank.

As part of Wilson School's annual Black History celebration, teacher Joyce Leonard planned a Black History Trivia Contest.

Each day Leonard e-mails teachers the trivia question of the day, and students have the task of locating the information and e-mailing their answers back to her.

Leonard said that her goal was "to give students some exposure to the many contributions that African-Americans have made to our country."

She selected people, who are not well known, because of what they invented or discovered still impacts students' lives today.

Students in third, fourth and fifth grades participate in the contest every day. They use research resources in print and on the Internet to find the answers to the questions.

Leonard said the teachers are enjoying the contest as much as their students because they are learning new information along with the children.

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Author teaches about abstinence, monogamy

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center

The idea of total sexual abstinence before marriage meets with all kinds of criticism.

Why?

I think the words of Daniel E. Johnson, author of *Aim for the Children*, best answers this question. Johnson wrote, "... to teach abstinence and monogamy requires belief in a moral standard. Sex education without a moral base can lead our nation — and it's citizens — to only one destination: total depravity."

I ask you, is this the future society you want for your children?


Rupel

Let me make myself very clear, sex is intended for a married man and woman and anything beyond that is wrong.

Parents, don't tolerate any behavior that is going to lead to the moral decay of your children.

There is no such thing as "safe sex" outside a married, monogamous relationship between a man and a woman.

Take a stand against a permissive society which hands out condoms in our schools but won't allow New Testaments to be handed out.

Unfortunately, too many parents have bought the line that like it or not kids are going to have sex and there is nothing we can do about it. When parents adopt this mind set they are opening the door wide open for their children to do whatever makes them feel good.

Ray Flynn, former mayor of Boston, ridiculed the idea of having free condoms distributed in Boston's public schools and was soundly criticized as being narrow-minded. However, one mother sided with the mayor and wrote the following letter to the newspaper:

"Speaking as a mother, Ray Flynn has said exactly the right thing. Quite frankly, the idea of some 15-year-old boy walking around with a pocketful of condoms does not exactly make me feel more secure about my daughter's future health and well being. When a kid gets a learner's permit to drive, you expect that in fairly short order he will want to drive the family car. What do you think happens when you hand him a condom?"

For some the idea of waiting until marriage is a Victorian-era abnormality and certainly politically incorrect. Barbara Reynolds, writing in *USA Today*, made this observation; "Whatever happened to waiting to have sex after marriage, or abstinence? As a society, we don't aim high enough anymore."

Safe sex as a permissive society defines it leads only to moral decay.

Don't believe this "safe sex" propaganda being fed to our society. The Biblical mandate of sex only between a married man and woman is God's way and the best way.

chapel notes

Children's choir needs director — The fund manager is accepting applications for a children's choir director at The Infantry Center Chapel. For more information, see Master Sgt. Bridgett Starling in Room 512, Infantry Hall.

PWOC meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes Bible study, prayer, praise and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel. For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Sunday School meets — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel. If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7-8 p.m. All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Confirmation class set — Confirmation classes for adults who plan to be confirmed in the Catholic tradition will begin on March 5. The classes will be from 10:10-11:10 a.m. at Faith Middle School during Confraternity Christian Doctrine. To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-5508.

church brief

Church plans recital — The Chattahoochee Valley Community College Music Department presents a student recital featuring performances by CVCC voice, piano and instrumental students at 8 p.m. Friday at the Lakewood Baptist Church in Phenix City. The recital is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Emily Davis 291-4988.

God's forgiveness of sins requires prayer

Chaplain (Maj.) Sherman Baker
36th Engineer Group

In Matthew 7:7, it says "Ask, and it shall be given; seek and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."

Our Lord lived in an attitude and atmosphere of prayer. He was in continuous communion with the loving father.

This is not to imply that he always had his head bowed down or that he was always on his knees. He was always in immediate contact with God. He was open to God and responsive to God, but what about us?

Why do we neglect to respond to the call to prayer?

Is it because we feel self-sufficient because of our own human resources?

Is it that we feel no need for the wisdom, power and grace of God?

reflections

Do we neglect to pray because we are too busy with the common tasks of life in which we are seeking to feed our stomachs and clothe our backs?

Do we neglect to pray because we do not like to face our sins? This can be a painful and humiliating experience.

The heavenly Father reveals our sins to us only that he might grant us forgiveness, cleansing and victory.

There is a reward in praying. Jesus encouraged his disciples to believe that the heavenly Father is a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God.

He compares the heavenly Father to a wise and generous earthly father. He declares without hesitation that it is the good pleasure of the Father to give good things to those who ask him.

For it is the will of God to give salvation to all those who call upon him in repentance and faith.

The Lord's Prayer is designed to assure the disciples of the loving fatherhood of God.

It is intended to bring the one who prays into harmony with the will of God.

When we respond to the call to prayer and confess our sins, we can experience forgiveness of our sins.

We can be blessed with the guidance of God as we come to him in our times of uncertainty.

We can receive the power of the Holy Spirit for victory over evil in our lives or for a ministry to others.

The theologian Charles Spurgeon said that the Christian who departs for the day's work without first talking to God is like a Soldier who departs for battle without his weapons. By prayer we check in with the heavenly headquarters. It is in the experience of prayer that the heavenly Father communicates his wishes to us. It is when we pray that he gives us commissions and responsibilities.

"Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised ... in the mountain of his holiness." Psalm 48:1

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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Volunteers work to quell potential reading problems

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"Those who have taken on the responsibility of defending our country are now taking on the responsibility of defending our children's reading skills."

Christi Ham, coordinator for the Columbus Literate Community program, lauded the efforts of Officer Candidate School students from the 11th Infantry Regiment who are volunteering as tutors for students at Loyd Elementary School.

The Soldiers and 10 civilian volunteers spend one hour each weekday mentoring students from Katherine Walker's pre-K class as part of the Columbus Reads initiative, sponsored by the CLC.

Columbus Reads is a pilot program with three sites in Columbus and the one at Fort Benning, which started the second week of January. The project is designed to provide additional instruction to students who qualify, based on screening test scores, for assistance with the skills needed to begin kindergarten reading programs.

"If they don't approach kindergarten with the skills they need to begin the process of learning to read, they're more apt to never develop good reading habits," Ham said. "The theory is, if we intervene before kindergarten, we will better equip them for overall success in reading, and ultimately all other areas of academics, throughout their school years."

Students in the program spend 15 minutes each day with a volunteer. The curriculum is pre-planned to concentrate on areas and concepts the individual student isn't grasping and incorporate them into daily lesson plans.

"It's the curriculum that works for the children, but it's the volunteers that make it possible to present this curriculum," Ham said.

Walker said that without the program students would not get the individual assistance needed to prepare them for kindergarten. "It's been a wonderful help to me, as a classroom teacher, to have this kind of support five days a week from volunteers. Pre-K is only a half-day, so it wouldn't be possible for me to have 15 minutes alone with each student to give them the individual attention they need."

Volunteer Nancy McCallum said the two hours she volunteers each week are rewarding. "It's not much time really, but I can see the results already. It's a good opportunity to volunteer for a worthy cause and get to see the results as these students begin to understand new concepts."

"The beauty of this program is that, with only 15 minute increments of time, arm-in-arm with other volunteers willing to give this amount of time, we will impact these children's lives by showing them that their future is important to an adult," Ham said.

Mary Garcia, mother of 5-year-old Robert Garcia, said her son looks forward to the time he spends with his tutor.

"I'm so glad he's getting the help he needs. He is excited about it. Every Friday he brings home a folder to show us what he is doing. I wish this program had been available when my daughter was in pre-K," Garcia said.

Ham said the success of the pilot program will ultimately determine the future of such programs in all Fort Benning schools.

"We will evaluate the project at the end of the school year. We're looking for marked improvement based on test scores. Our goal is to show enough improvement to make it worthwhile to offer it at more sites in Columbus and Fort Benning."

For more information on volunteering with the Columbus Reads Program, call Ham at 644-0368.



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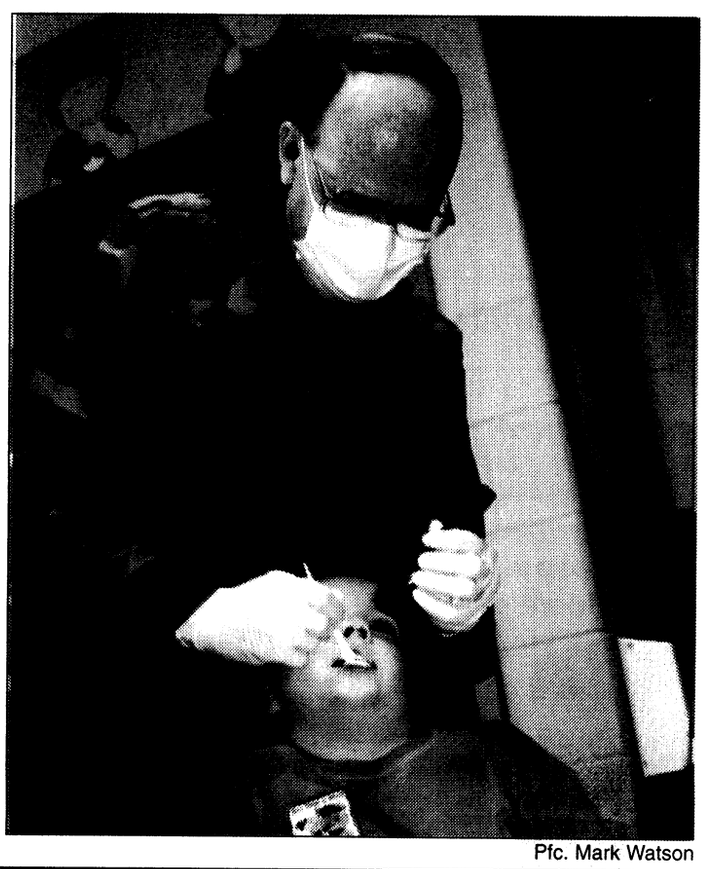
Nancy McCallum, a volunteer, helps 5-year-old Robert Garcia read at Loyd Elementary as part of the Columbus Literacy Program.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Open up and say ahhhhhh

Col. Bruce Clem, U.S. Army Dental Activity commander, examines first-grader Nathan Griffey's teeth at Stowers Elementary Tuesday.

The Stowers visit was part of Children's Dental month, which is when dentists visit all elementary schools on post to examine students teeth.

Children will be referred to a dentist if needed, Clem said.

Griffey is the son of Sgt. 1st. Class Rick Griffey, NCOIC at Love Dental Clinic.

Dexter takes soul train journey

Fourth graders perform for celebration

Bridgett Siter
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Dexter Elementary students and staff members took a ride on the Soul Train, Thursday, Feb. 10.

"A Soul Train Journey Through American History" was the theme of a Black History Month celebration performed by fourth-grade chorus students.

Music director Cy Dietrich produced the program, which featured a student-narrated slide show titled "Black Heritage and Horizons."

The chorus performed a medley of black folk songs and spirituals, including *This Train*, *Walk Together Children,* and *Hello Dolly*.

Led by Pam Coon, physical education teacher, the chorus used sign language and sang *The Music of My Heart.*

"These children did a wonderful job. The readers had to audition for the parts of narrators, and the chorus had only four weeks to prepare," Dietrich said.

The guest speaker for the program was former Dexter student Anuarite Mubangu, a seventh-grade student at Faith Middle School. Mubangu presented an essay she wrote for the Fort Benning Martin Luther King Day celebration in January.

"It was great to be here and give something back to the school I attended," Mubangu said. "And it made me feel good that someone wanted to hear my speech again."

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Guard's points score Black Bulls victory

Powell's lay-ups net 13-9 win over Dream Team

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The Black Bulls defeated the Dream Team, 13-6, Saturday in the 6- to 7-year-old division of Youth Services basketball.

In what looked to be an evenly matched game, the Dream Team captured an early lead and appeared determined to beat the Bulls, who had defeated them earlier in the season. However, the Dream Team's defense began to unravel when the Bulls stole a one-point lead in the second quarter.

Repeated pep talks from coach Gary Hunt couldn't revive the frustrated Dream Team.

"Once you stop having fun, everybody just gets upset," Hunt said. "We're here to have fun and learn the fundamentals of the game. Winning isn't everything at this age. Attitude is the big thing."

Attitude was the key for Black Bulls guard Tre Powell, who scored nine points and repeatedly executed lay-ups with the ease of a seasoned player.

"Tre's always the big scorer," said acting Bulls coach, Trek Dennis. "He's definitely the main guy."

Dennis and co-coach Harshiem Ross said the Bulls will continue to work on their shooting skills and defense tactics.

"We've been doing a lot of one on one drills in practice to get them more comfortable shooting under pressure. The biggest thing is just getting them to trust themselves to shoot the ball," Ross said.

The Black Bulls will face the Tigers at 9:35a.m. Saturday at the Youth Services gymnasium.

In other 6- to 7-year-old play, the Blue Bulls defeated the Tigers 12-2.

Shelia Cruz scored five points for the Bulls, and Seandre Lee scored two for the Tigers.

In the 8- to 9-year-old division, the Magics narrowly defeated the Bulls 16-15. Edgardo Rivera, of the Bulls, and the Magics' Shekia Hill both scored five points.

The Bulldogs trounced the Green Tigers 18-7, with Ricky Jones and Kevin Toliver both scoring six points for the Bulldogs.

James Braddy contributed seven for the Green Tigers.

The Lakers beat the Tigers, 35-16.

Anthony Wright scored eight for the Tigers, and Travis Lush scored 12 points for the Lakers.

In the 10- to 12-year-old division, the Ruff Ryders tied the Knicks 25-25. Michael Eberhart scored 12 for the Ryders, and Anthony Lacour scored 19 for the Knicks.

The Tarheels breezed past the 76ers, 46-38, with 76ers Xaiver Shaw scoring 25, and Courland Akinloye shooting 13 for the Tarheels.

The Blazers topped the Magics, 15-3. Eddie Jones scored eight points for the Magics, Graham Sherrill scored two for the Blazers.

In 13- to 15-year-old play, the Blue Devils beat the 76ers, 39-34. Joey Fix scored 13 points for the Devils, and both Darian Lyles and Ryan Roberts shot 10 for the 76ers.

The Hornets defeated the Ballers, 37-25. Robert Duff assisted the Hornets with 16 points. Dominic Whitley put up 14 for the Ballers.

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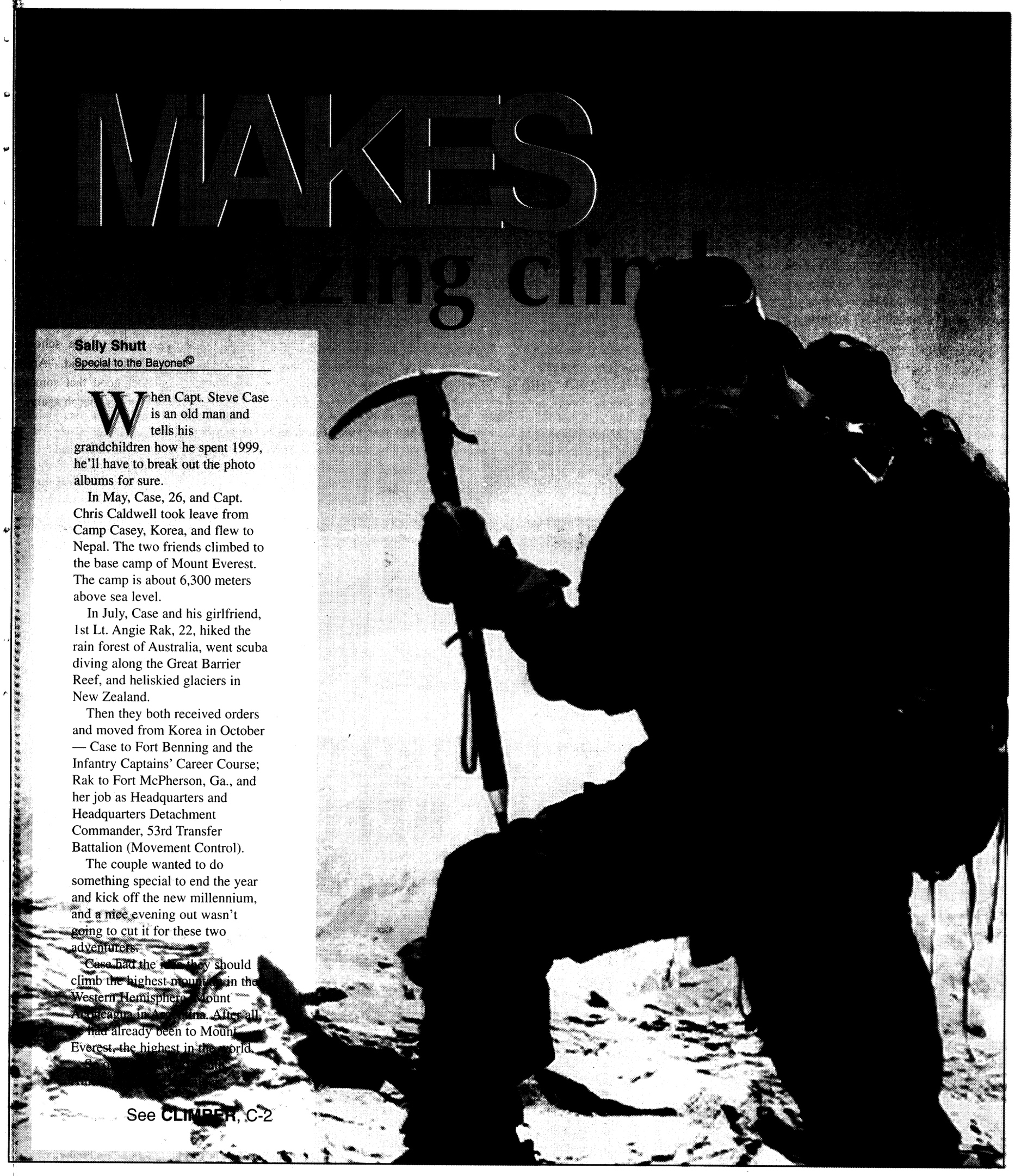

Sally Shutt
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When Capt. Steve Case is an old man and tells his grandchildren how he spent 1999, he'll have to break out the photo albums for sure.

In May, Case, 26, and Capt. Chris Caldwell took leave from Camp Casey, Korea, and flew to Nepal. The two friends climbed to the base camp of Mount Everest. The camp is about 6,300 meters above sea level.

In July, Case and his girlfriend, 1st Lt. Angie Rak, 22, hiked the rain forest of Australia, went scuba diving along the Great Barrier Reef, and heliskied glaciers in New Zealand.

Then they both received orders and moved from Korea in October — Case to Fort Benning and the Infantry Captains' Career Course; Rak to Fort McPherson, Ga., and her job as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment Commander, 53rd Transfer Battalion (Movement Control).

The couple wanted to do something special to end the year and kick off the new millennium, and a nice evening out wasn't going to cut it for these two adventurers.

Case had the idea they should climb the highest mountain in the Western Hemisphere, Mount Aconcagua in Argentina. After all, [illegible] had already been to Mount Everest, the highest in the world.

See CLIMBER, C-2

Construction continues courtesy ACOE

Funding gives new fitness trail final touches, more amenities

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

It has been more than a year since the post Fitness Trail got a much needed make-over. Now with the help of $51,000 in Army Communities of Excellence money, Fort Benning is at it again making some final touches on the trail with a few added bonuses.

Last year Brown and Root went in and widened the fitness trail to seven feet and lined the trail with grated aggregate base, the same material that is used on roads. This year's undertaking, which began at the beginning of the year and is once again being handled by Brown and Root contracting, will mean not only completion of the existing path, but a number of equipment upgrades and trail additions as well, said Chris Flowers, contract officer representative, Job Order Contract Branch, Directorate of Public Works.

One of the major additions is a bike path that will run from the fitness trail parking lot along Dixie Road to 1st Calvary Division Road.

Flowers said there was already a worn path from bicycle use so they decided to make it official by widening it and lining it with grated aggregate base.

"We are widening the path to four feet with smooth stone so Soldiers and their families have a nice safe path to walk and bike on," Flowers said.

Another addition is the creation of a 392 foot trail extension that will run up to the housing areas just off of 1st Cavalry Division Road.

This is something that will benefit Fort Benning families because it will make the trail more accessible, he said.

"Now families won't have to drive down to the golf course and park, they can just walk from family housing right onto the trail," Flowers remarked.

As for the trail itself, the lower half, which was never completed, will be finished creating a loop connector. This means the trail will end up forming a 1.5 mile continuous loop, said Ronnie Stamey, engineer technician, Plans and Support Branch, DPW.

The trail upgrades will include refurbishing two of the wooden bridges and replacing the weathered work stations with eight durable steel stations. Stamey said these new stations will be placed throughout the entire loop.

The hope is to have all of the modifications completed by the April time frame, Stamey said.

Flowers said once the trail is finally completed as far as he knows it will be the last of the fix-em-up efforts.

Post takes proactive approach to wildlife management

NRMB program monitors animal populations

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

At the end of deer season, Fort Benning's Natural Resource Management Branch collects hunters' deer permits.

This process helps NRMB manage the population of deer on post. Hunters are required to disclose the hunt area, the gender of the animal and points of the animal harvested. This gives NRMB an idea of the health and size of the herd remaining on Fort Benning.

While hunting is one way that wildlife is managed, "planting wildlife openings with clover, wheat and other foods, reviewing plans for timber harvest and prescribed burning are other management methods," said Pete Swiderek, Fish and Wildlife supervisor for NRMB.

NRMB also conducts deer track counts, runs the deer check stations, conducts deer herd health checks and publishes hunting and fishing regulations.

By managing wildlife populations, it is ensured that the numbers remain in balance with their environment. This also minimizes animal-caused accidents, Swiderek said.

"In the past, the deer herd has been estimated at 5,000, and that number has remained constant," he said.

Additionally, the deer eat a lot of vegetation that could damage their habitat, so they need to be managed, he said. Managing wildlife not only allows the animal populations to remain in check with their habitat, but it helps wildlife watchers see a lot of animals.

"It is a really good thing that someone is watching out for the wildlife," said Patti Hails, customer service representative for Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina.

"People comment all the time on the amount of wildlife that is seen and enjoyed. Down here on the Chattahoochee, we see tons of deer, alligators and pigs," Hails said.

"Without wildlife management, I think the animals would overpopulate, and then that could be a real problem," she said.

Managing wildlife not only helps animals and wildlife watchers, but it also helps out businesses.

"We sell all kinds of hunting and fishing supplies and licenses too. A lot of places like the PX, sell those things too, so they benefit as well," Hails said.

Although many wildlife management tools are already in effect, Swiderek said NRMB plans on replacing plantings on some dove fields, stocking, liming and fertilizing fish ponds to improve wildlife habitat.

Climber: Makes trek to Mount Everest

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Aconcagua, which means Stone Sentinel, is 6,962 meters high. Located in the Andes range of mountains in west central Argentina, it's the highest peak in the world outside of the Himalayas.

Case's fondness for adventure and his determination to succeed don't surprise his father, Richard.

"He pushes himself quite a bit. He has from the time he was a little boy. When he was 10-years-old he said he was going to go to West Point and be an Army officer, and he did," his father recalled.

Case grew up in Lawrenceville, Ga., and his desire to climb mountains was evident as a child.

At age 3, he loved hanging a plastic hammer on his shorts, pretending it was a pickax, and wearing suspenders like a Swiss mountain climber, Case recalled.

At age 12, he started his own Boy Scout troop that focused on high adventure type activities like mountain and rock climbing. His father, a staff member on the Northeast Georgia Council of the Boy Scouts of America, was the troop leader.

"Steve recruited 10 of the 12 boys in the troop. When he started rock climbing, I wanted to be there to make sure he didn't get hurt," the senior Case said.

"I love the challenge and the feeling of success that you have made it. It goes back to man against nature," Case said.

Rak, an Army brat, is a rock climber, but had no high-altitude mountain climbing experience. Her family lives in Cleveland, Ohio, and they were a little worried when she shared her plans for the holidays.

"At first my mom said, 'Don't go.' But, by Thanksgiving she was going around telling her friends, 'Guess where my daughter is going.'

"Steve comes up with these crazy ideas that you think are impossible, and then we do it," Rak said.

While Case is the idea man thinking up new adventures, Rak is the one who works out the logistics of how they get there, she said.

Getting leave approval for a 19-day trip was the first priority. Then they had to spend about $3,000 each on cold weather gear — ice axes, down parkas, etc. — and $1,500 each on airline tickets.

Rak researched Aconcagua on the Internet, while Case met two Marines, Lt. Col. Daniel E. Curfiss and Maj. Mark Burger. The two men were part of a group who had attempted to reach the summit of Aconcagua a year earlier.



Steve Case rests in his tent during Aconcagua climb.



Rak

Curfiss, who is the Marine Corps representative stationed at Fort Benning, shared his journal of the trip with the couple, and cautioned them to be careful.

Three deaths had occurred on the mountain while his group was there.

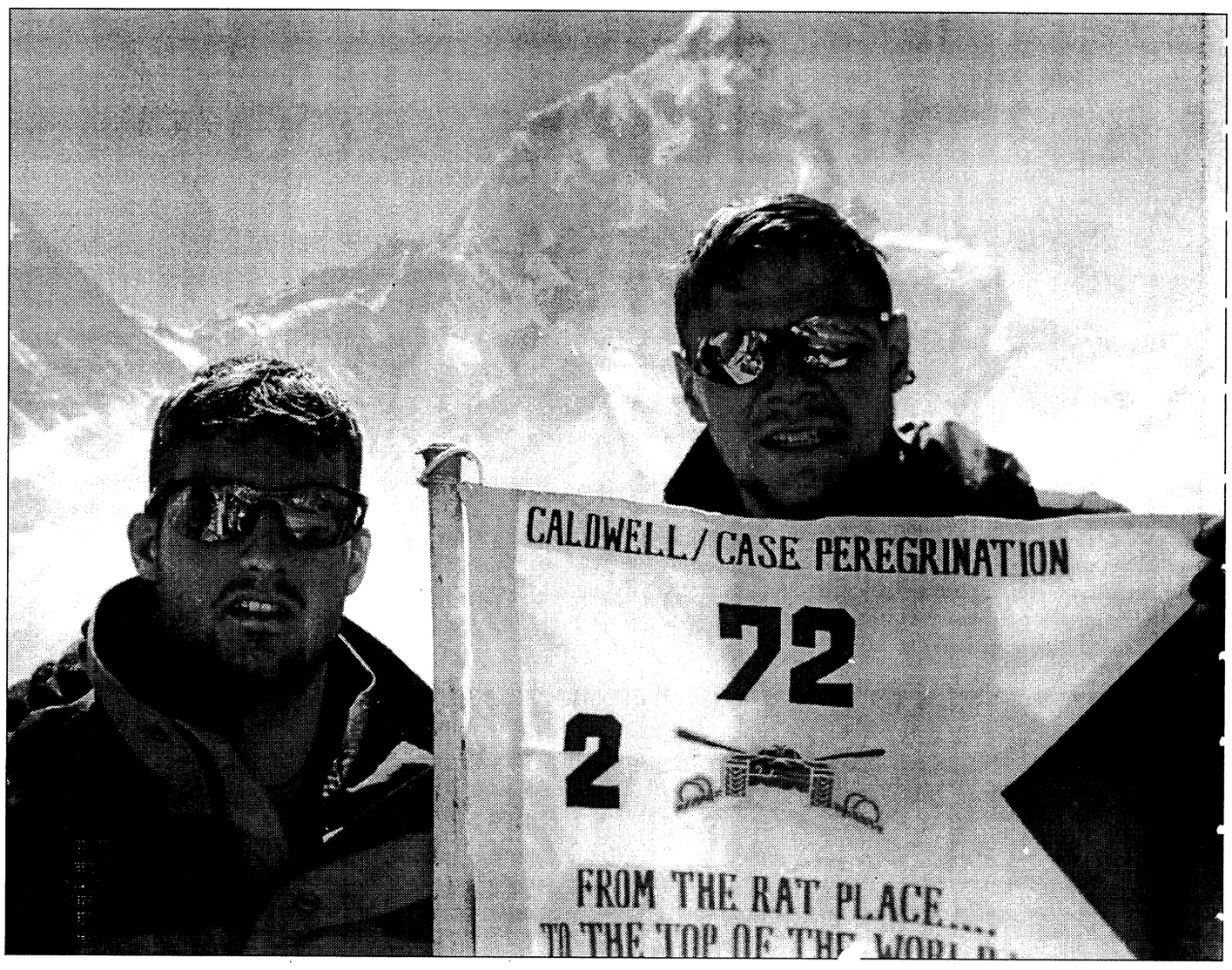
Dec. 15, Rak and Case flew from Atlanta to Buenos Aires and on to Mendoza, the third largest city in Argentina. From there it was a bus ride to the desert.

At Puente del Inca (2,700 meters above sea level) they put their equipment on mules and walked to Confluencia (3,300 meters).

Most climbers take a week acclimatizing at Puente del Inca, but the two had a very limited number of days.

"We got off the plane and started as soon as we could," Case said.

They traveled the normal route up the mountain to Plaza de Mulas, the base camp (4,370 meters), from there they went to Plaza de Canada (4,800 meters) and Nido de Condores (5,250 meters).



Courtesy photos

Chris Caldwell and Steve Case in the shadow of Mount Everest during 1999 climb; Case plans to return.

But when the couple reached Berlin, their expedition high camp at 6,000 meters, Rak was showing signs of acute mountain sickness, and she decided to stay there. She encouraged Case to go ahead to the summit.

Case reached the summit from Berlin in about five hours on Dec. 26 at 11:40 a.m.

"It was almost disappointing because from the summit you are looking down at the other mountains in the Andes," Case said. "It reminded me of looking out of an airplane. In fact, I was roughly at the same cruising altitude as my jetliner from Buenos Aires."

Almost as soon as he reached the peak, Case headed back down the mountain.

"Angie was ready to get off the mountain," he said. He picked Rak up at Berlin, and the two hiked down to the base camp that day.

"Even though I didn't make it to the top, I felt a sense of accomplishment," Rak said.

The headache she felt from the altitude was pure misery, but "the day we left was just wonderful. The day we came down from Berlin my head felt so clear. I just wanted to run. It was so beautiful."

During their climb, they heard from other climbers that Valparaiso, Chile, would be a good place to party, so the two rented a car and drove to Chile where they rang in the year 2000 with a family whose grandson they had met during the trip.

"The best thing about mountain climbing is the people you meet," Rak said. "They have the same aspiration to summit, and they share a sense of community to help you get to the top. There's no competition. For those who try to go too fast, the mountain will win."

They arrived back in Atlanta Jan. 4, and weekends are spent climbing in the southeast.

Local playgrounds for these two include Rocktown and Mount Yonah, Ga., Linville Gorge, N.C., and Sand Rock, Ala.

As for the future, Case mentioned climbing Chimborazo, an inactive volcano in Ecuador, and kayaking in the Arctic.

Later, he will return to Mount Everest for his attempt for the summit.

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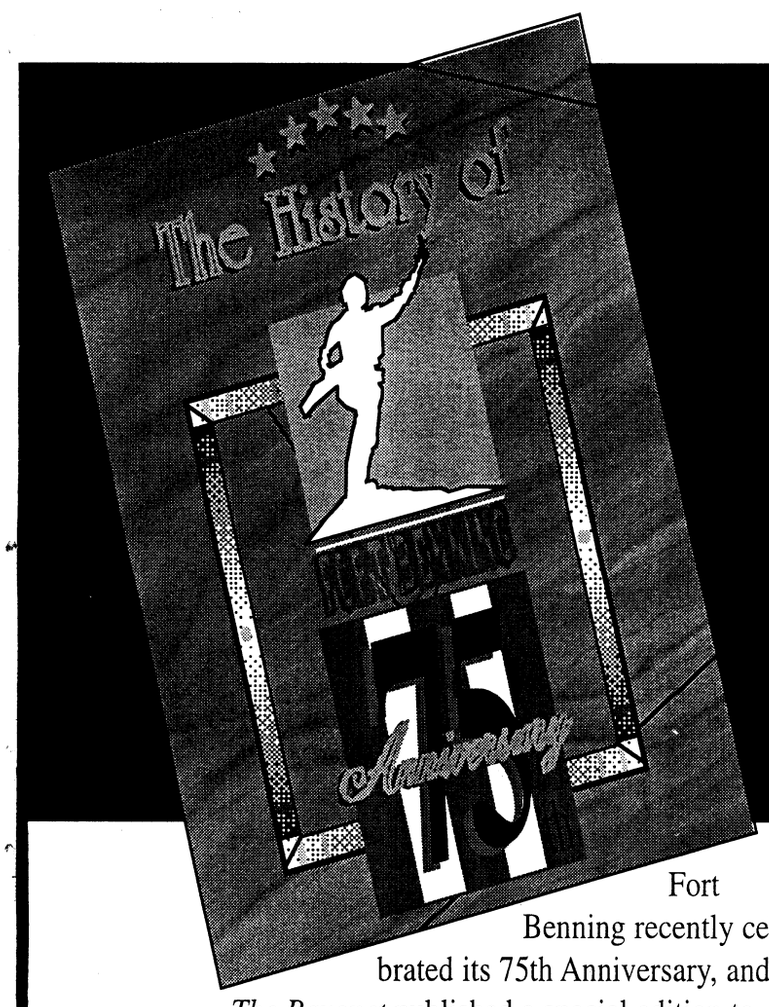

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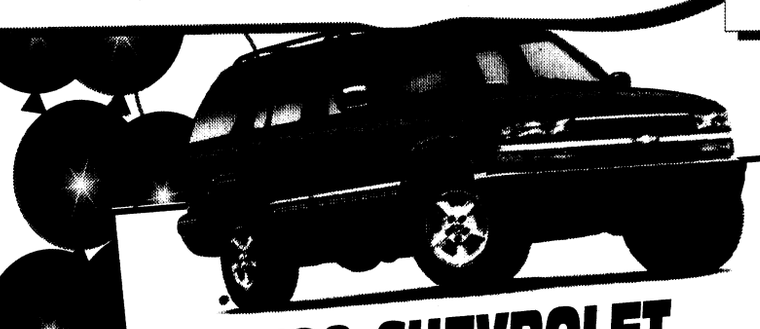

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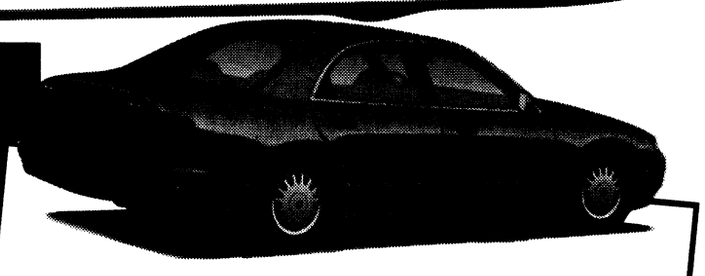

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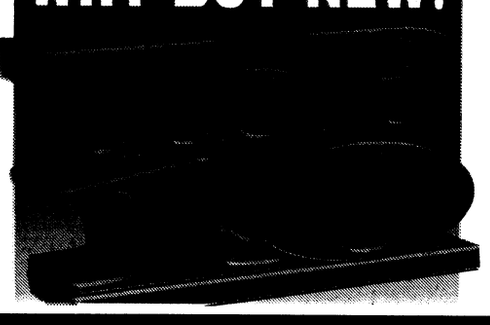

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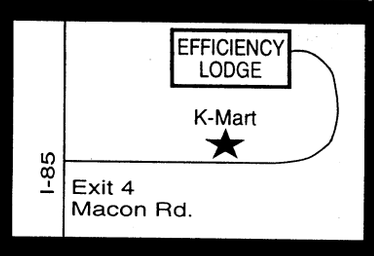

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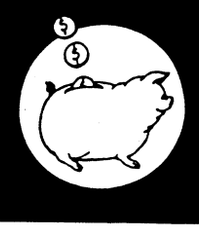

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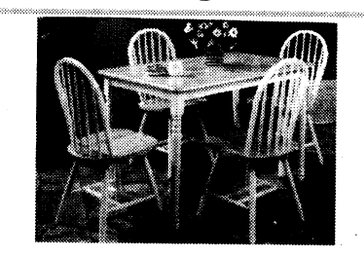

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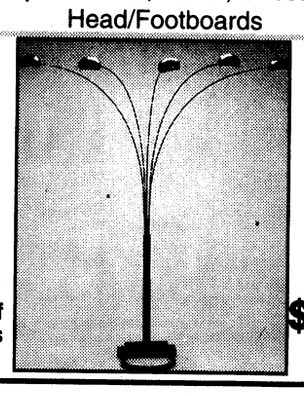

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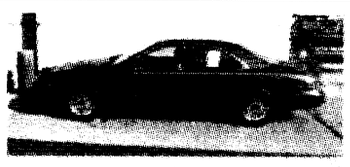

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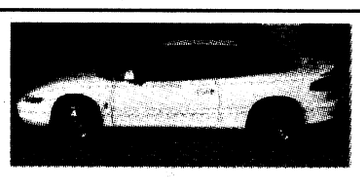

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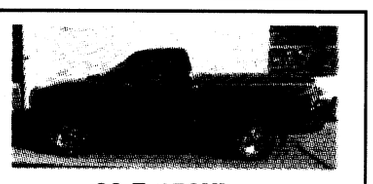

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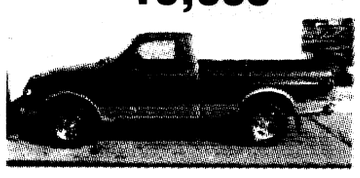

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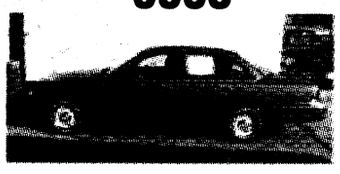

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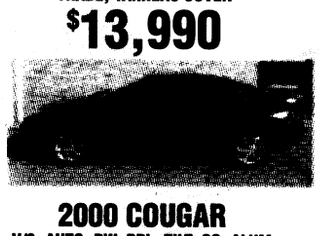

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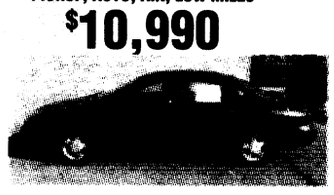

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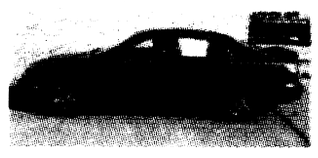

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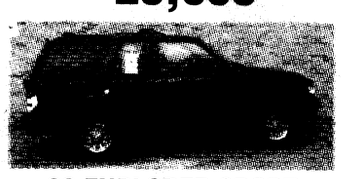

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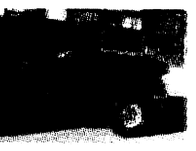

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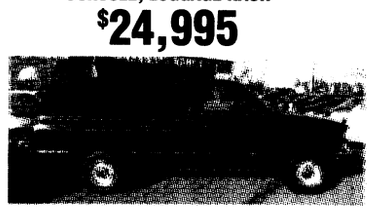

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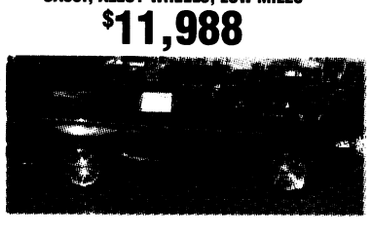

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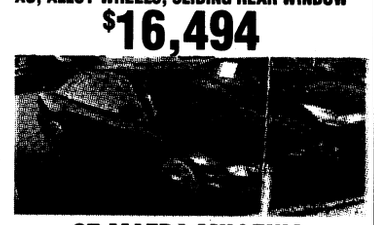

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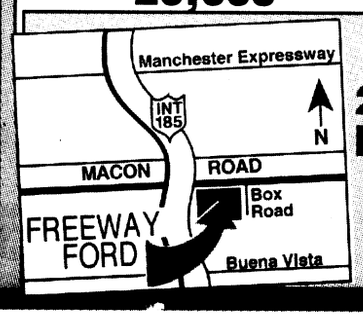

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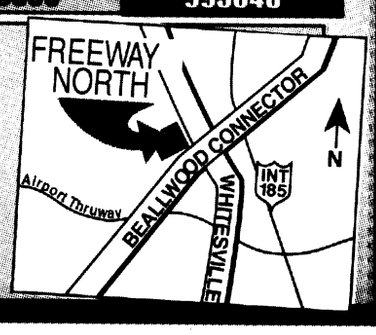



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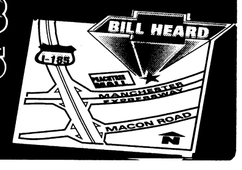

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Officials say anthrax vaccine safe

DoD disregards House suggestion, continues shots

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

"Absolutely no intention to end the program."

That was the answer Department of Defense officials gave last week in response to a rash of questions after a House of Representatives subcommittee recommended the DoD's mandatory anthrax vaccinations be halted.

The House Government Reform Committee's report noted the agency's program to inoculate 2.4 million Soldiers, airmen, sailors and Marines was based on "dangerously narrow scientific" evidence and recommended the program be halted and labeled experimental.

Defense Department officials contested the findings of the House subcommittee, calling the need to continue the inoculations paramount to the safety of America's modern military.

"Nothing the department has learned in the last two years has reduced our concern about the threat of a possible anthrax attack against our troops," said Dr. Sue Bailey, assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, in a Pentagon press briefing. "As a result, military commanders consider the vaccination against anthrax a necessary element of force protection as we prepare for the threats of the 21st century."

While the verdict from the House has had no immediate impact on the present vaccination program, DoD officials did announce the halt in the second and third phase of the vaccination program until the new vaccine production plant earns the approval of the Federal Food and Drug Administration.

Presently more than 383,000 service members have been vaccinated against the bacterial disease during Phase I of the program with only 620 reported incidents of adverse reactions to the drug.

While those numbers only include the Phase I tally of troops deploying to the Gulf region or Korea, the Phase II portion that includes service members in early

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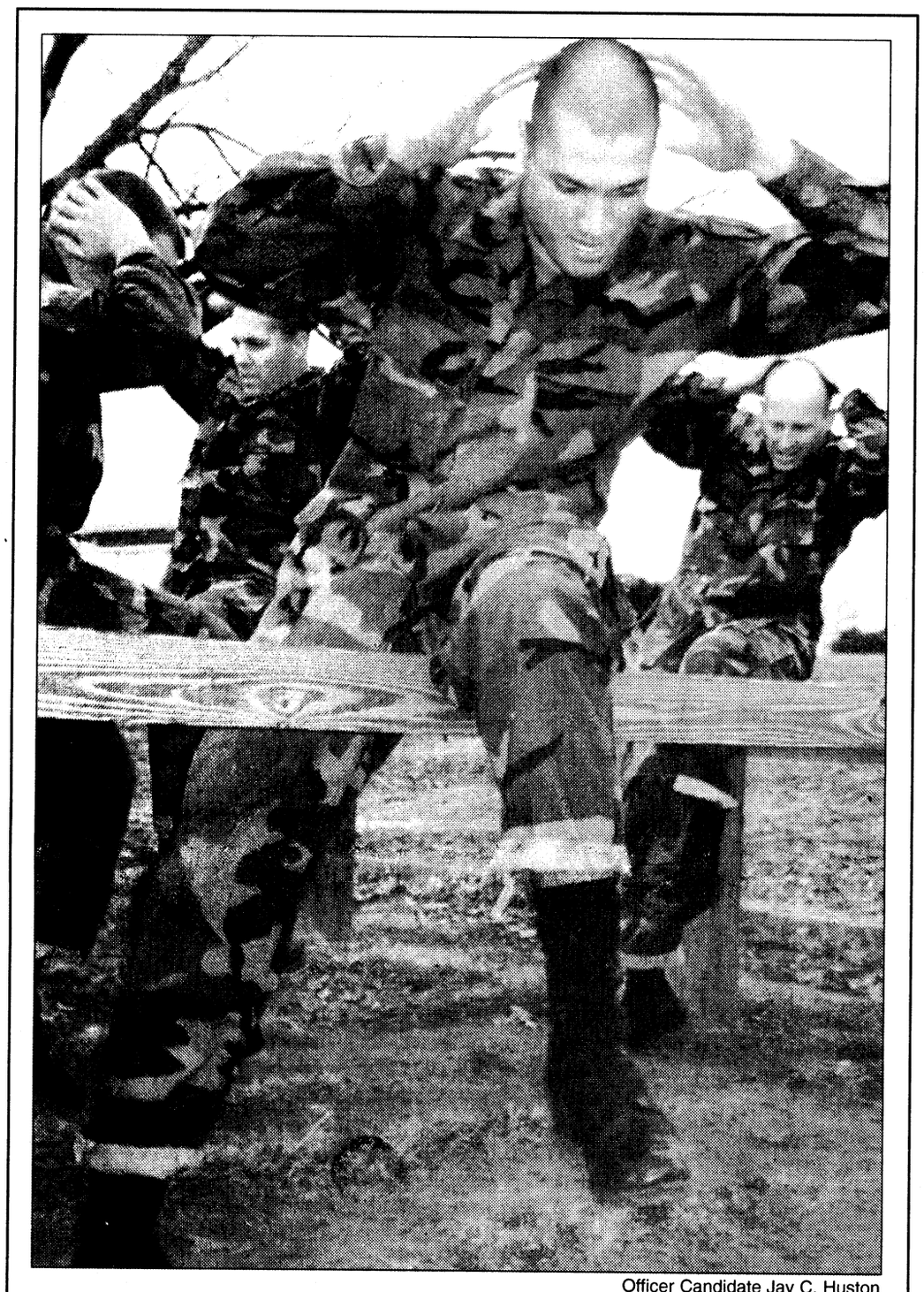

Officer Candidate Jay C. Huston

Steppin' up

Officer Candidate Alejandro Ramirez leads his squad through the step over obstacle as he and the other students of Officer Candidate School Class 2-00 negotiate the obstacle course. For complete coverage of OCS, turn to page A-6.

New number makes CARE easier at hospital

544-CARE puts docs, meds all at same number

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Martin Army Community Hospital converted to an automated phone system last month designed to make it easier for patients to reach their primary care clinic, refill their medicines and verify appointments.

They just have to remember one phone number: 544-CARE.

By dialing that number and then pressing 1, patients can cancel, reschedule or verify an already booked medical appointment.

Other choices on the phone menu will transfer them to the Tricare Service Center, Central Triage, speciality clinics or the Patient Affairs Liaison. And, as some have already discovered, they can even leave a confidential message for the hospital commander, Col. Jim Beson.

These messages are checked daily, Carol Cain, chief of Beneficiary Services Section, Healthcare Management Division, said.

The new Access to Care automated phone service started Jan. 18.

Outside the local calling area, patients can call toll-free 1-888-293-2148.

The phone system is part of a region-wide initiative. Three months ago, Eisenhower Medical Center at Fort Gordon started its automated phone service.

"We are doing all these new innovations to improve access to health care," Cain said.

In addition to incoming calls, the system also phones between 800 and 900 patients each weekday evening reminding them of their medical appointments two days later.

However, Cain cautions patients who are undergoing certain procedures to beware. The automated message will give them the time they are scheduled for the procedure, not the time they should report, which would be earlier.

"Do as you were instructed by the clinic and report when they told you to, not at the time given on the tape," Cain said.

The reminders and the easy-access cancellation line should help improve the hospital's no-show rate, Cain said.

Some problems have been noted during the first month.

Pharmacy callers have complained that they have not been able to get through to the automated refill system, according to Capt. Dwayne Steele, assistant chief for Pharmacy Services.

After dialing 544-CARE, pharmacy callers should immediately press 3 and listen for the menu.

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Thousands of dollars available for projects

Post nets $500K in ACOE competition

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Want a new playground in your housing area? How does a new waterslide at the Main Post pool sound?

These are just some of the ideas Fort Benning's Directorate of Resource Management is fielding as possible ways to spend the $500,000 in award funds received early this year for earning the top spot in the annual Army Communities of Excellence competition.

The award marks the fourth time the post has scored the Commander in Chief's Award from ACOE and the fourth time the DRM has searched for ways to spend the grand prize pot.

"Looking back on all of the projects we have accomplished with the ACOE funds, it really is amazing everything we have built or improved," said Chuck Walls, garrison manager.

Now Walls, along with help from DRM, is searching for ways to once again turn those amazing projects into reality.

"We are looking for ideas on projects that we could spend the money on that would benefit all those who worked hard to win the award," he said. "We want it to be something that would touch all of the people."

Walls said in the past the funds went to numerous projects around post including the addition of playground equipment in various housing areas, addition of equipment at the auto craft center, gym renovations, an upgrade of the post telephone system and building the Fort Benning portion of the Riverwalk.

So what does Walls have in store for the expenditure of this year's funds? He said that is the question he and DRM are asking the Fort Benning team.

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> **— Chuck Walls**
> Garrison manager

"DRM will be accepting ideas for the money until this spring," Walls said. "We just ask when individuals submit their ideas it be a project that has impact on more than just one unit or one group of people.

"We want to use the money to benefit as many people as possible," he said "We want to sprinkle the wealth among all of those who worked hard to earn the prize, but we don't want to water it down."

Walls said while those suggestions for how the money is spent will be reviewed, he said renovation of barracks or building new facilities that would consume the entire ACOE award will not be considered.

Although Walls said he hasn't yet heard of any possible projects for this year's ACOE expenditures, he said he could be almost certain of two that would make the possibility list.

"We always see gyms and playgrounds appearing on the list," he said.

Those casting ballots for ideas on how the funds should be spent should direct their ballots to DRM, Building 66 on Main Post.

"If we get the decision made early this spring, we could begin making purchases in the late spring or early summer," he said. "The deadline becomes even more important in the case of a building project where a contract has to be bid."

Siren warns of coming storm

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary



Tornadoes ripped through southern Georgia Feb. 13 killing 22 people.

Our area was under tornado watch and tornado warning for most of the evening and early morning.

The Fort Benning severe weather siren blasted through the air around 6 p.m. while I was fixing dinner. Apparently a funnel cloud was sighted just off Custer Road and Interstate 185. Luckily it didn't touch down.

When I heard the siren my first instinct was panic — TORNADO! Images of the Wicked Witch and Dorothy's house from the Wizard of Oz went spinning through my mind.

My second thought was wishing I had paid closer attention to the info graphics that papers run when severe weather threatens.

I had seen the severe weather graphics in the corner of the TV telling me that the surrounding counties were under tornado warnings, watches and severe thunderstorms. But what do you do? Watch the TV? Pray? Continue with dinner?

Because I have no rooms without windows and the hallway is 4 feet long and within 4 feet of any window I decided to finish getting dinner ready with numerous prayers.

I also opened the back door and went outside ... stupid. What was I thinking? Obviously I wasn't.

Next time I will think, and because of where we live — there will be a next time.

When the severe weather siren sounds next time I will have a family disaster plan and have a disaster supplies kit, which will include leftover Y2K supplies.

A family disaster plan includes information about the type of severe weather that can occur in the area and the community's warning signal (the severe weather warning siren) for the weather. The plan also includes emergency phone numbers.

A disaster supplies kit includes a three-day supply of water for each family member; a blanket or sleeping bag per person; a first-aid kit that includes prescription medicines; and the normal supplies, which include nonperishable food, extra batteries, portable radio and flashlights. I'll keep my cell phone handy in case the walls crash in.

After the family disaster plan is in place, I plan to practice it. This means I won't ask my 8-year-old daughter to run outside to see if she sees anything.

When I heard the tornado siren I immediately called the staff duty number, 545-2218, which was busy. My reason for calling was to make sure I wasn't panicking for no reason — wouldn't want to do that.

Next time the siren blasts, I will have supplies and a safe place to take refuge, and it won't be in the car trying to outrun the storm.

Pets deserve same respect as children

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



Just about everyone likes to make a point about something, especially me. Of course, I am lucky enough to have the paper to torture everyone with my points, this time being no different.

I feel I must take this opportunity to stand up for all of the innocent creatures who line the cages at the Fort Benning adoption kennel. Every week I visit these animals and take their pictures for the Pet of the Week feature. Every week I arrive with mixed emotions.

First, I am happy to see my friends. I go through my oooos and ahhhhhs over how cute and cuddly they all are, greet the new arrivals and find out which ones were lucky enough to go to a home. But it doesn't take long for my happiness to turn to rage when I see a blaring sign on one of the cages that reads "neglect" or "abuse." Something that is not uncommon at the kennels.

During the last year or so since I've been taking the photos, I have heard some pretty incredible stories of neglect and abuse. Not only that but I have actually witnessed instances gruesome enough to turn my stomach inside out.

I have seen dogs and cats so skinny you could literally count each and every rib. I have seen animals with horrible, festering soars and infections and cases of thick mites and fleas.

Of course, I could never forget the poor dog whose owner had tied an ordinary belt around its neck as a collar and failed to loosen it as the animal grew. The belt actually began to grow into the skin of the neck, and when it had to finally be removed it was like pulling velcro apart. Underneath the belt the skin was rotting and infected.

Then there are the stories of pets being taken from homes on post where the conditions were so deplorable it made the Animal Control sick. Or instances where animals have been locked up for ungodly amounts of time without food or water in the sweltering heat.

All of this is absolutely unbelievable to me. We are talking about adults here. Supposedly full-fledged grown-ups who have taken an animal into their home with the intent of loving and caring for it.

In my eyes there is no difference between child abuse and animal abuse. Most of these people probably wouldn't leave their children chained up in a shed for days on end to roast, starve and dehydrate, yet it's OK for an animal. I just don't get it.

I applaud those people who are looking out for their neighborhood pets. More often than not it is a concerned neighbor who calls Animal Control if they feel something is not right. This is the way it should be.

If you know an animal is being treated cruelly and you do not report it, it would be the same as just sitting back while a young child was being beaten.

I'll admit that animal abusers are the exception to the rule. Most people love and cherish their pets and would do anything for them. But, just like anything else, you always have a few bad apples in a bunch.

Of course, me telling these people they are bad isn't going to solve anything. All I can do is urge everyone to get involved and keep an eye out for their neighborhood pets. If something seems fishy, it probably is. Call Animal Control at 545-5222 to assess the situation; they will be able to make the best judgement. While these innocent creatures cannot make a stand for themselves, surely someone can.

letter

Reader compliments military police, Soldiers

It has been my pleasure to call the Fort Benning MP station on several occasions to compliment the most visible of your troops: the MP's who patrol the highway.

Specifically, I would like to single out Specialists Tamara Lee and Brian Alford, both of whom I have spoken with and come away impressed with their professionalism and courtesy. But I see that in every MP along the road: helping motorists, giving directions, etc. This is, by far, the most professional police agency I have seen in years: not an overwhelming presence or aggressiveness, just an even-handed, approach wherein all motorists are treated the same — and very well at that.

I have lived in places (none in Georgia) where the police agencies were not all that good in terms of manpower and dealings with civilians — places you would dread being stopped because the routine varied with the officer. That's why I have been so pleased with the quality of the Fort Benning MPs, the difference really is night and day.

Additionally I want to commend the troops I see in the Cusseta area using commercial establishments. These are some of the best behaved military personnel I've seen: polite, courteous and always watchful in the restaurants that their table is not making too much noise. This may be taken for granted by old locals, but this new local is impressed. But maybe I really should not be all that surprised: elite troops always seem to have a good demeanor and snappy "YESSIR."

Many people have lamented I live near Benning with all the familiar "...living near a base is terrible ..." comments etc.

You've heard all that before. But I can't agree with any of them. Fort Benning is a good neighbor and the troops are well behaved and it's a pleasure to see it day in and day out.

I also hear comments about noise from the ranges. Surely there can be no new homeowners or residents who didn't know a military base is there. The sound is certainly no worse than a thunderstorm approaching across the desert, the distant rumblings adding a low frequency throb to the wind. The live-fire is no worse than that. Hey, it's reassuring to me: I wave at the helicopters and always smile inwardly at the sound of the live-fire ranges: the troops are out there maintaining that razor's edge of performance which stands out so well during operations.

Next open house at Benning, I'll be there — I want to see up close who is turning out such good troops and tell them it makes me feel safe and proud. The cadre deserves as much praise as the troops and I commend Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Cassell and Lt. Col. Terry Kelly on the performance of their unit.

Fort Benning is Columbus' and Chattahoochee County's home team and I am proud to consider them "ours."

Chris Long
Chattahoochee County

545-BOSS

Dial 545-BOSS is the commander's action line for Soldiers, family members and civilians to call when they have problems or complaints that can't be resolved elsewhere.

The Bayonet features some of the calls that may benefit other members of the Fort Benning community.

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Call: Caller said he is concerned about the excessive use of profanity in the workplace and all over post from military to civilian personnel. He wanted to know what the CG's policy is on profanity.

Garrison commander's response: USAIC Regulation 210-5, Garrison Regulation, Aug. 6, 1998, addresses prohibitions against profanity and obscene language on the installation, in Chapter 4, paragraph 4-5: The use of obscene, vulgar or profane language in any public area on the Fort Benning military reservation is prohibited. Language is obscene, vulgar or profane when, under circumstances and manner in which such utterance was made, it would clearly offend a reasonable person's sense of decency." The Garrison NCOIC sent e-mail reminders to all major subordinate commands and command sergeant majors to remind them of the policy.

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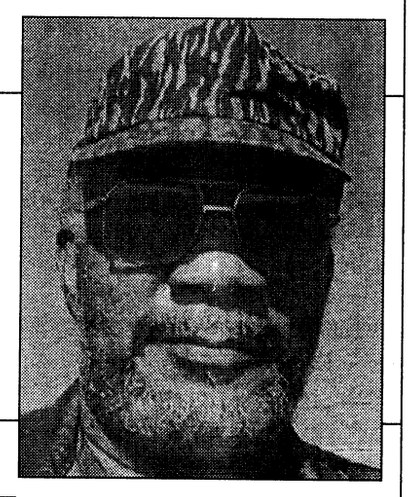
Call: Caller said he is concerned with "loose" formations of Soldiers running in dark hours at the back part of post past Eddy Bridge, and on Kelley Hill. He pointed out that these runners were lacking reflective gear and were not part of a controlled group. He said he is concerned that Soldiers are going to get hurt or killed.

Directorate of Public Safety response: The Installation Safety Officer assured the caller that the Military Police would increase patrolling around the PT running routes and reminders would be published via a Safety Alert from the installation chief of staff. The Director of Public Safety would discuss this issue with all MSC commanders during the Commanding General's luncheon.

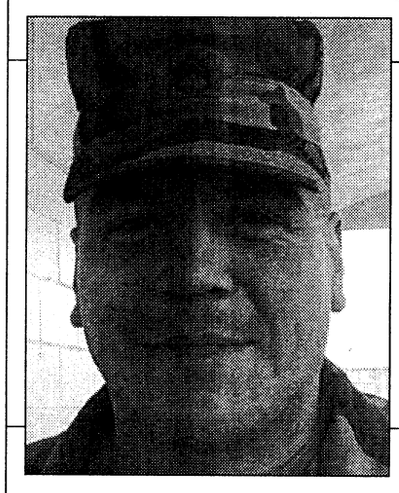
VARIOUS VOICES

What actions do you think should be taken when you hear the tornado siren?

Stephanie Powell, family member — "You should run to a closet that's in the innermost center of the house or a bathtub and use blankets, pillows or a mattress to protect yourself from flying debris."



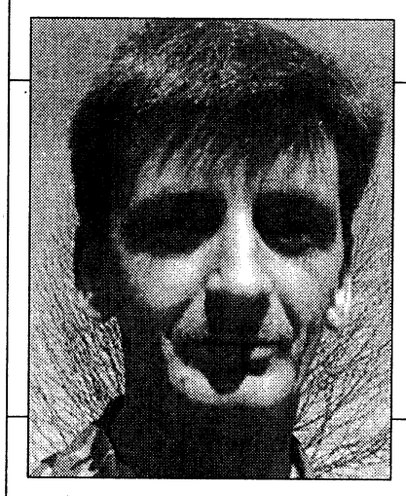
Retired Sgt. 1st Class George Howell Jr., Columbus — "You need to locate the nearest shelter and tune into the television or radio to listen to the news to keep informed."



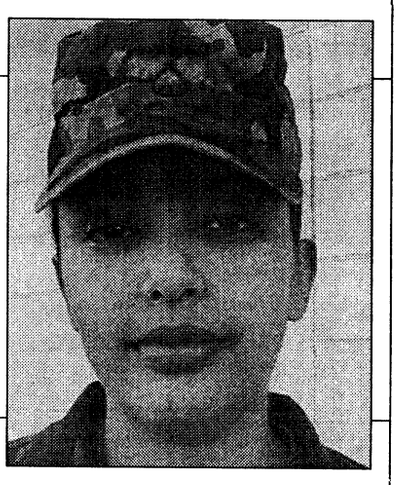
Staff Sgt. Frank Rodriguez, A Co., 2nd Bn, 29th Inf. Regt. — "First off, you need to assess the situation. Find out what structures are around you; for example if you are on the highway you need to get to the base of a bridge. Or if you are in a building you need to get somewhere solid such as a tub and cover yourself."



Pvt. Steve Ramos, D Company, 1st Battalion, 507th Infantry — "Seek shelter. Go to a low lying area and cover yourself as best as possible."



British Sgt. Maj. Kenny McDonald, Bradley Instructor Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "Make sure you know where your children are and get them and yourself to a safe place in the house and listen to the radio."



Pfc. JoAnn Garcia, 690th Medical Company (Ground Ambulance), 36th Engineer Group — "You really cannot prepare for it, but the best thing to do is go to the safest room in the house and make sure you are covered good."

Interviews and photos by Spc. Amy Nyland. To suggest future topics or questions for Various Voices or to volunteer your opinion on upcoming questions, call 545-2201.

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Service sets stormy facts straight

Meteorologist explains how to survive weather

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
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The rain poured and the wind blew as the warm spring Georgia sky quickly changed from blue to dark gray the afternoon of Feb. 13 when a potentially lethal storm front swept into the Chattahoochee valley.

As residents flocked to take shelter from the storm, airmen from Fort Benning's weather squadron were watching the storm with a keen eye.

The storm's potential to be tornadic grew as it neared within 10 miles of the Fort Benning fringe, and it was that threat that prompted the meteorologist to issue a tornado warning for the Fort Benning community.

But when the siren sounded to issue the warning, some residents said they didn't know what to do.

"Staying calm is the first step to surviving the storm," said a national weather spokesperson. "If families monitor the weather and have a family disaster plan, there will be no trouble when a storm strikes."

He said when a storm does strike meteorologists like those here at Lawson Army Airfield will issue a warning that will give residents enough warning to react.

"We try to give residents at least 30 minutes of warning," said Staff Sgt. Wesley Mathias, a meteorologist assigned to the Lawson Army Airfield. That warning comes after Mathias and his team of sky watchers analyze storm fronts and identify certain parameters that indicate tornadic weather.

It is then and only then the team issues a warning.

"We only issue a warning after strong indications that a tornado is imminent," he said.

When that threat is imminent and the storm sirens are sounded, the national weather service has compiled the following list to ensure safety during a storm.

• Monitor radio, television and weather radios for the most current weather information.

• Have a family disaster plan.

• If a warning is issued or a tornado is imminent, move to a shelter such as a basement or interior hallway.

• If outside, seek shelter in a safe building, ditch or low area.

• Do not remain in or take shelter in mobile homes.

• Do not try to outrun a tornado in a vehicle or remain in a vehicle during a tornado — take shelter in a ditch or low area.

While these tips can be a key to storm survival, the spokesperson said it is important to know when listening to broadcasts the difference between a watch and a warning.

A tornado watch, he said, means conditions are favorable for the development of a tornado. A tornado warning means a tornado has been sighted or observed on radar.

In the last 50 years, Chattahoochee County has experienced four tornados that left a path of destruction more than a mile wide in its wake.

"Be prepared and understand that a storm can strike at any time. Listen for warnings and when one is issued for your area take heed," he said. "It could mean the difference between life and death."

Editor's note: *Fort Benning residents should be aware that there is a monthly test of the storm sirens the first Saturday of every month.*

Inoculations: Continue for deploying troops

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deploying troops to high threat areas have been placed in a temporary holding pattern until the FDA approves a new plant to manufacture the vaccine.

Originally, DoD planners hoped to fill the requests for the drug from the small Michigan-based pharmaceutical company Bioport. But when orders for additional vaccine grew beyond the capabilities of the company, officials augmented the drug maker with $10 million to demolish the old inadequate facility to construct a new, more modern high-output facility to support the entire force inoculation but that new, more modern facility is still awaiting the approving nod from the FDA.

"It has been more difficult than the department and Bioport expected to move from a small, state-regulated production facility to a large, modern production facility that meets the state-of-the-art FDA requirements," Bailey said. "Bioport has beefed up its management and production teams, and (DoD) has augmented the team that supervises the program."

That supervision and augmentation is hoped to expedite the process of getting the new facility operational since there are only 1 million available FDA approved doses in the system, Bailey said.

Presently America's military medics are administering more than 75,000 doses every month against the disease that sparked controversy ever since its vaccine was first required in 1995.

Since then rumors have plagued the vaccine program with some even naming the vaccine as a potential cause of the yet undetermined Gulf War Illness.

That, however, has been proven false in a Institute of Medicine presidential advisory committee finding that concluded there was no evidence that anthrax vaccine caused any of the illnesses of the thousands of Gulf war vets who have fallen prey to the disease.

The committee also reported the accusations of the vaccine causing cancer, sterility and birth defects false as well.

"The vaccine has very few side effects," she said, "And they are mild and temporary."

Those effects include redness, soreness of the injection site and a small lump that accompanies or closely follows the vaccination, she explained.

"The vaccination program is a necessary part of our obligation to protect U.S. forces, and it is important that all military personnel have complete confidence in the safety of the vaccine," Bailey said. "We will continue the highly successful program to vaccinate troops as they deploy."

Number: Makes phoning hospital, pharmacy easier

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The pharmacy is converting from its old automated refill phone system to the Access to Care system, so individuals who call the refill phone number listed on their medicine bottles are being transferred to the 544-CARE menu.

"If the number continues to ring and no one answers, the lines are full. You will not get a busy signal. Hang up and call back," Steele said.

"That's one of the kinks we are working out."

Another kink is how to handle rotary dialers. By the end of March, the system should be equipped to handle rotary calls, Steele said.

The hospital is also developing a web page where patients can go for information. It is scheduled to go online in the next 45 days, Cain said.

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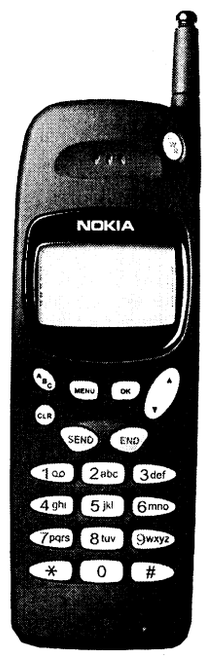

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DoD restores housing rates to '99 standards

Cohen said move will make allowance equal to local costs

Army News Service

Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen announced this week that many Soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines will get an unexpected increase in their Basic Allowance for Housing rates as a result of his decision to restore the allowance to 1999 rates in areas where the 2000 BAH rates had been decreased.

"This action will result in greater equity among all people assigned to the same duty location, and will also allow the Department to pause and examine how we survey and determine the average cost of housing," said Cohen. "It is extremely important that in every area, nationwide, we are providing an allowance which allows our men and women to live in quality housing.

"We have heard two things: first, that the difference between the old and new rates in areas where the rates decreased is simply too much, and second, that the allowance is not enough to rent the type of housing our people are actually occupying. As a result, I have decided to return areas in which rates decreased to their 1999 rates."

The intent of the new housing allowance system is to set the allowances based on the local cost of adequate housing.

The new system also equalizes the out-of-pocket costs for members of the same grade across the country. Over the years, average out-of-pocket costs in higher cost areas had become significantly larger than in lower cost areas.

This year the out-of-pocket costs were set at an equal dollar value for every area based on 18.8 percent of the national median housing cost for each grade.

The new system resulted in significant increases in allowances for members serving in very high-cost areas, but it also led to rate reductions in many other areas.

"In response to concerns from the field, I directed my staff to look at the quality of housing for which we are paying allowances; they concluded we need to do further research into how we establish the areas within a metropolitan region," said Cohen. "Given our initiative to eliminate average out-of-pocket expenses borne by our members by FY05, it does not make sense to lower rates for some of our people until we are absolutely sure we have it right."

Service members, whether single or married, are provided either government housing or a monthly stipend known as Basic Allowance for Housing to procure commercially-owned housing in civilian communities in the United States.

The rates paid for BAH are computed using a statutory formula that is based on the actual cost of adequate housing in the areas where the people live.

The Department uses a contractor to determine what the actual cost of adequate housing is in those areas.

The Department will propose to Congress the necessary legislative changes to accomplish two actions: (1) provide authority to restore the allowance in areas where they decreased, retroactively, to January 1 and (2) eliminate the current legislation that requires service members to absorb at least 15 percent of their housing costs.

Former school chief speaks at national prayer breakfast

Bingham said spiritual fitness, prayer essential in making life better

Bridgett Siter

Special to the Bayonet©

Retired Col. Michael Bingham returned to Fort Benning Feb. 11 to encourage Soldiers and civilians to put more emphasis on their daily spiritual fitness.

As the guest speaker at the annual National Prayer Breakfast, the former deputy chief of staff, defined spiritual fitness as a daily awareness of God and a desire to see his will accomplished.

Bingham offered three simple steps for improving one's spiritual strength: read one chapter from Proverbs daily, go on an "ego fast" and go to Ranger school.

According to Bingham, an "ego fast" is an attempt to put more focus on God during prayer, and less focus on one's self.

"To reduce your prayer time and increase the impact of your prayers, stop focusing on yourself and start seeking God's will in your life," Bingham said.

Step number three, go to Ranger school, drew gales of laughter, applause, and "hooahs" from the crowd of nearly 400 who attended the breakfast.

"The reality is, there's more spiritual fitness in Ranger school than there is in Infantry Hall, because that's where the stress is," Bingham said. "Ranger students realize they are no longer in control. They need God."

Bingham concluded by encouraging listeners to consistently strive to improve their spiritual fitness.

"The bottom line is one word — daily. We need to pursue spiritual fitness daily. The reality is, if you're not growing closer to God, you're growing farther away from him. There is no status quo."

The installation Chaplain (Col.) Mike Hartsell welcomed Bingham and special guests to Fort Benning, and presented Bingham a plaque of appreciation, on behalf of the Chaplain's Corp, for his many years of ministry at Fort Benning.

"It is a privilege to be invited to speak here today," Bingham said. "I don't know how I could feel any better this morning than coming back to Fort Benning."

Following a guitar solo of "Just a Closer Walk With Thee," by Lt. Col. Jim Shutt, and a solo performance of "The Lord's Prayer," by Chaplain (Capt.) James Blount, the audience recited the "Litany for the Nation" and "The Infantryman's Prayer." Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott New gave the benediction.

"We thank God for the opportunity to serve this great nation, and we recognize, as we do that, we need to walk with him in prayer," New said. "It's important that we continue to seek his will in matters that concern our lives and our nation."

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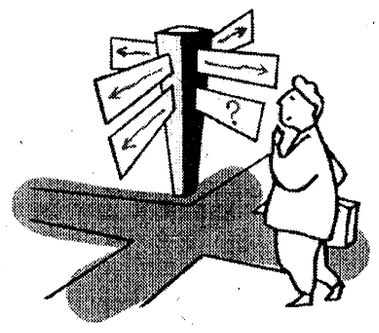

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NCOA packs up, finds new home in Infantry Hall

Move aimed at creating better learning environment

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Fort Benning's NCO Academy will soon consolidate under one roof.

The move to Infantry Hall is geared toward creating a better learning environment for students.

Combining the NCO schools — PLDC, BNCOC, ANCOC — and the Drill Sergeant's School in one building will benefit the academy's students and the Army.

"Once over to Infantry Hall, it will be a great benefit to the Soldiers," said Command Sgt. Maj. George R. Monk, commandant of the NCO Academy. "They will be closer to the library," he said referring to the Donovan Technical Library, which provides access to technical and interactive learning.

Additionally, Monk said, PLDC will save an hour each day in walking time, and the Army will save money because students will not have to be bussed to chow.

"They will also be closer to the billets," he said.

Monk explained that the current academy dwellings, which were built in the 1960s, were identified as 'not cost effective.'

"We were losing money (on repairs) while staying in Building 880. It would have cost us too much to upgrade the building," he said.

The academy will now occupy the first and second floors of Infantry Hall's west wing, Monk said. It will occupy 62 classrooms and use some space that was unoccupied. Compared to the 35 classrooms and 14 administrative rooms that made up the 56,000 square feet of Building 880, the academy will have more room.

Actual movement of the school began December 1999 after Maj. Gen. Carl Ernst, post commander at the time, mandated the move that summer. Piece by piece, the NCO Academy will be moved depending on the amount of money that is available.

Monk said the move should be completed at the end of the year using the school's vehicles and manpower.

"So far we have saved around $24,000. We are using the school's cadre, and some of the students are helping out with the move, too," he said.

Although Monk is looking forward to his students having access to the facilities available at Infantry Hall, he said there are some aspects about the old school that will be missed.

"There I had my own institution with our own break areas and no distractions. I took a lot of pride in taking care of the school,""he said. "We would welcome dignitaries there, and we had our own auditorium and cafeteria, too."

Monk said he is a little worried about Infantry Hall not having adequate break areas for the added 550 students and 150 cadre members that the school is responsible for.

"Overall, I think it will be a good move," Monk said. "Fort Benning will continue to have top-notch Soldiers. We are the future of the Army and need the best resources to train. Here (Infantry Hall) we will have those resources."

Rangers set reunion for Oct.

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

The Korean War was in its early stages in 1950 when 900 volunteers arrived at Fort Benning to undergo intensive training as America's first "Airborne Rangers."

In celebration of their 50th anniversary, Airborne Rangers from the Korean War will host a reunion for members of the Airborne and Ranger communities Oct. 4-7 at Fort Benning.

All Airborne, Rangers, their families and friends are invited.

Events will include inductions into the Ranger Hall of Fame, a barbecue with Ranger veterans, a veterans' review, Airborne and Ranger demonstrations, a night memorial service and a ceremonial banquet featuring a big-screen presentation highlighting the first 50 years of Airborne history.

Costs for the event include $5 to register, $12 for the barbecue and $25 for the banquet.

For more information, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Ranger Collin Chamberlain, 10070 Jiminez St., Lake View Terrace, Calif., 91342-7028.

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Pvt. Anthony Falcon
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Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? As a civilian I want to be a film producer, writer and star. I knew I could never make a good military film without being in the Army.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I believe I was chosen as honor graduate because God allowed me to realize the most important thing he's given me is my mind. He helped me see to expand my horizons and yearn for knowledge.

Staff Sgt. Andy O. Hill
Elmore City, Okla.
D Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade


Hill

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. My style is a combination of authoritarian and participative leadership, which inspires Soldiers to excel as individuals and assume responsibility as a member of the team.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Satisfaction comes from training young civilian to push their bodies to the limits and then pulling together as a team and finding the heart to push on to accomplish the mission.

post brief

47th Inf. Regt. invites members to ceremony

Former members of the 47th Infantry Regiment are invited to attend the regimental association change of authority ceremony March 14 at 9 a.m. on Pomeroy Field.

The 2nd and 3rd Battalions, 47th Inf. Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade, are co-hosting the event.

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National Guard Ranger instructors 'lead the way'

4th RTB Pre-Ranger, Zero Week, Vaughan's Detachment guard run

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

National Guard personnel are now in charge of new Rangers' training.

Teaching the Pre-Ranger, Zero Week, and Vaughan's Detachment at 4th Ranger Training Battalion, active-duty guardsmen lead the way.

The National Guard Ranger instructors come "from any units from throughout the guard, (and are) also graduates of the Pre-Ranger and Ranger schools," said 1st Lt. Jamison Kirby, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th RTB. Kirby is the OIC of Student operations, 4th RTB.

"They come down (right before the start of pre-Ranger), and we do a train-up with them to make sure they fit the part and are able to do the physical events that we are going to ask the students to do the very next week," he added. "We also do an instructor certification process where they teach classes to make sure they are on line for what RTB expects of their Ranger instructors."

There are three RIs in each class with eight classes being held each year. RIs will stay for three weeks, but some are asked to continue if they do an outstanding job.

RIs begin training in the Pre-Ranger course. During this course, RIs train Soldiers on weapons, tactics, patrolling and leadership skills that will be used in Ranger School. They individually assess the students to see if they have what it takes to be a Ranger.

"It used to be that everyone who went to Pre-Ranger went on to Ranger School. Since I have been here the policy has changed and for Guardsmen, about 45 percent make it through Pre-Ranger, and of those, about 75 percent complete Ranger School," he said.

One big advantage of having a guard instructor is his ability to relate to guard Soldiers who are trying to make it as a Ranger, Kirby said. They know the weaknesses that guardsmen have, such as the lack of "in your face leadership and not doing PT every day." The RIs help them overcome those weaknesses.

The guard RIs also help out with Zero Week. Zero Week, although not mandatory, submerges the students deeper into Ranger training.

They learn more about patrols, weapons and other skills that will be taught in Ranger School. The guard RIs are also in charge of the Vaughan's Detachment at 4th RTB.



Sgt. 1st. Class Thomas Siter, NCOIC of student operations at 4th RTB, instructs Pre-Ranger students on Claymores. (Below), Sgt. Eric Emde keeps a close eye on students disassembling a weapon.



"Vaughan's Detachment is where we get a student who has been medically recycled, or they fail a patrol, or are not going on with their class for some reason. We retrain that Soldier and get him back in the game and the next Ranger class," said Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Siter, NCOIC of Student Operations at 4th RTB and an instructor.

Siter said he knows of more than 200 students who went to Vaughan's and more than 190 of them passed and went on to 5th RTB. "The (guard) instructors that we have down here in student operations are outstanding. They are very knowledgeable and professional. They were Ranger instructors in line companies and then they came here to work in this section."

One of the best aspects of a guard RI is the knowledge of what active-duty and guard Soldiers have to go through. "They understand what these guys are going through," Siter said. "They have been in both the active-duty and guard positions."



Photos by Sgt. 1st Class Ron Link

Getting a good workout and a little dirty, Pre-Ranger students of 4th RTB PT and carry out fellow Soldiers using the fireman carry. National Guard Ranger instructors now oversee the Soldiers first look at Ranger training.

Army Values applied throughout Soldiers training

1st Lt. Jacqueline Guthrie
84th Division (IT) Public Affairs Office

More than 200 young men came to E Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, 13 weeks ago with the goal of becoming Soldiers. But not just any Soldier, these men want to be Infantrymen.

Reservists from 1st Brigade, 84th Division (Institutional Training), are helping them succeed.

The 84th Division Railsplitters have been rotating every two weeks teaching the young men physical training, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat, land navigation, seven Army values and much more.

The final test, known as the Bayonet, evaluates not only the recruits' abilities, but also the competence of the trainers. However, the primary focus is on "Seven Army Value" training, said Capt. Ted Qualls, E Company commander.

All Soldiers, active and reserve, must receive training on seven Army values: loyalty, duty, respect, selfless-service, honor, integrity and personal courage.

While most service members hear about these values through videos and classroom teachings, the Soldiers in Fort Benning training brigades also get to live them.

"The Bayonet is a culmination exercise of implementing each of the seven values and Infantry skills," explained Qualls. "Each training mission requires the men to use their newly acquired Infantry skills, but also focuses on teaching them a value."

The recruits came to Sand Hill as individuals, but they left their assembly area for a 25-mile road march as a team ready to pay honor to their fallen comrades that had come before them.

The first leg of the march took them to the rock steady wall.

Named in honor of Pvt. Louis Gideon, a young Soldier who single handedly defended his wounded commander during battle, the rock steady wall required the E Company recruits to negotiate a wall obstacle under fire and move all men and equipment up and over it.

As shots rang out, the platoon leader huddled with squad leaders to develop a plan of action, while the rest of their comrades lay hidden in the grass and among the trees providing security.

With stealth, the young men moved quickly to the edges of a steep, straight wall. In teams they built pyramids to climb up, created rope swings and even used logs for leverage to move themselves, their equipment and their wounded up to the top.

Following each task the new Infantrymen reviewed their actions with their drill instructors, discussed lessons learned and determined which value was most prevalently demonstrated.

They also discussed how to use these values in their civilian life.

"As Infantrymen you don't leave your buddy behind," said Staff Sgt. David Santos, E Company drill sergeant." The recruits just learned how to truly show loyalty to themselves, their country and their unit," he said.

"These Army values don't just relate to the Army," said Sgt. 1st Class Kendall Moore, one of the reserve drill sergeants. "They also relate to everyday life. Apply them to everything you do."

The Soldiers continued on their road march ready to face new challenges, test more skills and learn more about themselves and each other.

"It's all about transformation," explained Col. Rusty Schorsch, Infantry Training Brigade commander. A transformation from a civilian to a Soldier," he said. "The Bayonet exercise allows the trainees to put into practice what they have learned. It shows that they've internalized this stuff."

It is also a transformation from being a Soldier in training, led by drill sergeants, to becoming a Soldier on a team with drill sergeants, he said. Demonstrating the Army values shows they are ready to be part of the Infantry, Schorsch added.

As the young men continued on their mission, the next obstacle they faced was anti-tank and land mines in their path. The only other way across was a river. Demonstrating their devotion to duty, the men built a one-rope bridge and transported all men and equipment to the other side, where they continued on.

Suddenly shots rang out and the men ran for cover. Unfortunately not all escaped the shrapnel and bullets.

The Infantrymen selflessly loaded their "wounded" in uniform made slings, boosted them onto their backs, and carried them in their arms. They also piled on the extra equipment and moved to a first aid station for care.

Orders from higher headquarters soon followed and the men moved out to deliver ammunition to comrades in need. However, the amount of ammunition exceeded the number of Soldiers and decisions had to be made.

"We could have just dumped some of it along the side of the road," said one young man. But the Army's newest Infantrymen instead demonstrated integrity and did the right thing by making two trips to deliver the ammunition.

The Soldiers feasted on meals ready to eat and slept on their equipment throughout their 30-hour mission.

However, fatigue did not slow them down as they came upon their next obstacle, the rock of Chickamauga cliff and a flowing, icy river.

Overcoming any fears of water or height, one by one the young men rappelled down the 60-foot cliff and waded across the icy river.

After completing all tasks the Soldiers tactically marched the final six miles to an area lighted only by fire barrels and torches.

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> **— Staff Sgt. David Santos**
> Drill sergeant

In the glowing embers, the men filled their canteen cups with punch by dipping them into barrels. One by one they passed under the Infantry cross-rifle arch and assembled to pay honor to E Company, the training brigade, the Army, and to Infantrymen past, present and future.

After the toasts of honor echoed through the night, the command sergeant major showed his respect for the newest Infantrymen's ability to demonstrate each of the Army values by lighting seven torches.

The young men then stood at attention as their drill sergeants, the men who taught them how to be Infantrymen, welcomed them to their fraternity by pinning on crossed-rifles. One hundred and ninety men walked back to their barracks not as just Soldiers, but as Infantrymen. And the last rotation of drill sergeants returned to their quarters knowing everyone had passed the final test.

Editor's Note: *The 84th Division (IT), is headquartered in Milwaukee and has subordinate units and Soldiers throughout the states of Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Iowa, and Indiana. As an institutional training division, the 84th currently performs a variety of missions in support of the Army school system, also known as TASS. Missions include providing basic combat training and infantry one station unit training to new soldiers and officer training to ROTC cadets. The division personnel also train active and reserve component service members in combat service, combat service support, health services and professional development courses. For more information about the 84th, visit www.84thdiv.com*



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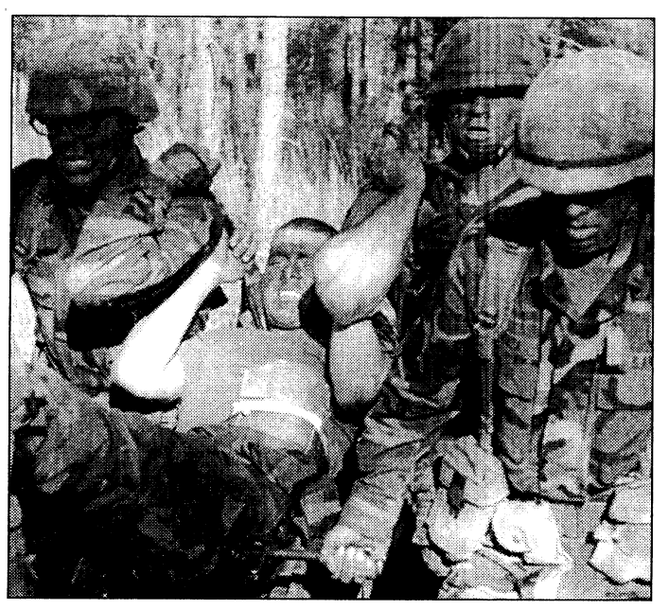
Soldiers demonstrate loyalty by helping their drill sergeant up the "rock steady wall."



The Army's newest Infantrymen transport a "wounded" man to a first aid station.

High school buddies take plunge

Three friends visit post before going to basic training together in July

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

In the spirit of one for all and all for one, three friends from Darville, Calif., will take the ultimate plunge together when they pack their bags and head to Fort Benning July 11 to attend basic training at the Basic Combat Training Brigade.

Although Curt Conklin, Pete Cochran and Matt Martin didn't all decide to join the Army at the exact same moment, the three seniors will tackle the first leg of their four-year tours side by side. Not only that but they are taking it one step further by going both Airborne and Ranger as well.

However, before doing so, the three teens along with Conklin's dad, made the trek from California to Fort Benning to watch Curt's older brother, Kris, graduate from Ranger School and also see just what they have in store.

The buddies spent Feb. 18 getting a taste of Army life by touring the post, watching a Rangers in Action Demonstration and seeing Airborne training.

"When I saw the Ranger demonstration it was awesome," said the 18-year-old Cochran. "I really didn't have too much of an idea about what it entailed; I mean I know who the Rangers are and what they do, but when I saw what they can accomplish, it's amazing."

Cochran, who will be a communications specialist, said he looked at all the other branches of military before deciding the Army was the best way to go.

He said the Airborne and Ranger training really appealed to him and he's excited about the challenge.

As for Conklin and Martin both of the teens signed up at the same time and will be medics with future aspirations of becoming firefighters. For them joining the Army seemed like the best way to get started.

"My brother joined in '98 and seeing what the Army has done for him with all of the schooling and fun he's having, it made me wonder what I could get out of it," Conklin said.

"Plus I want to be a firefighter when I get out and my experience in the Army will definitely help with that."

For Martin, it was a mix of family tradition, adventure and "getting the tools for his future," that made him decide to sign on the dotted line.

The teens admitted they are glad they will be able to go through basic training together because they can push one another to work harder and not give up.

Conklin said it will be nice to see a familiar face and have a friend there to lean on.

Curt's father, Mike Conklin, said he thinks its wonderful that all of the boys are joining together. He said it's something that doesn't happen enough now days.

"I think it's great," the elder Conklin said. "It's something that used to happen in the past quite a bit. There was something called the buddy system where both you and your buddy signed up and went in together. It is definitely a confidence builder."

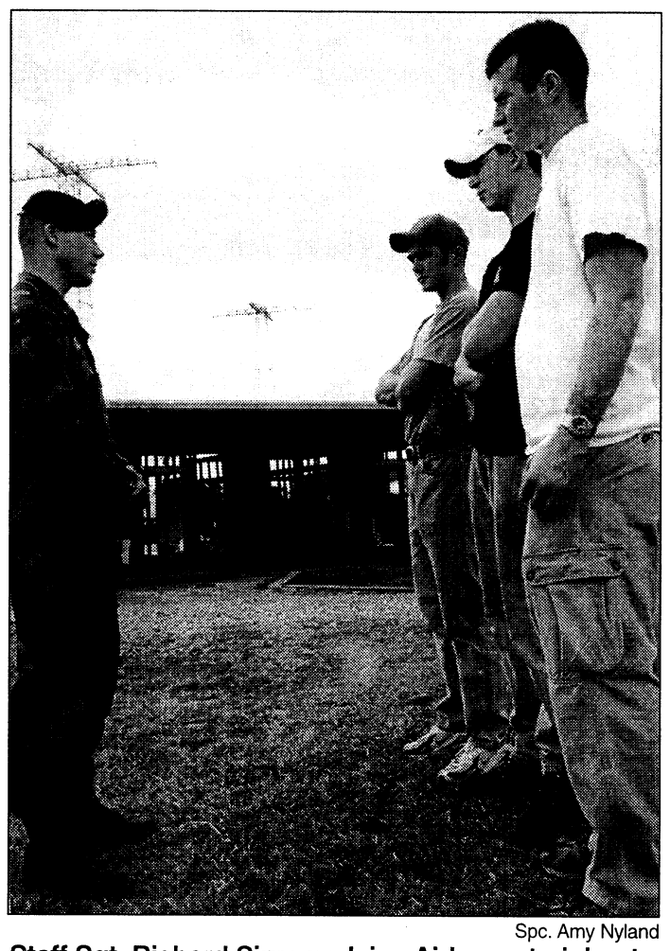
Conklin, who is a member of the William F. Dean Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army, said he works a lot with kids to promote the Army in a positive light. He said the trip to Fort Benning was a great way for the boys to see the good things about the Army and in turn relate that back to their peers.

"They all read stories in the newspaper about basic training this and basic training that, and they know about the negative part of the Army, but by them coming here and being exposed to this they are getting to see the quality people that are involved."

Martin said he is definitely glad he got the chance to come to Fort Benning because now he won't be shocked when he gets here.

The other two agreed saying nothing they saw during their visit made them feel like they made the wrong choice, in fact it was quite the opposite.

"Seeing all of this makes me want to get out of high school that much more," Conklin said. "I can't wait to get started."



Spc. Amy Nyland

Staff Sgt. Richard Sirry explains Airborne training to Curt Conkline (left), Pete Cochran and Matt Martin, high school friends that will attend BCT together.

OCS 2-00 rolls towards graduation

Officer Candidate Deandre L. Garner
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

If you have heard the beat of a bass drum rolling along the streets of Main Post near Infantry Hall, it is the Officer Candidate School marching to classes.

Class 2-00 began the first week in January and the class is rolling forward to graduation in mid-April.

The 14-week course is divided into three phases: basic, intermediate and senior phase.

Class 2-00 concluded its basic phase with a field leadership exercise, day and night navigation tests and an inspection by Capt. Ronnie Preston, company commander .

The basic phase culminated with Field Leadership Exercise One and the Land Navigation Practical Exam an Yankee Road.

"That has got to be the most challenging course I have ever negotiated in my 16 years in the military," said Officer Candidate Calvin J. Simpson.

The anxiety of walking in the woods in the dark posed a problem for some.

But besides a few bumps and scratches, the class completed the course successfully.

"They have worked through some tough challenges," Preston said. "This class has earned intermediate status."

Physical fitness is paramount at OCS and the program is very intense.

For instance, in one day, in addition to regular PT, the class completed the Combat Water Survival Test and a conditioning obstacle course.

"I really think it had to be a test of coordination and endurance. I was tired after going through the course a couple of times," said Simpson, referring to the obstacle course.

The class has experienced more than just physical challenges.

Officer candidates are put in charge of the company with the student chain of command performing the day-to-day operations.

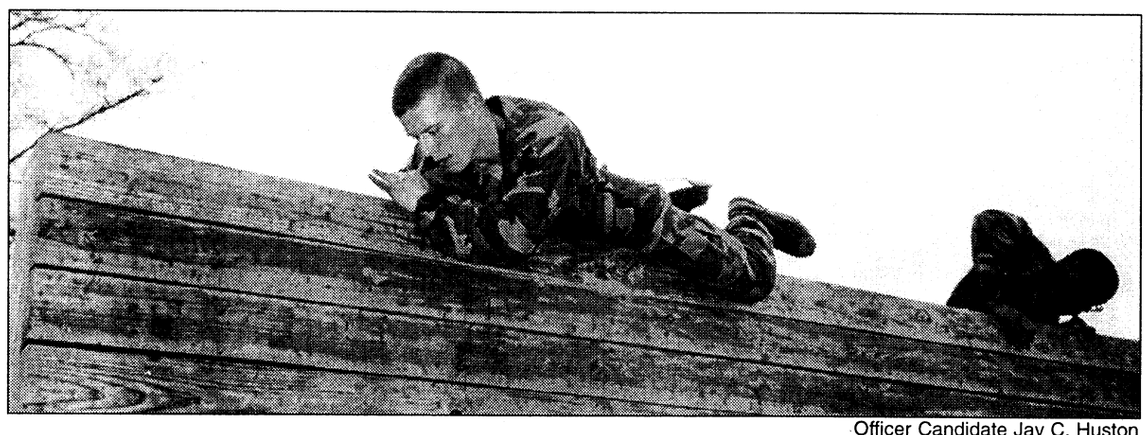
The cadre is there to teach, assess and counsel the student leaders.

"Everything at OCS is a training event," said Capt. Eric Shwedo, TAC senior officer.

Officer candidates have had written examinations on Army operations, tactics and military intelligence.

There is also a plethora of other information and knowledge the candidates are responsible for on a daily basis, that includes daily operation order information.

"It is a good idea to make people memorize things because it forces them to pay attention to details and not to overlook the small things, said Officer Candidate David R. Sandoval. "As leaders, we need not to only pay attention to the big picture but to focus in on small individual tasks."



Officer Candidate Jay C. Huston

Officer Candidates Louis Netherland and Devin Burns negotiate over the six-foot wall as their squad competed on the confidence course.

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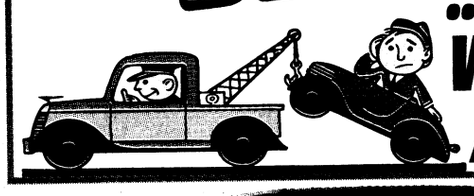

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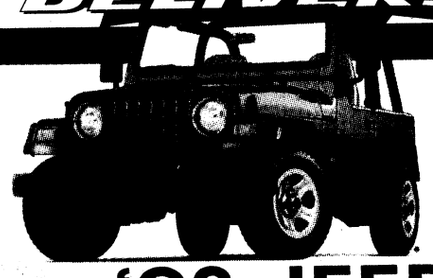

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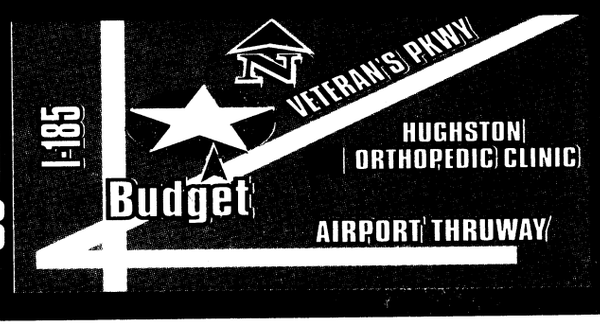

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Amber Greenway, left, allows Haley and Hannah Hutcheson to pet Lucky Sunday at Cooper Creek Park, Columbus.

Woman gives puppy love, saves life

"Lucky" dog lives up to name, escapes death row

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Amber Greenway saved a life three weeks ago. In appreciation, the lucky guy she rescued showered the 19-year-old blonde with kisses — well, sort of.

Greenway rescued a puppy named Lucky — an apt name if ever there was one — from the adoption facility at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic just hours before he was scheduled to be put to sleep.

An Irish terrier mix, Lucky was featured in *The Bayonet's* Pet of the Week column. Greenway, a secretary for the Advertiser Company, which prints *The Bayonet*, saw his picture in the Jan. 21 issue.

"He was scheduled to be put down a week earlier," Stevie Powell, kennel manager of the adoption facility, said. But, the veterinarians gave him a reprieve of one week.

"I really do think he lives up to his name," Powell said.

Greenway had been looking for a dog, and when she visited "death row" she decided to take the mutt home.

"It was very depressing, and I felt good after getting him," she said. "He needed a lot of love and attention. At first, he didn't eat for two days, now he eats like a pig."

Lucky's previous owner was PCSing and "surrendered" the 6-month-old puppy to the clinic in hopes someone would take him home. The canine was up-to-date on all of his shots, and for that reason he was available for free, Powell said.

"They told me at the clinic, they would call the previous owner and let him know that Lucky was adopted," Greenway said.

Lucky is the second dog Greenway has saved from an animal shelter. Back in her hometown of Dowagiac, Mich., she and her family adopted an Alaskan malamute named Zoey.

"It's a good thing to do. I encourage other people to go to the shelter first, before they go look in other places," she said.

Powell has three cats and 10 dogs available for adoption. Although a few pets are surrendered by their owners, most are captured by animal control on post.

If a dog or cat is brought in by animal control, pet owners have five days to claim the animal.

After that, the animal is given about two weeks before it is scheduled to be euthanized, he said.

"But that decision is made on a case by case basis," Powell said. Factors considered are temperament, age and the health of the animal.

To adopt a pet, individuals must pay between $20 and $30 for the animal's tests and shots, Powell said.

The adoption facility is located at the end of 10th Mountain Division Road in Building 264 next to the guest house kennel.

It is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday except holidays. Call 545-4826 for more information.

Mayors clarify job description

Volunteers work closely with community members to voice concerns, act as liaisons

Bridgett Siter
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The volunteer mayors of Fort Benning are working hard to clarify their job description for the residents of their communities.

The duties of mayor vary from post to post, according to Jodie Bowers, president of the community life mayors' council, who has served as mayor for eight years at three installations. Therefore, many residents arrive at Fort Benning with preconceived misconceptions about their neighborhood mayor.



Bowers

"There appears to be a common misunderstanding about our responsibilities. We are not a part of the police enforcement. It's not our job to write tickets or issue ultimatums," Bowers said. "We are a positive resource for the residents of our communities. We're simply working to enrich our neighborhoods."



Darby

"The mayor's responsibility is to be encouraging, setting the tone for the whole neighborhood," said Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander. "We don't want to put our mayors in the untenable position of enforcing regulations. The mayors, the community life NCOs and the MPs have overlapping areas of interest, but it's the spirit in which they work together as allies to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods that make this program so successful."



Secor

Bowers agreed that mayors and vice-mayors work closely with the community life office to ensure that residents' concerns are being addressed. They plan periodic town hall meetings to give residents the opportunity to meet their neighbors and voice their concerns about community issues.

"We are simply the liaison between the community and the garrison. People are often more likely to discuss their problems with another military spouse than with someone from the community life office," Bowers said. "We bridge the gap between both parties. We're here to help and hopefully make life a little smoother."



Thompson

Besides helping find solutions to problems residents may encounter, mayors and vice-mayors also plan events such as community yard sales and fun days.

"It's not a glamorous job, but sometimes it's a lot of fun, and it's always rewarding," Bowers said.



Koprek

The mayors' council is currently looking for volunteers to fill the position of vice-mayor in McGraw Manor, West and East Main Post, and the Boughton Heights-Davis Hill community. Anyone interested should call the community life mayors office at 545-5940.

Community life mayors' council president Jodie Bowers also serves as mayor for east main post. She can be reached at 685-0030.

Rosetta Darby serves as mayor for McGraw Manor. She is currently working closely with the community life officer to improve the overall appearance of her community. Darby can be reached at 687-7947.



McDonald

Danielle Secor serves as mayor for both Upatoi Terrace and Custer Terrace, with a combined total of over 1,000 units. Secor can be reached at 687-2327. Vice-mayor Lori Thompson can be reached at 685-0574.

Vanessa Koprek is the new mayor for West Main Post. Her telephone number is 687-9955.

Julie McDonald serves as mayor for the community of Indianhead Terrace. She is currently working to improve lighting conditions around the playgrounds. McDonald can be reached at 689-0354.

Nettie Calleado is the mayor for the Boughton Heights-Davis Hills community. She can be reached at 685-1959.

Fort Benning to host new youth ministries program

Post contracts minister organization

Sally Shutt
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Military youth face issues their civilian peers do not, including deployments and frequent moves. To help meet the needs of teen-agers at Fort Benning, the post has a new program designed especially for them starting March 1.

Fort Benning signed a contract with Military Community Youth Ministries to support its chapel youth program. Bruce Mulford, a 27-year-old minister and MCYM staff member, will serve as the director of the post program. His wife, Neisy, 26, will work with him.

The Mulfords moved from Lakeland, Fla., where they were house parents in a Baptist children's home for abused and neglected youngsters.

"Both my wife and I are very mission-minded and we wanted to work in youth ministry," Bruce said.

The two are settled into their new home in Columbus, and Bruce is set to run the MCYM program out of his office in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex.

But expect to see the couple out in the community frequenting the spots where teens hang out.

"We want to go where the kids are and meet their needs," Neisy said. "We want to extend the ministry beyond the chapel doors."

MCYM is a non-profit youth ministry and service organization for military teen-agers all over the world. It's probably better known among teens as Club Beyond. The organization works in partnership with Young Life and Youth for Christ.

MCYM is a Christian non-denominational ministry dedicated to working with chaplains, commanders and parents of military teens. Founded in 1980, MCYM is on almost 40 installations worldwide.

In the past, chaplains and other volunteers ran the chapel youth programs at Fort Benning.

"We do not have the resources to dedicate a chaplain full-time to youth ministry," Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott New said.

The contract is for six months,

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AER campaign kicks off

Sgt. Lori Smith
Assistant editor

The annual Army Emergency Relief Fund Campaign 2000 will kick off at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Room 6, Infantry Hall.

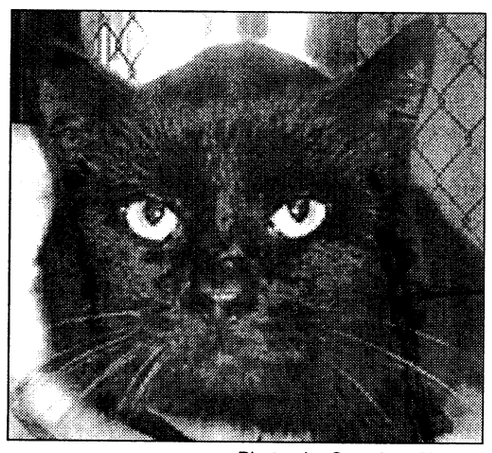
During the kick-off ceremony campaign materials will be distributed and assigned project persons will be given guidance on the procedure for collecting funds from their respective units.

AER funds are available to active-duty Soldiers and retirees with valid emergency need. In 1999, the Fort Benning's AER office provided 664 Soldiers, retirees and widows $460,468.51 in loans and 44 grants that totaled $32,133.29, said Al Deane, AER officer.

He said he is sure Fort Benning will meet its goal of $160,000.

AER has been soliciting funds from active-duty and retired Soldiers since 1947.

The AER fundraising campaign will run Wednesday through April 15.



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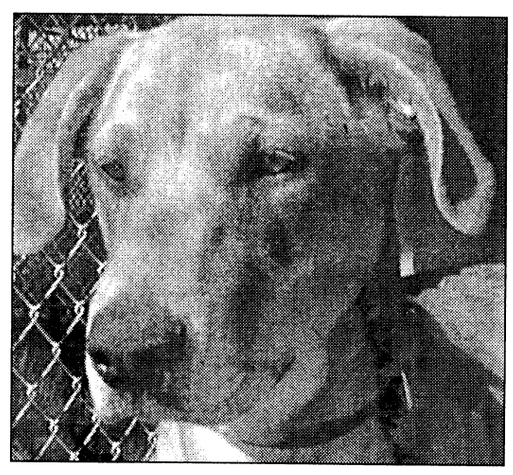
Lovable

An adult male domestic short-haired cat and an adult male lab mix are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call 545-4444.



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The credit is available to an individual who incurred employment-related expenses that enable gainful employment or search for employment. Qualifying individuals are:

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If the parents of a qualifying child are divorced, the noncustodial parent cannot get the credit even if the noncustodial parent claims the child as a dependent for exemption purposes due to the custodial parent's release or a qualified pre-1985 instrument giving the exemption to the noncustodial parent.

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The class will be offered from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 6 and a second session from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 4. The cost is $99 and includes book, CEUs and certificate. The classes will be held in Classroom 32-B, Infantry Hall.

For more information, call the Columbus State University Office at Fort Benning at 689-8688.

Medical College offers Bachelor of Science — The Medical College of Georgia in conjunction with Columbus State University is offering an information session on the Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy.

For more information call 545-1085 or 689-8668.

ACS relocation program — The next spouse orientation program will be held at 8:45 a.m. March 10 in Building 359, the Family Unit Network Center.

Newly assigned personnel are able to receive information about the installation's services and facilities.

For more information call ACS at 545-4043 or 545-7517.

Auction offers many items — There will be a property auction 10 a.m. March 14 at the Outdoor Recreation Equipment and Storage, Building 1704, Gillespie Street. Some of the many items to be sold are: Chevy vans and trucks, boats, jet ski, washers, dryers, ice machines, kitchen equipment, food server line, furniture and much more. Items may be previewed 9 a.m to noon March 10 and 13.

Terms of the sale are cash, visa or check with a bank letter guaranteeing the check up to a specific amount and date. All items are "as is."

For more information, call 545-2348.

Post establishes new fundraising policy — The new Fort Benning policy on fundraising has been published.

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Special visitors

Taffy Corrigan, supervisory instructional support specialist, Anne Muse, Educational Equity Program Coordinator, and Barbara Culwell, a second-grade teacher at Stowers Elementary, share a laugh. Corrigan and Muse, who work at the Department of Defense Education Activities in Washington, D.C., were visiting the school during a recent trip to Fort Benning.

Snakes invade Stowers

Cottonmouth talks about setting goals

Mike Starrett
Stowers Elementary School

Monday afternoon brought much anticipation for the Stallions of Stowers School.

Normally a Stallion will buck at the sight of a snake, but the "Snake" was Per Fernhall of the Columbus Cottonmouths professional hockey team and the Stallions welcomed him into the barn.

Fernhall along with the Cottonmouths front office staffer, Scott Middlebrooks and the Snakes mascot "Boomer" spent an hour with the students and teachers of Stowers.

Fernhall, who is originally from Sweden, spoke to the students about his ambition to become a professional hockey player and the road he took to get there.

Fernhall told his story of playing for the Swedish Junior National team before coming to the United States at 17. He landed in St. Louis playing junior league hockey there and attending high school, which he said was much more difficult than school in Sweden.

Fernhall also talked about coming to the U.S. without being able to speak English and how setting goals can help you achieve them.

Fernhall answered questions from the students ranging from "How long have you wanted to play professional hockey?" to "What is your favorite color?" Fernhall answered "all my life" to the first question, and "Blue" the Cottonmouths primary color to the second.

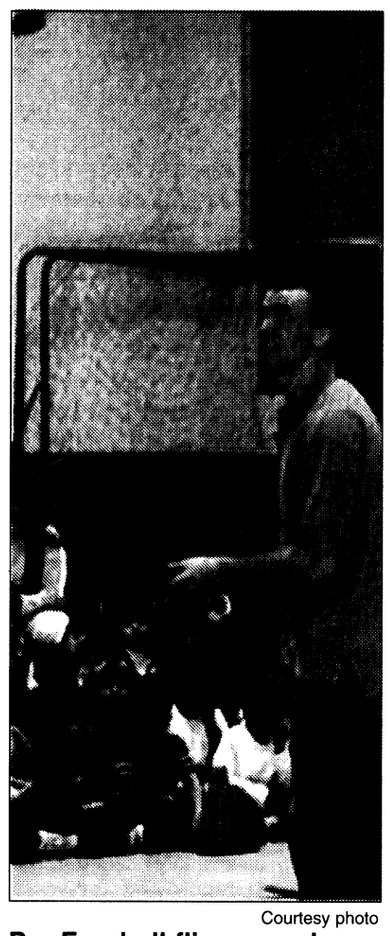
In addition to Fernhall, "Boomer" the Cottonmouths cartoon-like mascot whipped the students into a frenzy teaching them the "Go Snakes!" cheer and shaking their hands.

During all the Cottonmouth games "Boomer" spends time getting fans to cheer for the team and bringing general merriment to children as they spend time at the "Snake Pit."

To illustrate the amount of protection players have when they go into a game, Fernhall, Middlebrooks and Boomer helped a Stowers student get dressed in Fernhall's gear.

Although the size of the equipment brought giggles and grins, the student enjoyed being a hockey model for a few minutes.

Stowers school is planning a "Night with the Cottonmouths" March 10. The school's students and staff will be recognized between periods at the game with the Huntsville Channel Cats. Stowers parents can contact the PTO for more information.



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Per Fernhall flips a puck.

Parents get test-taking tips at lunch

Meal aimed at kids making the grade on Terra Nova

Mike Starrett
Stowers Elementary School

Most parents don't plan to spend a Friday lunch at school learning about test taking skills, but that is exactly what some of the Stowers parents did.

Test taking skills was the topic presented by Kathy Einhorn, director of Curriculum for the Fort Benning schools during the Feb. 18 "Noontime Topics" session.

· The session is a regular part of the Stowers school-home connection and this session focused on test taking skills with particular emphasis on the Terra Nova, DoDEA's standardized test administered each year in March. Einhorn discussed some of the objectives of the Terra Nova as well as gave examples of the types of questions students might be asked to answer.

"The instructional focus the schools have of critical thinking is a strategy that kids will be able to use throughout the Terra Nova," said Einhorn.

She then went on to discuss some tips that parents can relate to their students:

Relax — Everyone gets nervous about tests. It's natural. Try to relax and not worry.

Listen — Listen to the directions for each test carefully. Be sure to read all the directions you find in your test booklet. Ask your teacher to explain any directions you do not understand.

Plan your time — Most parts of the test are timed. Answer each question carefully, but if a question takes too long to answer, skip it and go back to it later. Answer the questions you are sure of first.

Think — If you can't answer a question right away, give yourself some time to think about it. Rule out answer choices that you know are wrong and choose from the ones that are left.

Keep a positive state of mind — This test won't affect your grades in school. Some questions will be hard to answer and others will be easy. Just do your best.

Einhorn went on to talk about keeping a WOW book of words students do not know but will look up for their meaning. Writing them down helps to learn meaning and broaden vocabulary.

The Terra Nova Test week is scheduled for the week of March 13-17. All children grades 1 through 9 will be taking the test at their respective schools.

Students work on yearbooks

Sherri Strickland
Stowers Elementary School

Stowers Elementary School will have their first yearbook since 1997.

They have a club made up of fourth- and fifth-grade students who meet twice a week after school.

The students are responsible for designing, producing copy, editing and promoting sales of the yearbook.

Thus far, the staff has completed over half of the yearbook and met all of their deadlines.

"The students have really come together and worked as a team, we couldn't have done it without them," said Suzanne Shwedo.

Jenny Black, a teacher at Stowers, volunteered to develop a PowerPoint presentation of the yearbook to show to the entire school in order to promote sales of the yearbook.

She will use pictures from the yearbook and hopes to motivate children to want to purchase a Stowers 2000 yearbook.

The cost of the yearbook is $12 until March 10. The price will increase to $15 after this date due to final deadlines and the total amount needed to cover the charges.

The yearbook staff consists of Danielle Marker, Robert Gladden, Ashley Johnson, Eric Plump, Jacob Siter, Yalani Castro, Raymond Rivera, Stephanie Thompson, Curtis Chiles, Shemika Rose, and Jessica Elmore.

When asked how she likes working on the yearbook, Danielle Marker said, "It's fun. We paste, cut out, correlate all of the pictures and make a completed page."

"I can't wait until the yearbook is out because I want to see the pages I put together," said Jacob Siter.

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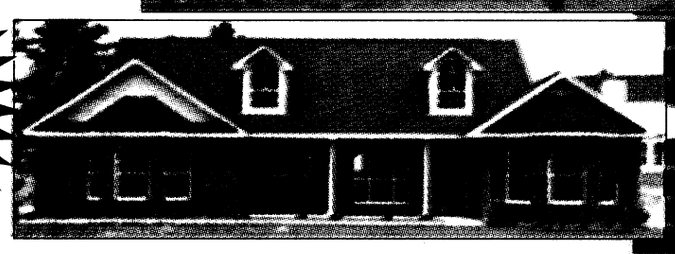

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ACC 201-032	ACCOUNTING I	T/TH	5	McGeorge	6:00 -8:15 P.M.
BIO 105-033	ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES	M/W	5	Khan	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
BIO 105-034	ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES	T/TH	5	Terry	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
BIO 123-031	BIOLOGY I W/ LAB	M/W	5	Khan	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
BIO 124-032	BIOLOGY II W/ LAB	T/TH	5	Terry	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
CIS 200-031	COMPUTER CONCEPTS	M/W	5	Alles	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
CIS 201-033	MICRO APPLICATIONS	M/W	5	Alles	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
ENG 097-033	LSS ENGLISH I	M/W	5	Norvell	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
ENG 099-031	LSS ENGLISH II	M/W	5	Hull	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
ENG 101-031	ENGLISH COMP I	M/W	5	Dunn	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
ENG 101-034	ENGLISH COMP I	T/TH	5	Dunn	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
ENG 102-032	ENGLISH COMP II	T/TH	5	Dunn	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
ENG 202-033	LITERATURE II	M/W	5	Dunn	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
HIS 121-032	AMERICAN HISTORY I	T/TH	5	Kaufman	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
HIS 122-034	AMERICAN HISTORY II	T/TH	5	Kaufman	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
MAT 097-031	LSS MATH I	M/W	5	Brackin	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
MAT 099-033	LSS MATH II	M/W	5	Lumbard	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
MAT 106-031	MATH MODELING	M/W	5	Lumbard	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
MAT 109-034	COLLEGE ALGEBRA	T/TH	5	Lumbard	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
MAT 200-032	STATISTICS	T/TH	5	Lumbard	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
PED 115-032	GOLF	T	5	Carpenter	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
PLS 101-034	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT	T/TH	5	McGeorge	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
PSY 200-032	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	T/TH	5	Dixon	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
RDG 099-031	LSS READING	M/W	5	Norvell	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.

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COURSE	COURSE TITLE	DAY	HR	INSTRUCTOR	TIME
BUS 100-035	INTRO TO BUSINESS	MAY 5-7 MAY 19-21	5	McGeorge	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
CIS 100-035	COMPUTER LITERACY	APRIL 7-9	2	Alles	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
CIS 106-035	SPREADSHEETS	JUNE 9-11	2	Alles	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
CRJ 100-035	INTRO TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE	MAY 5-7 MAY 19-21	5	Arrington	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
CRJ 201-035	CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	MAY 12-14 JUNE 2-4	5	Beach	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
EDN 206-035 PSY 203-035	HUMAN GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT	APRIL 14-16 APRIL 28-30	5	Jarrett	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
ENG 261-035	PUBLIC SPEAKING	MAY 19-21 JUNE 9-11	5	Sawyer	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
GMC 100-035	PREPARING FOR SUCCESS	APRIL 7-9	2	McGeorge	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
HIS 102-035	WORLD CIVILIZATIONS II	APRIL 14-16 APRIL 28-30	5	Kaufman	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
HIS 200-035	MILITARY HISTORY	JUNE 2-4 JUNE 16-18	5	Kaufman	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
PLS 101-035	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT	APRIL 14-16 APRIL 28-30	5	McGeorge	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
SOC 203-035	SOCIAL PROBLEMS	APRIL 28-30	2	Buck	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
SOC 207-035	THE FAMILY	MAY 19-21 JUNE 2-4	5	Buck	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
WEL 154-035	WELLNESS	MAY 6-7 MAY 20-21	3	Lawson	SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M

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Johnny Phillips
Directorate of Public Works

With the warmer than usual weather and the approach of spring, the bats on Fort Benning are stirring again. This year, DPW's Natural Resource Management Branch personnel report they expect fewer uninvited bats dropping in on family housing residents, thanks to last year's bat exclusion.

Exclusion is the term used for the process of professionally and legally removing bats from a space for the safety of humans and bats alike.

Fort Benning is home to seven known species of bats that can eat insect pests by the thousands every night. On post, the most frequently seen bats are the twilight bat (Nycticeius humeralis) and the Mexican free-tailed bat (Tadarida brasiliensis).

Despite the benefits bats provide, they come in conflict with humans when they try to set up housekeeping too close to us.

While some species of bats use loose tree bark, bridges and abandoned structures for shelter, others (especially females about to give birth) find human dwellings much more attractive. They rarely cause a conflict by entering living spaces, but may sometimes find a way into attics through cracks and loose boards. These spaces provide shelter from the temperature extremes since the heating and cooling in the living areas below act to moderate attic temperatures.

When bats manage to establish a colony inside buildings, the sound and odor they produce can become offensive to people. When this happens on Fort Benning, the NRMB steps in.

State law protects bats as a "non-game" species; they may not be indiscriminately killed or harmed. The exclusion work is performed by a contractor with close coordination by DPW's Plans and Support Branch and NRMB. This can be accomplished only during the spring and fall seasons of the year.

Nine housing units in the Bouton Heights area were excluded last fall.

A system of pipes and check valves was installed at the bats' exit points that allowed them to leave the building, but not reenter.

All other potential entry points were sealed off with steel wool and caulk. Hopefully the bats will relocate their roost area to nearby forests and not try to infiltrate other housing units.

NRMB knows a few bats may still accidentally find their way into living areas. In fact, NRMB personnel handled 16 such cases in 1999 alone. If you should have an unexpected visitor, don't panic. Simply close and seal off the room, if possible, and call the DPW Natural Resources Management Branch at 544-7319, 544-6206 or 544-6120 during the hours of 7:45 a.m.to 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday. On weekends and after office hours, call the MP Desk at 545-5222, 545-5223 or 545-5224.

Learn more about bats on the Internet. Here are just a few of the many interesting sites to be found:

The Adventures of Echo the Bat — an "interactive adventure" for children and a possible teaching tool for use in the classroom. The website is http://imagers.gsfc.nasa.gov/

A "bat cave" site offering a virtual tour of an Australian cave is chock full of pictures and information about bats.

This web site is the creation of a woman who runs a bird and animal shelter, and is registered with the Department of Natural Resources & Environment in Victoria, Australia. The web site is www.moneyraptor.com/bats.htm

births

Girls

Brandelynn Michele Gallagher — born Feb. 1 to Michele and Sgt. Michael Gallagher.

Megan Faye Griffin — born Feb. 2 to Amanda and Spc. Timothy Griffin.

Delaney Jennifer Tucker — born Feb. 4 to Shanon and Staff Sgt. Richard Tucker.

Hannah Elizabeth Flowers — born Feb. 8 to Christine and 2nd Lt. David Flowers.

Taylor Nicole Robertson — born Feb. 9 to LaRay and Staff Sgt. Randy Robertson.

Janarah Michealle Jones — born Feb. 9 to Spc. Kiki Bunton-Jones and Spc. Ernest Jones.

Chloe Irene Dukes — born Feb. 9 to Janice and Staff Sgt. Richard Dukes.

Chelsea Violet Waller — born Feb. 9 to Debbie and Sgt. Shawn Waller.

Chaylen Amel Wilson — born Feb. 10 to Lachana and Pfc. Jason Wilson.

Ashley Alexis Crouse — born Feb. 10 to Lindsey and Spc. Toby Crouse.

Ciarra Odessiray Moore — born Feb. 12 to Luchiana and Spc. Ulysee Moore.

Mea Anjelica-Rue Anderson — born Feb. 12 to Angelica and Chief Warrent Officer Marcellus Anderson.

Valeria del Carmen Chase — born Feb. 14 to Raquel and Sgt. 1st Class Donald Chase.

Kennedy Eris Williams — born Feb. 14 to Spc. Vontrelle Lawrence.

Justice Celease Pearson — born Feb. 14 to Jenny and Pfc. Timothy Pearson.

Isabel Grace Noland — born Feb. 15 to Andrea and Capt. Ronald Noland Jr.

Diana Judith Lewis — born Feb. 15 to Eunmin and Sgt. 1st Class Edward Lewis.

Emilie Noelle Bordeau — born Feb. 16 to Jenifer and Staff Sgt. Aaron Bordeau.

Bridgett Lyn Wallace — born Feb. 16 to Tracey and Spc. Danny Wallace.

Reagan Iman Lawery — born Feb. 16 to Spc. Charmaine and Cpl. Quincy Lawery.

Boys

Marcus Antonio Hernandez — born Feb. 2 to Allison Hernandez and Spc. Guarionex Hernandez Pacheco.

Warren Franklin Haas — born Feb. 4 to Becky and Capt. Nathan Haas.

Kevin Austin Robinson — born Feb. 4 to Misty and Spc. Richard Robinson.

Gabriel Agustin Cordova — born Feb. 5 to Marga and Pfc. Carlos Cordova.

William James South — born Feb. 9 to Elizabeth and Staff Sgt. Timothy South.

Michael William Holody — born Feb. 9 to Rebecca and Pvt. Jason Holody.

Mathew William Granger — born Feb. 10 to Tracy and Capt. Pete Granger.

Collin Tomas Gillen — born Feb. 10 to Audrey and Pvt. Sean Gillen.

Shai Julian Watson — born Feb. 12 to Tina and Spc. Mandinka Watson.

Treveon Marquis Roman — born Feb. 13 to Spc. Ebony Wilson and Staff Sgt. Todd Roman.

Nicholas Christopher Martino — born Feb. 14 to Jennifer and Spc. Michael Martino.

Joshua Emmanuel Ortiz — born Feb. 15 to Sophia and Sgt. Edward Ortiz.

Arek Joseph Orosz — born Feb. 15 to Susan and Sgt. 1st Class Ronald Orosz.

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Ministry: Open to all military youth

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with the option to extend if the program is a success, New said.

Club Beyond is open to all military youth, not just chapel kids, Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel, family life chaplain, said.

"MCYM is a tremendous organization where the primary goal is reaching kids with the gospel and discipling them," he said.

Middle school students meet weekly at the TIC chapel on Sundays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Senior high students meet from 7-8 p.m. Young people can expect a lot of activities through MCYM, for example, retreats, service projects, Bible studies and day trips. A parent support group will also be formed.

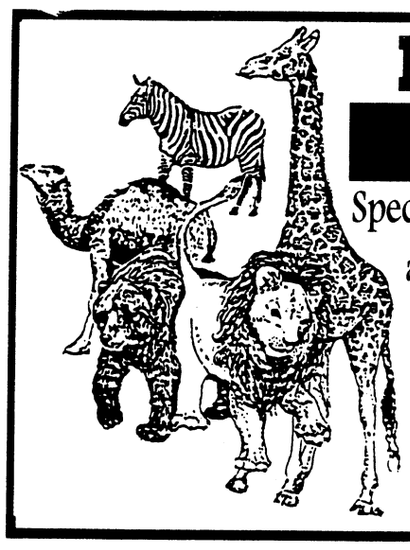
"In the next six months we will try to build on and develop a well-rounded youth ministry," Bruce said.

"We want to show teens that Christians can have fun, and at the same time reach them with the gospel," Neisy said.

"We want them to see that they can maintain their Christian values and beliefs and still have a good time."

For more information call 545-2359 or check out the web site at www.mcym.org

For yard sale permits, call the Community Life Office at 545-3069.



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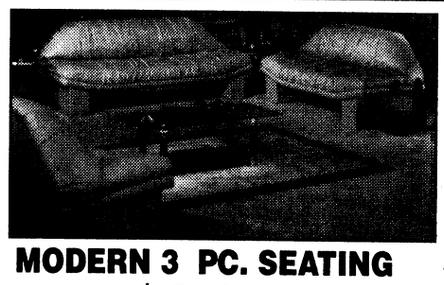

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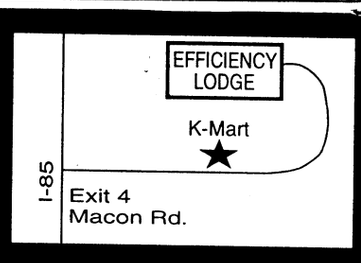

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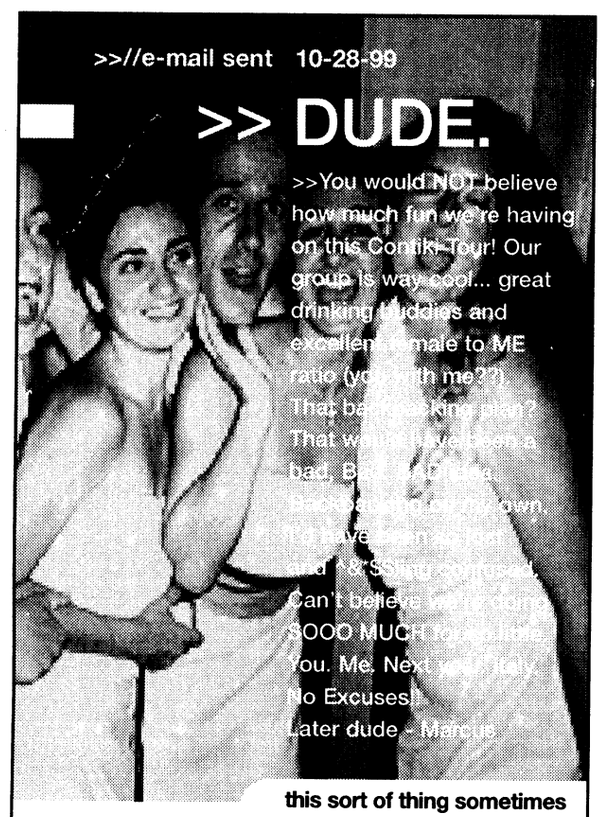

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Faith in God will keep you from running scared

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center

There are no absolute guarantees. Even the best of plans can go awry.

However, there are those who never risk failure and end up running scared. Scared of what? Scared of living. Charles Swindoll said, "Running scared invariably blows up in one's face. All who fly risk crashing. All who drive risk colliding. All who run risk falling. All who walk risk stumbling. All who live risk something."

Running scared. It's a terrible way to go through life. Is there a cure for the one who takes no chance? Who says no to courage? I believe that it is all about trusting God.


Rupel

First of all, trust only works in the dark. If you can see where you're going then you do not need God. But King David knew the importance of having God as his guide through life. David wrote in Psalm 119:105, "Your word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light to my path." Trust is letting someone else be responsible for the obstacles. God knows what lies ahead and He will take care of anything that comes your way.

Do what you can and don't worry about what you cannot accomplish. There is nothing God wants more from us than to exercise our faith in him.

Faith is believing that which has no absolute proof. It is hanging tough when the evidence would have us bail out. It just makes good sense to not depend too heavily on our ability to make all the pieces fit. And trusting our emotions is even less reliable because they have the consistency and dependability of Silly Putty.

Trust dares us to fail. Abraham Lincoln had failure after failure but he did not give up. He was persistent and eventually became our 16th president.

Lincoln had a deep abiding faith in God and it was faith that saw him through defeat after defeat.

When I think about trusting God I am reminded of this story of a man and his encounter with God:

One day a man set off to climb the highest mountain in the area. While rounding a cliff he slipped and began falling.

It was a sheer drop of about 3,000 feet and the mountain climber knew he was headed towards his death. But about half way through his free fall there was a tree growing straight out from the side of the cliff and in desperation he grabbed hold and now found himself hanging on for dear life.

The man knew he would not be able to hang on too long and in desperation cried out, "Hello! Is there anyone up there that can help me?" Much to his surprise there came a reply, "Yes there is!" "Who is it?" asked the man. "It is God," came the reply. The man then said, "God, what do you want me to do?" "Let go!" said God. Whereupon the climber said, "Is there anybody else up there?" So much for trusting God.

Trusting in God is the only thing that will keep you from becoming cynical. Our greatest failure is not in our inabilities but in not letting God enable us.

God alone is altogether stable, so you can put your total trust in him and know that he is not going to let you down. Maybe it is time that you let go and let God take over.

chapel notes

Children's choir needs director — The fund manager is accepting applications for a children's choir director at The Infantry Center Chapel. For more information, see Master Sgt. Bridgett Starling in Room 512, Infantry Hall.

PWOC meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes Bible study, prayer, praise and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel. For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Sunday School meets — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel. If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7-8 p.m. All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Confirmation class set — Confirmation classes for adults who plan to be confirmed in the Catholic tradition will begin on March 5. The classes will be from 10:10-11:10 a.m. at Faith Middle School during Confraternity Christian Doctrine. To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-5508.

Power of decision allows you to win

Chaplain (Maj.) David Giammona
Basic Combat Training Brigade

reflections

When I say the word progress, it conjures up in your mind visions of what the future is like: high-speed computers, digitized cars and other innovations.

Today, however, I want to talk about how you are making progress. None of us can truly progress until we break with everything that hinders us from being the best we can be. Misplaced affections must be abandoned, for they bind us to that which is passing away.

History provides an incident illustrating this important principle. When Julius Caesar landed on the shores of Britain with his Roman legions, he took a bold and decisive step to ensure the success of his military venture. Ordering his men to halt on the edge of the Cliffs of Dover, he commanded them to look down at the water below. To their amazement, they saw every ship in which they had crossed the channel engulfed in flames. Caesar had deliberately cut off any possibility of retreat. Now that his Soldiers were unable to return to the continent, there was nothing left for them to do but to advance and conquer. And that is exactly what they did.

Progress starts with commitment. The Roman Legion was now committed. They had to be because there was no turning back for them. That's what it takes for us to go forward in life. All or nothing. There is real power in making a decision that will ultimately allow you to win. That's the way it is in sports, academics and your everyday job. I like what missionary Jim Elliot said some years ago: "He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." Elliot was martyred for his faith, but he was so committed that he was willing to give his life for what he believed. I don't know where you are today. You may be looking for a fresh start, a new beginning. Or you may be wondering why things aren't going your way. Wherever you find yourself, don't look back and say: "If only." If only I had done this, or did that. If only I was faster, smarter, better looking or more educated. Throw that negative thinking away. Maybe you need to burn some old bridges and start directing your life with a fresh approach. Are you making progress? If not, reflect on this message for a moment, get out a piece of paper and start writing down what it is you need to do. Then look over the cliff and watch the ships burn.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters." Psalm 23:2

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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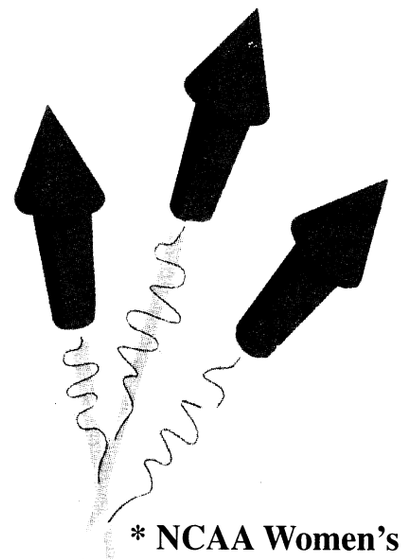

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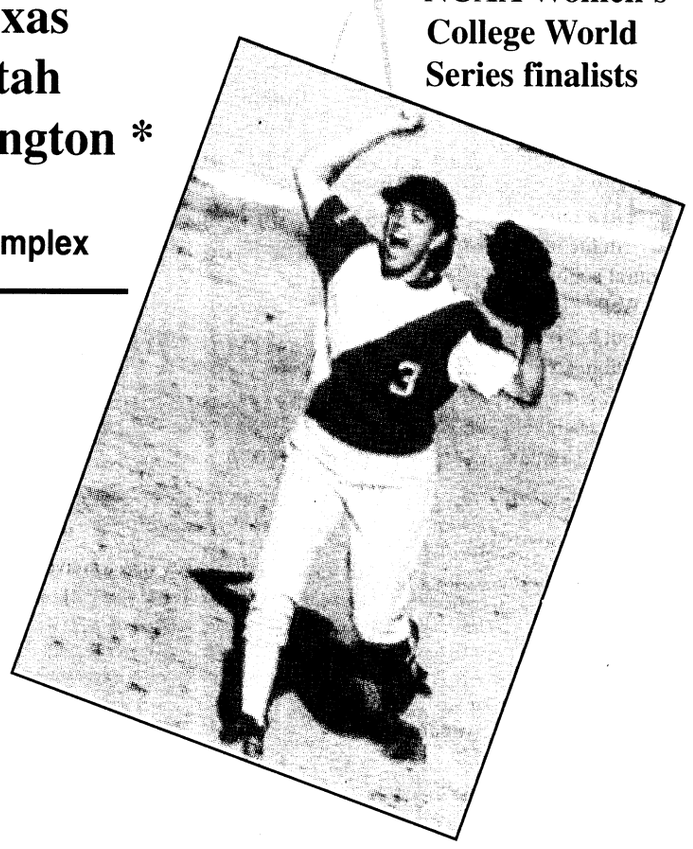

Leadoff Classic Schedule

All Games at South Commons Stadium & Complex

Friday, March 3

Pool Play

Noon
Florida vs. Illinois-Chicago (Stadium)
Oklahoma vs. Massachusetts (Field 1)
Cal St. Northridge vs. Hofstra (Field 2)
Boston College vs. Hawaii (Field 3)
Florida St. vs. Fresno St. (Field 4)
Alabama vs. Arizona St. (Field 5)

2:30 p.m.
Florida vs. Utah (Stadium)
Oklahoma vs. Mississippi St. (Field 1)
Cal St. Northridge vs. UL-Lafayette (Field 2)
Boston College vs. LSU (Field 3)
Florida St. vs. Harvard (Field 4)
Alabama vs. DePaul (Field 5)

5:00 p.m.
Utah vs. Washington (Stadium)
Mississippi St. vs. Stanford (Field 1)
UL-Lafayette vs. Nebraska (Field 2)
LSU vs. Michigan (Field 3)
Harvard vs. texas (Field 4)
DePaul vs. Oklahoma St (Field 5)

7:30 p.m.
Washington vs. Illinois-Chicago (Stadium)
Stanford vs. massachusetts (Field 1)
Nebraska vs Hofstra (Field 2)
Michigan vs. Hawaii (Field 3)
Texas vs. Fresno st. (Field 4)
Oklahoma St. vs. Arizona St. (Field 5)

Saturday, March 4

Pool Play

10:00 a.m.
Texas vs. Florida St. (Stadium)
Stanford vs. Oklahoma (Field 1)
Nebraska vs. Cal St. Northridge (Field 2)
Michigan vs. Boston College (Field 3)
Washington vs. Florida (Field 4)
Oklahoma St. vs. Alabama (Field 5)

12:30 p.m.
Fresno St. Vs Harvard (Stadium)
Massachusetts vs. Miss. St. (Field 1)
Hofstra vs. UL-Lafayette (Field 2)
Hawaii vs. LSU (Field 3)
Illinois-Chicago vs. Utah (Field 4)
Arizona At. vs. DePaul (Field 5)

Bracket Play

After the end of play Saturday afternoon (after 12:30 p.m. games), the brackets will be developed, with the top eight teams advancing to the Gold Bracket, the next eight into the Silver Brackent, and the last eight into the Bronze Bracket. Play will resume Sturday night, with the first round of Bracket Play at 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 5

Bracket Play

Bracket Play resumes Sunday morning, with semifinal games at 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., and the finals at 2:00 p.m.

The Leadoff Classic is organized by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association andthe Greater Columbus Sports and Events Council.

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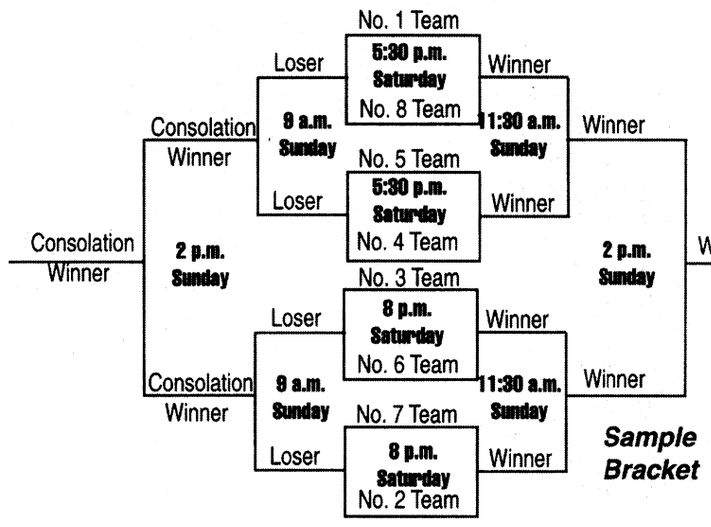

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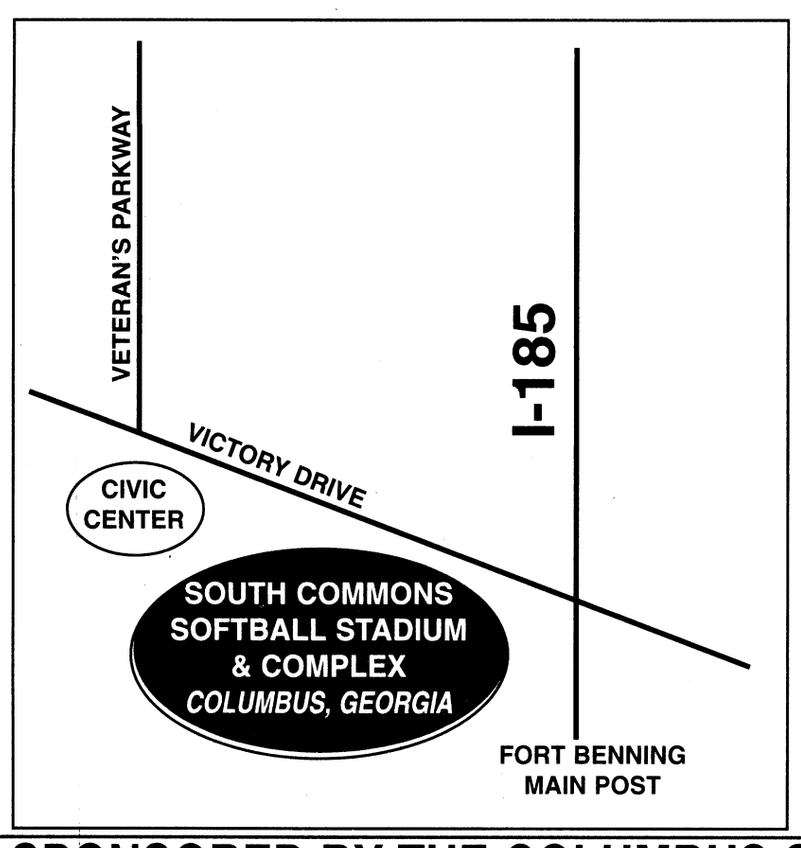

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As a child and youth specialist, it is Dorrie Wagner's job to recruit coaches for the various sports sponsored by Youth Services. It is also her responsibility to call parents when no volunteer can be found to coach their child's team.

"We are always in need of coaches. We want to give every child who wants to play the opportunity to play. No one wants to be the one to tell an 8-year-old that there's not enough coaches so he can't play," Wagner said.

With soccer and baseball seasons fast approaching, Wagner is still hoping to find volunteers to fill coaching and assistant-coaching positions.

"We don't drag folks in off the streets. We just want to clear up any misconceptions about what it takes to be a coach," Wagner said. "We have coaches from all walks of life. We have retirees, husband and wife teams, women coaching sports typically thought of as male-oriented, and even teen-agers."

One such coaching team, is David and Cheri Meyers, who began coaching together soon after they were married.

"He liked soccer, and I liked kids so this was something we could both enjoy. Now we coach our son on an 8-year-old team," Cheri said. "You don't have to have children to coach. You don't even have to have a background in soccer. Even if you've never played, you can learn the basics."

Cheri and her husband have worked with Youth Services to plan a soccer coaching clinic at the Youth Services center 9 a.m. Saturday.

Anyone interested in coaching, or simply learning the basic soccer skills, is invited to attend.

"It's a chance for people who don't think they know enough about the sport or afraid they don't have what it takes to be a coach to learn more about it," Wagner said.

Michael Dempsey had never played soccer when he first began coaching.

"I figured if they needed a rocket scientist to coach, they would have hired a rocket scientist. I had never played soccer and I had never coached 17 four- and five-year-olds," Dempsey said. "But it was a good opportunity to spend more time with my kids and I have enjoyed every minute of it."

See **COACHES**, C-2

Airborne sinks basket, secures last second win

507th pulls out to win against HHC, 1-29th

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Forward Tim Smith tipped in a three-point attempt in the last second of post intramural action Tuesday at Briant Wells Field House, to squeak out a 54-52 E Company, 1st Battalion, (Airborne), 507th Infantry Regiment, win over Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry.

Center Shawn Bell and Smith, both of the 507th, battled for the tip-in in the last two seconds of the game after the ball was put up from three-point range.

With the last second ticking away, the ball finally fell after one final tip from Smith ending the predicted "very close game."

In the first half, with both teams frequently turning over the ball, neither team took a commanding lead.

At the end of the first half, 29th was able to hold on to the lead by only one point. After the first half, the largest spread was only five points as the 507th took the lead for the first time.

As the second half began, 29th jumped out to a quick lead, using a rapid advance down court, only to lose it briefly. After 29th missed several fast-break lay-up attempts, 507th closed the gap to within one.

With only one minute left, 507th picked up their eighth team foul, letting 29th go to the free-throw line.

The luck of 507th held as the one-on-one attempt by forward, Jason Wilson failed to drop.

With only 19 seconds left, 507th sunk a three-pointer to close the lead to one again.

Two more untimely fouls by 507th took 29th to the free-throw line twice.

Sinking only one basket, 29th fouled once again and 507th was able to rebound.

This led to the three-point attempt and Smith's tip in.

The only controversy of the game was when 29th called a time out with two seconds left on the clock and the referees were unable to give it to them.

When they called time, "it was a loose ball. They had to have team control, having the ball secured in one or both hands of a team member, to call a time out," said referee Juan Colon.

Smith agreed with Colon.

"I guess they tried to call a time out, but they never had possession. The ball was just being bounced around on the rim."

"We slowed down at the beginning of the second half and then needed to pick up the pace in the last two or three minutes as the game became do or die," he added. "The team hustled and it paid off as we won. I am really happy about that."

The post intramural basketball season started Feb. 7. Hoop action can be seen weekdays at three different gyms. Briant Wells, Audie Murphy and Santiago Fitness Centers, host the games on different days of the week.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Tyrone Herman, E Co., 1st Bn. (Airborne), 507th Inf., goes airborne for a lay-up in a intramural basketball game.

Teamwork decides YS action

Redbulls sneak past Tigers in basketball play Saturday

Laurie Miller
Bayonet correspondent

From both ends of the court, one theme was key during the Redbulls-Tigers game in the 8- to 9-year-old-division of Youth Services basketball play Saturday — teamwork.

With the fewest players in their division, the Tigers know the importance of teamwork. Under the direction of Coach Lionel Lambert, the Tigers played a very impressive team-oriented game where good defensive skills were the goal.

Ultimately, the Tigers came up a few points short in a 18-16 final score.

Don Sando, Redbulls coach, said he felt his players "worked very well as a team, passed well, took good shots and that was the difference."

Redbulls guard Edgardo Rivera proves to be an up and coming force to be reckoned with as he shoots long from the outside and scores.

The first score of the game was made by Redbulls center, Cory Bush, who scored 5 points. High scorer for the Tigers was Anthony Wright with 7 points.

In the 6- to 7-year-old division, the Dream Team beat the Blue Bulls, 14-5, and the Black Bulls defeated the Tigers, 16-7, with Tre Powell contributing 8 points for the Black Bulls and Nathan Simons adding 6 for the Tigers.

In other 8- to 9-year-old division play, the Lakers defeated the Green Tigers, 40-10, with an amazing 20 points coming from Kahlee Tyler.

In a close match between the Magics and Bulldogs, the Bulldogs emerged victorious 23-21 with a score

See **YS**, A-3

Cottonmouths' goalie, furry mascot pay visit to schools

Program aims to keep students on right track

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Aaron Vickar always has a goal in mind. It's usually the one he's defending for the Columbus Cottonmouths hockey team. But when the professional goalie visited Fort Benning schools last week, he had a different goal in mind.

Vickar and his teammates have been visiting local schools, including White and Stowers Elementaries, to encourage students to work hard and stay in school.

The program, called Power Play for Schools, is sponsored by the hockey club and the parent-teacher organizations. Its purpose is to motivate students and raise funds for the schools through ticket sales.

"The program was started by the vice-president of sales for the Nashville Predators. It was so successful that this year we decided to implement it here in Columbus," said Scott Middlebrooks, Cottonmouths sales and promotions manager. "We hope to accomplish two goals. We want to help raise funds for the schools by donating a portion of the ticket sales generated through the program, and reach the kids with a positive message about the correlation between professional sports and school. They both take dedication and hard work."

As part of the program, Boomer, the Cottonmouths' mascot, and various hockey players visit each school to kick off the fund raiser. Students then earn prizes, such as T-shirts and ball caps, by selling tickets at a discounted group rate. The class with the most ticket sales will get to have a pizza party with the Cottonmouths players.

"We will use the money we raise to purchase new scholastic books," said White's PTO president Gail O'Hare. "But mostly this is just something we want to do for the kids. They're going to have a good time and learn a little about a sport many of them have never been exposed to. The money is just a bonus."

During Wednesday's assembly at White, students got the chance to sing and dance with Boomer, the big, friendly, blue monster. They learned a little about the sport of hockey, and fourth-grader LaVante Lewis modeled an official Cottonmouths uniform for his classmates.

"It was fun. I felt like a real hockey player in the uniform, except the pants were so heavy they kept falling down," Lewis said.

Vickar said the players often enjoy the school appearances as much as the students.

"The kids are always fun. They ask whatever is on their minds, whether it applies to hockey or life in general. They ask such simple questions as 'How does it feel to lose?' That kind of question can apply to all areas of life," Vickar said. "Overall, the message we try to bring is simple. Find something you love and dedicate yourself to it. It takes commitment to become a professional hockey player or to make the honor roll."



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Aaron Vicker, goalie for the Columbus Cottonmouths' hockey team and "Boomer" the team mascot get silly for the camera while visiting students at White Elementary School Wednesday.

Cascade Falls captivates hikers, trail goers

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

outdoor corner



Walking along the Pine Mountain Trail recently I could have sworn I was in a fairytale.

I began my trek at the eastern trailhead located at the WSJV tower along Alternate 27 and Alternate Highway 85 North. My destination was a place called Cascade Falls located two miles into the trail. It is one of the many falls located along that section of the trail.

I have traversed through plenty of woods where I was taken back by the diversity, but none had my imagination whirling as much as these.

I admit the beginning of the trail is an aversion to what you will actually encounter. At first it is a little disappointing. The woods were simple, and a small cruddy looking pond was a couple feet from the path. Even the stream that laced the edge of the trail was dirty looking. However, about a half a mile in, it all began to change.

Soon I was hugged on all sides by dense areas of dark and mysterious foliage. Combine that with the mossy, rock-speckled trail and it felt as if I had been transported back to a more medieval point in time. Then without warning it was as if the page in the book had turned and it became a prehistoric wonderland filled with ancient looking trees, rocks and exotic plant life.

There was even a place where the trail crossed directly over the top of a small rock den. It would have been a most inviting place if the weathermen had been right and the skies had decided to wreak their havoc.

I think I lost track of the number of times I had to carefully hopscotch my way across where the stream interrupted the trail. By this time the water had gone from murky to clean, clear and crisp.

You end up following the stream nearly the whole time and on occasion you come to rugged clearings where smaller falls create pools of water. The banks of these pools are perfect for relaxing or picnicking.

However, my absolute favorite part of the trail was Cascade Falls itself. It wasn't like the falls were majestic tides of rushing water, rather soothing laps falling over a couple of medium-sized ledges.

What made the clearing stunning was the large rock outcrop situated like a wall directly along the trail. There was no way I could resist the temptation to throw off my pack and climb my way to the top.

Once I got up there it was stunning. I could see a bit above the tree tops and it felt like I was on top of the world, even if I was only about 50 feet off the ground. It was the perfect place to cast off all my troubles and let my mind wander.

I spent about 20 minutes on the rock before I got back on the trail and hiked for another mile before heading back the way I came.

Although I spend a lot of time talking about the hiking aspect of outdoor adventure, I must say this trail was rich in plenty of other activities. If you have an imagination, you can think of just about anything to pass the time. Whether that be a picnic, rock climbing, tree climbing, falls hopping or just sitting back and relaxing there is just so much potential for fun, whether you are by yourself or with the whole family.



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The Pine Mountain Trail has a number of falls located along the path.

YS: Divisions go head to head

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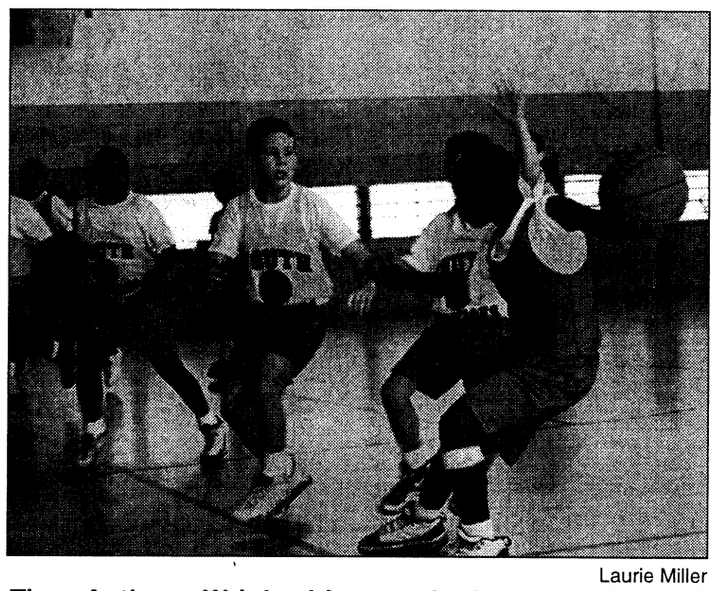
9 points being added by Shekia Hill and Sean McNell for their respective teams.

In 10- to 12-year-old play, the Tarheels rolled past the Magics, 19-3. The Ruff Ryders were defeated by the 76ers, 38-17. Xavier Shaw scored an impressive 23 points for the 76ers. Anthony Lacour tipped the scales, in an otherwise evenly matched game, by adding 16 points to the Knicks 26-23 win over the Blazers. Arthur Scott was high scorer for the Blazers with 11 points.

Finally, in the 13- to 15-year-old division, Joey Fix scored all 22 points in the game between the Blue Devils and Ballers, yet it wasn't quite enough as the Ballers came up on top 27-22. Treton Fields added 8 points for the Ballers.

In a high scoring game, Roberto Duff contributed 23 points toward the Hornets 64-55 win against the 76ers. Darian Lyles almost matched Duff with 22 points of his own.



Laurie Miller
Tiger Anthony Wright drives to the basket as Redbull Dean Sando and teammate defend.

Coaches: Mentor post youth

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Carl James also became a coach so he could spend more time with his son. However, when his daughter was old enough to participate, he found himself wanting to coach her team also.

"Sometimes it can be frustrating trying to schedule practices for both teams, but it's worth the effort. It's important to be involved in my kids' lives. I can be a great teacher and a great motivator for them," James said. "Hopefully, they'll develop skills along the way that will make them better athletes and better human beings."

Rick Caldwell, who is 16-years-old, began coaching to fulfill the community service requirement for his magnet high school program. Although he will not be coaching this season because he is a member of the Columbus High School soccer team, he hopes to coach for Youth Services again next fall.

"It was a pretty easy job and I think it helped me develop leadership skills. I would recommend it to other teen-agers who might not ever consider the possibility of coaching at this age," Caldwell said.

Kevin Elder considers the time he spends coaching an investment in America's future.

"We're out there building core values, like honesty and fair play. At this age, the kids are still so moldable, and they look to their coach for guidance," Elder said. "It's the neatest thing in the world to see a child's face light up when he scores a goal or blocks a kick for the first time, and he realizes he can really do this. That's building his confidence and making him believe in himself."

Youth Services director Linda Laine agreed that the ultimate goal of a coach is to make the game educational and fulfilling for the children.

"We need coaches who realize that winning isn't everything. Remember, this is a program for the kids first and foremost. We want them to enjoy their experience," Laine said.

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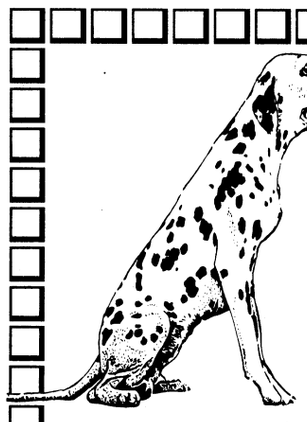

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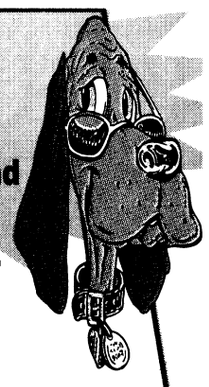

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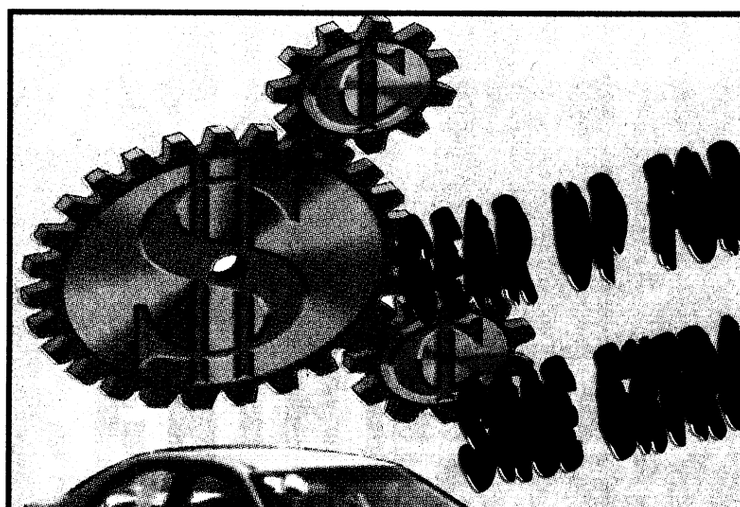

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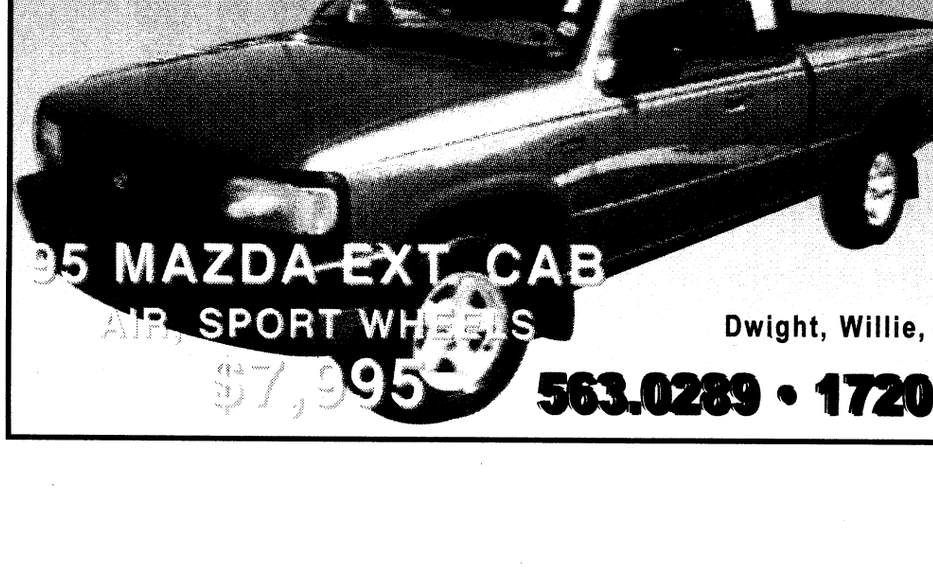

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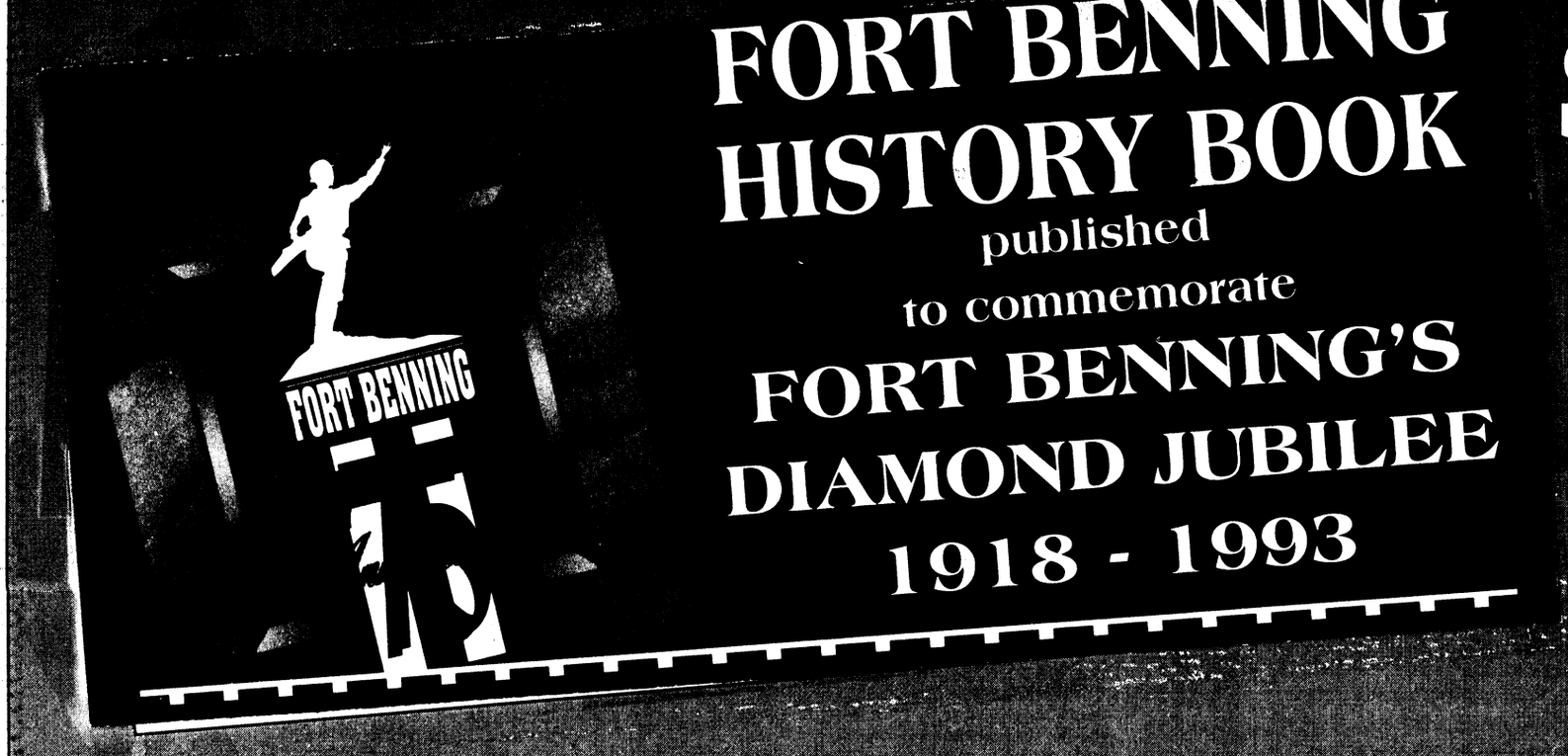

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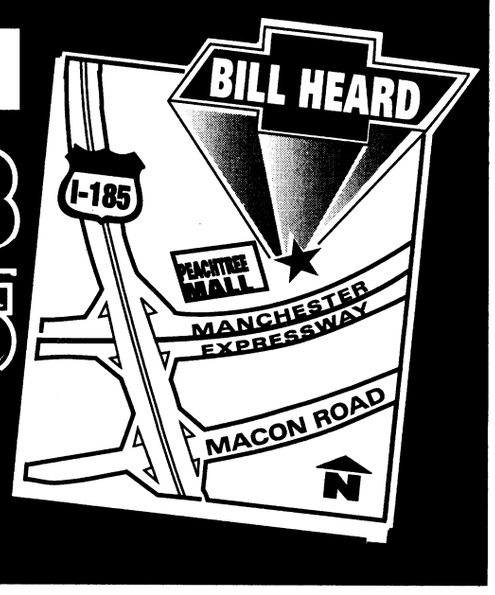

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Excess drinking leads to death

Soldier dies in barracks from alcohol poisoning

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

A 20-year-old Fort Benning Soldier died in his barracks room last week from alcohol poisoning. His death resembles those at fraternity houses and dormitories on college campuses.

The young man, who was not known to be a drinker, was at a party where he consumed an immense amount of alcohol, including beer and hard liquor, in a short amount of time. He was taken to his room to "sleep it off" and never woke up.

"Alcohol is just like any other drug, when you overdose, it can be toxic," Capt. Bryan Alsip, chief of Preventive Medicine, said.

Alcohol-related deaths among underage drinkers across the country have shed light on binge drinking, defined as consuming five "drinks" in a sitting for a man and four for a woman. A drink is normally defined as one 12-ounce beer, one shot of 80 proof liquor or one 5-ounce glass of wine.

Generally, the body of an average person takes about an hour to detoxify one drink from the bloodstream, Alsip said.

If a person has three beers in an hour, it will take the next two hours before he is rid of the effects of the last two beers.

Factors such as body size, an empty stomach, and the presence of medications also play a part in how quickly the body absorbs the alcohol.

Young people are more likely to participate in high-risk drinking because they feel they have to show off and don't think anything will hurt them.

"They have a sense of invincibility," Alsip said. "For some, drinking is seen as a rite of passage, and they are less likely to back down from a challenge."

A 1997 Harvard School of Public Health study showed that there has been an increase in college students drinking just to get drunk. Drinking has become the primary way of socializing.

Tom Tennent, who holds a doctorate in psychology and is the chief of the Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program at Fort Benning, agrees.

"They don't realize that drinking should be a small part of life, not a main focus or a big thing," he said.

Peer pressure is a key factor in binge drinking, Sgt. 1st Class Cornell Swanier, education coordinator with ADAPCP, said.

"When that happens, I tell them they

See **ALCOHOL**, A-4

Students construct pyramids in contest

White Elementary participates in Block Kids Program

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

A dozen architects, contractors, and financiers were on hand Thursday, as heavy construction began at White Elementary School.

Caution tape surrounded areas where amateur builders donned hard hats and started working shortly after 8 a.m.

In less than an hour a new space station, an ancient pyramid and several skyscrapers stood where there were once only cafeteria tables.

As part of the Block Kids Program, more than 60 first-, second-, and third-graders competed in a construction contest using only Legos, tin foil, cardboard and imagination. A panel of professionals from several Columbus area businesses served as judges.

The program, which is sponsored by the Columbus chapter of the National Association of Women in Construction, was designed to introduce students to careers in the construction industry. Each year, NAWIC presents the program at one elementary school in the Columbus area.



Bridgett Siter

Evelyn Braman, White Elementary enrichment teacher, examines third-grader Robert Kaiser's construction project.

"We are quite excited to be a part of this program," said Dr. Judy Archer, principal. "With so many elementary schools in the area, we are very lucky to have been selected to host this year's competition."

Block Kids co-chairwoman Kathy Watley said the program stresses the importance of staying in school and

See **CONTEST**, A-4

ITB Soldier dies

Trainee falls from inverted rope obstacle

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

A Fort Benning Soldier in training at the Infantry Training Brigade died Feb. 26 while negotiating the confidence course.

Pvt. Adam Larson, 19, died as a result of a fall from the inverted rope descent portion of Sand Hill's obstacle course. He fell 20 to 25 feet to the ground, according to Fort Benning officials.

The inverted rope descent involves climbing a wooden tower and then sliding down a rope that suspends down toward another point away from the tower.

Post officials said that pads were on the ground during the training as a safety measure. "Safety is a primary concern during all training," said Monica Manganaro, Public Affairs spokesperson. More than 20,000 trainees go through the confidence course each year.

Larson's death was the first on the course at Fort Benning, said Regis Beighley, safety manager, Infantry Branch Safety Office

Larson was in his fifth week of basic training, and scheduled to graduate May 5.

The investigation into the accident is ongoing.

Technique can improve vision to 20/20

Army policy toward procedure is restrictive

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

To see without wearing corrective lenses is a possibility many people are contemplating these days.

What seemed impossible 13 years ago, when laser surgery was first performed, is now an everyday procedure.

The Army, as well as the other branches of the military, is studying Photorefractive Keratectomy and Laser In Situ Keratomilusis on several posts throughout the U.S.

Although the results of the surgeries are the same, the procedures differ, according to Maj. Scott Barnes, an ophthalmologist at Martin Army Community Hospital.

"In PRK, the laser is fired directly onto the eye, reshaping the cornea. For LASIK, a small flap of the cornea is cut and folded back. The same laser is then used to reshape the cornea. The final step is to lay the flap back in place," Barnes said.

Even with the constant advancement of the procedure, the Army still has a restrictive policy.

Currently the Army's policy on PRK and LASIK is, "a disqualification to come into the service if either of the procedures were done on the enlistee. It is also a disqualification to attend Army schools, other than academic, after either procedure has been done," Barnes said. "Currently, we do not know how well the eyes would respond and hold up to a rigorous and very physical school," he explained.

"However, once in service and finished with all combat arms schools, the Army medical regulations are less specific. While those in the flight community cannot have the surgery, others, including Rangers, Infantrymen and Special Forces Soldiers, have more lenient restrictions. While Army Regulation 40-501 does not prohibit this surgery for those mentioned, one needs to remember that altering government property, yes, your eyes belong to Uncle Sam, outside of a military hospital without prior consent from the chain of command is prohibited," he said.

However, the policy regarding the laser surgery is ever changing. "Last year at this time, no one was able to come into the service after having LASIK surgery. We actually had to discharge some new accessions from the reception battalion who had the procedure done prior to coming to the service. Unfortunately, they did not indicate they had it done until it was noticed by our astute optometrists during inprocessing," Barnes said. "Soldiers going into 'Delta Force' no longer need a waiver if they have had PRK, but LASIK surgery is disqualifying. Perhaps spurred on by this decision, on Sept. 10, 1999, the Surgeon General changed the regulations and began considering waivers for new military

See **POLICY**, A-5

Surgeries repair astigmatism, myopia, hyperopia with laser

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Two surgical procedures that last only a few minutes can improve a patient's uncorrected vision to 20/20.

Photorefractive Keratectomy and Laser In Situ Keratomilusis surgeries use an Excimer Laser to correct astigmatism, myopia and hyperopia.

According to The Shepherd Eye Center, "PRK, first performed in 1987, uses a 'cold' laser that does not burn or cut tissue. Instead, it gently breaks the molecular bonds between cells so that controlled amounts of tissue can be literally vaporized away, one microscopic layer at a time."

"LASIK surgery has been performed since the early to mid 1990s," Barnes said.

"The LASIK surgeon first uses a special oscillating blade to make a partial cut through 1/4-1/3 of the front surface of the cornea, creating a flap of clear tissue on the central part of the eye. The patient is then positioned under the Excimer Laser which is programmed to vapor away some of the internal corneal tissue under the flap," according to The Shepherd Eye Center website.

See **PROCEDURES**, A-5

Hobby becomes hairy for spouse

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



There are hobbies, and then there are hobbies. I have several hobbies, which cycle through every few years. Those close to me could probably write volumes about what I have done in the name of one of my hobbies but they weren't asked to, so my secrets are safe.

My husband has one hobby. One. In my book, when you only have one avocation you cross the line between "hobby" and "obsession."

My husband builds model airplanes. Always has; always will. Not just any model airplanes either, but to scale (1:32 or 1:48, I can never remember which, but it's his obsession, not mine). The models are airbrushed in exact color patterns in the exactly correct shade of paint and accurately detailed past the harness buckles right down to the tick marks on the dials on the instrument panel.

I've never peeked under the seats, but I'm pretty sure if I did I would find little, tiny, itty-bitty thermoses and crumpled up coffee cups painted styrofoam white (with the insides airbrushed to look like coffee stains flecked with dregs, of course).

He's been known to strip down a paint job more than once because it dried too light (or too dark). Decals have been rejected for use because the nose art's model's hair was the wrong color, parts have been fabricated from scratch because the parts in the kit weren't "right." Models that he first built in the third grade have been disassembled, sanded, rebuilt and repainted because they needed to be "cleaned up."

Then there was the time he kept adding "liquid floor wax (CLEAR!)" to the grocery list and bugging the daylights out of me until I finally bought some. After I brought it home, he kept talking about how great it worked.

Funny. I knew I hadn't used any of it, and I was pretty sure our floors didn't look any different.

A few days later, I was marveling at how one of the perfect, to scale cockpit canopies sparkled.

I had no idea a drop of liquid floor wax could do that to a tiny piece of plastic. Our floors still don't look that great, but boy do those canopies shine!

I believe in attention to detail, but his model plane "jones" goes way past that. At one time, I thought he was going to get involved with my hobby at the time, showing our dogs. I got this idea, briefly, because of the interest he showed as I groomed our whippet the night before a dog show.

A whippet looks very much like a small greyhound. My husband watched closely as I scissored and shaved the dog's key points to accentuate his graceful lines and de-emphasize his faults.

Part of the grooming session included clipping whiskers to present a sleek, clean muzzle flowing into a properly shaped head.

When I was through I took the dog off the grooming table and was pleasantly surprised to see the model builder sweeping the dog hair into a dustpan. In the frenzy of packing the van for an early morning departure, I didn't notice his absence until he came out of the "hobby room" with a model in his hands.

"Check out the antennas! I finally found something that's exactly the texture I needed that's strong but easy to trim at the right angle and the right color and everything!"

Something about those antennas looked vaguely familiar. My suspicions were confirmed when his next remark was, "How long will it take Wilbur to grow his whiskers back? I'm working on another model like this one because they always flew in pairs and I'm going to need more antennas. The cat's whiskers won't work. They're the wrong color."

Then there was the time we were sitting side-by-side watching TV and he started playing with my hair. I had long hair back then, past shoulder length.

Contrary to popular fantasy, when you run your fingers through someone's hair, at some point, some hair will get caught and get pulled out. "Wow!" he said, "I'm keeping these (two) hairs!"

I was touched. I considered just cutting off a whole lock and tying it up with a ribbon for him ... right up to three days later when he brought out the bomber he'd been working on that he had finally got right. The one with a wire that runs from the top of the tail to the nose.

"I didn't know they made wires this fine," I said. "What is it? Piano wire?"

He looked at me as if I had just grown another arm. "No. Nobody makes wire that fine. That's why I needed one of your hairs. It looks great, huh?"

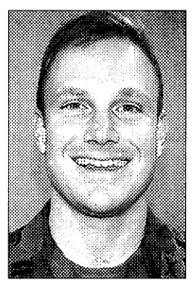
After nearly 20 years, I've learned to live with the miniature hangar in our formerly spare room.

There are days when the models are the only constant in my life. And it could be worse. The next time I'm asked to write about obsessive hobbies, I get to tell you about my cousin and his pigeons.

Facing fear leads to love of skydiving

Capt. Michael Morand
Bayonet correspondent

commentary



"Want to go skydiving, sir?" I looked up from the stack of papers on my desk and quickly tried to find an excuse not to go. Sgt. 1st Class Tracy Hickman, my tormentor, was anxiously waiting for my reply.

He then added, "C'mon, sir, you'll have a great time, I promise. We're going to be at the drop zone all day tomorrow."

Those words started my skydiving hobby. I showed up at the drop zone the next morning at 9 a.m. — sharp. Hickman was very surprised to see me.

My first jump was a tandem jump — I just wanted to see if I would like skydiving, before deciding if lessons were necessary. However, because Hickman had a lot of customers I ended up waiting to the end of the afternoon to jump.

I watched numerous planes take off loaded and land empty, followed a bit later by their human cargo. There they came, floating from the heavens like lost paratroopers on D-Day.

The watching and waiting made me feel like I was at the dentist's office listening to the hum of the drill. I really wanted to leave. Finally, it was my turn.

My tormentor gave me a half-hour class on everything — from how to get into the aircraft to what we would do should anything go wrong and how we would land.

I felt pretty good as we walked out to the small four-seater with only one seat in it. It helped that we were joined by another NCO from my unit, my platoon sergeant.

I felt good as the aircraft taxied down the runway and took off. I even felt good as we climbed past five thousand feet.

Then as we hit about eight thousand feet, my stomach started to turn into knots. Nine thousand feet and I was trying to think of a way to talk myself out of this mess.

It was at that point that I realized that it was too late. I was going to have to take my medicine like a man. That realization didn't make me feel better.

The door to the Cessna opened and the rush of air drowned our voices out totally. I was hooked up to Hickman and we prepared to jump.

My platoon sergeant went first and about 10 seconds later we followed. As we prepared to exit, I was terrified. We exited at 10,000 feet.

My tandem jump buddy decided that we would do a flip as soon as we exited.

I never realized it until he told me when we got onto the ground. In fact, I barely remember the jump.

I remember him pointing out the setting sun, the sound of the air as we fell through it at a speed of 130 mph and looking at the ground 9,000 feet below and closing.

I remember the initial jerk of the chute opening and the dysfunctional landing.

Once on the ground, back safely on terra firma, I specifically remember that I would never look at a bird, airplane, or blue skies quite the same ever again.

That next Monday, back at the office, I signed up for skydiving lessons. Some people just never learn. Years, and about a hundred jumps later, I still skydive once in a while, though not nearly as often as I would like.

Once you're out of the aircraft, you feel like you're floating on air and the view is spectacular.

Some people do it for the sport, some for the exercise ... I do it for the blue skies.

Better vision worth LASIK surgery

Master Sgt. Tracy Tanner
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



"I've seen deeper into your eyes than anyone else," Chuck bragged.

Romantic?

Not exactly.

Chuck, a master sergeant buddy from Fort Jackson, S.C., was still feeling the high from watching me go "under the knife."

I had LASIK surgery. And I am a bonafide success story.

Sure, I experienced the halo vision while driving at night, and at some points, the sand-like feeling I had in my eyes was uncomfortable.

But, despite those short-lingering side effects, I can see — 20/20.

The pain during the surgery was non-existent.

In fact, I skipped the medication the doctor offered me.

After the procedure Chuck and I sat on my porch and I read him license plates from 100 yards.

It was incredible.

Before the surgery, I suffered from myopia, or nearsightedness, which meant I could see six inches in front of my face, and that was it.

You can imagine my excitement in being able to read license plates at 100 yards.

Chuck, who is dependent on glasses, was a good sport. He never tired of hearing "WKH-391 OHIO — The Heart of It All!"

He just kept saying, after checking my accuracy, "Good one you." Or "Brilliant."

Upon returning to work, I told everyone who'd listen about this wonderful procedure.

A direct victim of my "LASIK is the best," pitch, was Pfc. Mitch Frazier.

His eyes were bad.

Coke-bottle glasses bad.

He decided to do it.

Unfortunately, his procedure required more than the 15 seconds per eye that I'd spent under the laser.

His required the doctor cutting to correct his astigmatism.

"Oh, s---," is not something any patient wants to hear a doctor utter. But that's what Frazier heard.

The doctor had cut too deep. Computer operator error was to blame.

It is repairable, the doctor assured him.

And, after months of almost weekly doctor's visits, Frazier's near the end of that road and moving toward 20/20 vision.

But it's been a long road.

I admire Frazier's fortitude.

But, as he says, and I, too, knew, risks are involved.

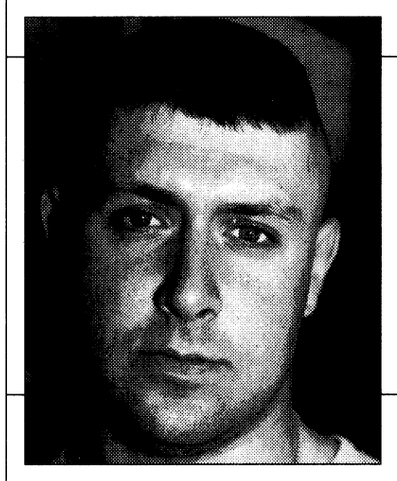
I took the risks into account and went for it. I feel blessed every day.

Frazier took the risks and his surgery wasn't quite as painless, but he'll tell anyone who'll listen — absolutely, he'd do it again.

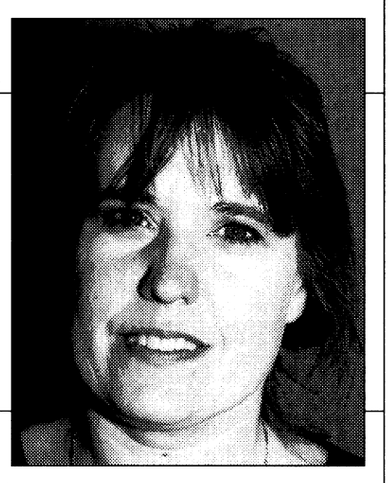
"It's hurt a lot," he says, emphasizing hurt. "But I've been wearing glasses since I was 6-months-old. Now I don't have to."

VARIOUS VOICES

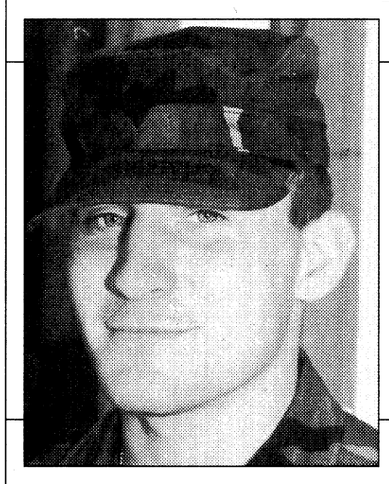
What are your unusual hobbies?



Staff Sgt. Felipe Chuab, C Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry — "My hobby is housecleaning. If I see something out of place or dusty I immediately correct it. I love to dust. I hate to see things dusty."



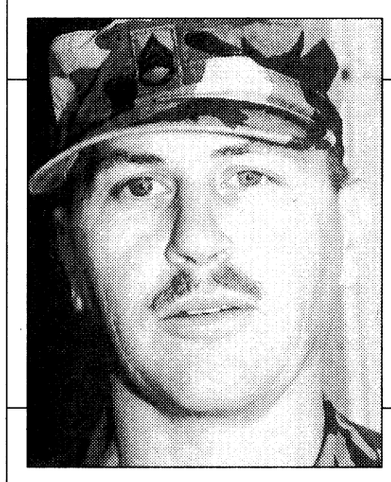
Melody McGhee, family member — "I scuba dive. My husband and I have been diving for almost two years. I've dived in the Neu River, Va., and Clearwater, Fla. I even swam with a manatee — that was really cool."



Spc. Mark Tolson, C Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry — "I collect rocks. I pick up colored rocks and ones that have unusual shapes. I have purchased them, mostly limestone. I have four different colors of limestone. I like brightly colored rocks that stand out."



Maj. Claudette Neal, Defense Military Pay Office — "My hobby is crafts. I make floral arrangements. And at church I work with the kids and crafts. It's amazing what a child can do with a Popsicle stick."



Staff Sgt. Harry Green, E Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry — "I collect toys — Tonkas and other construction miniatures. I still have mine from when I was a child. Mine stay boxed up because I don't have the room to display them right now."



Amanda Suchanek, family member — "My hobby is photography. I have photos of the Hale-Bopp comet and I take still lifes of ants. I like to take nature photos and photos that convey excitement."

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Allergy clinic moves back to Martin Army

Change will expand services to patients

Sally Shutt
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Daniel Orona and his mother, Genny, travel to Winder Health Clinic at Sand Hill twice a week so that the 4-year-old can receive allergy shots.

Starting March 13 they will go to Martin Army Community Hospital for their visits.

The allergy clinic is moving back to the hospital after spending 10 months at Winder.

The clinic was located on the hospital's ninth floor, but those offices were taken over by the Healthcare Management Division in May. When the renovated emergency room opened in January, the area that had served as the ER during the project was available, and the allergy clinic was given a new home.

The change pleases patients and the hospital's allergist who plans to expand the clinic's services.

"I think it's great because it will be closer and more convenient," Genny Orona said.

Friday was Daniel's fourth birthday. He made a face when Brenda Martin, an allergy technician, gave him a shot, but when asked, he said it didn't hurt.

What could he say? Martin had just presented the boy with a birthday present.

Daniel is allergic to fire ants, and he understands what would happen if he were stung. Although he didn't call it anaphylactic shock, he said, "I would have to go to the hospital."

Daniel and other allergy patients will be offered extended services once the clinic is up and running in its new location, Maj. Stephen N. Marks, the hospital's allergist, said.

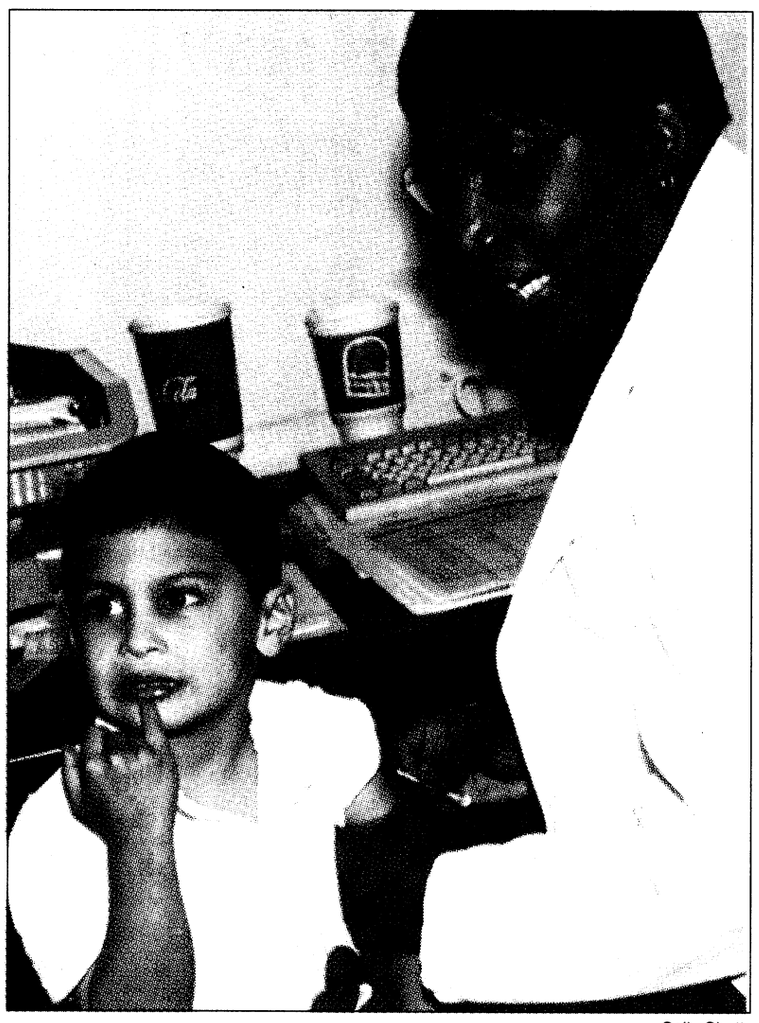
The clinic will be able to conduct challenge procedures that test for possible allergies to foods and other allergens. It will also offer increased support for inpatients with allergy-related issues, Marks said.

In addition, the doctor will be able to expand anaphylaxis evaluations and offer rapid desensitization — also called rush immunotherapy — primarily to active-duty patients who are allergic to fire ant, bee, wasp and hornet stings.

Family members and retirees who are allergic to stings are able to undergo a slower procedure that takes about six months to a year before they reach maintenance status. However, for active-duty Soldiers a slow buildup is not practical, Marks said.

In two days with rush immunotherapy a patient can be put on a maintenance schedule. The first day the patient receives shots regularly over the course of eight hours; the next day's course lasts about four hours.

"No civilians are going to do rush immunotherapy because there is no benefit in doing that. This is really a military-specific need," he said referring to getting Soldiers back into the field.



Sally Shutt

Brenda Martin, right, gives Daniel Orona an allergy shot at Winder Health Clinic.

Marks arrived at Fort Benning in August from Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., where he completed fellowship training in allergy and immunology. He passed the American Board of Allergy and Immunology exam in August.

Marks has a staff of two technicians, and he will hire a clerk soon. Patients must have a referral from their primary care manager to be seen in the specialty clinic or by the one allergist in Columbus who accepts Tricare.

The clinic will close its doors at Winder March 6-10, and re-open March 13 in its new location on the first floor of the hospital near the Family Practice clinic.

For more information call the allergy clinic at its new phone number, 544-2654.

Airborne sites get facelift

TRADOC awards $4M for safety repairs

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

The Airborne School's Eubanks and Mann Fields have been busier than normal for the past couple of months and it's not due to a student number increase.

The fields have been getting a little facelift — $3.9 million in work to improve the school's facilities.

The work is being done thanks to year-end funds from TRADOC, said Folke Ahlquist, Installation Support Manager for the U.S. Corps of Engineers.

"We got the money through the TRADOC Subject to Availability Funds program for Maintenance and Repairs," said Ahlquist. "Projects are submitted up to TRADOC for approval, and ours had a very high priority because of the training aspect. Also the structures themselves were getting worn down, so the project received higher scores when we competed with all of the installations for funding."

The renovations on the two fields include projects like resurfacing the running track; installing new wooden mock door training pits; the reroofing of several structures; replacement of the stairs, the roofs and the catwalks on the swing landers; replacement of wood poles with concrete poles and new cables on the 34-foot mock towers; painting of the mock towers and the rebuilding of the catwalks and several other projects.

"The PT pits will also get new roofs and be filled with new rubberized pit material," said Ahlquist. "And we're putting in new watering points and showers where they can run the troops through. They had showers at one time, but most of them have fallen down or are falling apart.

"A lot of the work on these structures hadn't been done since they were originally built over 30 years ago. This is the first time we've ever done any extensive repairs," he said. "It's quite a bit of work, and that's why it adds up to a big total dollar amount."

But the work will be worth it when it's all done, said Ahlquist.

"We want to have the best facilities for training our troops to be combat ready," he said. "You can't train to as high of a standard on antiquated equipment. We're trying to bring the equipment up to date. It's going to provide better facilities for them so that we can train Soldiers to the best of our ability."

School cadre said they are glad to have the work being done because it increases safety on the fields.

"We are happy in the safety level increase this will provide," said Maj. Keith Robinson, 1st Battalion, 507th Infantry Regiment (Airborne) executive officer. "We are getting things done that we haven't been able to up to this point."

"Having the old roofs on the PT pits that were leaking and rusting replaced or the replacement of the catwalks on the 34-foot towers so the catwalks will accommodate our people while they work up there by having a barrier around them, all of the work makes us real happy because it increases the safety," he added.

The work is being completed in conjunction with the school's training schedule.

The work on the two fields began in October 1999 and is expected to be completed before the project deadline of October 2000.

post brief

Team visits to recruit warrant officers

The U.S. Army enlisted recruiting Warrant Officer Recruiting Team will be visiting Fort Benning to solicit applications for the warrant officer program. Each briefing will inform Soldiers about the career fields available, including the Warrant Officer Flight Program. All personnel interested in the Flight Program, regardless of MOS and rank are encouraged to attend one of the scheduled briefings.

The team will conduct briefings at 1 p.m. March 28 on March 30 in the Levy Classroom, Building 2605 for all interested personnel.

For more information, call Lynnesia Thomas, Adjutant General personnel services readiness division, at 545-4702 or 545-3341.

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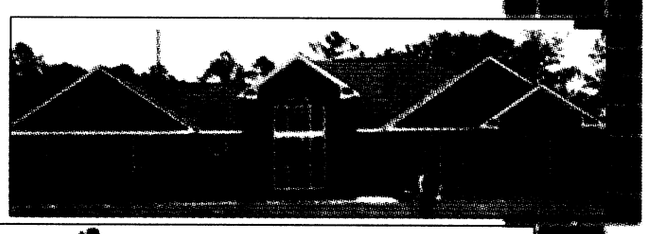



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Alcohol: High-risk behavior causes deaths

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are allowing someone else to make decisions for them," he said.

Many young Soldiers are away from home for the first time, and those who cave in to peer pressure have not developed proper problem-solving skills, Swanier said. In their need to belong, many will accept the challenge from others to participate in drinking games at social functions like payday parties. With little drinking experience and alcohol tolerance, they can fall prey to high-risk behavior.

Swanier also cites stress as a factor. With excess hours at work and long deployments, binge drinkers want to "play catch-up on the weekend."

Tennent cites the desire for instant gratification.

"I want to relax now, I don't want to take a few hours to relax and alcohol will make it happen fast," Tennent said.

Alsip cautions young drinkers who think alcohol poisoning only occurs in individuals with chronic drinking problems.

"It only takes one bad time to cause a life-threatening event," he said.

"It takes one night of binge drinking to have someone die of alcohol poisoning. It takes one error in judgement to get behind the wheel of a vehicle and be responsible for the death of someone in a crash."

Two years ago, the family and friends of Bradley McCue found that out when the college student died of alcohol poisoning on his 21st birthday.

A junior at Michigan State University, McCue celebrated his birthday in a way customary at MSU and other campuses — he drank his age. After he finished 21 shots, he drank three more for a total of 24 shots of liquor, beating the record of 23 among his friends. He was taken home and put to bed. His Blood Alcohol Count (BAC) reached the lethal level of .44g/100 ml and he died.

Alcohol poisoning is a medical emergency, and the signs and symptoms are recognizable.

For example, the person's skin will turn cold, clammy, pale or bluish. The individual will give no response when being talked to, shouted at, pinched, prodded or poked, and will either be unconscious or semiconscious.

His or her respiration slows to eight or less breaths per minute, or lapses between breaths can be more than eight seconds. The drinker has a rapid heart rate and a lowered blood pressure.

Passing out is not sleeping it off. Even though the person may be semi-conscious, alcohol already in the stomach may continue to enter the bloodstream and circulate throughout the body.

"The stomach is a reservoir that keeps pumping the alcohol in," Tennent said.

This is an emergency and should be handled as such by calling 911 and seeking medical help. While waiting for emergency transportation, gently turn the intoxicated person on his or her side and place a pillow in the small of the back. This will help prevent choking should the person vomit. Stay with the person.

While there is no antidote for alcohol poisoning, medical personnel can conduct support procedures to give the liver time to detoxify the alcohol. For example, patients may be intubated and have their stomachs pumped.

McCue's family and friends have established a non-profit organization B.R.A.D. 21 (Be Responsible About Drinking) to educate the public about the dangers of high-risk drinking. Their web site, www.brad21.org, provides information on alcohol poisoning and prevention.

Education is the key to prevention, and Swanier and Tennent are working hard to get the word out to young Soldiers on the dangers of high-risk drinking. They present classes to units all over post and encourage Soldiers to share information with each other.

A Soldiers Openly Discussing Alcohol (SODA) program, similar to one started at MSU for students, is in the works.

"We hope we are going to get more people to listen. Alcohol is a dangerous drug, and abusing it is a high-risk behavior," Tennent said.

Test your alcohol knowledge

Provide a true or false answer for each of the nine questions:

1. Alcohol is a central nervous system stimulant.
2. Alcohol and aspirin taken together raise Blood Alcohol Levels.
3. Alcohol abuse and alcohol dependence are different problems.
4. A large quantity of alcohol affects respiration and heart rate.
5. An average mixed drink contains nearly twice as much alcohol as a beer.
6. Everyone eliminates alcohol from their body at the same rate.
7. A glass of wine is absorbed into the bloodstream faster than a gin and tonic.
8. Drinking coffee will help you sober up.
9. Vomiting is part of the body's defense against alcohol poisoning.

Answers

1. False. Alcohol is a depressant.
2. False. Aspirin has no effect on Blood Alcohol Level. Some other medications do.
3. True. They are different. Alcohol abuse is binge drinking. Dependence means alcohol is necessary for normal functioning.
4. True. Alcohol is a central nervous system depressant that affects both functions to the point of stopping the heart and breathing.
5. False. A mixed drink with one shot of alcohol has the same total alcohol content as a 12-ounce beer or a 5-ounce glass of wine.
6. False. The rate the body eliminates alcohol is affected by several things, including body size, the amount of food and sleep you have had and other factors.
7. False. Carbonated beverages in a drink will cause faster absorption.
8. False. Drinking coffee will not make a person more sober.
9. True. Vomiting is a body's response to eliminate the poison alcohol.

—Quiz provided by Be Responsible About Drinking, Inc.

Contest: Builds career choices

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concentrating on math, science and computers. It also gives young students the opportunity to learn more about the different professional career choices in the construction industry.

"We want them to know that construction involves more than just hammer and saws. Not only will they have the chance to meet various professionals involved in some facet of the construction community but they will also have so much fun that they won't even realize they're being educated," Watley said.

Architect Bob Kidd was on hand to help judge the competition.

"Our firm has participated in this project each year because we think it is important to encourage these students' interest in construction," Kidd said. "Programs like this make school fun and interesting. They help improve creative skills and develop well-rounded students."

Steve Brasington, of Brasington Builders in Columbus, cautioned the students to never forget the fun of playing with Legos.

"Always remember how it is to be a kid. When you grow up, chose a career doing something you enjoy — something that makes you as happy as you are when you're playing with these Legos," he said.

Third-grader Kelley Maresca has already decided he will pursue a career in the military as a demolition expert. Maresca's "wrecking ball tower" took first place in the competition, and garnered the 9-year-old a $100 savings bond.

Second-grader Demitri Johnson, won second place and a $50 gift certificate for his creative construction of a futuristic rocket ship and airport.

Chrissy Helmick was awarded a $25 gift certificate for designing a top-security museum to house rare artifacts and precious stones. Her third-place finish convinced Helmick that she might be well suited for a career in the construction industry.

"I already know I want to be a teacher, but it might be fun to teach other people how to build things," the third-grader said.

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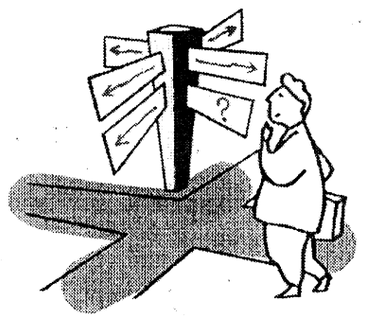

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accessions with a history of PRK or LASIK. The same month, Fort Bragg, N.C., and Fort Benning began to consider waivers for combat arms school applicants with a history of PRK only. No waivers are currently considered for LASIK in combat arms schools.

The waivers are fairly specific and a number of conditions must be met before being considered, such as they must wait 12 months after the surgery before requesting a waiver," he added.

Barnes, who underwent the PRK surgery six years ago, said Soldiers who want to have the surgery done should contact their unit commander and inform him that they want to have it done, so the unit will be aware of the situation. Fort Bragg, N.C., will be the first post to receive the $500,000 laser equipment. A plan is in effect to install five new lasers throughout the Army within the next five years, but Fort Benning is not on the list.

A new study, testing LASIK surgery is under way with a small number of Ranger students here to determine the safety and wisdom of LASIK surgery in the rigorous training environment," he said.

Throughout the Army, it is widely disputed whether or not it is a good thing for Soldiers to have either of the surgeries done, Barnes said. "It is nice not to have to have the inserts for the protective masks, and it is nicer to jump without them. You have to worry about glasses being broken and the glare from the lenses giving away your position. However, glasses do protect your eyes from branches and other flying debris commonly encountered in training as well as wartime."

As in all surgery, both LASIK and PRK have their side effects. "People who have higher prescriptions and have PRK done, sometimes have a slight haze. The prolonged use of eye drops can also lead to infection," he said.

One Soldier who had LASIK done, has a slight, repairable wrinkle on his eye that was caused from the LASIK surgery, but said he would go through with it again in a heart beat.

"I have worn glasses since I was 6-months-old, and when the possibility of not wearing glasses and the problems that go along with it came up, I jumped at it. Going into it, I knew the risks involved, and I have the wrinkle, but it is fixable and it will not cost extra," said Pfc. Mitch Frazier, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment. "It is really great. Now I can see as good, if not better. My weapon's qualification went up because I can see the target, and I do not have glasses falling down when I do PT."

With recruiting numbers down, the Army someday may use the surgery as an incentive of getting people to enlist, Barnes said.

"I found it to be greatly beneficial to me," he said. "I do have slightly dry eyes, but it is not bothersome. My prescription was one that typically has a high success rate, and I got a great result."

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The surgery sounds painful, but it really isn't, said Maj. Scott Barnes, an ophthalmologist at Martin Army Community Hospital. Numbing eye drops are used prior to the procedure.

Although newer, LASIK surgery is not necessarily better than PRK, said Barnes. And it is more expensive.

However, the LASIK patient can recover total potential of vision in one or two days compared to PRK's recovery time of one or two weeks, he said.

PRK patients must visit their doctor a few more times after the surgery than the LASIK patient.

With PRK, the patient generally returns to the doctor the day after, three days later, one week after, two weeks after, then one, two, three and finally six months after the surgery.

LASIK patients generally return to their doctor the following day, one week, one month and finally six months following the procedure, said Barnes, who is licensed and trained to perform the surgeries.

"The freedom from glasses or contacts is a big reason that many people undergo the surgery," he said.

People who have the surgery done have a 40-80 percent chance of 20/20 vision after the surgery and a 60-95 percent chance of having 20/40 vision afterward, depending on prescriptions, he said.

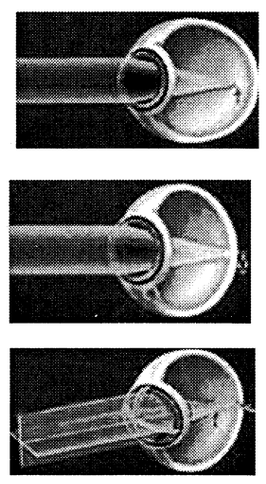
With mainly mild side effects, which include dry eyes, glare and halos with night vision, both surgeries are usually very successful.

"However, there is a .5 to 2 percent chance that the patient could permanently lose two or more lines of vision (on the eye chart), and this loss cannot be recovered with more surgery, contacts or glasses," Barnes said.

Several clinics in the Columbus-Phenix City area offer the surgeries. Kelly Brian, a patient services and market coordinator at one clinic, said, "The cost is $1,500 per eye with a $125 evaluation fee to see if the interested person is actually a patient. The surgery only lasts for about 20-25 minutes for both eyes and the patient is sent home the same day. Our clinic has performed over 7,000 surgeries with a 98 percent success rate."

"For the most part everyone can have the surgery done," Barnes said. "Although people who are diabetic, have glaucoma, herpes of the eye or eye infections may not be good candidates for the surgery."

Focusing problems of the eyes at a glance



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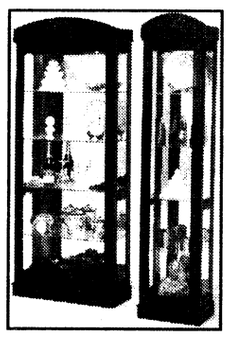

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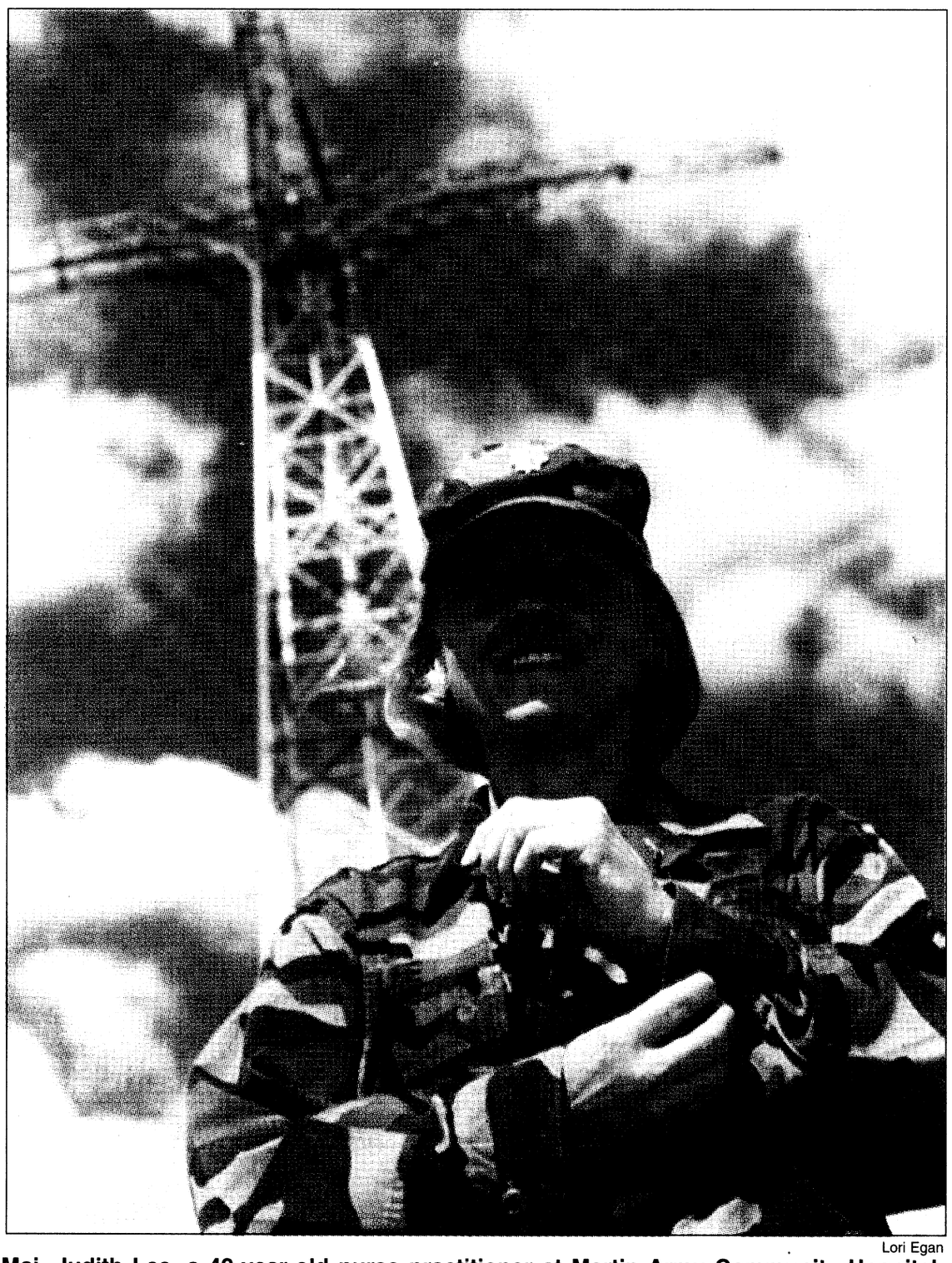

Lori Egan

Maj. Judith Lee, a 42-year-old nurse practitioner at Martin Army Community Hospital, poses for a portrait in front of the jump towers on Eubanks Field.

Officer earns wings in second half of career

42-year-old nurse sets example for younger Airborne students

Sally Shutt
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> "I want to experience every opportunity in the military that I can."
>
> **— Maj. Judith Lee**
> Nurse practitioner, MACH

For four months fellow Airborne graduates have dropped in to Maj. Judith Lee's office on the seventh floor of Martin Army Community Hospital just to say hello and see how things are going for the nurse practitioner.

Lee, who works in the internal medicine section, catches herself calling the young Soldiers "kids."

But at 42, she's earned that right and her own set of wings.

In October, the Massachusetts native was the second oldest student in her jump school class. An Army reserve doctor, who is five years her senior, was the oldest.

She recalled the first of her five jumps and one particular young man who approached her once they were on the ground and in the assembly area.

"I thought about you when we were in the plane," the private told her. "I thought if you could do it, I could do it."

Lee laughs at the memory, then turns serious.

"As an officer, you are supposed to be an example. If I've affected one life, that to me was a greater reward."

Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Tolle, C Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, was one of Lee's instructors.

"She showed a lot of will power and she showed the younger students that it could be done," Tolle said.

"She was a big influence on the rest of the class. There were probably more than a few students who used her as a role model."

Lee arrived at Fort Benning three years ago, and ever since she had wanted to attend Airborne school.

"I like a challenge," she said. "I like being with the troops, and I think it is important for people like myself to see what they really do."

Her roster number was A65 — the only moniker she went by for three weeks while assigned to C Co., 507th (Airborne).

"I tried to be incognito, but I was probably the shortest one over there," the 5-foot-2-inch blonde said.

The PT was not a problem for Lee. An avid runner, she has competed in two Ironman Triathlons in Hawaii.

"If you aren't in good physical shape, don't go down there (jump school)," she said.

However, there was one difference she noticed while doing parachute landing falls in the training pit.

"The young kids just spring up," she said. "I can keep up, but I just don't spring up."

Her civilian counterparts don't get a chance to do the things the Army offers.

"I want to experience every opportunity in the military that I can," Lee said.

She graduated from Air Assault School in 1993, and will leave this summer for Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. She would like to then become a chief nurse of a MASH or field hospital.

"Would I jump again? The answer is definitely yes," she said. "I am a Soldier first, and you get to be a better Soldier by the training you receive.

"These are people's sons, daughters, husbands and wives, and it's important that we (medical personnel) keep training in Soldier skills so when we follow the Infantry into conflict and when they are injured, it's our job to make sure they come home."

Ammo loaders' mission keeps Soldiers trained, qualified

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

For the thousands of Soldiers who go through the Infantry and Basic Combat Training Brigades each year, Soldiering would not be the same if it weren't for a platoon assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Regiment.

The 30 Soldiers who make up the platoon are responsible for supplying the brigades with all of the ammunition necessary for training.

Not only that, but they are responsible for supplying the CONUS Replacement Center as well.

While it may appear that the Soldiers' jobs are clear cut and easy, it is anything but, said 1st Lt. Doug Godby, platoon leader.

Godby said the Soldiers in four different sections ensure the units get what they need when they need it.

All of the sections are responsible for making sure they do their part efficiently so the other runs smooth.

He explained that the operations section determines the ammo requirements for each unit and handles all the paperwork.

Soldiers in magazine storage area 90 draw the correct amount of ammunition, store it, segregate it and prep it for loading and delivery. Then the job is handed over to the transportation section, which helps load the trucks and deliver it to the 40 different ranges on post.

Later during the day transportation picks up the residue and unexpended ammunition. The renovation section is responsible for screening all residue and accounting for all brass.

The process is continual from the time the Soldiers get to work until they leave.

"These guys are the Fed Ex of Fort Benning when it comes to ammunition," Godby said.

Spc. Brian Meyer, who works in magazine storage area 90, said on an average he sees around 250,000 rounds a day, totaling close to 700,000 pounds.

Keeping track and accounting for the more than 50 different kinds of ammunition brass requires a lot of paperwork and meticulous attention, said Pfc. Deborah Alcaraz, renovation section.

At best she said it can be described as tedious.

"I'd say it's pretty tedious because everything needs to be accounted for," Alcaraz said. "If we are short that falls on us and there will be questions asked, because when you're dealing with ammo you can't exactly be losing this or that. You need to make sure everything adds up."

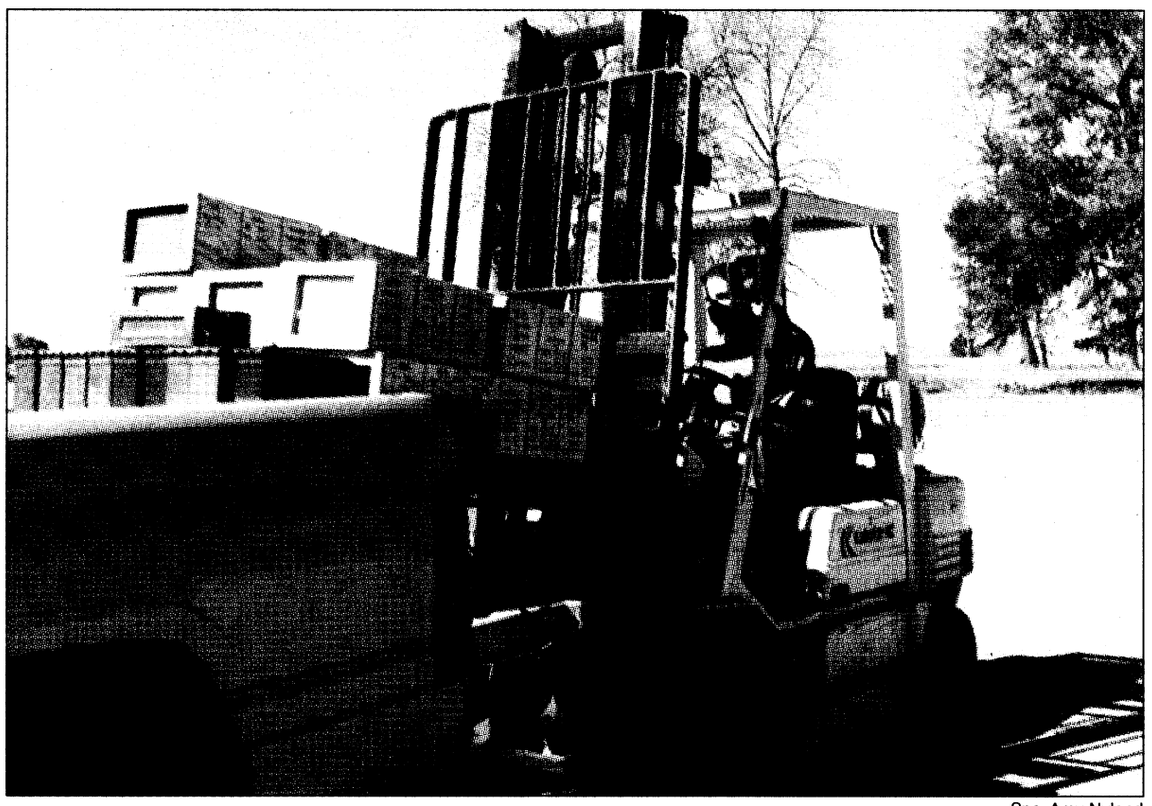
Meyer said a lot of people don't understand what their job entails.

"No one fully understands what we do, they think we have a sham job," he said. "It can be pretty stressful and its tough because there is a lot of adding and subtracting, a lot of paperwork and you have to go over everything with a fine tooth comb to make sure it's right."

He said it is important for everyone to do their job right because if not the Soldiers in training are the ones who lose out.

"To the Soldiers in training our job is vital because if we aren't paying attention we could be shorting them rounds or giving them the wrong ammunition and they wouldn't get the proper training. As long as we are paying attention to detail it makes it a lot better for them."

Even with the daily rigors, Meyer said he really enjoys his job and especially the chance to see all of the different kinds of ammunition other Soldiers may never get to see.



Spc. Amy Nyland

Spc. Brian Meyer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Regiment unloads crates of ammunition at the supply point.

The fact that every Soldier who receives training at Fort Benning gets the personal touch of the 29th ammo platoon is what makes it so unique, said Godby.

"Every Soldier who comes to Fort Benning whether Infantry or at the Basic Combat Training Brigade all have to fire ammunition, they all see claymores go off and throw hand grenades," Godby said. "All of which is delivered by these guys."

IOBC students send rounds downrange during exercise

2nd Lt. James Bowie
2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

Bullets ripped through the air at Wagner Range in mid-February as the "Bushmasters" of Infantry Officer Basic Course Class 2-00 continued their training.

During this, the fourth of the 16-week course, the officers road marched to the field for a two-day exercise which involved crew-served weapon system familiarization as well as military stakes practice and testing.

The M-240B machine gun and the M-249 SAW were fired by the Soldiers during both day and night firing drills. Using the weapons was a great experience for the officers.

"The M-240B is a superb weapon system that is easy to maintain and provides for excellent control of fire," said 2nd Lt. Chris Boyce.

This is the same weapon system that is currently replacing the M-60 machine gun throughout the Army.

During military stakes, the Soldiers of B Company participated in a number of stations ranging from claymore mine employment to misfire procedures on the AT-4.

"The material covered here is great," said 2nd Lt. Dan Alder. "It allows for practical education that I can use as a platoon leader and it will help me to earn my EIB."

While 12 weeks still remain in the course, the cadre and students of IOBC Class 2-00 are working together and working hard to turn out young Infantry officers in today's Army.

Maj. Martin Reutebuch, B Company commander, said he's sure that with a continuation of intensive training and the current high level of motivation, the Army will soon have the very best Soldiers available today.



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2nd Lt. Donnie Adkins, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, sets up a claymore mine during Infantry Officer Basic Course military stakes training.

Fitness vital to OCS training

Capt. Richard Crowther
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment (OCS)

Time has proven that a Soldier's level of fitness has a direct impact on the Soldier's combat readiness and leadership potential. Leadership potential is evaluated throughout the 14-week commissioning source program of the Officer Candidate School.

OCS is an intensive, physical course. In the first five weeks of the course an officer candidate will put their bodies through an entrance APFT; the Combat Water Survival Test; the Conditioning Obstacle Course; the Leaders Reaction Course; the Confidence Obstacle Course; combatives; road marches and land navigation.

The next nine weeks continue to be intensive, stressing more intellectual skills. Yet, the Soldier's bodies will endure more road marches, combatives, tactical leader course lanes and an intensive field exercise before graduation. Everyone in the 11th Infantry Regiment is also charged to conduct 90 minutes of physical training daily.

The ever-demanding constant at OCS is that the body must remain healthy throughout the course. If not, the officer candidate is evaluated, receives a medical profile and recycled to the next available class date.

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment (Officer Candidate School) is charged with reception of all medical recycles. Normally, HHC will accept 10 percent of any given training company's officer candidates due to medical recycles. The proactive efforts are the results of work by both 1st Sgt. John Edgeworth and the former HHC Commander Maj. Bill Ramsey, who is currently Executive Officer for 3rd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt. (OCS).

Their efforts have produced a physical fitness program that would allow the medical recycled officer candidates to recover and return to the next class, help reinforce APFT scores of any early arrivals officer candidates and also provide a maintenance program for the company's Soldiers.

The physical fitness program defines three areas of concentration. The first area of concentration is that of a diagnosis of each Soldier's physical readiness. This allows not only the staff but also the student to gain a new focus on their potential for graduation as an officer.

"At Officer Candidate School, although the entrance requirement for the course is an APFT score of 180, we see a direct correlation with medical recycles and scores of less than 240 on the entrance APFT", said Ramsey.

The second area of concentration focuses on rehabilitation of injured Soldiers and returning them to the next available class.

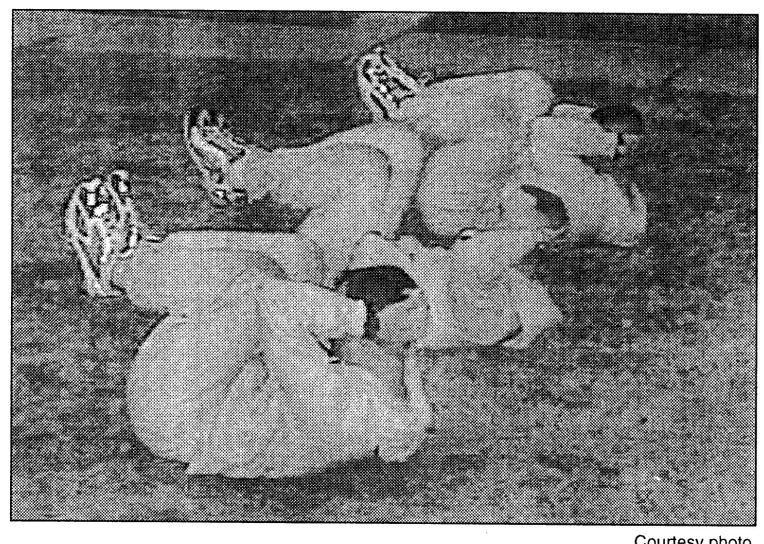
Due to the physical nature of this course, the Physical Therapy Clinic and staff are in constant interaction with Officer Candidate School. The clinic staff offers OCS medical recycles and staff aggressive physical therapy regimens to allow everyone to return to their duties or next available class date.

The last area of concentration is a fitness program that allows each future officer candidate to enter class in the best condition possible. The program revolves around a cardio-respiratory improvement formula of alternating muscle endurance and muscle failure with ability group runs.

The frequency of the program runs over a six-day period, with alternating days (Monday through Saturday). Also, the morning physical fitness program is supplemented with an individual program, know as the MAX PT program that surfaced in *NCO Journal*, Summer 1993.

The candidates conduct MAX PT sessions as afternoon training and on an individual basis during the weekends.

Whether the Soldier is a medically recycled candidate or a future candidate, the unit's focus on physical fitness allows all selected personnel to either return or enter the next available class date in the best physical state of conditioning.



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Getting a good workout is a daily part of Officer Candidate School training.

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Staff Sgt. Sean Carns
B Company, Class 3-00
4th Ranger Training Brigade
Award: Ranger Instructor of the Cycle
What do you like about being a Ranger instructor? Being a Ranger instructor is exciting and always challenging to me.
What is the greatest challenge you face as an instructor? The greatest challenge is making sure the Ranger students understand all of the aspects of conducting a tactical patrol so that they can go back to his unit and properly teach his Soldiers.



Carns

Sgt. 1st Class David O'Rear
C Company, Class 3-00
5th Ranger Training Brigade
Award: Ranger Instructor of the Cycle Class
What is the greatest challenge you face as an instructor? Training Soldiers who are not prepared for the mental and physical rigors of Ranger School to achieve higher standards.



O'Rear

Staff Sgt. David Chamberlain
D Company, Class 3-00
6th Ranger Training Brigade
Award: Ranger Instructor of the Cycle
What is the greatest challenge you face as an instructor? My greatest challenge as a Ranger instructor is ensuring that the Soldiers I train, prior to leaving the course, are confident in their leadership skills in a combat situation.
To build this confidence, you have to hone their tactical skills, their use of teamwork, and broaden their minds to encompass the entire situation.



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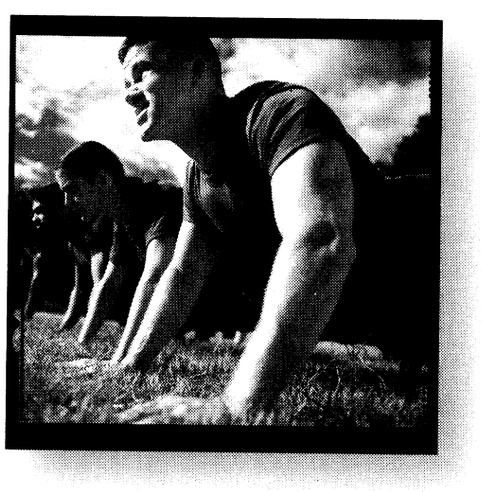

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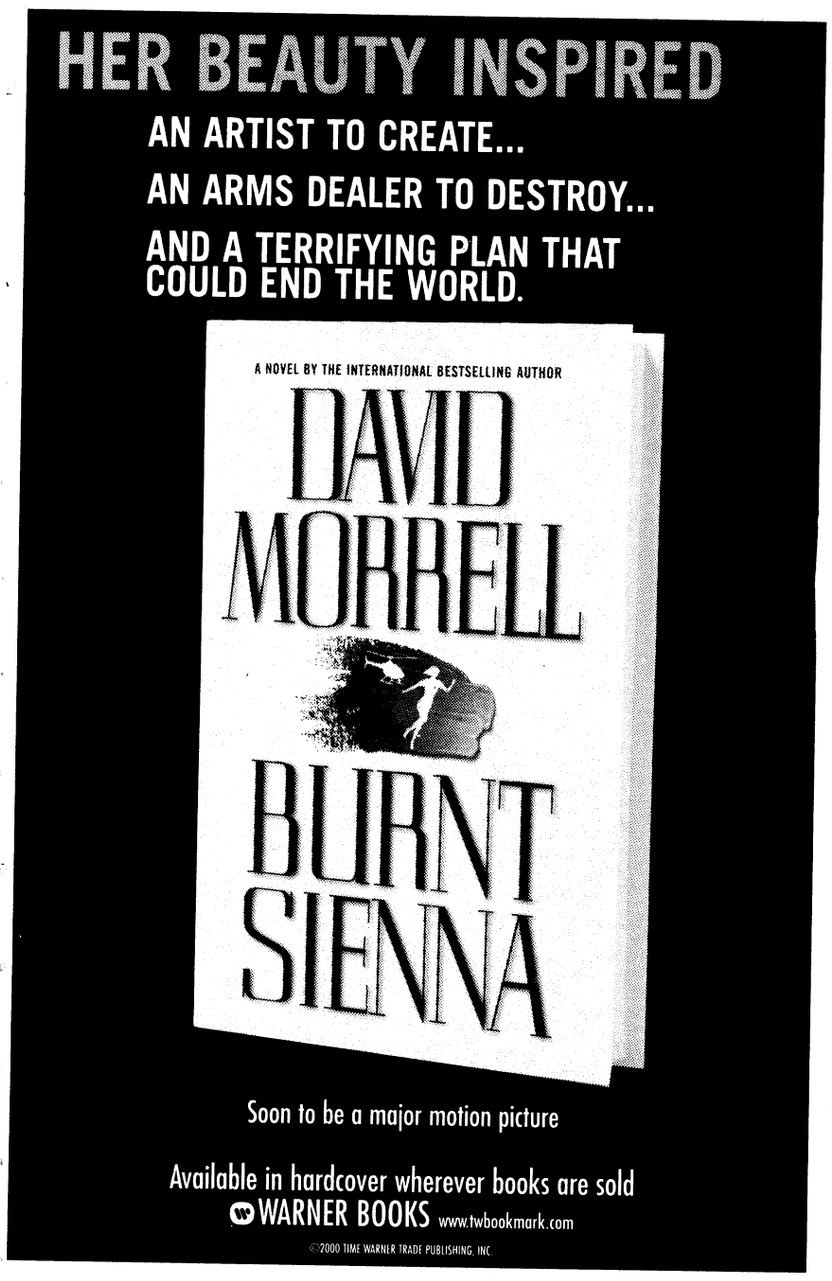

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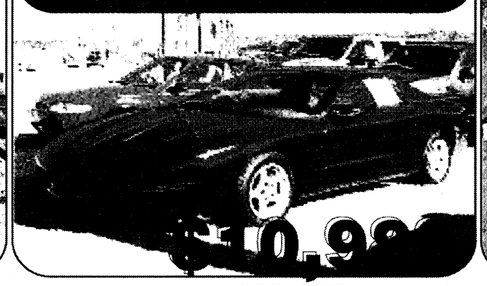

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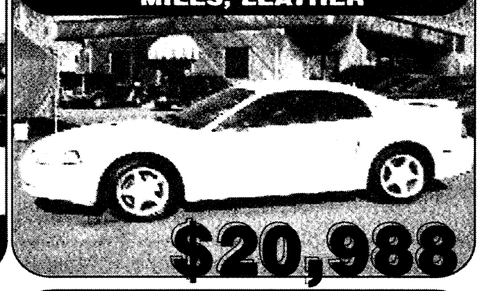

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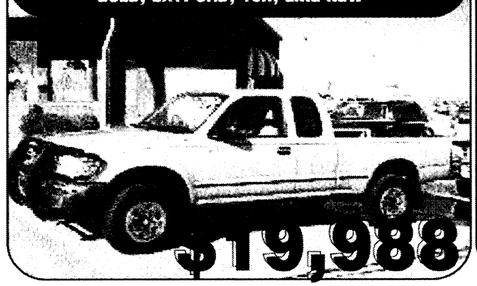

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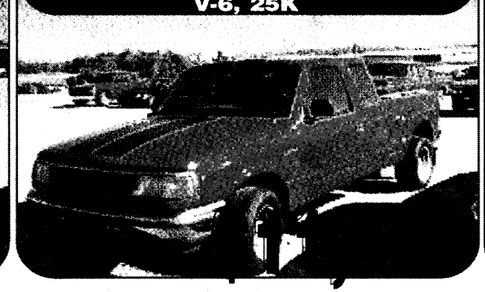

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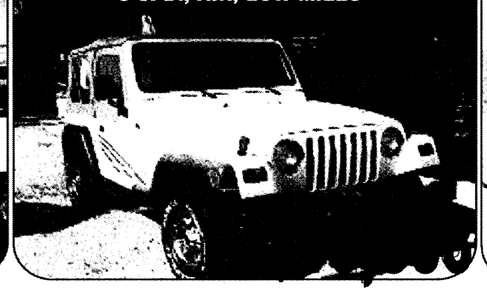

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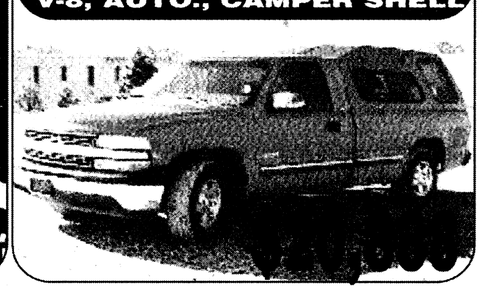

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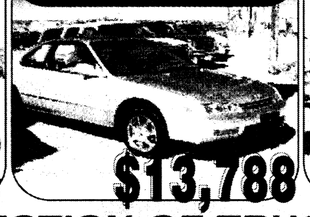

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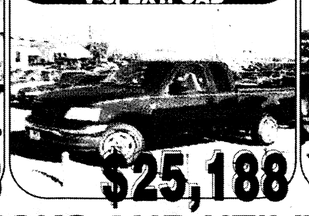

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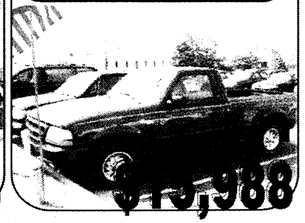

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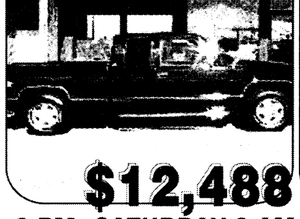

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Children invest in stock market

Students use Dow index to learn math

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Twelve-year-old Destiny James recently invested $100,000 in the stock market. Yet she appeared strangely undisturbed by the risky financial endeavor.

"What can I say? It wasn't my money to begin with," the seventh-grader shrugged.

True, the money did not actually belong to James. In fact, it wasn't even real money at all.

James and 13 other students in the Youth Services middle school program was each given $100,000 to invest in the stock market. The students are using the imaginary money to learn stock market investing and trading skills during an eight-week program called The Stock Market Game.

The biannual program is sponsored by the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer and is open to all area schools and youth services. This is the first time Youth Services has participated in the program.

Quintella Thorn, Youth Services recreation specialist, attended a workshop to learn the rules and regulations of the game. She now works closely with the students to help them become familiar with the math skills needed to calculate earnings and losses.

The first week of the program students were allowed to pick one stock that interested them. The second week they had to sell and reinvest their money. They use the newspaper to check their investments every week and reevaluate their decisions.

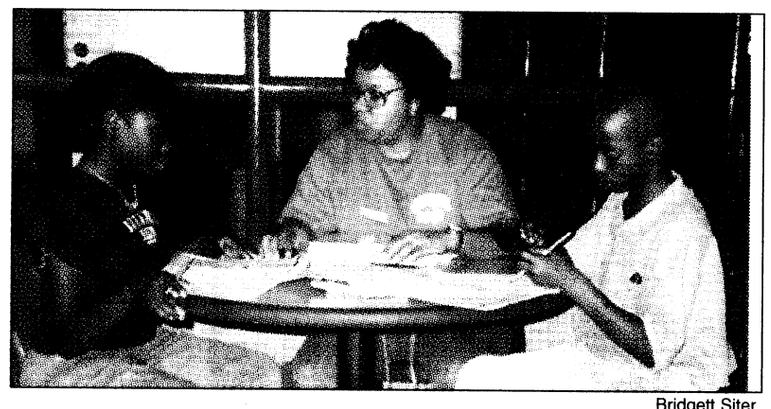
"They are really having to use a lot of math skills and that alone is a big benefit," said Thorn.

Although the money is not real, Thorn believes the skills the students are learning will have a very real impact on their lives.

"They may not appreciate this project for another 15 years, but one day they'll be thankful they've developed a real working knowledge of the whole process," she said.

Eleven-year-old Kevin Pichardo said he'll be putting his stock market knowledge to use as a professional basketball player.

"A lot of kids think they don't need to know this kind of stuff because they're going to make a lot of money," Pichardo said. "But I'm going to invest all my money when I'm playing professional ball."



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Raisa Bennett (left), Quintella Thorne and Troy Lumpkin check the market pages for their stocks latest quote. The students are learning about the stock market and trading.

Pyramid helps keep nutritional goals

Staying healthy becomes easier by label reading

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

The key to losing weight and staying healthy may be easier than people think.

Although there are an assortment of products and companies that promise quick and simple ways to shed those pounds and lower blood pressure and cholesterol, a cheap and fool proof way is simply understanding the food guide pyramid and food nutrition labels, said Maj. Colleen Kesselring, chief of nutrition care division, Martin Army Community Hospital.

Kesselring said when it comes to eating healthy it is important to look at the whole picture.

The first and vital step is to adjust a diet so that it falls into the food pyramid recommendation. This means the bulk of a person's food intake should be whole grain, breads, cereals, pasta and rice; usually between six and 11 servings a day. In between are the fruits, vegetables, dairy and meats which all require between two to five servings a day. The very tip of the pyramid are those foods that should be eaten sparingly, such as fats, oils, and sweets.

Once people adjust their diets they can use nutrition labels to guide their food choices, Kesselring said. She said the best way to do this is by comparing similar foods. So, if people want to eat something that falls into the sweets category they can use the label to compare two products to determine which is the healthier food choice.

Of course, before individuals can determine what is healthy and what is not they must first understand the different parts of the food label.

The main parts of the label a person should be concerned with are the serving size, servings per container, total calories and fat.

It is always important to look at serving size and servings per container because an item may seem to be low in fat and calories, but there may be more than one serving per container, which multiplies the fat and calories. For example a food may have 100 calories per serving, but if there are three servings per container than a person could end up eating a total of 300 calories.

If a product's calories from fat are one-third the calories then usually it will be a low-fat food, Kesselring said. And generally if it has three grams of fat per serving or less it is also considered a low

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Maj. Sam Mubangu relaxes at home after helping his mother immigrate to the United States from Africa.

Political refugee finds hope, life

Soldier brings mother 'home' after 20 years

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Maj. Sam Mubangu looked forward to his mother's arrival much the same as any Soldier who has been separated from his family for too long. And like any other, he is anxious to introduce her to his friends and his way of life at Fort Benning.

But for now he will have to wait for her to recover from the severe bout of hypertension and dehydration that nearly ended her life on the 21-hour plane trip from Nairobi to the U.S. It is not the first time 76-year-old Christine-Awezae Mubangu has narrowly escaped death.

Last June armed rebels invaded Christine-Awezae's home in the tiny village of Nyalukunga, in Congo, Africa. The rebels killed nearly 100 villagers, including Christine-Awezae's husband. After receiving news of his father's death, Mubangu contacted friends in his homeland who immediately evacuated Christine-Awezae to the safety of her daughter's home in Nairobi. It was there she stayed during the lengthy process of acquiring an immigration visa to the U.S.

"For my mother it was quite complicated and very, very stressful. The visa requirements for immigration are difficult," Mubangu said. "My experience coming to the United States was quite different than my mother's. I had very little to do with the whole process. Strangers were taking care of all my paperwork."

Although Mubangu said he still has no idea who was ultimately responsible for acquiring the visa that allowed him to live in the U.S., he refers to the circumstances leading up to his arrival as "very exciting and amazing."

Mubangu was born in the Belgian colony of Congo in 1954, six years before his country would win its independence, and seven years before it was divided by the civil war that still rages in parts of Africa today.

When he was in the fifth grade, Mubangu was selected to attend a Belgian Catholic seminary in Zaire. There he received the best education his country had to offer.

"I was lucky. My parents realized the value of education. They could not afford to send me, so the priests became my benefactors," Mubangu said. "It was very rigorous training of mind, body, and soul — like a military school. It was considered a grooming-ground for leaders. I knew even then that I was getting something special."

Mubangu flourished in school. He made good grades and enjoyed soccer, theater, and writing. As a young student, it was easy to remain oblivious to his country's economic crisis and mounting political tension.

See **FREEDOM**, B-4

YS plans workshop to help teens land jobs

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Youth Services and Army Community Services are co-sponsoring a series of job strategy workshops for teens and middle schoolers March 7, 14, and 21 at the Youth Services center.

Quintella Thorn, a recreation specialist at the center, said the workshops are designed to introduce students to the skills they will need when looking for employment.

"Our goal is to begin to prepare our kids for the whole job application and interview process," Thorn said.

Mark Mills, ACS family member employment specialist, will be presenting the workshops titled "Job Hunting Skills" "Resume and Application Forms," and "Dressing and Preparing for the Interview."

"We just want to give kids who are preparing to join the work force a chance to learn what to expect and what will be expected of them," Mills said.

The three workshops are scheduled for Tuesday evenings at 5 p.m. to accommodate the public and the students in the Youth Services middle school program. For more information, call Youth Services at 545-3070.

Youth leaders meet with parents, student

USAIC Chaplains Office

The Military Community Youth Ministry director, Bruce Mulford, will meet with parents, students and interested leaders of the high school and middle school youth of the chapel.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the new youth ministry. The meeting is at 6:30 p.m. Sunday at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. For more information, call Mulford at 545-2539.

School plans nature trail as part of area beautification

Grade schoolers are learning what plants attract butterflies

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Now that Wilson Elementary students have had the opportunity to enjoy the beauty of their newly renovated classrooms, their thoughts have turned to improving the exterior of their school.

With the support of John Brent, chief of environmental programs for the Directorate of Public Works, members of the school's Butterfly Project are formulating a plan to landscape the front lawn of the school, create a nature trail and eventually develop beautification projects in the surrounding neighborhood.

Members of the project are meeting weekly with Brent to discuss the logistics of their plans. Project coordinator Margaret Koger said Brent's contributions to the project have been numerous.

"Not only has he helped us to focus our big grandiose schemes into something we can realistically accomplish, but he has also provided us with resources in a number of other areas," Koger said. "When we needed to know how to remove graffiti from the walls of the school, he put us in contact with someone who could do it. He's also arranging for speakers to come to the school and educate the kids about various environmental topics."

Brent has helped the students design a layout for landscaping with plants that will attract butterflies. They began taking soil samples to determine what types of plants will grow well in this climate.

"We are looking at the big picture — the goals of the project — and breaking it down into bite-size pieces. Then we'll use all our resources — the students and teachers and volunteers — to implement each step. We're being good stewards of both our environmental and human resources," Brent said.

The immediate goal is to begin planting before the end of the school year, he said.

"The kids need to see progress to become committed to the idea of taking responsibility for their environment. Once we determine which plants are suitable, prepare the soil and plan for irrigation, we'll want to get the plants in the ground as soon as possible," Brent said.

Once planting is completed, he said classes will "adopt" areas of the landscaped lawn to maintain.

"Starting plants is easy. How do you care for them and keep them alive? These are the things the students will learn," Brent said. "And they will make mistakes along the way. But that's how we learn."

Next year the Butterfly Project plans to

See **SCHOOL**, B-4

births

Girls

Mya Jakayla Simmons — born Feb. 17 to Ellen and Staff Sgt. Darrin Simmons.

Tiana Amari Henderson — born Feb. 18 to Laura and Pfc. Aaron Miodowski.

LeGrand Salter Pound — born Feb. 20 to Maj. LeGrand and Maj. David Pound.

Boys

Dante Jamal Nelson — born Feb. 17 to Pfc. Catrise and Staff Sgt. Teddie Nelson.

Matthew Curtis McCaulley — born Feb. 17 to Cynthia and Sgt. Chad McCaulley.

Mason Aaron Anda — born Feb. 17 to Ana and Sgt. Victor Anda.

Vincent James Zofkie — born Feb. 18 to Eva and 2nd Lt. Daniel Zofkie.

James Edward Brownlee III — born Feb. 18 to Lauren and Capt. James Brownlee Jr.

Jacob Matthew Rummler — born Feb. 19 to JoAnn and Spc. Christopher Rummler.

Malik Jamar Bolton — born Feb. 20 to Sgt. Tracy and Spc. Rajai Bolton.

Thomas Scott Stempniak — born Feb. 20 to Janet and Capt. Daniel Stempniak.

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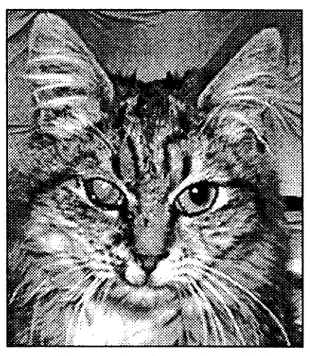

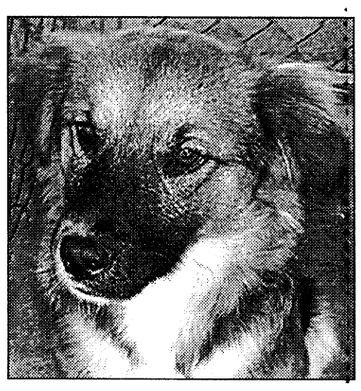

Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

A 4-month-old female domestic long-haired cat and a 8-month-old male shepherd mix are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. Many more are in need of a good home.
The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call 545-4912.

community briefs

on post

ACS relocation program — The next spouse orientation program will be held at 8:45 a.m. March 10 in Building 359, the Family Unit Network Center.

Newly assigned personnel are able to receive information about the installation's services and facilities.

For more information call ACS at 545-4043 or 545-7517.

First Step moms needed — The Family Advocacy First Steps office at Martin Army Community Hospital is seeking mothers as follow-up callers.

Some categories needed by First Steps are mothers who had premature babies and multiple births. Also mothers who were teenage moms, single moms and SIDS moms.

Mothers of all descriptions are needed. The basic requirements are that they be caring and willing to contact new mothers to give them helpful information, emotional support and referrals to services they need.

For more information call 544-2020.

ACAP offers opportunity — The Army Career Alumni Program is scheduled to hold several event in the ACAP Center, Building 2634 in Soldiers' Plaza.

The following events are to be held: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. March 9, on site recruiting for mechanics, warehousing and communications. Also the border patrol will have recruitment for agents.

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 16, Walmart distribution will recruit for managers. Continental Carbon will be recruiting for Maintenance Mechanics, the time will be announced later.

For more job announcements call 545-2308 or 545-2309.

AFTB offers evening classes — Army Family Team Building now offers evening classes to people who are unable to attend classes during the day. Level II will be offered 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays until March 28.

Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians are welcome to attend classes. Courses and materials are free. AFTB classes are held in Building 395 on Ingersoll Avenue on Main Post.

For more information call 545-5377.

TSU offers courses — Troy State at Fort Benning will conduct a Physical Performance and Survivability Course from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m Saturday and April 8 from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Students will learn strength and conditioning techniques, injury prevention and treatment techniques an environmental and survival considerations.

This course is intended to increase the physical readiness and survivability of specialized personnel and others with an interest in this subject. Rigorous "hands on" physical training exercises, as well as academic sessions are included.

A certificate will be awarded upon successful completion. Continuing education units may be available. The course is beneficial for individuals preparing for National Strength and Conditioning Association or American College of Sports Medicine, etc. certifications.

The course cost is $29.

For registration information call TSU at 685-9555 or visit Building 2611 in Soldiers' Plaza. For additional course information, call course instructor David E. Bradley at (828) 683-1666.

Exams to be taken — Automotive Service Excellence Examinations will be administered on May 2, 4 and 9. Three tests are funded for each examinee. The fee is $21 for each test over three. Each examinee pays a $26.00 registration fee. There is no funding for recertification tests. Recertification tests fees are: 1 Exam-$21, 2 Exams-$42, 3 Exams-53.Registration Deadline is March 10. Register at the Army Education Center, Building 2602, or by calling 545-4863.

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Karen Garza
Flint Energies

Flint Energies is making a difference on Fort Benning.

Fort Benning's Ranger Training Brigade awarded Flint Energies' Line Crew leader, Gregg Rigsby, a certificate of achievement for outstanding support, performance, commitment to excellence and tireless efforts contributed to the training mission and welfare of the Soldiers. Rigsby was recognized during the opening ceremony of Fort Benning's "Rangers in Action" demonstration last week in the presence of 900 Army Rangers and their families.

"The Rangers invited me to attend the demonstration last week," he said. "They seated me on the front row when I arrived. When they called my name to present the award, it was a complete surprise. Fort Benning personnel are greatly appreciative of the service Flint Energies provides."

Rigsby has 10 years of line work experience with Flint Energies.

Last year he was promoted to line crew leader, a new position created to focus and serve the electric utility needs of Fort Benning. He is also a member of Flint Energies' four-man team that captured first place in the EMC Division insulator change-out event at the Fourth Annual Southeastern Electrification Council Lineman's Rodeo.

"Gregg is worthy of this award because of his endless dedication to the customers and our cooperative. He contributes to the notable recognition Flint Energies has received for the cooperative teamwork of improving the safety and reliability of Fort Benning's power system," said Flint Energies President and CEO, Joe Cade.

Flint Energies won the bid to serve the military base last year when Fort Benning led the process to privatize electric utilities at Army installations. The electric cooperative immediately began upgrading, maintaining and operating the electric distribution system June 1 when ownership of the system was transferred from Fort Benning.

Since the acquisition, Flint Energies has invested more than $1million to upgrade and maintain the military post's power system.

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Eddie Greene, Patrick Lowder and Crystal Hernandez, pre-K penguins waddle during the Penguins on Parade program.

'Penguins' perform play

Peggy Gindville
Dexter Elementary School

I'm a little penguin, black and white, short and wobbly, cutesie sight; I can't fly at all but I love to swim so I waddle to the water and dive right in!

This is just one of the many songs 44 pre-K students sang as part of Penguins on Parade program at Dexter Elementary Feb. 23. Parents, teachers, students and family members were regaled with penguin facts during the evening performance.

Both the morning and afternoon pre-K classes rehearsed the program that included penguin facts and other musical selections.

Under the direction of Cy Dietrich, visual and performing arts teacher, the 4-year-olds delighted the audience with a variety of songs and dances and even an occasional penguin joke.

The best part of the program, said Kortne Moore, was the snoring she did as a penguin before the other penguins told her to wake up and belly flop into the "water."

Another reason Moore enjoyed her stage performance was because she got to waddle like a penguin.

Not all family members were able to attend the performance and Marissa Brockbank's grandmother was one of them.

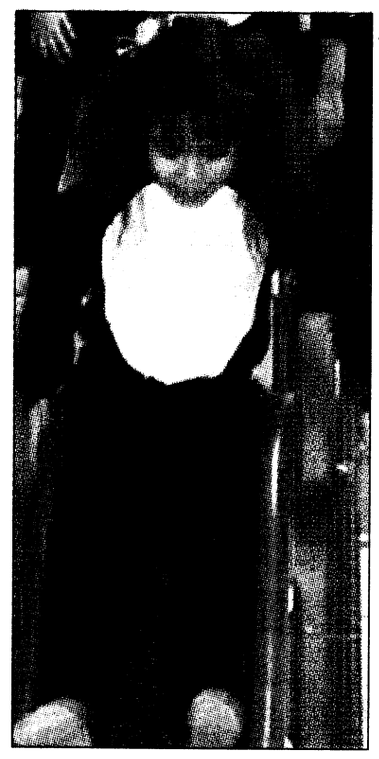
So the pre-K student gave a command performance Wednesday morning for her grandmother. She performed all of the penguin songs from the program, her mother, Kristina said.

She was not the only child who still knows the program.

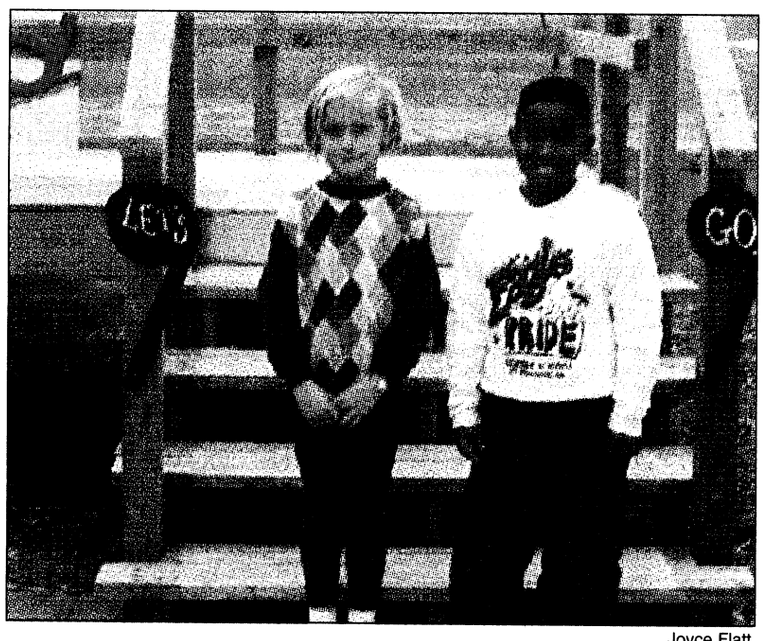
Lindi Young remembered that penguins live at the South Pole.

The children learned all about penguins. Studying their physical attributes as well as their habitats helped students as they rehearsed for their stage debut.

To learn more about Dexter's Pre-K activities, check out their website at http://www.threesquires.com/gindville.htm.



Nashira Torres slides into the "Antarctic Ocean" during Penguins on Parade Feb. 23 at Dexter Elementary School.



Joyce Flatt

Second-graders Greta Goesch and Preston Colvin stand on the steps of the music room on Yellow Brick Avenue.

Students spice up moving process

Street names, painted paths make learning in trailers memorable for students

Dexter Elementary School

Like other military schools Dexter has always had a mobile population, but now the entire school is on the move!

Because of the year-long renovation project taking place at Dexter, classrooms and offices have been relocated into mobile units to the rear of the school.

Students and staff have turned the move into a very positive experience, said Bammie Cofield, the school's guidance counselor.

She explained that by decorating their units and grounds with flags, plants, banners, gardens and street signs, they have more ownership of the move.

Fourth-grader Eric Hare agreed.

"One really neat thing about our move is our street signs," he said. "This is an election year so we (the fourth- and fifth-grade classes) voted on our street name."

The three choices were:

- Herbie's Highway (Herbie the eagle is the school mascot.)
- Trading Trail
- Switch-a-Roo Avenue

Hare explained the last two street name choices came about because the fourth- and fifth-grade classes move between classes.

"We voted on our favorite name and Switch-a-Roo was the winner," he said.

The colorful street signs were created by visual and performing arts teacher, Cy Dietrich.

Dietrich also painted a path to the music room and television studio. He added a whimsical touch to the modular school village by painting a yellow brick road out to the studio, Cofield said. The railings along the porch are decorated with musical notes. Dietrich even plans to turn the deck of the music studio into a piano.

"I like the yellow brick road that Mr. Dietrich painted on our sidewalk," said second-grader Preston Colvin. "It makes it easy to find the music room — you just have to follow the Yellow Brick Road."

The students move from their modular classroom to the music modular to areas still being used in the school building during the day.

"I thought the trailer would be really small, but it's not. It's like a real classroom," said second-grader Greta Goesch. "It's a change but I like it. It's kind of neat being outside."

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Freedom: Gives opportunities

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But in 1979, as a senior at the University of Zaire, Mubangu became increasingly aware of the social and political injustices forced upon his countrymen by Mobuto, the dictator who had seized power from the nation's elected officials.

Like many of his fellow students, Mubangu had once admired the new leader, until it became obvious that Mobuto was squandering the nation's wealth and destroying the economy. While Mobuto was enjoying a luxurious lifestyle, his country was suffering from a major gas shortage and many of the Congolese people were starving to death.

After Mobuto threw the country into a state of chaos by changing the national currency, Mubangu and several university students drafted a memorandum demanding government reforms.

"It was meant to be a peaceful uprising. We outlined changes that needed to be made for the political and social well-being of our country," Mubangu said. "We formed commissions and distributed these documents through the churches."

Angered by the students' actions, Mobuto infiltrated the campus with spies who were commissioned to kill the leaders of the uprising. The entire student body revolted and began destroying property and setting fire to the campus. Nationwide university students joined the uprising and the once-peaceful boycott turned into a full-scale riot.

"We were very idealistic college students. Although we knew what Mobuto was capable of, we never really believed he would turn violent on us," Mubangu said. "We did not plan for things to go in that direction, but circumstances became out of control, and the whole thing snowballed into violence."

A cousin of Mubangu, who worked for Mobuto's secret police, alerted the student leaders that Mobuto intended to have them killed. The leaders escaped and hid from the police for over six months.

"Some of the very people who were working for Mobuto hated him. Some of them knew the students they were assigned to kill," Mubangu said. "Instead, they would warn us when and where Mobuto would be searching for us."

> "I did not come to America to be a slave."
>
> **— Maj. Sam Mubangu**
> Criminal Law Division chief

Desperate for freedom, one night the students crossed the Congo River in a dugout canoe and reported to the United Nations embassy in Brazzaville before turning themselves in to the government. They were imprisoned for four months before the UN intervened and granted them visas to the United States.

Unable to speak English, Mubangu arrived in Oklahoma on July 12, 1981. It was here that he discovered the Catholic church of the Congo had worked diligently to secure his passport to freedom. The U.S. Catholic Charities agreed to sponsor Mubangu and provided him with a job and a place to live.

It was also here that Mubangu met his future wife, Philomena Reynolds, who was working as a secretary at the Catholic church.

"Although I had been briefly exposed to English in high school, I still could not speak a word of it. I watched television, listened to tapes, and studied the dictionary to learn the language. It was very hard," Mubangu recalled. "But Philomena understood what no one else could understand. It was very strange. We could communicate."

Working as a dishwasher for 12 hours a day left no time for Mubangu to pursue an education. He angered his church sponsor when he resigned from his job and left the Catholic Charities program to look for a position that would allow him to attend college.

"I did not come to America to be a slave. I wanted to finish college and there was no way I could do that working 12 hours each day," Mubangu said.

Six months after arriving in the U.S., Mubangu moved to Texas, where he worked as a valet and saved enough money to start college. At the University of Houston, he taped course lectures and transcribed the tapes each night until he began to understand the English language. He graduated with a 3.72 grade point average, and started law school in 1985.

"That was hell," Mubangu chuckled. "Perhaps worse than my ordeal in the Congo. Teaching methods are very different here, and I had a difficult time."

Despite these difficulties, Mubangu, now a citizen of the United States, graduated from law school and joined the military in 1989.

"When I was in law school I met a recruiter who planted a seed in my mind. I thought it would be good to give something back to the U.S.," Mubangu said.

In 1997, he moved to Fort Benning, where he assumed the position of chief of criminal justice. Mubangu and his wife have two children — a son, Deffy, who attends the Virginia Military Institute, and a daughter, Annuarite, who is a seventh-grader at Faith Middle School. Now Christine-Awezae has joined the Mubangu household.

Like her son, Christine-Awezae has begun a new life in the U.S. unable to speak a word of English. Although she still has nightmares about her husband's death, she is recuperating in her new home and enjoying the company of her daughter-in-law and granddaughter.

"Now that my father is gone, my mother is content to let me care for her. Before his death I could not persuade her to come live with me," Mubangu said. "Now she is happy to be here. She calls it 'her glorious work of coming to America.'"

Mubangu, too, considers his mother's arrival a glorious achievement.

"Bringing my mother here is the greatest accomplishment of my life — my happiest moment," Mubangu said with a grin. "Getting her here was more difficult than entering the gates of heaven. There is no paperwork required for heaven. I would rather meet St. Peter than face another U.S. consulate. But then, we are now in America — the heaven on earth."

ask the judge

Capt. Richard Henry
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I am recently divorced but was separated for a while before the divorce. Are there any special tax considerations I should know about?

A: Yes — there are several things you should watch out for when you are divorced or separated when filing your taxes.

First is making sure you choose your correct filing status. Your marital status is important in determining your income tax filing status. You may file as "single" if you are unmarried and obtained your divorce, legal separation (determined under state law), or annulment by the end of the tax year (Dec. 31).

You generally file as "head of household" if you are unmarried at the end of the tax year or are married and lived apart from your spouse the last six months of the tax year, and you kept up a home for your child (listing the child's name on the return) or for the person whom you claim as a dependent.

Couples not divorced by the end of the year may be able to file "jointly" (married filing jointly status) or separate returns (married filing separately). You should figure your tax both ways to make sure you are using the method that will result in the lower tax.

A big question in divorce is who gets to claim the kids? There are several tests a parent must meet to claim an exemption for a child when the parents file separately. A child's exemption usually may be claimed by one of the parents (not both) if the child had gross income of less than $2,750 for 1999 or that child is under 19 or is a student under 24.

Generally, the custodial parent gets to claim the child. If neither a divorce decree nor agreement establishes custody, then the parent who had physical custody for the greater part of the year is considered to have custody of the child. The custodial parent can release the exemption to the noncustodial parent by signing a written declaration, Form 8332, Release of Claim to Exemption for Child of Divorced of Separated Parents, or similar statement.

When there is a divorce, frequently there is alimony.

This is how that works. Alimony is income for one person, and is deductible by the other. Alimony or separate maintenance payments you make to your spouse or ex-spouse under a divorce or separation agreement are tax deductible (they are an adjustment to your gross income reported on the Form 1040).

You do not have to itemize deductions to claim alimony payments. The recipient of alimony payments reports them on the Form 1040 as part of the recipient's gross income.

Remember this, child support is not alimony and is therefore not treated the same. You do not deduct child support payments that you make, and if you receive child support, it is not included in your gross income.

One last thing to consider. You will probably have to change your tax withholding. This is done by filing a new Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate, with your employer when you become divorced or separated.

Changes in income, deductions, exemptions or filing status during the year may require you to change the amount of tax withheld or begin to make estimated tax payments.

For instance, if you are single, divorced or legally separated, you must claim single status on your Form W-4. If you receive alimony or other payments which are not subject to withholding, you may have to ask for additional withholding from your wages or make estimated tax payments.

For further information see IRS Publication 504, Divorced or Separated Individuals. It contains specific details on the tax rules on property settlements, IRAs, and other topics of interest to divorced persons.

The Tax Center 2000 is open for business in Infantry Hall Classroom 1. The hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The phone number is 545-4267.

School: Plans outdoor space

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expand their efforts to include other areas of the school and the surrounding community.

"Some of the trees and plants that are already here have historical value to the school. They were planted in memory of former staff members or to commemorate an important event. We want to maintain them or, if necessary, replace them. Then we plan to begin work on an outdoor classroom in the courtyard area of the school," said Dr. Wanda Person, who is working on the project. "And eventually we plan to make a nature trail in the area behind the school. Through our efforts, we hope to build enough credibility in the community to begin spreading our project into the surrounding neighborhood."

Koger said she hopes the Butterfly Project will foster a sense of community awareness that will ultimately result in a nicer environment.

"Our vision is to build a pride in this school and neighborhood. And if we can channel the students energies into caring about the place they live and learn, we'll see results for years to come," Koger said.

Fifth-grader Josh Olive agreed the project will have a long-term impact on the school and neighborhood.

"I think it's a really neat thing we're doing because we're making our campus a place new students will want to come to," he said. "If we don't take care of what we have, 20 years from now there won't be anything here to take care of."

Like Olive, Brent calls the Butterfly Project a "neat" program.

"This project just has so many exciting possibilities," Brent said. "It's a neat idea and it's fun as well. On top of all that, we're educating this generation about ecology and conservation. This is just the right age to introduce a solid foundation about caring for our environment."

Labels: Provide healthy read

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high blood pressure and cholesterol make is concentrating on the sodium and cholesterol contents on the label, she said. However, it is fat and saturated fat that are more important because these have a greater affect.

In fact, saturated fat is what raises blood cholesterol level, and weight has a direct impact on blood pressure. When a person loses weight their blood pressure usually drops. So it is imperative to watch fat and calories.

"If you are watching your cholesterol and you see a label you may say 'look this donut has no cholesterol, it's OK for me.' But what affects your cholesterol more than anything else is fat and saturated fat. Since one donut may have about 20 grams of fat it should not be a regular part of your diet," Kesselring said.

On the opposite end of that it is always good to have three or more grams of dietary fiber in a serving, said Ted Cristobal, a licensed dietician at MACH.

Cristobal said fiber not only increases a person's metabolism, but it can also help control blood sugar, lower cholesterol and has been known to prevent cancer.

He said when looking at diet is best to consider something he calls the rule of threes — three grams of total fat or less and three grams of fiber or more per serving.

While it is important to pay attention to food labels, Kesselring said it is best not to get too hung up on them.

She said it is more important to stay within the food guide pyramid and to use food labels as a guiding source when choosing between same food groups.

She also mentioned that it is critical for people to include their favorite foods in their diets even if they aren't entirely healthy.

"All foods can fit," she said. "I like to say, 'let's not make any hard and fast rules about what you can and can't eat.' You should have guidelines, but make sure you break those every once in awhile so you don't go crazy."

"It's all about moderation," she added.

To round out the whole picture, Kesselring said it is also important to stay active. She said it is hard to go on a diet and lose weight if someone does not exercise.

Exercising can be as simple as getting up while at work and taking a walk through the building, just as long as the body is moving.

"Everything connects, it's about balance — balance what you eat with your physical activity."

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Christians fast, pray, give during Lenten season

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reflections

On Ash Wednesday Christians from many denominations will come forward to the altar to receive a cross drawn on their foreheads.

As the minister signs the individual he challenges him to "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return."

This stark injunction calls us to face our mortality and the fragility of life.

So begins the holy season of Lent. We call this season "holy" because God calls us through it to "wholeness," to becoming more fully what we can be. It is an opportunity for looking at our present lives and being open to the Lord's forgiveness, his healing and his grace. It is a profoundly positive time.

Christians have traditionally chosen three observances or paths during Lent.

The first is prayer. Prayer opens the channels of communication with God. We pray, not so much for what we can say to God (who does not need our advice), but rather for what he can say to us. His words, if we listen, are words of strength, healing, grace and peace.

The second practice is fasting. We deny ourselves some legitimate pleasure such as food, drink, entertainment in order to quiet our hearts to listen more closely to the Lord.

The last practice is that of charity.

Having opened channels to the Lord in prayer, having listened more clearly to his Word in fasting, we are able to reach out to the needy all around us.

Jesus himself emphasized the need for penitential practices when he taught that "Unless you do penance, you shall perish."

The season of Lent is an incredible opportunity to draw closer to the Lord. Those who walk with the Lord through Lent will rise with him at Easter.

Ash Wednesday Services

Catholic

Main Post Catholic Chapel

Noon — Mass and Distribution of Ashes
5:30 p.m. — Mass and Distribution of Ashes
7 p.m. — Mass and Distribution of Ashes (Spanish)

Regimental Chapel

7 p.m. — Mass and Distribution of Ashes

Fridays during Lent — Beginning March 10 and continuing through April 14, the Main Post Catholic Chapel will pray the Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m. in the chapel, followed by a Bread and Soup Supper in the Infantry Center Channel Annex.

Protestant

Infantry Hall, Classroom 2:

12:15 p.m. — Prayer Service and Distribution of Ashes

Soldiers' Chapel

6:30 p.m. — Episcopal/Lutheran congregation will conduct an Ash Wednesday Service with Distribution of Ashes

Fridays during Lent — Beginning March 10 and continuing through April 14, Catholics on Sand Hill will pray the Stations of the Cross at Regimental Chapel at 7 p.m.

chapel notes

Children's choir needs director — The fund manager is accepting applications for a children's choir director at The Infantry Center Chapel.

For more information, see Master Sgt. Bridgett Starling in Room 512, Infantry Hall.

PWOC meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes Bible study, prayer, praise and fellowship.

All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Sunday School meets — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road, from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

Confirmation class set — Confirmation classes for adults who plan to be confirmed in the Catholic tradition will begin Monday. The classes will be from 10:10-11:10 a.m. at Faith Middle School during Confraternity Christian Doctrine.

To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-5508.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7-8 p.m.

All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

Rules give children roadmap to healthy adulthood

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center

Healthy families need rules, without them you end up doing whatever seems right for the moment.

"All families have their own ways of doing things, or 'rules,' that define how they work together as a family. In healthy families the parents think about the rules for the family, make rules for the family and enforce the rules," said George Daub, founder of Family Wellness Associates.

Rules are a roadmap for family members. They can give clear direction to family members so they know what is expected of them and what the consequences are if the rules are not followed.

Too often rules are a list of what parents do not want instead of what is wanted.

"Rules are clear ways to tell your children what you want or value. Rules framed in a negative way — saying what you don't want — don't give direction or purpose," Daub said.



Families who have very few rules or none at all are headed for disaster.

And remember, if you as a parent do not want your child to smoke or swear then you must refrain from smoking and swearing.

"Attitudes are caught not taught," said James Dobson a noted Christian psychologist.

Here are some tips for making rules from Survival Skills for Healthy Families:

- Make rules for what you want. "Be home by midnight."
- Make rules with results you can see or measure. "I want your clothes hung in the closet."
- State the rule in a sentence. "Take out the trash by 6:30 every evening."
- Anticipate areas where the child will need a rule and make it. "When the guests arrive, the TV is to be turned off."

Get your children's thoughts on rules that affect them, especially as they get older. Then, you make the final decision.

Only make the rules you are prepared to enforce. Consider your own comfort, as well as your child's needs in deciding on rules. "You would like to stay up until 10 p.m., but your mother and I need some time to ourselves. Bedtime is 9 p.m."

Expect resistance.

Everybody needs rules, so parents should resist the temptation to have a free and open family without rules because if you do, you will raise children who are not self-disciplined.

Beginning March 14 the Family Life Ministries Center will offer a parenting class. For more information, call at 545-7777.

He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into watersprings (Psalm 107:35)

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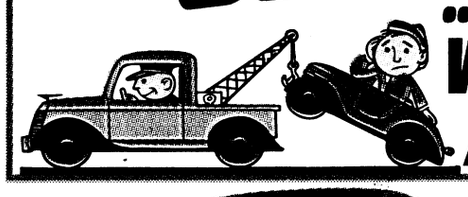

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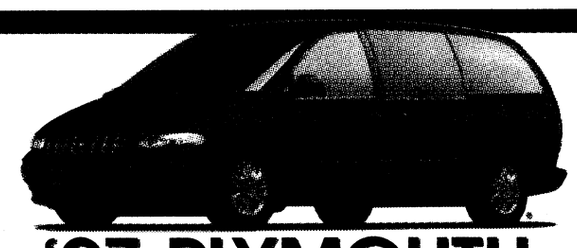

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SPORTS

SECTION C

29th suffocates 11th's offense

2nd place team takes 64-56 win in scoring frenzy

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Using a suffocating defense and pinpoint accuracy in the last six minutes of Monday's post intramural basketball game, A Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, allowed only three baskets while scoring 15 points against Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment to get a 64-56 win at the Briant Wells Field House.

David Best, a 29th forward, went on a scoring streak adding seven of the last 15 points and drew two fouls taking him to the free-throw line.

Starting off the game strong, Jeff Frye, a 29th forward, was the first to score after a rebounded foul shot and a fast break in the opening seconds of the game. The game remained close throughout the first 15 minutes of the first half with neither team taking more than a two-point lead. Fouls from 11th started early in the game while 29th was foul free for 10 minutes.

With five minutes remaining in the first half, 11th began to slowly pull away, taking a four point lead despite many "no-look passes" that traveled out of bounds.

Fighting back, 29th struggled to keep the four-point gap and began to foul a little more frequently. With only a few ticks left on the clock, 29th guard Josh Craddolph fired and sunk a half-court shot as the horn sounded. Barely late of releasing the ball, the referees were unable to count the extremely long shot leaving the halftime score 35-31 in favor of the 11th.

Paul Buremeister, an 11th forward, stole the ball and drove the length of the court for an easy lay-up beginning a short period of unanswered points.

Digging into its bag of tricks, 29th began its pressing defense that kept 11th at bay while closing the point gap and then taking the lead with seven minutes left.

This half it was the 11th that was heavy on the fouls. Seven team fouls allowed 29th to spend time at the free-throw line.

Several of the fouls were on Best, and he punished his rivals for their costly mistakes as he sank all but one attempt within the last two minutes.

Keeping the heat turned to the max, both teams turned over many fouls, eight by 11th and nine by 29th, perhaps from rushing plays or over-aggressiveness.

With the win pretty much in the bag in the last minutes, 29th kept pressuring 11th as time expired.

"We played a good man-to-man game, but were a little sore and rusty from being at the (Expert Infantryman Badge) site all day," said James Flott, 29th's playing coach. "We adjusted our defense as they slowed down and played a really good game."

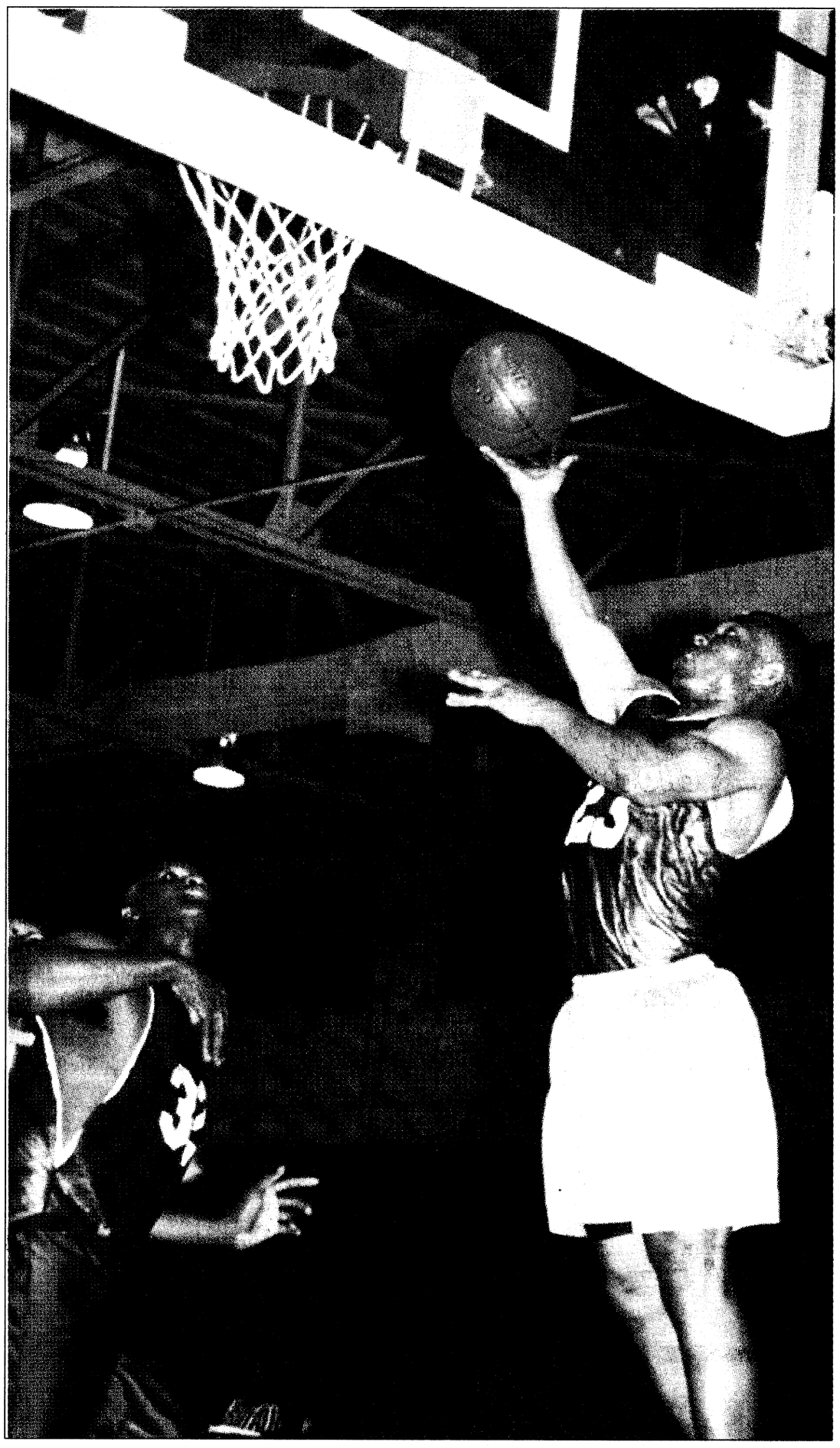
"The first half we played really good, even though we were outmanned in numbers and height," said 11th's playing coach, Robert Clegg. "In the second half, we were impatient and rushed too much. We just couldn't get ourselves out of the hole we dug."

With the second half of the Post Intramural Basketball season starting this week, both teams plan on keeping the same game plan with only slight changes.

"We need to quit turning over the ball," Clegg said. "We have won only one and lost four, but they were all close games. We don't have a lot of people on the roster, but we are a real quick team. That we use to our advantage."

"We really need to hit our open shots," said Flott. "We also need to capitalize on our defense and keep on the board," he said, after securing his team's fourth win with only one loss.

Games can be seen in three gyms across the post on weekdays at 6 and 7 p.m. Santiago Fitness Center, Audie Murphy Gym and Briant Wells Field House all host the intramural season.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Willie Dansler, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, goes for a lay-up and scores in post intramural action.

Faith Race set

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

If you haven't already done so, it's time to dust off those trusty sneakers and start preparing for the 21st annual Faith Spring Race, which is April 8.

The yearly race is an opportunity for the community and school to come together and participate in a fitness event, said Susan Emerson, race coordinator and physical education teacher at Faith Middle School.

Emerson said the race is a great way for families to spend time together while doing something active.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and participate. In the past the race has drawn as many as 400 runners.

"This is a fun activity that promotes physical fitness and really gives you a feeling of accomplishment when you finish," Emerson said. "If nothing else go out and participate and get the T-shirt."

The event will feature a one, two and five-mile race and has more than 10 age divisions. Awards will be presented to the top three open divisions (male and female) of the five and two mile races, and to the top five (male and female) open division winners of each one mile race. Medals will be given to the top three male and female finishers of each group in each race.

Pre-registration for participants 14 and under is $5 and $7 for those 15 and over. Registration the day of the race will be $6 for those 14 and under and $8 for 15 and over.

Maps of race courses are available at the Faith Middle School Physical Education Department. For more information or entry forms, call 545-5524 or 545-7793.

Newest USAMU addition takes gold in first 10 days

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

The newest member of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit brought home a Gold Medal only 10 days after being assigned to the shooting team.

USAMU international pistol shooter Pvt. 1 Grant E. Saylor won the Gold Medal in the Air Pistol Match and the Silver Medal in the Sport Pistol Event at the Junior Olympics held at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 20-22.



Saylor

This was the third consecutive year that Saylor won the Junior Olympic Air Pistol Gold Medal, but this was the last time he was able to shoot in the competition since he will turn 21 next year.

Although he had shot this match many times before, Saylor said it felt different this time, because he was wearing an Army shooting uniform.

"I felt like I was representing the Army rather than just myself," Saylor said. "It felt a lot different."

The 19-year-old said he was the only Soldier competing in the match and "quite a few people" came up to him asking him questions about the Army.

"The Army's the best way to go for shooting; I think joining was a great choice," he said.

The native of Warner Robins, Ga., graduated from Northside High School of Warner Robins and attended Macon State College of Macon, Ga. He joined the Army in 1999 and was assigned to the Marksmanship Unit International Pistol Team Feb. 10 after completing Basic Training and Infantry and Bradley School.

Saylor started shooting rifle in 1987 and became a member of the Fort Benning Junior Rifle Club in 1993. He began pistol

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Bridgett Siter

The Magics take temporary control of the game in the last day of the YS b-ball season.

Outnumbered Tigers take win

Bridgett Siter
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The 8- to 9-year-old Tigers defeated the Magics 20-11 Saturday on the last day of the Youth Services basketball season.

With only six players, the Tigers have been outnumbered all season by teams with nearly twice as many players. Coach Lionel Lambert said this disadvantage ultimately proved beneficial for his hoopsters.

"We have been plagued all season by our small numbers, and sometimes these kids have had to play an entire game with no relief," Lambert said. "But they always played hard and maintained good focus. Now at the end of the season, they've all had a lot of court time and you can see it in their willingness to shoot and pass. Their hard work this year is really going to pay off next year."

Their "willingness to shoot" was the key ingredient to Saturday's victory over the Magics.

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Ladies' golf group tackles green

Sally Shutt
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Catherine Cole likes to golf with her son, Andrew, and husband, Tom. But on Monday mornings, it's ladies only.

Cole spends about two hours most Mondays on the Follow Me Golf Course with fellow members of a group sponsored by the Officers' Wives' Club.

The golfer enjoys being outside and the camaraderie she shares with the other members.

"You learn from each other. There's no pressure, unless you put it on yourself," Cole said.

Kathy Burns organized the golf group in the fall and about 30 women signed up for the activity. They average between 10 and 14 golfers each week. The women play nine holes in about two hours. "We are always looking for new members," Burns said.

This group is a low-key bunch, many taking up the sport for the first time. "We want everyone to feel comfortable and give it a try," Burns said. "This course is wonderful in welcoming new people."

Jill Beard's game has improved since the fall, and she has gotten over her "fear of golf," she said.

"I'm not confident enough to go out with experienced players. The atmosphere on some courses can be intimidating," she said.

Beard now plays golf more with her husband. "We have played more together because now I'm more confident."

Carolyn Garland has owned clubs for 11 years, but used them mostly on driving ranges.

"This is a good group to learn with," she said.

For more information on the Monday morning OWC ladies golf group, call Burns at 682-0906.



Sally Shutt

Dawn Pricone tees off Monday morning at the Follow Me Golf Course.

Cumberland takes visitors back in time

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer



If you are looking for a taste of paradise, but don't have the means to make an across-the-world trek, there is an island off the southern coast of Georgia that comes about as close to paradise as I can imagine.

It is Cumberland Island and it is unlike anything I have ever seen.

This is one of those indescribable places where you just have to experience it for yourself.

Unless you have your own boat; the only way to get to Cumberland Island is by taking a ferry from St. Marys, Ga., which is about four and a half hours from Columbus. This may seem like a long haul, but it is definitely worth it, especially if you plan on camping on the island.

You can make either day trips or decide to camp. There are a number of standard or primitive, backcountry sites.

After leaving the ferry my first reaction was one of awe. Hauling my gear to the campsite I was stunned at the undefineable beauty of my surroundings. The sides of the trail were saturated with Palmetto trees and above me the sun filtered through an archaic canopy created by live oak branches and tangled vines. This was just my first five minutes on the island.

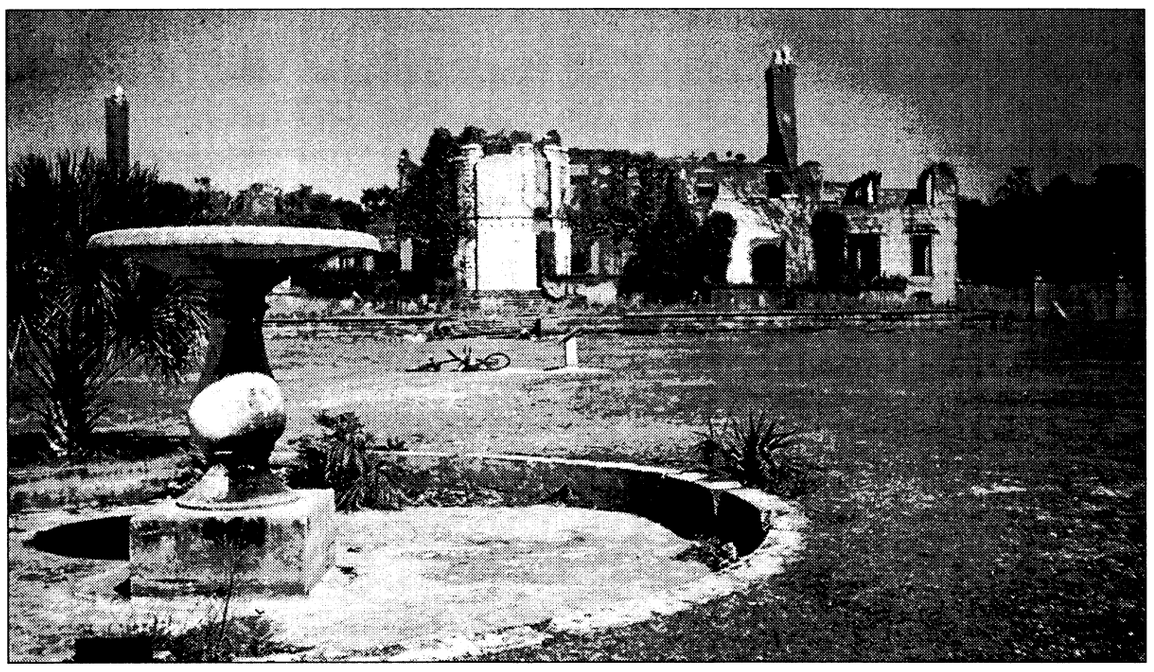
The campsite was just as neat. Nestled off a foot path it was very private and protected by dense trees and vegetation. There was a small storage box to keep food away from the critters, which attest to the abundance of wildlife. After my camping buddy and I set up our site we headed out to explore the island.

One of the more popular attractions are the ruins of a mansion that once belonged to Andrew Carnegie. The massive structure is dilapidated but helps paint a good mental picture of an era long gone. Walking behind the mansion you get your first glimpse of the vast salt marshes that appear as an ocean of tall grass swaying in the wind. This is just one of the dramatic changes in terrain you will experience while on the island.

I have to say visiting Cumberland isn't like taking a hike on one of the local trails. There is nothing consistent about the island. You can be gallivanting through the forest and the next thing you know you are trekking along gigantic sand dunes that look as if they had been transported from the desert. And then without warning you find yourself staring out upon an endless waterfront.

Seagulls cluster the beachfront and there are more than enough trinkets to be found lying sprinkled along the water's edge. Seashells, sand dollars, jellyfish, horseshoe crabs and more are all part of the marine life that can be inspected or taken home as souvenirs.

Of course, the marine life isn't the only thing Cumberland is known for. Barely four hours on the island and I had already seen three armadillos rooting around unaware that someone was watching them.



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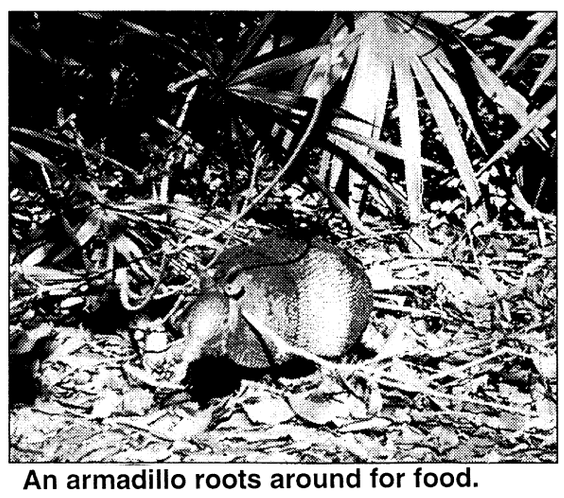
Ruins from a mansion once owned by Andrew Carnegie are just one of the attractions of Cumberland Island. People can also enjoy beachfront, forests, marshes and more.

Sunset was the cue for a whole bunch of creatures to come out and make their nightly rounds on the campsites, which made me thankful for the food cages. I was continually being awakened by sounds of little feet making their way around the tent.

The next morning we headed to the beach front to eat some breakfast and say our last goodbyes to the island.

I was sad to leave so soon, knowing there were miles and miles of beach and backcountry left to explore.

If there is one place that I recommend having to see this is definitely it. For more information on the island or for reservations, call (912) 882-4335 or go to parks.yahoo.com//parks/parks/cuis.



An armadillo roots around for food.

USAMU scores wins throughout United States

Paula Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Shooters of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit have scored some major victories recently. The following results are some of their accomplishments:

• **Rocky Mountain Rifle Championships, Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 1-7 —** International rifle shooter Robert E. Harbison was the grand aggregate winner, David A. Johnson finished second overall, followed by Timothy R. Manges in third place.

Harbison won the Three Position Match and Glenn A. Dubis finished third. Harbison also won the Air Rifle Match; Johnson took second place and Manges was third. Thomas A. Tama finished second in the Prone Rifle Match; Stephen C. Goff tied for third place with Johnson and Harbison finished one point behind them.

The USAMU Team of Harbison, Goff and Lance S. Hopper won the Prone Team Match. The USAMU Team of Johnson, Tamas and Hopper won the Three Position Match and the USAMU Team of Goff, Johnson and Manges won the Air Team Match.

• **Desert Mid-Winter Championships, Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 17-21 —** Service pistol shooter Steven M. King won the Grand Aggregate. He also won the 45-Caliber Match, finished second in the Service Pistol Match and was third in the 22-Caliber Match.

Thomas A. Rose won the Service Pistol Match and placed second in the Center Fire Match. Roger C. Jacobson was second in the .45-Caliber Match. The USAMU Team of King, Jacobson, Rose and Jason A. Sargent won the Team Grand Aggregate. The team won the .45-Caliber Match and finished second in the Center Fire and Service Pistol Team Matches.

The USAMU Team of King, Jacobson, Rose and Gregory S. Wilson won the .22-Caliber Team Match.

• **Florida Regional Championships, Palm Bay, Fla., Feb. 13-21 —** Service rifle shooter Norman L. Anderson finished third overall in the 1600 Grand Aggregate in the High Master Service Rifle Class, he was second in the Second 800 Aggregate and fourth in the First 800 Aggregate.

Michael E. Moore won the Grand Aggregate in the Master Class and Elisha M. Hoover was second; in the First 800 Aggregate, Hoover was the winner and Moore finished third, and Moore won the Second 800 Aggregate. The USAMU Team, coached by Charles E. Coffey, won the Any Rifle Any Sight Team Match; the shooters were Coffey, Anderson, Moore and Hoover.

• **Golden Bear, Prado, Calif., Feb. 8-13 —** Shotgun shooter Joetta R. Dement won the Women's Division of the Trap Match followed by Theresa E. DeWitt in second place; David R. Alcoriza finished third in the Men's Division.

• **Wolf Creek Invitational, Atlanta, Feb. 11-12** —International pistol shooter Daryl L. Szarenski won the Men's Air Pistol Match Feb. 11 and finished second Feb. 12.

Rhonda L. Bright tied for second place in the Women's Air Pistol Match and Steven M. King placed third in the Men's Air Pistol Match Feb. 12.

B-Ball: Youth leaguers go head-to-head

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Collectively, the Tigers exhibited well-founded confidence in their ability to shoot from outside the key. Guard Anthony Wright scored a game high of nine points, and teammates Shaquille Shaw and Aubrey Crowell contributed greatly to the Tigers win.

Despite their loss, the Magics also displayed a lot of end-season bravado. Forwards Shekia Hill and Daniel Cardiel both scored five points. Hill barely missed several long shots, leading one to believe she'll be an unstoppable force next season. In the 6- to 7-year-old division, the Black Bulls beat the Blue Bulls 18-10. Tre Powell scored a game-high 10 points for the Black Bulls. Shelia Cruz and Corey Sanders both scored four points for the Blue Bulls.

The Dream Team defeated the Tigers, 21-5. Gary Hunt scored five points for the Dream Team. Kenneth Shuler and Nathan Simons assisted the Tigers with two points each.

In the 8- to 9-year-old division, the Lakers ousted the Bulldogs, 28-7, with Kahlee Tyler shooting 10 for the Lakers. Sean McNeil scored six points for the Bulldogs.

The Green Tigers and the Red Bulls tied with 13 points each. James Braddy added 12 points to the Tigers score. Dean Sando and Edguardo Rivera both scored three points for the Bulls.

The 76ers topped the Magics 19-13 in the 10- to 12-year-old division. Xavier Shaw scored 11 for the 76ers, and Joshua Vargas scored four for the Magics.

The Tarheels beat the Knicks, 40-23. Anthony Lacour scored the game high of 16 points for the Knicks. Courtland Akinloye scored 10 for the Tarheels.

The Ruff Ryders snuck past the Blazers 31-30. Arthur Scott added 20 points to the Blazers score. Walter McGee scored eight points for the Ruff Ryders.

In the 13- to 15-year-old division, the Ballers defeated the 76ers 40-36. Darian Lyles shot 15 for the 76ers. Dominic Whitley scored 10 for the Ballers.

The Blue Devils topped the Hornets, 43-30. Joey Fix scored 17 points for the Devils, and Ernest Tyler scored nine for the Hornets.

Shooter: Aims for 2000 U.S. Shooting Team

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shooting in 1990, has been a member of the U.S. National Pistol Development Team since 1997.

Last year, he won Gold Medals in Junior Air and Rapid Fire and a Silver Medal in Junior Sport Pistol at the National Championships. He was also a member of the International Junior Pistol Championships U.S. Team.

In 1998, he brought home Gold Medals in Junior Free, Sport and Air Pistol at the National Championships, as well as being a member of the U.S. World

Shooting Championships and International Junior Pistol Championships teams.

He was the 1997 Junior Free Pistol Champion and received Bronze Medals in Junior Air and Sport Pistol from the National Championships and was a member of the U.S. Team for the Championship of the Americas. He was also a U.S. Team member n 1995, 1996 and 1997 at the International Junior Pistol Championships.

Saylor said his goal now is to make the 2000 U.S. Shooting Team that will compete at the Conseil International du Sport Militaire — known as CISM and the Military World Games — which will be conducted in Turkey in July. As far as making the 2000 Olympic Team, Saylor said he's not nearly as good as some of his fellow USAMU pistol shooters.

"I don't think I'll be much competition to some of the other guys on the team," Saylor said. "But I'll learn a lot from them."

sports briefs

Army looks for women basketball players — The Department of the Army Sports is looking for women basketball players interested in trying out for the All-Army Women Basketball Team.

For more information, visit the USAIC Sports Director located in Building 241, Room 221 or call 545-4300 or 545-5777.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services. Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and above, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

For more information, call 545-3070.

USPS offers boating course — The United States Power Squadron offers a boat course that begins March 28 at the naval reserve center. The class targets every type of boater and will feature information on boat handling and seamanship, lines and knots, charts and guides, engine troubleshooting and more.

The cost is $15 for materials. For more information or to sign up, call 561-4943.

Kelley Hill holds chess tourney — The Kelley Hill Recreation Center is holding a USCF rated chess tournament at noon March 25. Entry fee is $4.

For more information, call Riley Lane at 687-6483.

YS needs coaches — Youth Services is in need of additional volunteer soccer and baseball coaches.

Interested individuals should call YS at 545-3070.

Georgia Wildlife hosts clay shoot — The Georgia Wildlife Federation is hosting its 3rd Annual Shoot for Conservation Saturday at the Meadows National Gun Club in Forsyth, Ga.

Proceeds from this registered shoot will directly benefit GWF's environmental education programs designed to educate young people on the importance of environmental stewardship.

The entry fee is $75 per shooter.

Included in the fee are 100 registered sporting clay targets, foam earplugs and lunch. This will be a Lewis Class competition with various shooting games all afternoon. GWF will also have a raffle featuring a Beretta shotgun as the grand prize.

To register by phone call (770) 929-3350, online at www.gwf.org/shoot.2000.htm or mail the entry fee to GWF, 1930 Iris Drive, Conyers, Ga., 30094. Be sure to indicate either a starting time of 10:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m.

Columbus swim team hosts meet — The Columbus Hurricanes Swim Team is hosting the Division Championship Swim meet March 10-12 and needs volunteers.

The meet will be held at the D.A. Turner YMCA on Warm Springs Road. Sixteen timers are needed on March 10 from 5:30 p.m. until the meet is over. These 16 timers, two per lane, are also needed from 7:30 a.m. to noon, from 1:30-5 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. until the end of the meet on March 11 and 12.

Anyone who wants to volunteer can call Jeff Dellinger at 561-2547 or Don McLemore at 327-5622.

2000 Golf Privilege Card available — The 2000 "Lung Card" offers golfers the opportunity to play on more than 600 of the finest courses in the Southeast including courses in Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and the South Carolina Beach area. The card holder has the opportunity to play one or more rounds of golf for free or reduced green fees on every course listed.

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For more information, call 569-1098 or go to www.golfsouth.org.

Callaway Gardens offers clinic — The Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing School is conducting two-day clinics that include a group classroom session, field instruction and fly-fishing for rainbow, brown and brook trout in one of the Garden's premiere private lakes.

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Georgia Games to begin — The Georgia Games, the nation's leading state games program, will return to Atlanta for its 10-year anniversary, 2000 Championships and other amateur sporting events.

All Georgia residents will have the opportunity to compete or volunteer in a wide variety of events beginning in early spring and lasting through fall. Athletes of all ages and skill levels can choose from more than 150 events taking place all over the state in 10 district sports festivals in May and June.

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• Sunday — Spring Sports Fest, Johns Creek, Duluth

• May 13 — Centennial Olympic Park 5K Run-a-Round, Centennial Olympic Park, Atlanta

• May-June — 10 District Sports Festivals, throughout Georgia.

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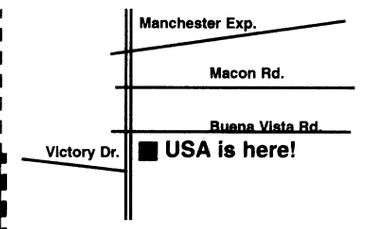

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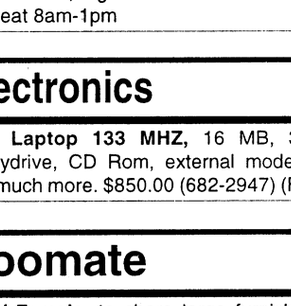
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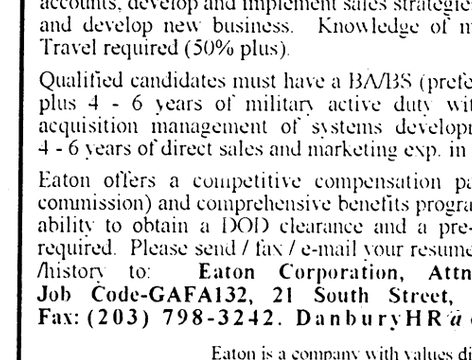

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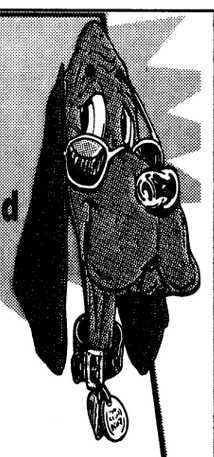

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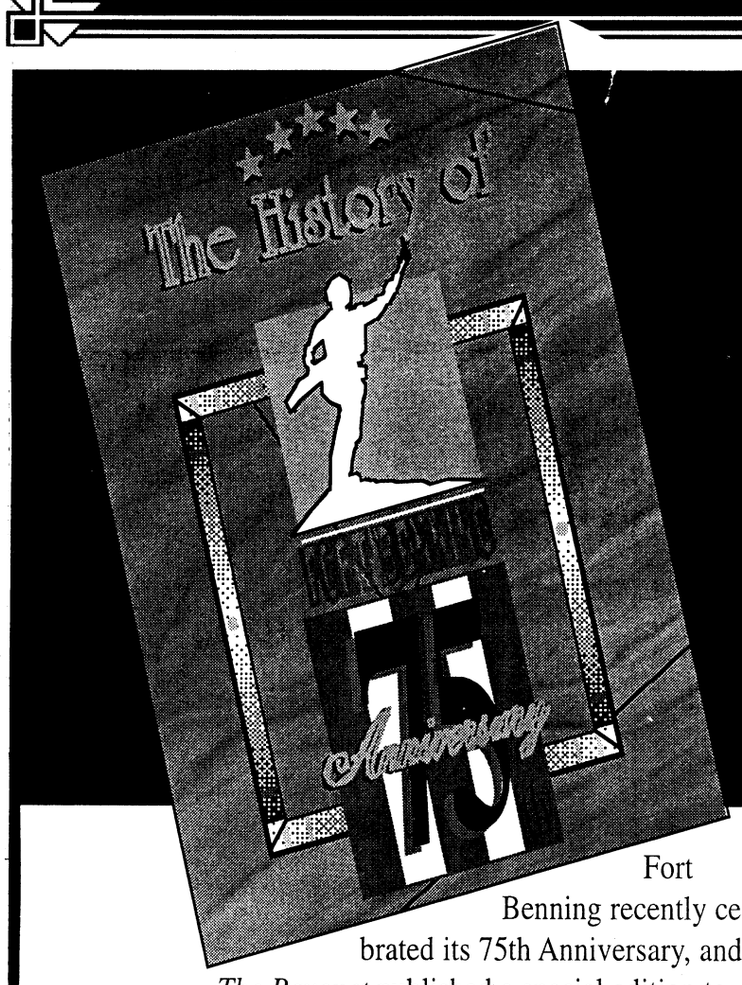

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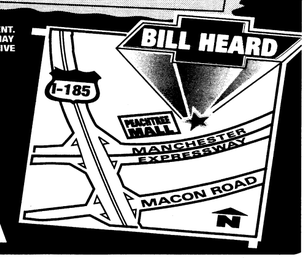

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DoD listens to women's issues

Lawyer visits post, addresses concerns of women in service

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

If you had five minutes alone with the Secretary of Defense, what would you tell him?

That's the question some Fort Benning Soldiers will have the chance to answer Wednesday when they meet with one of Secretary of Defense William Cohen's personal advisers.

Julia White is not an inspector nor an investigator. She is a civilian attorney from Atlanta serving on the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS). She will spend her day on post conducting small informal discussion groups — five with active-duty women and one with male Soldiers. She will take what she learns from the Soldiers and report her findings to Cohen.

White and the more than 30 other DACOWITS members are personal advisers to Cohen on issues relating to women in the military. Each serves a three-year term and receives no compensation — it is strictly a volunteer position.

All members are required to visit nearby installations to talk with women and men to determine their concerns and suggestions. The issues that usually arise during these "off the record" sessions are health care, quality of life, frequent deployments, sexual harassment and equal opportunities for advancement, White said.

Between 12 and 15 Soldiers will attend each session with White. No one else is allowed in the room, she said. The conferences are divided by rank: junior enlisted women, senior enlisted women, officer and senior NCO women, junior officer women, senior officer women and senior male enlisted. Men are included because increasingly issues discussed are gender neutral.

Before leaving the post White will brief the Deputy Commanding General, Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton, and follow that with a written report to the defense secretary.

"The idea is basically to improve the military," she said.

White's visit to Fort Benning allows her to stay informed of current activities in the

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New times call for new training

Terrorism response teams take part in LR2K

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Mention places like the Oklahoma City Federal Building and the New York World Trade Center and the results of global terrorism are no longer just numbers — they are visual images that strike fear in the hearts of millions of Americans.

Add to the images the number of Americans killed by terrorists and the problem becomes even more frightening.

So how does a nation with open borders and free trade topple the threat of global terrorism — by learning and practicing to respond for possible events.

And practice is exactly what local, state and federal agencies did Monday when they teamed up for the largest Weapons of Mass Destruction exercise in the history of the Southeast.

The exercise brought officials from the Army National Guard, Center for Disease Control and

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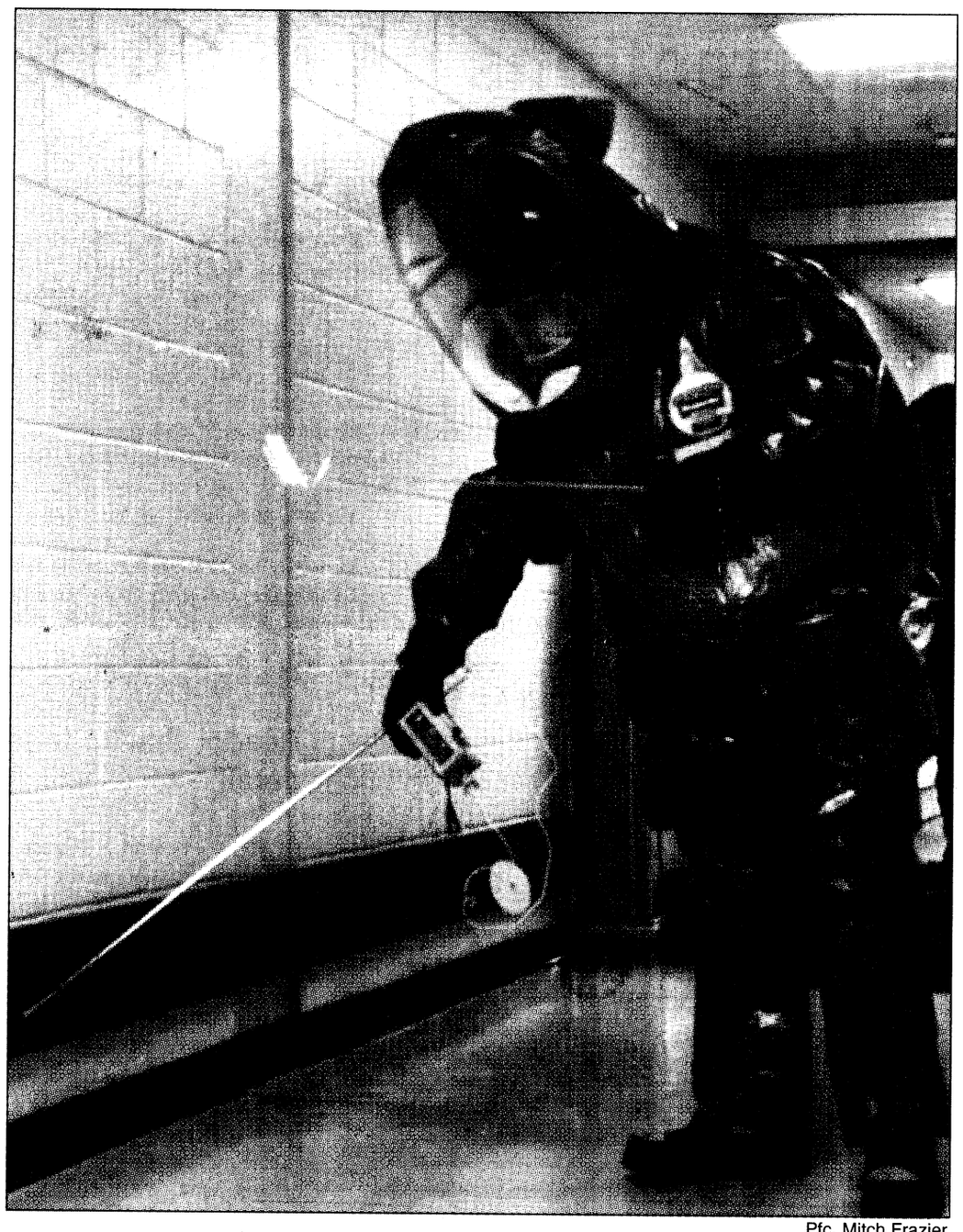

Pfc. Mitch Frazier

Soldiers from the Response Task Force East search for airborne chemicals at Martin Army Community Hospital Monday during the exercise.

AER seeks support

Collection campaign now underway

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The Army Emergency Relief campaign kicked off March 1 to begin the 46-day program to collect emergency relief funds for Soldiers, family members and retirees.

Unit representatives from across Fort Benning converged in Infantry Hall to receive information on how to solicit voluntary contributions from Soldiers, family members and retirees.

Fort Benning's goal is to collect $200,000 for AER by April 15, said Col. John C. Latimer, Fort Benning's chief of staff who gave the kick-off remarks. "We want to give everybody the opportunity to give to this cause — it's Soldiers taking care of Soldiers. Hopefully, we will get 100 percent participation."

AER was founded in 1942, and the kickoff started in 1947. Last year, Fort Benning collected $179,294, said Al Deane, AER officer. It helps out with emergency leave, the cost of food and rent, emergency transportation and vehicle repair. It also helps with funeral expenses and provides scholarships for family members attending undergraduate studies.

Since 1942, AER has helped 2.7 million Soldiers or their families, with more than $720 million, according to an AER pamphlet.

"Last year, Fort Benning's AER distributed $833,589 through 926 loans and grants," said Latimer. "The Army looks out for its own. Our AER provided burial expenses for a Soldier whose spouse died unexpectedly. We paid for a Soldier to repair his vehicle, which was the only vehicle that his family had, and we paid for a Soldier's airplane tickets when his mother became very ill, among many other loans and grants."

AER provides interest-free loan and grant assistance for valid emergencies to people who are eligible.

AER can be reached 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In the event of an emergency, people needing assistance should first see their unit commander, then contact the AER section. If AER is not in the local area, the American Red Cross Chapter, the Air Force Aid Society Section, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Auxiliary or the Coast Guard Mutual Assistance Office can all provide assistance.

Deane said, "We really want this year to be great and need the help from everyone's contributions."

DUI can cost more than just fines

Underage drinkers face stricter drunk driving enforcement

Sally Shutt
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Just one drink can result in a driving under the influence charge for a person under the age of 21 in Georgia.

And a DUI is a DUI.

Anyone under 21 with a blood alcohol level of .02 or higher can be charged with driving under the influence. The threshold for a presumption of DUI for drivers over 21 is higher at .08.

It takes one beer, or a 5-ounce glass of wine or a shot of 80-proof liquor for a 160-pound person to raise his blood alcohol level to .02.

An individual who gives or furnishes alcohol to a person under 21 would also be in violation of the law.

Take it a step further: If there is an accident and someone dies, the person who supplied the keys or car to an intoxicated person may face charges as steep as involuntary manslaughter or negligent homicide, Capt. Paula Harrison, trial counsel, Staff Judge Advocate, said.

"If you play a part in that, you can be charged with some very serious crimes," she said, citing two military cases.

Harrison acts as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney in Magistrate's Court for DUI cases involving Soldiers. Although most Soldiers arraigned for DUI are of age, she has prosecuted cases of underage drinkers charged with DUI.

"I don't think underage Soldiers realize how easy it is to get a DUI," she said. "They may think they are fine to drive — that at .02 they are excellent drivers — but they are violating the same law, just a different provision. It's DUI regardless."

Times have changed since the days of "happy hours" at post clubs.

"Back then it was how fast I could serve the alcohol to keep everyone with full glasses. That's a non-issue now," John Bush, chief of the Community Operations Division, said. He oversees the operation of Fort Benning's club system including the Afterhours Enlisted Club and the Main NCO, Sand Hill and Kelley Hill facilities.

There was an Army-wide ban on "happy hours" about eight years ago, Bush said.

"That culture in the Army is gone. The Army and society have completely changed their attitudes about consuming alcohol and driving a vehicle. And we have modified the way we operate these facilities to accommodate that," he said.

In recent years, commercial food operations have opened in several of the clubs on post and response from Soldiers has been positive.

The clubs only serve alcohol by the drink, not in bulk, and food sales outdistance alcohol sales, even on the two busiest nights, Friday and Saturday.

On the weekends, the club averages between two and three drinks per person.

"Sunday through Thursday we probably don't sell $10 worth of alcohol a night at the Afterhours club," Bush said.

Most Soldiers are too young to recall the past acceptance of drinking.

"I can well remember when consuming large amounts of alcohol was a part of a Soldier's lifestyle. That is no longer true," Bush said.

"You hear stories of the Army 10 years ago, and it is radically different than it is today," Harrison, the lawyer, said.

Prevention is the key and it is stressed at safety briefings and in Soldier training. Any Soldier who is listed on the MP blotter for any alcohol-related offense is automatically referred to the Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program for evaluation. Commanders will refer Soldiers

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Helmetless riders expose brains

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



I am not usually at a loss for words. Ask anyone who knows me.

Better yet, call and I'll be happy to demonstrate. I'm a little weak on topics like Ohm's law, nuclear fission, Hammurabi's code, the effects of global warming on the socio-economic development of Patagonia and what, exactly, makes a Ranger tick but I'm sure we could find something to talk about.

Sadly, there are occasions when as much as I would like to talk to someone about something, I can't because I would be crossing that fine line between getting involved and butting in.

I've been spending more time on the Riverwalk lately, trying to rack up some miles on my bike. As the weather gets warmer and the days get longer, the traffic is picking up. Lots of families are coming out with fledgling bicyclists, and there is the root of my problem.

I wear a helmet. I wear it because it makes sense. I wear it because I'm sure some of the things I did in my checkered past destroyed some brain cells and I need to preserve the ones that are left. I wear it because I start my rides on post and it's a post regulation that all bicyclists wear one.

Off post it's a state law that any bicyclist 16 or younger must wear a helmet.

If I had a dollar for every child I pass wearing a bike helmet incorrectly, I wouldn't have to bike on the Riverwalk; I could build my own. It would be a nice one too, level or downhill, both out and back.

I can't tell you how many times I have passed a kid wearing a helmet that's too big, tipped back, canted to one side and with a chin strap so loose it looks like someone fitted it like a dog collar (at least two fingers of space). Technically, the kid's legal, he's wearing a helmet; but it's on wrong, making it's value questionable.

It's hard to pass his parents without making some pithy comment. Something short and to the point like "If you're not going to make her wear it right, why bother?" or "How hard can it be? There was a picture right on the box." Or maybe a more direct, to the point remark like "Why don't you level your kid's helmet? Don't you like him anymore?"

I wish I were making this up. The truth is that while most kids on bikes are wearing helmets, hardly any of them wear them correctly. (I refuse to address the issue of the bareheaded few. I figure there's no point in developing an emotional attachment to them because odds are they won't be around long.)

Maybe I should just be glad the baby bicyclists are wearing helmets at all. That's more than the kids on rollerblades can say. There's no law that says they have to wear a helmet, and hardly any of them do. I could get really snippy with their moms and dads. How about, "You know what they call 'bladers who don't wear helmets? Organ donors!"

It's not just happening outdoors on the Riverwalk, either. On one memorable occasion at a local skating rink, I was completely floored by a woman sitting on the sidelines waiting for her 6-year-old daughter.

I had just gotten off the floor because there was too much traffic for me (more than two other skaters) and was pulling off my skates, helmet and wrist guards.

"My daughter noticed that you are wearing a helmet," she began. "And I told her that was pretty smart because if you fell and hit your head you wouldn't get hurt. I worry about her falling and hitting her head. You know, broken bones can heal but once you're brain damaged, that's it. I wouldn't worry so much if she wore a helmet."

I told her that my helmet was a regular bike helmet, available at any discount store for less than $20, to which she replied, "Oh, she has a helmet, a good one. We bought it even before we bought her bicycle. I make sure she wears it every time she rides her bike."

It was one of the few times in my adult life when I was totally speechless.

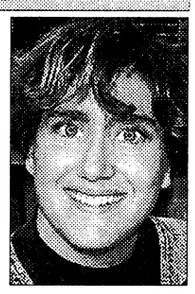
Maybe she was speaking of being brain damaged from personal experience. Maybe she was born that way. Maybe she's like the parents of the baby bicyclists and rollerbladers wearing their helmets incorrectly who don't know or don't care.

Too bad it's the little guys who have to pay the price.

On-the-spot corrections part of Army

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary



Ever make an on-the-spot correction? Many Soldiers find out about frayed collars, untied bootlaces or the need for a haircut because of an on-the-spot correction.

Uniform violations are the cause of many of them.

AR 670-1 is pretty specific about how every uniform a Soldier wears should look. It gives guidance on hairstyles and even says how many rings a Soldier can wear.

So why the confusion about a Soldierly appearance?

According to the reg, male and female Soldiers can't have faddish hairstyles when in uniform and makeup should be worn tastefully.

I've witnessed many debates about what is considered faddish or tasteful.

One master sergeant I knew approached a junior NCO about the way her hat fit over the beehive hairdo she had. An example of an on-the-spot correction.

The junior NCO didn't like the correction, but was wrong and knew it. I don't think she actually changed her hairstyle but instead avoided Infantry Hall. Another time it was a correction about two-tone hair on a female master sergeant. I guess some Soldiers would rather be corrected than have their style questioned.

These days the issue isn't hairstyle but earrings.

I talked with a male Soldier the other day to find out if he knew what the post earring policy was for male Soldiers. He did. And he was still wearing a diamond earring while off duty in civilian clothes at the PX.

He said he has been written up twice for the earring. My on-the-spot correction went in one ear ...

Soldiers are supposed to have a uniform appearance.

Wearing a uniform isn't about individualism.

Wearing the uniform is about being part of the team.

Stats prove need for control

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



One of the hottest debates in Washington right now is gun control — and rightfully so.

Just like the issue of pro-life or pro-choice, gun control seems to have the public divided. Everyone has an argument and they stand behind it with full force. Most people either want guns or they don't.

This issue has been hounded to death. And I doubt that me standing on a soap box preaching about why or why we shouldn't have stricter gun laws is going to change anyone's mind about the matter. Instead, I figure it is best to present some statistics about guns and violence and let everyone draw his own conclusions.

According to the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, in one year alone 5,285 children in the U.S. were killed by firearms. Compare that to the 0 in Japan, 19 in Great Britain, 57 in Germany, 109 in France, 153 in Canada and it is easy to see why some anti-gun advocates are steaming.

In fact, the rate of firearm deaths of children 0-14 years old is nearly 12 times higher in the U.S. than in 25 other industrialized nations combined, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

It is expected that within the next five years death by firearms will overtake vehicle accidents as the leading cause of death among American children.

Currently there are more than 200 million guns in America. There is a gun in 43 percent of households with children. There are loaded guns in one in every 10 households with children and guns in one in eight family homes aren't locked up, simply hidden away.

Guns kept in the home may be meant to protect the family but are 22 times more likely to kill someone you know rather than an intruder, according to a 1998 study by the New England Journal of Medicine.

The truth of the matter is a gun kept in the home is used as protection in as little as two percent of invasion crimes. In 1996 the FBI found that of the 9,390 total handgun murders in the U.S. only 176 were justifiable homicides.

While these statistics present a grisly picture of handgun abuse and dramatic violence in America, there is always another side to the story.

The National Rifle Association sees it another way. The NRA defends handguns by contending they do protect Americans and have their own statistics to prove it. The NRA argues that states with "Right to Carry" laws have lower violent crime rates.

Studies show that on average, states with RTC laws have 26 percent less total violent crime, 20 percent less homicide, 2 percent less rape, 39 percent less robbery and 22 percent less aggravated assault.

Of course, there is always the defense that "guns don't kill people, people kill people."

No matter which way you cut it there is no clear cut solution to America's problem with guns. The only thing we can do is be responsible. You may not be able to control outside factors, but you can make sure that your family stays safe in the home and in the homes of others.

If you have children, keep your guns locked up. If your child is going to stay at another person's house, make sure you are aware of the potenential hazards. Ask if they have guns in the house and make sure they are taken care of properly.

It never hurts to be overly cautious. It could save your child.

letter

Reader thanks funeral detail

On Feb. 14, a distinguished veteran of combat duty in three wars was laid to rest at Fort Benning Cemetery, Master Sgt. William A. Valentini. The family of this outstanding Soldier requested that the last military honors be extended to him by airborne personnel. The commander of the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, Lt. Col. Brian P. Stephenson was requested to extend these honors. Without further explanation, Capt. Ronald L. Franklin and Capt. Scott P. Noon established a coordinating staff and a burial team consisting of: Staff Sgt. Myron Frasier, Sgt. Keith Bowman, Spc. Joseph Lopez, Pfc. Roderick Jordan, Spc. Jose Hernandez and Pfc. Edgardo Rivera, a firing squad consisting of: Sgt. Pharel Petitfrere, Spc. James Small, Spc. Michael Davis, Pfc. Travis Means, Pfc. Michael Olds, Pfc. Carlos Valencia, Pvt. 2 Casey Ross and Pvt. An V. Nguyen, and coordinated with the U.S. Army Band at Fort Benning. Also, Staff Sgt. Thomas E. Whalen, bugler, gave the final salute of Taps to Valentini.

This was such an outstanding performance it is only fitting the personnel know how Fort Benning contributes to the final resting honor.

Retired Col. Robert B. Nett
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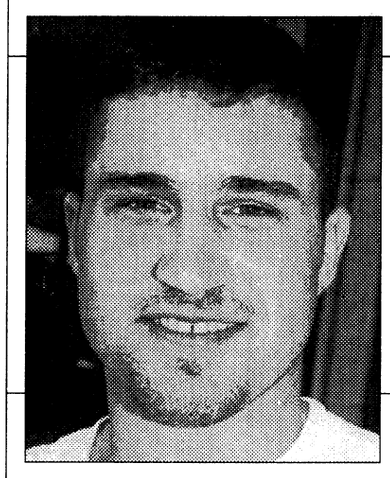
VARIOUS VOICES

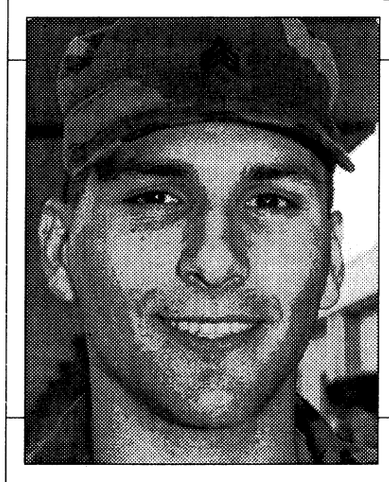
What is your understanding of the post policy on earring wear for Soldiers?



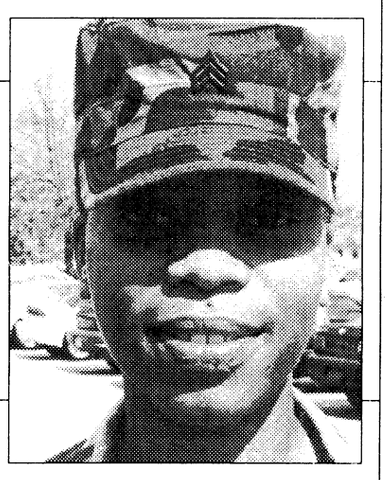
Sgt. Robert Knaggs, 988th Military Police Company — "Bottom line — no earrings are authorized for wear by male Soldiers."



1st Lt. Tricia Hoffman, U.S. Army Medical Department Activity — "My understanding is that male Soldiers aren't allowed to wear earrings at all on post."



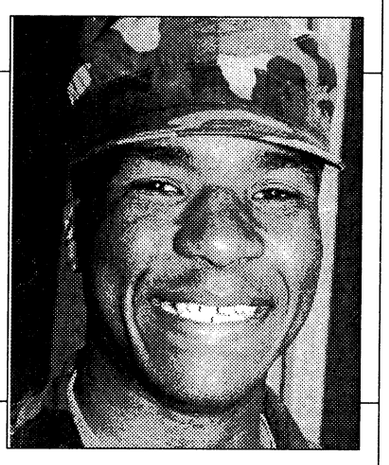
Sgt. Raul Perez, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Infantry Regiment — "My understanding of the post policy is male Soldiers are not allowed to wear earrings on post."



Sgt. Carla Merritt, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "My understanding of the policy is males aren't allowed to wear earrings on post and body piercings aren't allowed either.



Pvt. Amara Collins, 598th Maintenance Company, 36th Engineer Group — "Men aren't allowed to wear earrings on post either in or out of uniform."



Spc. Alfie Roberts, D Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry, Basic Combat Training Brigade — "Earrings are not a part of the uniform and males shouldn't wear them."

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Policy sets rule on body piercings

Regulations prohibit male Soldiers from wearing earrings on post, displaying piercings

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In the seventh-grade, the 26-year-old NCO had his left ear pierced.

"That's what was in and everybody was doing it," he said.

By the time he enlisted in the Army years later, he had four holes pierced in one ear, two in the other.

Seven years later, all but two on the left ear have closed, and he only occasionally wears an earring when in civilian clothes — and that's only off post.

It is a violation of Army regulations for male Soldiers to wear earrings while on any military installation worldwide — whether in uniform or not.

Female Soldiers can wear approved earrings while in the service, dress or mess uniforms, and other earrings while in civilian clothes on post.

The regulation doesn't stop at earrings, any body piercing (other than earrings for women) is prohibited from being displayed on military installations.

What piercings AR 670-1 prohibits

- No attaching, affixing or displaying objects, articles, jewelry or ornamentation to or through the skin is authorized while in uniform or while in civilian clothes on duty, or in civilian clothes off duty on any military installation or place under that falls unjder military jurisdiction.
- The only exception is females may wear approved earrings in their service, mess or dress uniforms, or other earrings while in civilian clothes.

According to Army Regulation 670-1, no attaching, affixing, or displaying objects, articles, jewelry or ornamentation to or through the skin is authorized while in uniform, in civilian clothes while on duty, or in civilian clothes off duty on any military installation or places under military control.

Two years ago the regulation dealt only with earrings — not other body piercing — and only prohibited males from wearing the jewelry when on duty whether in uniform or civilian clothing.

But in August 1998, 670-1 was expanded and offered the clearer guidance.

Under the present regulation, the Infantry NCO must also refrain from wearing on post the tongue ring he acquired this winter.

In December he and another Soldier had their tongues pierced.

"We are really close friends and she wanted to do it, so we did," he said.

The procedure didn't hurt, although there was a sting, he said. To prevent the hole from closing up, he wears a small stud in the center of his tongue, and says he "just doesn't talk much."

He knows about six other Soldiers who also have pierced tongues.

"I know there are a lot more out there," he said.

They wear clear flat plastic pieces and washers while on post "so you can't see it at all," he said.

Once when he wore the tongue ring on post he received an on-the-spot correction from his company commander who told him to take it out.

Fort Benning Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Kenneth Graham has had to make such corrections on the installation.

"You have to handle it tactfully because you don't want to cause a scene," he said. After hearing the regulation explained to them, most Soldiers will comply. If they don't, their names are turned over to their chain of command.

Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief of the Law Enforcement Division, first asks young men in the post exchange or other locations on post if they are family members or servicemen, because sometimes it is hard to tell, he said.

When MPs encounter male Soldiers during traffic stops who are wearing earrings, Kelley said, "You bet they will make the correction. You can't pass by an infraction because to do so would be showing that you approve of it."

Command Sgt. Maj. Mary Lepley, 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), 29th Infantry Regiment, is not one to waste words when asked about the Army's regulation on displaying body piercing.

"It's not authorized," she said.

All trainees come through Lepley's battalion on their way to basic training or one station unit training. Many young men enter the service with multiple piercings in different places — from eyebrows on down.

But, Lepley said it's not a problem at the battalion because the recruits have already read and signed a statement at their MEP station that they understand the Army's policy.

"It's really not an issue in this environment. Everything is so foreign here — the way we talk and tell time is different. They have too many other things to adjust too," she said.



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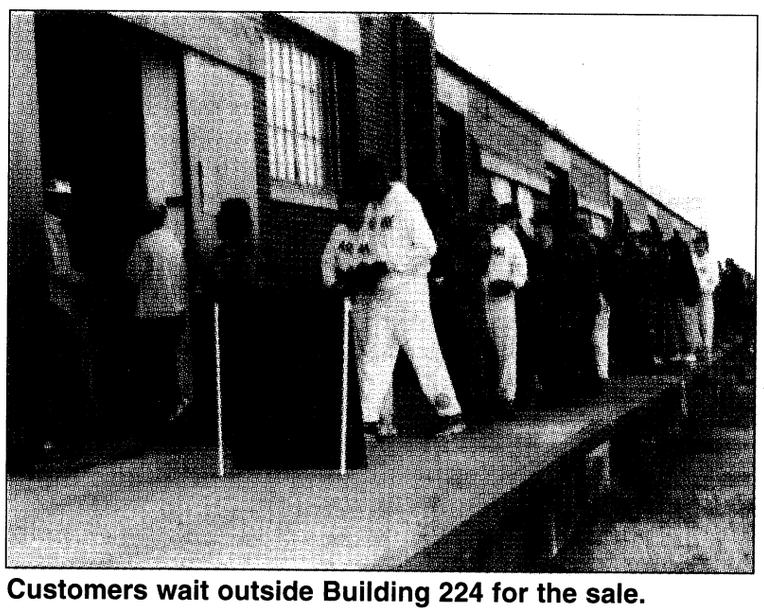

Customers wait outside Building 224 for the sale.

Soldiers find deals at DRMO

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Sgt. 1st Class Charles Seegel and his wife Paula traveled five hours from Fort Stewart, Ga., to Fort Benning Thursday night, hoping to be the first in line for the monthly clothing reclamation sale.

"We've been here before so we knew it would be worth the drive and the time. The only problem is that long wait to get in. That's why we slept in the car," said Seegel, from his number two position in line.

While the Seegels were still sleeping, Pfc. James Ditmars, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, arrived at 4 a.m., and with a magazine and radio, he positioned himself in front of Warehouse 224 to wait for the doors to open at 10 a.m.

"Yeah, I heard a lot of people would be here early," Ditmars said, as he surveyed the long line of Soldiers and civilians behind him. "But I also heard this is the cheapest place to get BDUs."

BDUs, boots, Class As, and PT uniforms were among the items on most shopping lists Friday, as Soldiers, family members and retirees braved the long wait and early morning chill to get a chance to purchase these items at 75 percent off retail prices. Surprisingly few complained about the wait, perhaps because, even with the $150 purchase limit, they could save as much as $450.

"We instituted a purchase limit because people were buying items to resell elsewhere," said Lawrence Kirkpatrick, chief of storage section for the department of logistics. "We don't profit from this sale. It's here solely to help the Soldiers."

Fort Benning is one of only a handful of installations that accumulates enough clothing items from discharged Soldiers to support a monthly reclamation sale.

The sales take place the first Friday of every month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"This is the best deal these Soldiers can get on the clothing items they need," said Charlie Wimmer, who has been running the sale since it started 21 years ago. "These are new or like-new items, at 25 percent of what they would pay elsewhere. That's a great savings to these kids who need it most."

Wimmer has made it his mission to inform "these kids" (the young Soldiers stationed at or visiting Fort Benning) about the reclamation sale.

Despite the estimated 300-400 customers that visit each month, Wimmer worries that too few Soldiers know about this opportunity.

"I wish everyone knew we were here. We don't do much advertising, and most of these kids will tell you they heard about it from someone who's been here. We need to get the word out. This is another benefit they're entitled to," said Wimmer, a retired veteran.

Kirkpatrick said more people would be able to take advantage of the discounted prices if he could hold the sale more often.

"I wish we could have it once a week. We have enough merchandise to do that," he said. "The problem is we don't have the manpower to run it. During the one-day sale, we pull personnel assigned to other positions in to help for the day."

So for now, shoppers will continue to arrive early and wait in the Disney-like line for a shot at the bargains in Warehouse 224. And like a carnival barker, the gruff-voiced Wimmer will continue to personally assist the "kids" that pass through "his store," and bid them farewell with a wave and an appeal to "come back and bring your friends."



Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

Spc. Steven Gunton, C Company, 317th Engineer Battalion, looks for a "new" set of BDUs.



DUI: Can cost Soldiers more than just career

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to the program, and anyone can enter on a self-referral.

Units offer incentives to their troops for going DUI free. For example, a training holiday might be offered for going six months without a DUI.

For any Soldier, regardless of age, a DUI conviction has serious consequences. There are fines, and probation information is sent back to the Soldier's state of record.

And then there are the repercussions from the Army including administrative action from commanders, such as reduction in rank, bar to re-enlistment, separation from the Army and loss of driving privileges on post for one year. All Soldiers charged with DUI get a letter of reprimand from the Commanding General.

Those consequences and others are spelled out in the DUI prevention checklist Soldiers in the 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment fill out and carry with them, especially over long holiday weekends.

The blue cards, designed by a Soldier in the unit, includes a Blood Alcohol Chart and lists the effects of alcohol. Phone numbers for key personnel are also listed.

Soldiers sign "My personal contract agreement" and spell out what their plans are if they decide to drink.

"The platoon sergeant follows up and checks over that card," 1st Sgt. Erik Henriksen, C Company, 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt, said. March 3, C Company received a DUI-free guidon streamer for going 365 days without a DUI.

"The bottom line is if you crack a beer, just say no to driving," Henriksen said.

In addition to preventing DUI, commanders try to prevent underage drinking. But, Soldiers who are not of legal age to drink are exposed to alcohol in their barracks and in the bowling centers and clubs on post — not just at private parties.

The USAIC regulation 600-19 is Fort Benning's policy on alcohol in the barracks. It states, "There are no restrictions on the type or amount of alcohol stored or consumed in Soldiers' quarters by a Soldier 21-years of age of older. Soldiers below the legal drinking age will not store or purchase alcohol, nor will it be stored or purchased for them. It is a violation of Georgia state law to be in possession of alcohol unless 21 years of age or older."

Commanders can charge Soldiers with underage drinking by citing Article 134 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice and the Georgia code.

"Constant checking is the only way that I know that we have been able to combat that (underage drinking)," Capt. John Jackson, C Co. commander, said.

"To say that we have been able to combat it 100 percent would be overzealous. I don't think anybody would be able to do that, because if a guy wants to drink he will get a beer. But if his supervisor lets him know that it is unacceptable and makes that correction on the spot instead of looking the other way it helps."

Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief of the Law Enforcement Division, agrees.

"In units, the hardest job belongs to the sergeant who must make sure the regulations are complied with. If they knowingly allow such behavior, they can be held responsible under the UCMJ."

Bush, the club system chief, knows about monitoring the behavior of young men and women under the age of 21.

"Our facilities are open to all family members and Soldiers, and we want to accommodate them," he said.

In order to do that at the Afterhours club, everyone is carded at the door and the IDs carefully checked for fakes. Customers 21 years and older are given a wristband. You must have a wristband to buy or consume alcohol.

"Some people will try to pass alcohol to their younger friends," Bush said. "If we catch them, generally speaking, we eject them from the club, and they lose their cover charge.

"A guy who is over 21 and who passes alcohol to someone younger is in violation of Georgia state law and the UCMJ."

Results of driving under the influence

Consequences:

- Civil conviction
- Fines
- Referral to Alcohol Drug Abuse and Prevention Control Program
- Letter of Reprimand from the Commanding General
- Administrative reduction in rank
- Bar to re-enlistment
- Separation from the Army
- Increased insurance rates
- Loss of driving privileges on post for one year

Exercise: Teaches

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Prevention, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and numerous other federal disaster experts and set them, the Response Task Force East, in a scenario that would challenge them to a multi-state, multi-incident response.

The situation began nearly a month ago when FBI officials in Columbus received "information" of potential terrorist activity, but were forced to focus attention elsewhere as the area was torn by rising flood waters and tornadoes.

The weakness of the storm-tattered states gave the militant group, the American Liberation Army, the opportunity to attack.

After stealing biological and chemical agents from a storage facility, the ALA infiltrates orange juice companies in the three states and contaminates the distribution facilities — sickening 2,200 people and killing eight.

The group continues to wreak havoc as it claims responsibility for bombings throughout the Southeast including a bomb blast that rocked a Columbus dam.

The reign of terror ripped through Fort Benning Monday when the group sent a package to Martin Army Community Hospital that exploded upon opening, belching a white cloud-like substance suspected to be anthrax.

While this plot may seem a little more like the basis for Tom Clancy thriller rather than a training exercise for rapid responders, the organizers of the training event, Launch Relief 2000 said the complexity of the scenario was essential for its success.

"This is an exercise of multiple events, so many that you'll look at it and say it will never happen like that. But with this large of an exercise to bring together this many different agencies, we had to have such a wide-ranging scenario," said Col. Richard Durden, deputy commander, Response Task Force - East, based at Fort Gillem, Ga.

While that wide-ranging scenario enlisted the efforts of more than 1,000 of the area's feds, Maj. Dennis Bradford, the exercise's resources manager, said the exercise will benefit the teams in multiple ways.

"For a lot of these people this is the first time they have worked together," he said. "If the same situation came up in the future, the relationships they are building here will help them better respond to an incident in the future.

"They will know who to call and actually be able to have a better understanding of how things work when that call is made," he said.

The call to activate the team has come three times since the team's inception in the early '90s. The team saw its first action during the Atlanta-hosted Olympic games in 1996 and also responded in support of the presidential inauguration of 1997.

The team has been also deployed to the national capitol to support security for the state of the union address.

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Team: Visits post for inquiry

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field and to meet Soldiers in their environment, Lt. Col. Don Sando, deputy chief of staff, said.

"The sensing sessions are important because they allow our Soldiers another opportunity to express issues, concerns and suggestions for improvement," he said.

"We expect them to be candid and honest on the issues they see from their perspective," Sando added.

White is one of the original founders of the Southern Center for International Studies in Atlanta.

Her husband, Peter C. White, is the president of the center and a former Airborne Soldier. Their son was a Ranger and served with the Old Guard.

White has served with DACOWITS since 1998 and visited installations within Georgia including Warner Robbins and Fort McPherson. She has seen changes during those two years.

"I admire Soldiers because they are very dedicated," she said. "They all have to sacrifice, and I know that because I talk with them. That's not the way it should be."

During her tenure on the committee, "The focus has shifted from sexual harassment to eliminating gender discrimination because the problem of sexual harassment has improved," White said.

DACOWITS was established in 1951 during the Korean War by then Secretary of Defense George Marshall to improve recruitment of women into the military. The emphasis changed from recruitment to improving career progression and other issues affecting retention.

Historically DACOWITS' recommendations were instrumental in bringing about changes to laws and policies pertaining to military women.

For example, in 1967 promotion ceilings placed on females were repealed.

In 1973 husbands of military women were given medical and other benefits already in effect for wives of active-duty personnel.

A year later, involuntary separations for women who became pregnant ended.

More recent changes came after the Gulf War. In 1993, women were no longer barred from serving on combat aircraft or naval vessels.

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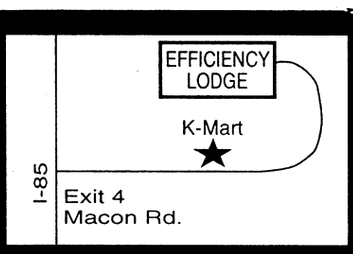

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HOLA members help students

Community members welcome USARSA Soldiers, families

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

Local community members united at the NCO Club to welcome students and families of the U.S. Army School of the Americas during the Host of Latin Americans, "Meet Your Family Night," Feb. 25.

HOLA is a sponsor and hospitality program designed for local families to help USARSA's Latin American students, guest instructors and their families understand the American way of life by giving them an opportunity to participate in home and community activities, according to Cecilia Alexander, USARSA, international military student officer and coordinator for HOLA.

Dolores Ortiz has been a member of HOLA for 10 years. She said during that time she has sponsored students and families from El Salvador, Peru, Guatemala, Bolivia and Venezuela.

"I've learned so much about their cultures and they learned so much about American culture," she said. "All of the families left me with wonderful memories and a friendship that lasts forever."

Besides having fun while sharing her American ways with barbecues, picnics and other events, the 35-year Columbus resident said she also helps the students and families with interpretations and any errands they may have.

"I'm here for them, whatever they need," she said. "I will be glad to help them anytime."

Mayor Peggy Martin of Phenix City, who also attended the event, said an organization like HOLA is very important because it represents who we are in America.

"The families who serve with HOLA are our ambassadors," she said. "They embed the image of America. That is so important. They are good role models."

Martin said she was honored to attend the event and said it was a chance for her to exchange ideas with members of other countries.

"It is great when we can come together like HOLA and USARSA students and families to exchange cultural values," Martin said. "That's what's going to keep relationships strong and unity across international borders."

Lt. Cmdr. Juan Pinedo from the Bolivian navy is a student with USARSA's Year 2000 Command and General Staff Officer's Course. Like the rest of his Latin American classmates, Pinedo is looking forward to his new adopted family.

"HOLA is a very positive program that contributes greatly to the student and his family," he said. "It allows us to be welcomed into the American community. In return, we share our culture with the community. It's a reciprocating experience."

While students and their families met their HOLA sponsors, a group of first year Spanish Club students from Phenix City's Glenwood School, were just having fun, meeting and speaking Spanish with anyone they could.

"This is great for them," said Donna Carter, Spanish teacher for the students. "They are getting a wealth of experience here that they could never get in our classroom," she said.

Carter said the students went to the event to learn more about Latin America and to meet as many representatives from the different Latin American countries.

"They can't wait to attend another function," she said. "They didn't want to leave."

If anyone is interested in learning more about HOLA, call Alexander at 545-1285.



Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt

Lt. Cmdr. Juan Pindo of the Bolivian navy, speaks with Carolina Layne (left) and Dolores Ortiz, both HOLA members, during 'Meet Your Family Night'.

USAIC to hold Women's History Month Luncheon

Sally Shutt
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Brig. Gen. Velma L. Richardson, Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Signal Center at Fort Gordon, Ga., will be the guest speaker March 29 at the Women's History Month Luncheon.

The luncheon, sponsored by the U.S. Army Infantry Center Equal Opportunity Office, is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the Fort Benning Officers' Club.

A native of South Carolina, Richardson was commissioned as a second lieutenant after graduating from Livingstone College, Salisbury, N.C., in 1973. She has been the deputy commander of Fort Gordon since July, 1998. Prior to that she commanded the 1108th U.S. Army Signal Brigade at Fort Ritchie, Md.

Musical entertainment will be provided by a local group, By De'Sign.

The cost for the lunch is $6.50. The menu includes roast turkey with dressing, green beans, rice, giblet gravy, ice tea, rolls and butter. Tickets are available from unit EO representatives or by calling 545-3200 or 545-6665.

post briefs

Military engineers to meet

The Fort Benning-Columbus Post of the Society of American Military Engineers will meet at 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at the 36th Engineers' Warrior Dining Facility, Building 2889. The guest speaker will be Harold Hartman, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, West Georgia area office. For more information, call 545-5141.

CSU offers criminal justice classes

Starting May 20 through July 28, Columbus State University, Criminal Justice Department, in conjunction with the Fort Benning office, will offer four criminal justice classes. Each of the classes will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Two will begin May 20, one graduate and one undergraduate. The remaining (graduate and undergraduate) will begin July 1 ending July 29.

For more information, call 689-8668 or 545-1085.

Promotions draw review

The Department of the Army selection board will convene May 31 to consider Soldiers for promotion to sergeant first class. The board will also review elimination under the Qualitative Management Program. Zones of consideration for promotion are all staff sergeants with a date of rank June 30, 1998, and earlier with a basic active service date between May 31, 1981, and May 31, 1994.

For QMP, all staff sergeants with a date of rank May 31, 1999, and earlier and basic active service date of May 31, 1981. Soldiers who meet eligibility must have a current photo. To schedule a appointment, call 545-1381. Those NCOs who meet the eligibility criteria must review their personnel records and authenticate their personnel qualification record, which goes to the selection board.

Contact the personnel sergeant or call the Adjutant General Personnel Services Readiness Division at 545-8861 or 545-5640 for an appointment.

Prescribed burning of woodland areas will take place from Monday to March 19

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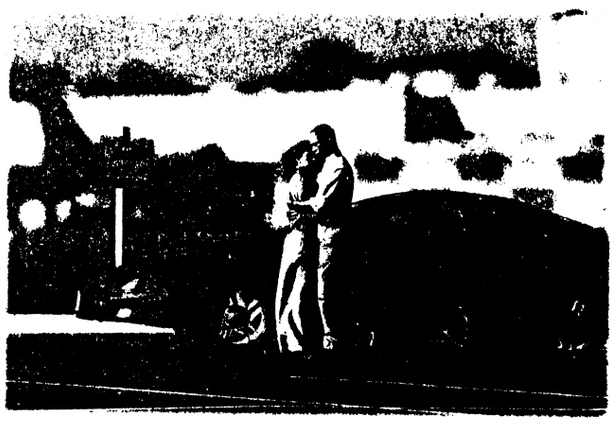

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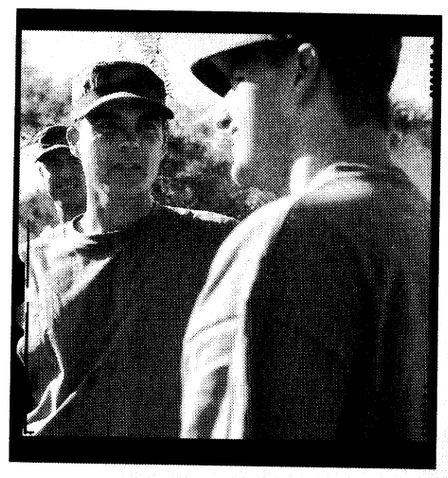

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Capt. Shawn Daniel

Runnin' on the river

Soldiers from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 75th Ranger Regiment, head into the home stretch during a run on the Riverwalk Feb. 15. More than 130 Rangers completed the 14-mile run from post to downtown Columbus in two hours.

Medics face challenge of Expert Field Medical Badge

Capt. Donald Patterson
2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment

The road to earning an Expert Field Medical Badge is long and tough. Six Soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, recently took on that challenge.

The Soldiers spent the month of January training for the EFMB course.

The training began with a four-mile road march. The second week six miles were marched, the third week eight miles were trekked and the last week a 12-mile road march ended the preparation. The Soldiers received classes on applied map reading.

They spent five days and nights at Yankee Road land navigation site, two days of commo classes conducted at the training area.

Each Friday, Soldiers were given a written exam.

During in-between time, they were involved in other training such as CPR, emergency medical technician, survival skills, evacuation of the sick and wounded and a litter obstacle course.

It was then time to test the skills they had been taught. The six candidates departed from Fort Benning to Fort Stewart Feb. 1 to compete for the EFMB.

The candidates were processed and moved to the training site where they were broken down into platoons and began lane training a little after 2 a.m.

Candidates went on to complete lane training Feb. 6 and to take a written exam.

Soldiers must score 75 percent on a 150-question exam. Two of the six Soldiers passed the exam.

The failure rate for the written exam was average for EFMB candidates. One unit sent 20 candidates and only one passed the written exam.

The next day, the two 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., EFMB hopefuls were tested on a day land navigation and only one Soldier was still in the running for the badge — Sgt. John Ellis.

Ellis went on to receive "GOs" in all remaining hands-on tasks. He finished the EFMB testing process by completing the 12-mile road march in 2 hours, 38 minutes.

Ellis said while the whole test process was tough, his most challenging area was the evacuation of the sick and wounded.

USARSA Soldiers learn leadership at NCO academy

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

Latin American NCOs took a first step in their professional development at the U.S. Army School of the Americas' Roy Benavidez Noncommissioned Officer Academy.

The academy, which has set a foundation for the future of the Latin American NCOs, graduated 19 students representing Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, from the 5-week NCO Basic Leadership Course, March 3.

"This course mirrors our Primary Leadership Development Course," said Staff Sgt. Hugo Vives, an instructor with the NCO academy.

Vives said the course is designed to prepare NCOs to plan and conduct individual and unit training at the squad and platoon level and to conduct skill-qualification testing.

He also said it teaches junior NCOs how to train and lead Soldiers who will work under their supervision. It also teaches basic leadership skills, NCO duties, responsibilities, authority and methods of conducting performance-oriented training.

"This course has set the foundation for my NCO leadership development," said Spc. Luz Miriana Hastamorir, of the Colombian Police. "It will help me train other NCOs and junior Soldiers in my country to become good leaders too."

Hastamorir said working with other junior NCOs from different countries taught her that each country has a different way of doing things their services.

"One thing that I learned works in all our countries the same way are the leadership skills I learned here at USARSA," she said. "They apply to all the services."

Like Hastamorir, Sgt. Edwar Rodriguez, is from the Colombian police and recent graduate of the course.

"Besides the excellent leadership training, the course applied human rights training," said Rodriguez. "Human rights training is very important. This course emphasized it throughout the 5-week session."

Both graduates agreed the course was important for the continual development of the NCO Corps in Latin America.

"It is crucial to have good leadership skills," said Rodriguez. "Without them, the Soldiers will not be properly trained — the mission a failure."

Sgt. Maj. Rogelio Schettini, of the Peruvian navy, is a guest instructor with USARSA's NCO academy.

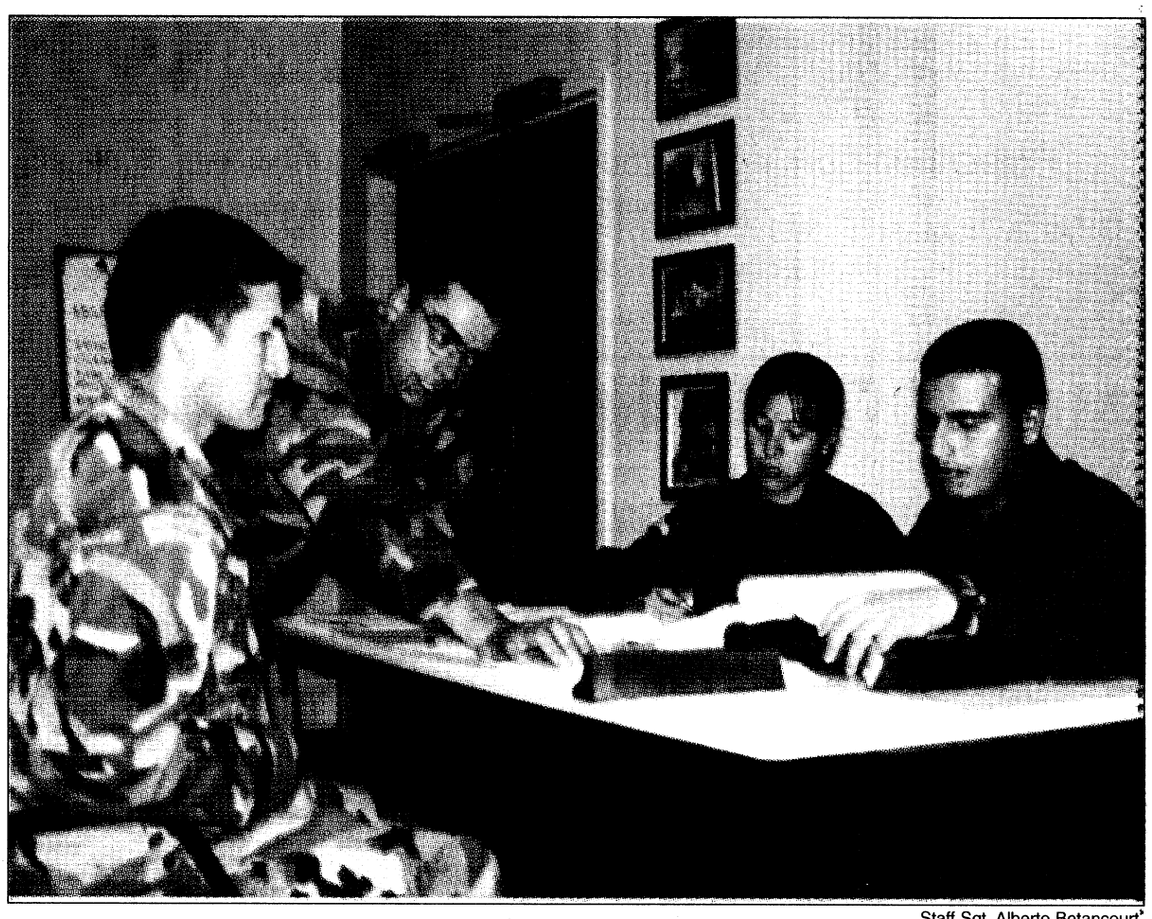
He said it is a privilege for him to be a part of USARSA and the academy that is teaching leadership skills and instilling human rights training to the NCOs of Latin America.

"I am an example of the kind of seed being planted throughout Latin America," he said.

"Soon, seeds will sprout and green vegetation flourish. That's how I foresee Latin America's future NCO Corps. And this is possible because of USARSA and this NCO academy," he said

Schettini is convinced that USARSA's continual engagement with Latin America's NCO Corps will help them one day become as professionally developed as ours.

"This course is the first step in the professional development for these students," said Vives. "The first step is the most important. It's the foundation."



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Students representing Equador, Columbia and Argentina, attending USARSA's NCO Basic Leadership Course, develop plans for a team leadership exercise.

excellence in training

Staff Sgt. Wayne Thompson
C Company
2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment
Hometown: Kingston, Jamaica



Thompson

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle.
Define your leadership style: My preferred leadership style is the directive style. However, I adjust it to suit the situation.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I like observing the trainees transition from civilians to Infantrymen — the end product.

Spc. David Wall
C Company
2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment
Hometown: Collierville, Tenn.

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I wanted to accomplish something for myself that was both mentally and physically taxing. The Soldiers that become Infantrymen must rely on self-determination to finish the challenges put before them.



Wall

Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I believe I excelled in the many parts of basic training. I exceeded the standards throughout the cycle in all dimensions of Infantry training.

Spc. Joshua Nicholson
D Company
2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment
Hometown: Syracuse, N.Y.

Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I wanted to experience the challenge and camaraderie found in the Army.



Nicholson

Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I always tried to give 110 percent even when faced with the toughest challenges. Whenever possible, I tried to follow the drill sergeant's example by living up to the Army values.

Staff Sgt. Christopher Matthews
D Company
2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment
Hometown: Tallahassee, Fla.

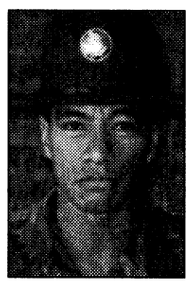
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle.
Define your leadership style: I lead by example, but in order for a leader to be successful, he must be able to utilize all three styles of leadership when necessary.



Matthews

What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from working with some of the best NCOs in the Army and the end product that you get when transitioning civilians into Soldiers.

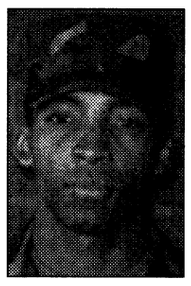
Pvt. Eric James
E Company
2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment



James

Hometown: St. Louis, Mo
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I wanted a challenge.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I won the honor graduate board and had been the platoon guide all cycle.

Staff Sgt. Shane Aki
E Company
2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment
Hometown: Kona, Hawaii



Aki

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle.
Define your leadership style: I always set the example and lead from the front.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from seeing the trainees make it through basic to graduation.

Staff Sgt. Michael Cockrell
B Company
2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment
Hometown: Fayetteville, N.C.



Cockrell

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle.
Define your leadership style: As a leader, I believe in using all three styles, directing, participating and delegating, depending on the situation. I think providing purpose, direction and motivation is a key element in being a leader.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? As a drill sergeant, I like the fact that I can mold young Soldiers into an image of myself. That way, I know that I am producing a product that is ready to step out into the ranks.

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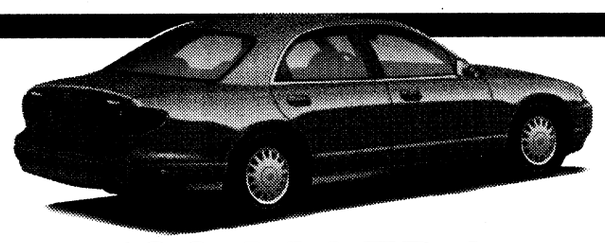

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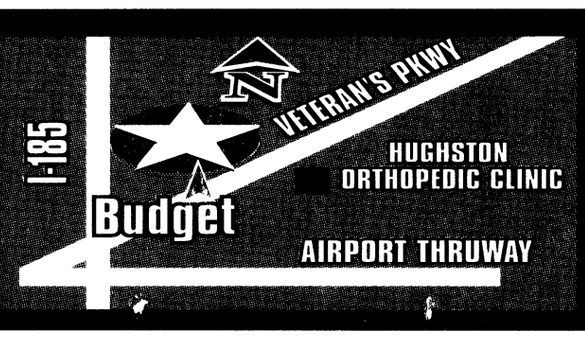

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COMMUNITY

SECTION B

New policy helps keep housing areas clean

Community Life stresses, 'housing privilege, not right'

Bridgett Siter
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Community life NCOs are now required to notify the office of the garrison commander when a resident has been issued three warnings about housing regulation infractions.

The garrison commander is reinstituting a "three strikes, you're out" policy for residents of Fort Benning communities.

"It is a privilege to have on-post housing. Those who are making the living environment uncomfortable for others will be required to forfeit their housing privilege," said Master Sgt. Donald J. Blackmon, community life officer.

It is the responsibility of community life NCOs to inspect their housing areas on a daily basis. Recently Blackmon has began teaming groups of CLNCOs to thoroughly comb each community to determine what, if anything, needs to be done to improve living conditions.

"We have set a very high standard of cleanliness for our communities, so we're getting out there as much as possible, interacting with the residents, and finding out where the problems are and who is responsible," Blackmon said.

Blackmon said the groups are currently targeting areas that have had a history of noncompliance with garbage and parking regulations. In January a team of CLNCOs began canvassing McGraw Manor and the Custer Terrace and Upatoi Terrace neighborhoods, where residents have been parking on seeded areas and leaving garbage outside before the designated pick-up day.

"We're beginning to see a difference," said Sgt. 1st Class Stanley Williams, CLNCO for McGraw Manor. "People are not parking on the grass as much as they were before. I think they're getting the message that we mean business. Overall, we're seeing a change in attitudes. People are becoming more aware of their surroundings and wanting to see it look nice again."

Staff Sgt. James Morrow, Custer Terrace CLNCO, led a team of CLNCOs through Custer Terrace and Upatoi Terrace on Thursday. They observed several regulation infractions, including abandoned vehicles, tires, furniture and appliances. Morrow donned rubber gloves and searched through a bag of trash to find an envelope

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Artist visits Faith School

Coker encourages students to practice art, stay in school

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Professional artist Don Coker met with budding artists from Faith Middle School's sixth-grade art classes on Tuesday.

Coker, a graphic artist and the art director of the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, specializes in portraits and caricatures. He is best known for his recent portraits of "100 People to Remember" in the Ledger-Enquirer.

"I recognized his work from the newspaper," said 12-year-old Cameron Murdock. "His portraits are great, but I like his funny drawings the best, especially the one of Bill Clinton."

Coker's "funny drawings" are caricatures, or humorous portraits with exaggerated features. His caricatures of politicians, athletes, movie stars and musicians are featured regularly in the Ledger-Enquirer and other newspapers throughout the country, such as the Atlanta Journal-Constitution and the Detroit Free Press.

Coker began drawing portraits and cartoons 26 years ago after dropping out of college. He started working as a copy boy for the Ledger-Enquirer and eventually worked his way into the art department. Although he considers himself a "self-taught" artist, Coker said a college education is now a necessity for graphic artists.

"You can't have my job now without a college degree," Coker said. "If you want to be an artist of any kind, you must go to college and get an education."

Coker also encouraged aspiring cartoonists and caricaturists to practice their artwork every day.

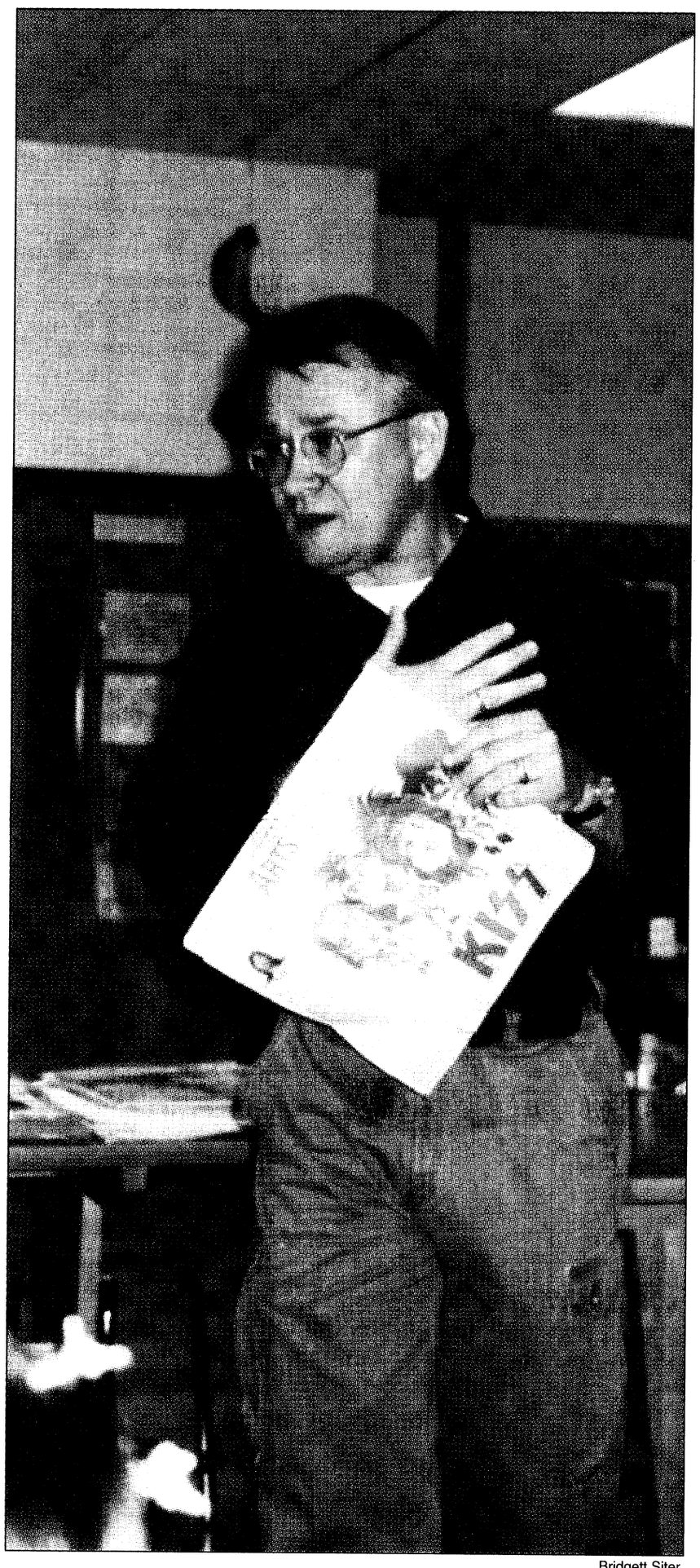
"Draw, draw, draw every day. Don't give up and don't be deterred. Don't be discouraged by what others think," Coker said. "The beauty of this kind of art is that no one can tell you if its right or wrong. You're simply giving your view of the world through humor."

It was that humor in Coker's work that appealed to sixth-grader Kristen Anderson.

"It was hilarious. It was fascinating to see how he characterized peoples' unique features so well and made them funny," she said.

Coker said the humor in his artwork is therapeutic to himself as well as his audience.

"Humor is the best way in the world to deal with human emotions, whether its anger, sadness, happiness or fear. I express a lot of what I'm feeling in my work. My job is art therapy," Coker laughed.



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Graphic artist Don Coker shows art students at Faith Middle School a caricature of the rock group KISS. Coker said lead singer Gene Simmons purchased the original print to display in his home.

Student testing begins Monday

Standardized tests to be administered in DoDEA schools

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Fort Benning students and teachers are preparing for the Terra Nova Multiple Assessment tests March 13-17.

The Terra Nova, a standardized assessment test administered in DoDEA schools each March, is designed to measure students' strengths and weaknesses based on national standards.

Postwide, students have been preparing for the test by practicing test-taking and critical thinking skills. Parents in all schools have been given the opportunity to visit classrooms and learn techniques to help their children successfully complete the test.

"We need to make sure parents understand what our expectations are for our students, and why we have those expectations," said Kathy Einhorn, director of curriculum for the Fort Benning schools, during the March 1 "Lunch-N-Learn" session at Dexter Elementary.

The session, like similar parent involvement programs in each school, focused on the objectives of the Terra Nova and the various skills students will use during the timed test. Einhorn gave examples of the types of questions students will encounter and ways parents can help prepare their children for the test.

"This year there has been a strong focus on critical thinking throughout the whole school system. We're asking for a kind of thinking that we've traditionally only asked of our

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Tips for test taking:
- Get enough sleep
- Eat a nutritious breakfast
- Keep a positive attitude
- Listen and read directions carefully
- Think before responding to questions

Soldiers fight different battle, take part in Relay for Life

ACS raises money for cancer research, during annual event

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

When Sgt. Todd Lysfjord was diagnosed with testicular cancer last April, to say he was a bit shocked is probably an understatement. The 25-year-old Ranger in the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, said he never believed something like cancer could happen to him.

In fact, he said he had a feeling of invincibility, something he now knows doesn't exist.

However, Lysfjord was able to find some hope and also recover a lot quicker with a little help from those he worked side by side with.

Last year while Lysfjord underwent the grueling treatment to stop the cancer, his friends and fellow Soldiers rallied behind him in a way unlike any other.

Instead of just making the usual hospital visits with wishes of get-well, they formed a group that raised money and took part in the American Cancer Society's annual Relay For Life.

The 10-year-old event, which takes place in cities across the nation brings thousands of people together for a common goal — to raise money and awareness for cancer research and education.

Even though Lysfjord was undergoing chemotherapy at the time, he made a point of taking part in the relay. He said he rested for a couple of days to gain some strength and then took his place beside his buddies, ready to tackle the 15-hour endeavor.

"I encourage everyone to do it," Lysfjord said. "Sure it heightens awareness and raises money for a good cause, but it is basically just a good time. We had a blast."

Capt. James McGahey, platoon leader for C Company, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt., helped organize the group and agreed that it was a very valuable experience.

McGahey said not only did it help Lysfjord through his ordeal it also brought his platoon together and a greater awareness to his unit as well.

"It was a great emotional uplift for him (Lysfjord) and for the platoon as a whole," McGahey said. "We now care more about each other as individuals rather than so much as fellow warriors."

He said it is very important for people to get involved because just about everyone has been or will be affected by cancer in some way.

This is the eighth year the Columbus, Fort Benning Chapter of the American Cancer Society has hosted the relay. This year's event will be held from 7 p.m. May 19 until 10 a.m. May 20 at Kinnett Stadium.

Last year 60 teams made the trek raising $150,000. This year's goal is to have more than 100 teams raise at least $250,000, said Delia Postell, publicity chairperson for the relay.

Postell said it is important for people to know the relay is not a competition, rather a way for people with a common cause to come together. She explained that participants do not walk the entire 15 hours. Team members take turns, switching out to allow resting time.

"We won't be able to find a cure for cancer by just reading articles about it," Postell said. "It is going to take every single person who has been affected to get involved before we can make a change."

She said it is an overwhelming experience being around so many people who are fighting to make a difference. Especially those who are cancer victims and cancer survivors.

Of course, there will be more to the relay

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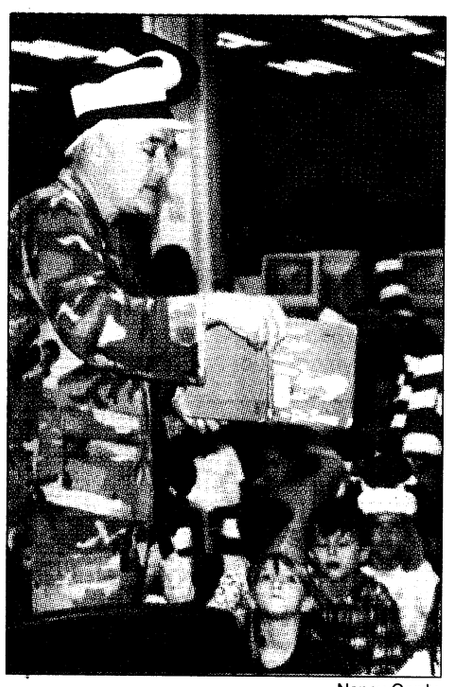

Nancy Gordy

Col. John Latimer reads to students at McBride Elementary.

Post celebrates reading

Students honor Dr. Seuss, eat green eggs, ham

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Sam would not eat green eggs and ham. He would not eat them in a box. He would not eat them with a fox. He would not eat them here or there. He would not eat them anywhere.

"I just don't like eggs," said 5-year-old Sam Wilson, who would not, could not be persuaded to try the green eggs served by his kindergarten teacher, Jodi Brown.

Sam and his classmates at Wilson Elementary took part in the third annual "Read Across America," a national celebration of the 96th birthday of Theodor Geisel, a.k.a. Dr. Seuss, March 2.

Fort Benning schools took a break from the regular routine of reading, writing and arithmetic to focus on the fun of reading. Students and faculty members dressed in trade-mark red and white hats, attended birthday parties and listened intently as special guests read Dr. Seuss favorites like *The Foot Book*, *Oh Say Can You Say?*, and *Green Eggs and Ham*.

First graders at Stowers Elementary pleaded for an encore performance after garrison commander Col. John Mitchell read *The Cat in the Hat* without tripping over words like "pudderdunk" and "gollyphant."

"That's my favorite," said 7-year-old Alissa Dillon. "I have five Dr. Seuss books at home, but I'm going to read that one tonight."

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community briefs

on post

ACS offers spouse orientation — Army Community Service will sponsor a spouse orientation program 8:45 a.m. today in the Family Unit Network Center, Building 359. Orientations are held every other month.

Newly assigned personnel are able to receive information about the installation's services and facilities. For more information, call Army Community Service at 545-4043 or 545-7517.

Airlines offer bereavement airfare — Many Soldiers and family members are unaware that airlines offer reduced airfare when travel is necessary to attend the funeral of a relative. When you call the airlines, ask right away about the bereavement or compassionate fares. Expect the agent to ask you about who died, what the relationship was, name of funeral home or hospital, etc.

Volunteer Management Council meets — The next Volunteer Management Council Meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the FUN Center auditorium.

Vincennes University announces hours — The following one credit hour seminars will be given:

- Preparing and Giving a Briefing — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., March 18-19, Classroom 61
- Total Quality Management — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., March 18-19, ARNG Armory, Columbus

The cost of each of these seminars is $90; tuition assistance will pay $67.50 if the Soldier is eligible.

To find out more about Vincennes courses, call 689-0098 or visit the office in Building 2614, Soldiers' Plaza.

First Steps seeks volunteers — The Family Advocacy First Steps Office at Martin Army Community Hospital is seeking mothers as follow-up phone callers.

Some categories needed by First Steps are mothers who have had premature babies, mothers who have had multiple births, those who were teenage moms, single moms and SIDS moms. Mothers of all descriptions are needed. The basic requirements are that they be caring and willing to contact new mothers to give them helpful information, emotional support and referrals to services they need.

If interested, call the First Steps Office at 544-2020.

CSU offers adult re-entry class — Columbus State University now offers a class for adults who want to start or finish a degree. The course is a refresher for math, reading and writing and helps with the ease back into school.

The cost is $98 and includes a textbook.

For more information call the CSU office at 545-1085 or 689-8668.

Bachelor of Science degree offered — The Medical College of Georgia in conjunction with Columbus State University is offering an information session on the Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy.

For more information call 545-1085 or 689-8668.

HOPE scholarships available — The Georgia HOPE Grant Program is now available to all active duty military and their dependents who are stationed at Fort Benning and live in Georgia.

Certificates and diplomas are available in over 40 different programs.

For more information call 685-8549.

AFTB offers evening classes — Army Family Team Building now offers evening classes to people who are unable to attend classes during the day. Level II will be offered 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays until March 28.

Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians are welcome to attend classes. Courses and materials are free. AFTB classes are held in building 395 on Ingersoll Avenue on main post.

For more information call 545-5377.

AER Scholarships available — Army Emergency Relief Scholarships are now available to help offset the cost of undergraduate level education and post secondary vocational training.

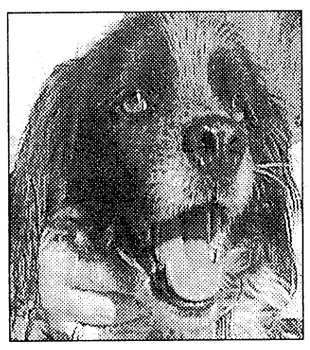
For more information on who is eligible and application information call 545-2536 or 545-4043.

VA establishes toll-free number — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has established a toll-free telephone number for veterans and dependents to get the latest information about VA educational benefits.

The toll-free number is (888) GI-BILL (888-442-4551).

By calling the toll-free number, individuals can obtain general educational information, detailed eligibility criteria and general background material on VA programs.

Anyone wanting education program information can also contact the Department's education division at (404) 656-2306.



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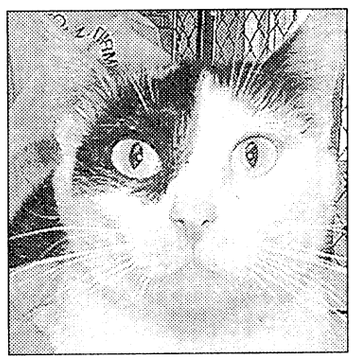
Take us home

"Jack" an adult male spaniel mix and a 6-month-old female white calico cat are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call 545-4912.



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Penny O'Connor
Directorate of Public Works

Robert Fulghum, in his book *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten,* listed an important piece of wisdom learned as a child that has carried over into adulthood — "clean up your own mess." It's right. It's polite.

On Fort Benning, it's easy.

The Directorate of Public Works makes every effort to keep things simple and help everyone prevent problems. DPW provides assistance to all residents, units, activities and workers. They can tell folks just what goes where.

Once "the mess" is put in the right place, DPW carts it away and recycles it or disposes of it. Here's a quick run down on those "right places" and what's disposed of there:

Dumpsters are issued for the exclusive use of requesting units and activities.

They are to be used for garbage, trash and food waste only.

The requesters are responsible for the proper use of their dumpster. It is for their use and not other units or family housing residents.

Dumpster pick-ups are done by contractor. The contractor will not pick up any dumpsters containing hazardous waste, yard waste, construction materials, metal, furniture, mattresses, tires, batteries, etc.

The law prohibits disposal of these items in dumpsters. If the contractor attempts to drop off dumpsters with any of these items, the landfill operators may turn them away, fine them or close down their business, depending on what items are found.

Items that cannot be disposed of in dumpsters can be dropped off by units and activities between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday - Friday at the Recycling Center, Building 4000.

The facility is closed weekends and holidays.

For more information, call 544-6142.

Family housing residents can dispose of everything from baby diapers to sofas.

In trashcans dispose of food waste, household batteries and garbage or trash, including baby diapers.

Put out large items like washers, dryers, and furniture (but not appliances containing Freon, see special pick-ups below) at the curb in family housing on garbage pick up day.

These items will be identified by the garbage contractor and picked-up later that day or the following day.

For more information, call DPW Construction Inspection Branch at 545-4232.

Can't wait till the scheduled pick-up day? Take it to the Recycling Center at Building 4000.

They serve family housing residents in addition to units and activities.

Arrange special pick-ups for refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners.

Contact the DPW Customer Relations Office at 545-2117 for information.

Individuals are personally responsible for the proper disposal of the remaining items, which cannot be placed in the trash in family housing or in unit dumpsters.

The first two items can be taken to the recycling center, Building 4000 at no cost to the customer:

Scrap metal, wood, etc. can be disposed of at the Recycling Center, Building 4000.

Used motor oil can be disposed of at the Recycling Center.

The Directorate Community Activities Auto Craft Shop also will recycle used motor oil for a $2 environmental fee.

Unfortunately, not even DPW's Recycling Center can handle the next two items.

All individuals are urged to purchase these items from retailers who will take the old ones and dispose of them for their customers.

For on-post disposal of batteries and tires, the Auto Craft Shop can provide help at a modest cost:

Automobile battery — the Auto Craft Shop will dispose of it for a $2 environmental fee.

Tires — the Auto Craft Shop will recycle them for a $2 per tire environmental fee.

If anyone has difficulty in obtaining information concerning a garbage or trash disposal problem, call DPW Customer Service Office at 545-2117.

volunteers lighting the way



Johnson

Gladys Johnson
Statesville, N.C.
step aerobic and kickboxing instructor.

Why do you volunteer? It enables me to stay active and help people at the same time.

What do you like most about volunteering? I enjoy helping people reach their goals. It's a great feeling doing something you like and to know Soldiers and family members appreciate the effort.

What others say about your contribution: "Ms. Johnson is a lot of fun. You can easily see how much she enjoys what she does." **Carol Gearheart**
— Santiago Gym manager



Williams

Melissa K. Williams
West Corvina, Calif.
B Co., 1st Bn., 30th Inf. Regt. Family Support Group volunteer

Why do you volunteer? I volunteer to support my husband.

What do you like most about volunteering? I enjoy contributing to the accomplishment of the mission.

What others say about your contribution: "Melissa is always a joy to have help."
Terry Lee
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Faith's Odyssey of the Mind team to compete at Spencer

Chris Herold
Faith Middle School

The Faith Middle School Odyssey of the Mind team is having a regional competition Saturday at Spencer High School.

The day starts with the procession of teams and the opening ceremonies and concludes with the awards ceremonies when the teams find out if they placed high enough to move onto the state-level competition.

Odyssey of the Mind is a worldwide creative problem-solving competition.

This competition is 15 years old and Faith has been competing for 13 years.

After the regional competition Saturday, there is the state competition in April. If the team wins first at state they advance to the world competition, which is in Knoxville, Tenn.

The problem that Faith is doing this year is called "King Arthur."

In this problem, the teams present one scene of a King Arthur legend as most people would know it.

In the second scene they present how the legend would have come to be if King Arthur and the knights of the round table had never lived.

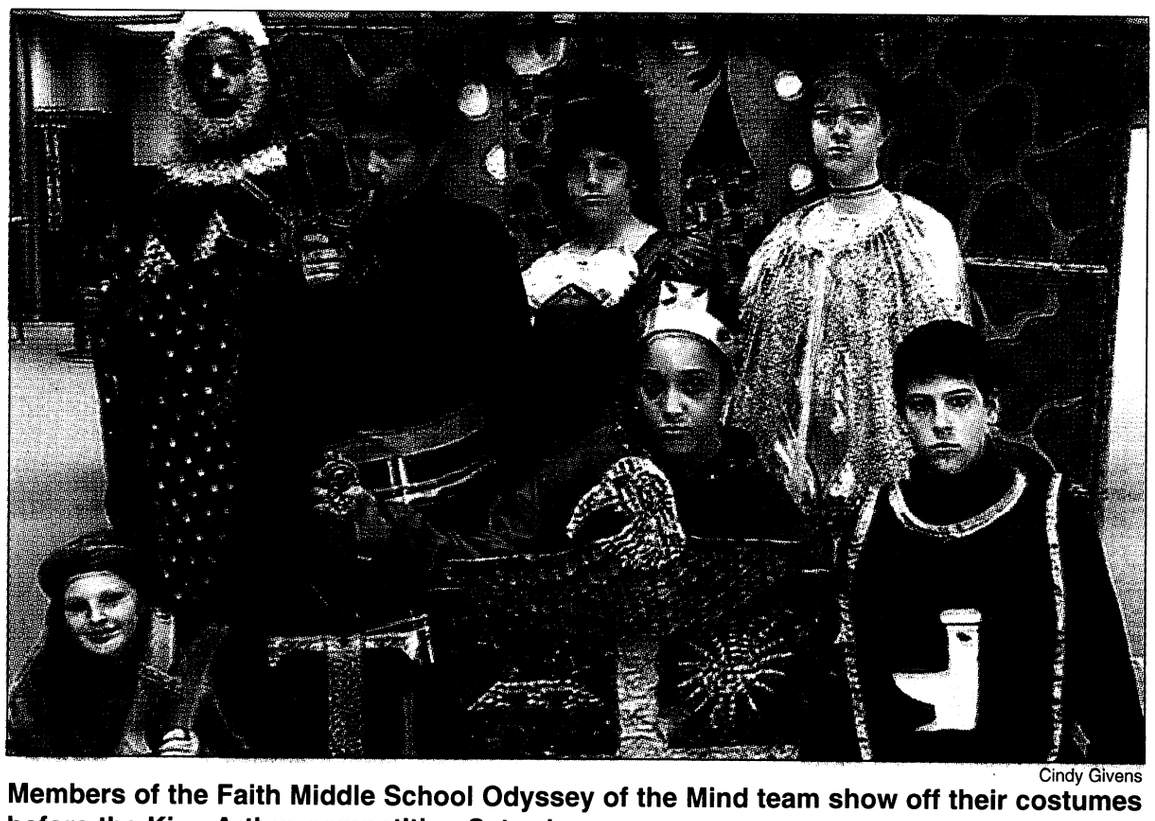
A troubling twist on the problem is that all the props must be placed on stage without use of the team members' hands, nor can the props touch the ground while being transported onto the stage.

The team can only use a maximum of $100 in their solution of the problem.

"This team has the potential to go all the way," Anne Trawick, one of the team's coaches said.

According to Cindy Givens, co-coach of the team, "Tomorrow's world is going to need more people who can effectively solve problems. The skills students develop today through these competitions will be carried with them in the future."

Faith has competed at the world level 11 out of 13 years. For the last two years the team has placed seventh in the World competition.



Cindy Givens

Members of the Faith Middle School Odyssey of the Mind team show off their costumes before the King Arthur competition Saturday.



Dr. Tom Dignan

Fun in the sun

Faith Middle School students prepare to send off balloons with messages attached in hopes of getting responses from whomever finds them. The send-off was part of Dexter Elementary's "Out of this World" Field Day as a part of Exceptional Children's Week March 8.

Students design, build

Lesson ends with kids taking checkered flags

Ashley Hanson
Faith Middle School

Have you ever seen a car, powered by a CO2 cartridge, fly down a runway?

Well, during the second quarter at Faith Middle School a majority of the eighth-grade students did just that.

The students had two weeks to complete a race car that met the following standards: the car had to be one solid piece, 11-inches long, and fully painted.

The students engaged in this project with an anxious and "it is going to be a breeze" attitude. Boy, were they wrong!

First, we had to agonize over the perfect design. Then we had to trace it on our wood. Next, using our Industrial Arts implements we slowly cut and carved out our cars.

Hey, the triangular block had begun to look like a mobile racer!

Our last step at school was to sand. We slaved over our cars caressing them, sanding them, and fatiguing our hands. Our goal was to get our cars baby-bottom smooth.

At last, full of pride, we carried our partially done cars home to be showered in refreshing spray paint.

We needed perfection because our cars were to be judged in style, and of course, speed racing against everyone else's car without breaking.

Returning the now-finished cars to school was our final farewell before the races. We fitted the wheels and said, " Yes, we are done!"

The day of the races arrived and anxiety levels were high.

"It was very stressful, and had you crossing your fingers the whole time," said Lamar Cantelou, one of the racers.

In eighth period, Maurice Warfeild reigned down upon the others in victory.

Following was Robert Penn who won second place. Ashley Hanson and Peter Graessle tied for third. First, second, and third place for design were awarded to Peter Graessle and Alphonso Youngblood who tied for first, Theron Batiste and Lamar Cantelou were neck and neck for second, and in third place Tony Toliver and Jordan Johnson.

In fourth period, the race winners were Steven Salas, winner of the gold, Isreal Lopez, owner of the silver medal, and Denny Becker, holding the bronze.

Overall, the race for glory was a close one. All participants did well and earned their title whether it was "My Broken Car" or "Grand Champion."

Congratulations, you Speed Racers you!

Jogging club to take on meet

Joey Fix
Faith Middle School

The Jogging Club at Faith Middle School is off and running! We will be attending the Smith Station track meet Saturday.

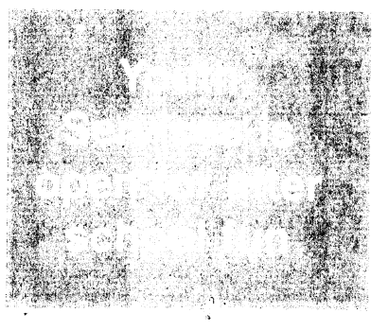
At the event students will be running in the 100-meter, 4x100 relay, 4x800 relay, and the 1600-meter (1 mile). We will compete against teams from Auburn, Opelika, Smiths Station and La Grange.

The Jogging Club will also be participating in the Faith Spring Race April 8 and a field trip to Six Flags in Atlanta on May 7. In order to run in any of the events students must be a member of the jogging club and attend three or more practices.

The Jogging Club practices every Monday and Thursday after school until 4:30 p.m. Susan Emerson and Tori Noon are the Jogging Club sponsors.

Students, friends, adults, even teachers, are invited to come out and join the fun after school. Many of the runners come to run with their friends. Some people just come because they like to run. But everyone is welcome!

Please keep in mind that there is no such thing as a slow or bad runner at the Faith Jogging Club.



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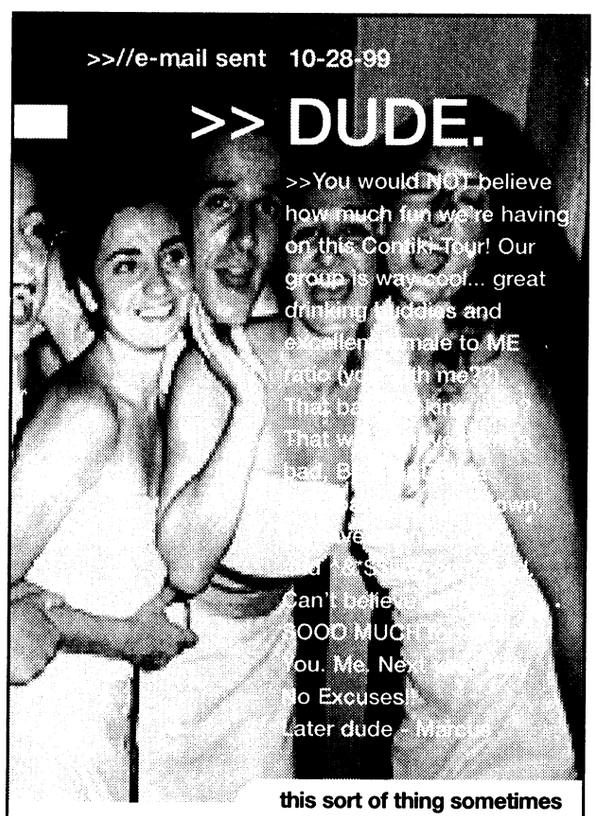

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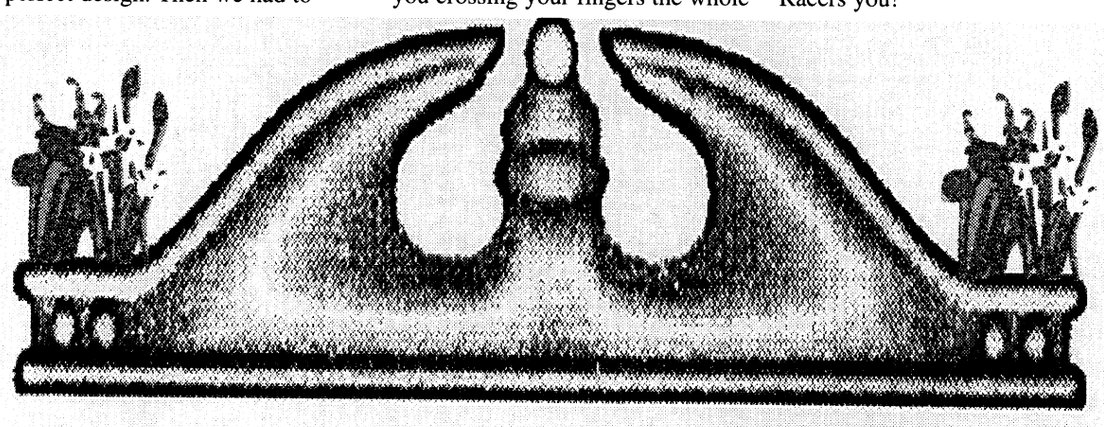

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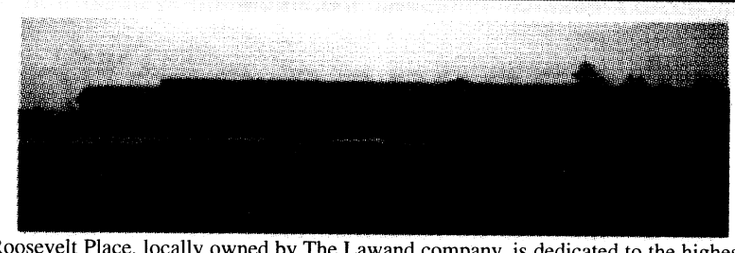

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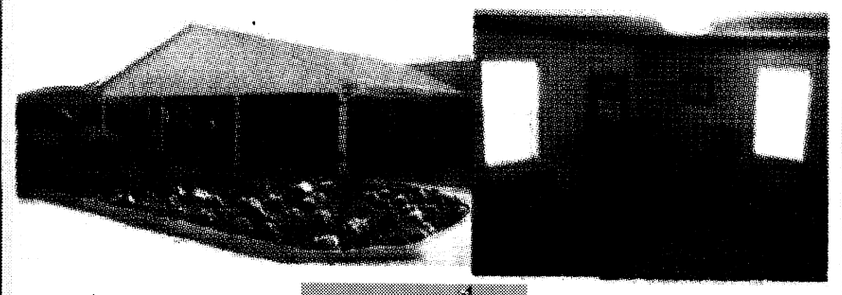

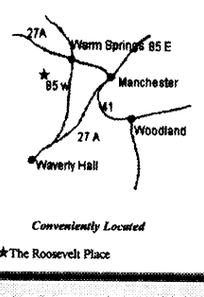

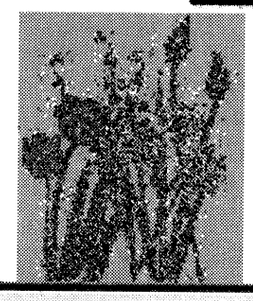

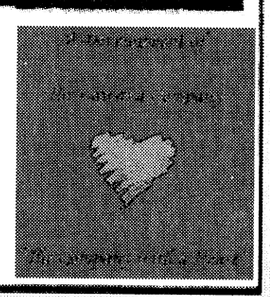

Read: Students dress up for fun

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Principal Vicki Rogers dressed as the Cat in the Hat and read a Dr. Seuss book to all the students of Dexter Elementary via closed circuit television. Afterwards kindergarten students dressed as their favorite storybook characters and welcomed parents to an all day open house.

"Today is a celebration of the joy of reading," Rogers said. "It's an opportunity for parents to join with their children in remembering the pleasure of reading just for the fun of it. Who better to epitomize that concept than Dr. Seuss?"

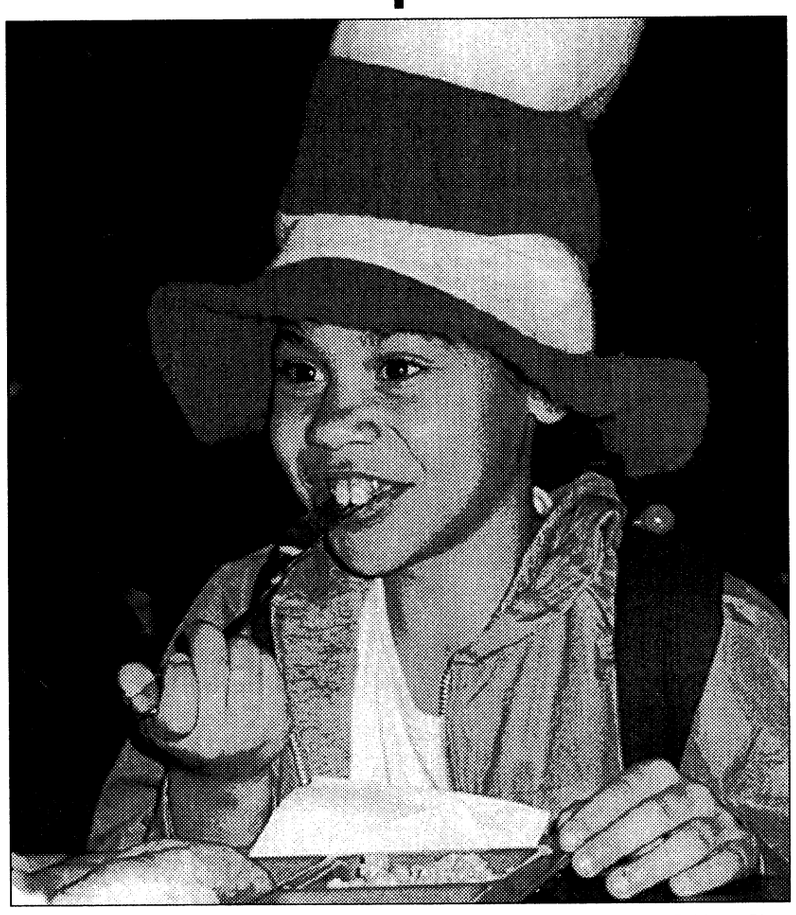
At McBride Elementary, it was hard to tell what excited the students more — the reading of *The Cat in the Hat* by Col. John Latimer, U.S. Army Infantry Center chief of staff, or the huge birthday cake baked and decorated by Sgt. Vale Smith, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment.

Smith, father of 4-year-old pre-K student Baylee Smith, said baking the cake was a good opportunity to encourage his daughter's love of reading.

"I can't honestly say if she'll remember this event when she's grown, but for now it has sparked an interest in reading. My wife and I usually read to her three or four times a week. Now she wants to read everything she can get her hands on," Smith said.

The National Education Association, which sponsors "Read Across America," issued certificates of participation to students who pledged to read with an adult on Thursday evening. Caroline Meyers, president of the Benning Education Association, said that more than 1,000 certificates were distributed on Fort Benning.

"This event has had a tremendous success since we first began it here on Fort Benning. But I'm tickled to death that this year's celebration just surpassed our own expectations. Parental support was outstanding," Meyers said.



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Hannah Meriweather eats green eggs and ham for breakfast.

Trash: NCO's police areas

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identifying the resident responsible for leaving the garbage by the curb a week before scheduled pick-up.

"We'll do what it takes," Morrow said after confronting the resident responsible for leaving the garbage. "We have over 1050 units in this area alone. Its not unusual to write 150 warnings a week. It takes three full-time NCOs to police and maintain the entire area. Maybe we experience more problems than other areas because we are so much larger. But we'll keep on writing warnings until they adhere to the regulations or garrison decides they should find a new place to live."

Becky Bunch, Custer Terrace resident for six years, said that she has seen an improvement in the appearance of her community.

"I have noticed the overall upkeep of the area is better. We used to have a problem with people leaving garbage out in bags instead of cans, and it would end up in everybodies yards. That's no longer an issue in my area," Bunch said.

Blackmon said the CLNCOs will continue their "clean sweep" of Fort Benning housing communities until all areas of concern have been resolved.

"We want to work with our residents to make this the post of the decade. That's our goal. Our community life NCOs are doing a terrific job of resurrecting our neighborhoods. They are working together to accomplish this all over post. Now we want to see the residents come together the same way and show some concern for the beauty and safety of their communities," Blackmon said.

Anyone wishing to voice concerns about the community beautification project can call Blackmon at 545-3069, or call their CLNCO.

The CLNCOs for the Custer Terrace and Upatoi Terrace community are Sgt. 1st Class Ed Vanicky, Staff Sgt. James Morrow, and Sgt 1st Class Roosevelt Gogin . They can be reached at 689-1058.

The CLNCOs for McGraw Manor are Sgt. 1st Class Alton L. Cambell, Master Sgt. Enrique Montana, and Sgt, 1st Class Stanley Williams. They can be reached at 544-1168.

Sgt. 1st Class Felix Ortiz, Sgt. 1st Class Reginald Walton and Staff Sgt. Lovella Duh are the CLNCOs for the Boughton Heights and Davis Hill areas. Their phone number is 544-1195.

Staff Sgt. Vanessa Carr serves as CLNCO for West Main Post. Her telephone number is 545-2910.

East Main Post CLNCOs are Master Sgt. William McKithean and Sgt. 1st Class J.B. Robinson. They can be reached at 545-2830.

The CLNCO for Indian Head Terrace is Sgt. 1st Class Robert Jackson. He can be reached at 545-2830.

Relay: Walkers save lives

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than just walking around a track. The event opens with a cancer survivor's celebratory walk, in which cancer survivors make a victory lap to show others that it is possible to beat the disease.

A guest appearance will be made by Miss Georgia Osjha Andersen at 8 p.m. and a special luminary service will be held at 9 p.m. to honor cancer survivors and those who have lost the battle to cancer.

Postell encouraged everyone to come out and experience it, even if they are not involved in the relay. She said there will be a variety of activities and other attractions for people to enjoy.

"I encourage everyone to come on out and see what it is like," Postell said. "I guarantee next year they'll be on a team. It's just that kind of moving event."

As a testament to that, McGahey said he and his fellow Soldiers will once again be forming a team to participate in this year's relay.

For more information on how to form a team or become involved in Relay for Life, call 324-5614.

Test: Assesses proficiency

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gifted students because our childrens' job market will be drastically different than today's job market," Einhorn said. "Therefore this test will be very different than the tests most of our students' parents were familiar with in school."

Besides the traditional subjects, like reading, language arts, math, science and social studies, the Terra Nova will also assess students' proficiency in gathering, organizing and analyzing information, generating ideas and evaluating results.

Einhorn encouraged parents to assure their children that the test will not affect their grades. She also said parents should look for signs that their children are experiencing stress before or during the test.

"It's a very natural reaction. A lot of emphasis has been put on this test these last few weeks. They've been taking practice tests and reviewing skills they'll need to use while taking the test, so it is only natural that they may begin to worry about their performance," Einhorn said. "Try to encourage them. Assure them that everybody gets nervous about tests. Help them to relax."

Einhorn also cautioned parents not to trivialize their children's reactions during or after taking the test.

"Parts of the test will be very easy for your child. Parts of it will be very difficult. It is designed to be that way. If your child feels he or she struggled over part of it, assure him or her that is normal," Einhorn said.

Einhorn discussed several tips teachers are using in the classroom to help students feel comfortable with the week-long test process.

She encouraged parents to reiterate the importance of listening and reading directions carefully, using time wisely, thinking before responding to questions, and keeping a positive attitude throughout the test.

She also requested that parents insure their children eat a good breakfast each morning and get a sufficient amount of sleep during the week of the test.

Test results are expected back before the end of the school year. Parents will receive a home report explaining their child's results.

"Our goal is to get all of our students above the 50 percentile. We accomplished that goal last year, due in part to the preparation and parental support we had," Einhorn said.

"We'll use our results to identify areas of strengths and needs, and pass this information on to the teachers and parents. Then schools and teachers can begin to formulate plans to make improvements in the areas where there are weaknesses and continue to encourage growth in the areas where we see strength. Ultimately that's the purpose of the whole process."

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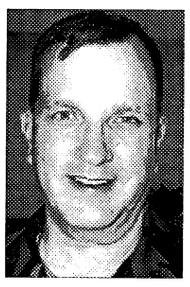
Recognize domestic violence, take action

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center

It is estimated that every 15 seconds a woman is battered. Every year, domestic violence results in almost 100,000 days of hospitalizations, close to 30,000 emergency department visits and nearly 40,000 visits to a physician.

In 1994, approximately 3,140,000 cases of child mistreatment were reported to child protective services. That same year, an estimated 1,271 children died as a result of abuse or neglect.

The toll on victims of domestic violence is staggering. Robert Davis, former director of the National Institute of Justice had this to say about the effects of violence upon its victims: "Only recently have people come to realize that victims of crime experience crisis reactions similar to those experienced by victims of war, natural disasters and catastrophic illness."



And domestic violence is a crime.

The most important first step we need to recognize is domestic violence exists with greater frequency than we may have assumed, even within the military community.

The battered woman is in your workplace, however she or her abuser may attempt to conceal that presence. There are children in your housing area who are witnessing or enduring violence in their quarters on a regular basis.

Too often I hear supervisors of abusers say, "But Sergeant _____ is a good Soldier."

My reply is, "A Soldier who abuses his or her spouse or child is not a good Soldier!" Domestic violence is a crime and must not be tolerated.

Those who protect the abuser should realize by doing so they enable the abuser to continue his or her abusing.

You may have an adult friend who you suspect is being abused. Ask questions! The abused person will rarely announce they are being battered.

Be direct and ask the person,

"Are you in danger? Do you fear for your safety? Your children's safety?"

Listen to your friend and try to understand his or her situation (I say "his or her" because incidents of men suffering physical abuse at the hands of their wives are increasing).

Believe the abused person. The battered person will normally minimize the extent of the abuse.

By simply owning up to the truth of the abuse, the victim is taking the giant leap forward in bringing it to an end and finding help.

Encourage your friend to seek help while remembering it is not your responsibility to rescue the person. All suspected child abuse and neglect should be reported to the proper authorities and in fact both the federal government and the states now have mandated child abuse reporting laws.

It is important to note that you should not confront the abuser.

Clinical experience suggests that confrontation with abusers by untrained professionals may endanger victims and should be avoided at all costs.

Help can be found for the abused and the abuser.

The Fort Benning Chaplain Family Life Ministries is a good place to begin. Call the Center at 545-1760 for more information. Domestic violence does not stop by itself and you can help bring it to an end.

chapel notes

Custer Terrace holds revival — Custer Terrace Chapel will conduct a revival Friday through Sunday. Tommy Bradford will be the evangelist for the special services which begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday. There will be a service at 6 p.m. on March 11 At 11 a.m., on March 12 there will be a service and an evening service at 6 p.m.

All services will be in the Custer Terrace Chapel. Everyone is cordially invited.

Chapels pray Stations of the Cross — On Fridays during Lent, beginning Friday and continuing through April 14, the Main Post Catholic Chapel will pray the Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m. in the chapel, followed by a Bread and Soup Supper in The Infantry Center Chapel Annex.

On Fridays during Lent, beginning Friday and continuing through April 14, Catholics on Sand Hill will pray the Stations of the Cross at Regimental Chapel at 7 p.m.

Children's choir needs director — The fund manager is accepting applications for a children's choir director at The Infantry Center Chapel.

For more information, see Master Sgt. Bridgett Starling in Room 512, Infantry Hall.

PWOC meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes Bible study, prayer, praise and fellowship.

All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. Junior high and middle school will meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and senior high will meet from 7-8 p.m.

All students in these age groups are encouraged to attend.

Scripture recipe for living life of meaning

Chaplain (Capt.) Bill Harrison
3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment

reflections

Have you ever known somebody that just really had his act together, someone who always seemed to know where he was going and how he was going to get there? Are you envious of people like that? Don't you wish you could lead others to do the same?

You can! Take a few minutes today and read I Peter 4:1-11. The fact that you are reading this article suggests that you are interested in improving yourself, so I would encourage you to spend more time in God's word. If you already have a personal relationship with God through Christ, then this passage is your recipe for living a life of meaning.

This Scripture simply says we should have the same attitude as Christ and be willing to suffer for God's sake. Haven't you spent enough time doing what the pagans choose to do? Be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray for guidance and make wise decisions in life. The Scripture tells us to love and serve others as instruments of God's grace. Speak the words of God with the strength of God and your life will have purpose.

Are you living for yourself, or for others? Why don't you try living for God, your Creator, and see if you can find that sense of direction that so many are searching for? Trust me because there is no better way to live. Jesus himself said, "You are either for me or you are against me." Isn't it time to submit to God's will for your life, so that you can start really living? Wouldn't it be great to adopt this attitude and mature in your faith to the point where you could be done with sin? This passage tells us that this is possible!

What do you do at home when you are having trouble programming your new VCR? Don't you consult the instruction book from the manufacturer? Well, your Creator has also given you an instruction book — the Bible. Read I Peter 4:1-11. Don't let another Easter season come and go without getting to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

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10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
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Wednesday Worship Services

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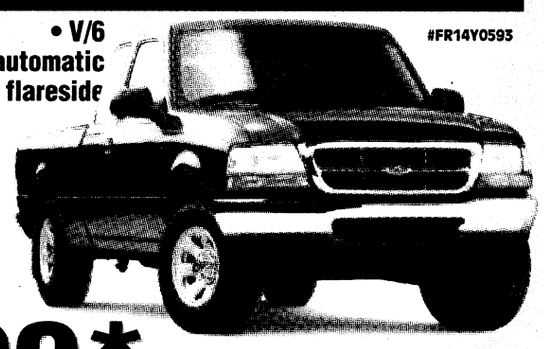

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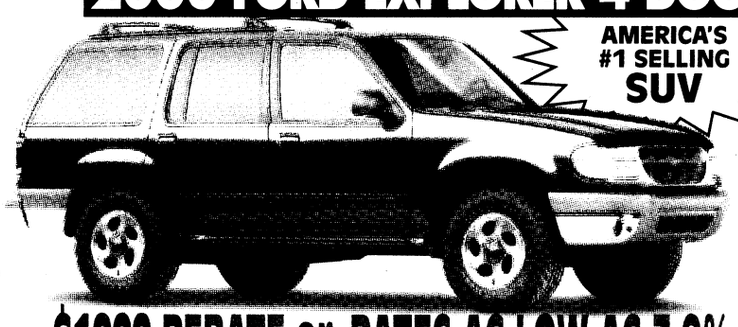

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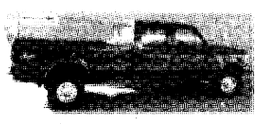

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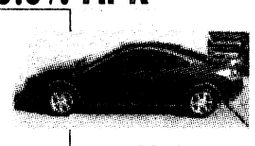

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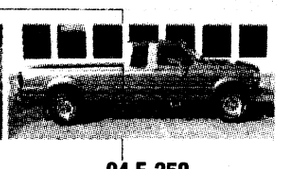

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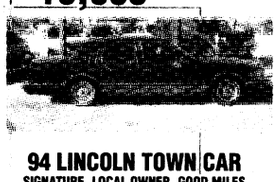

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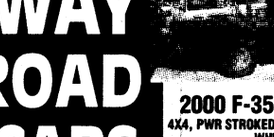

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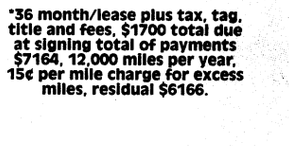

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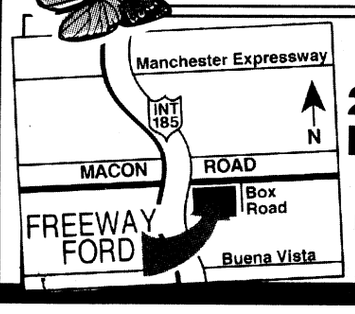

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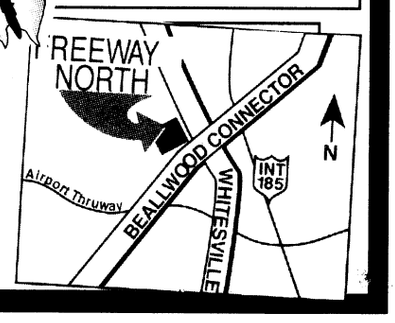

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SPORTS



Swimmer of the Century

Story, photo by Sgt. Lori Smith
Assistant editor

Charles "Chuck" Gantner Jr. could not believe what the person on the other end of the telephone was telling him.

"Swimmer of the century — me?" Gantner questioned the man. "You must be talking about my father, Charles Gantner Sr."

Gantner, 54, who is the chief of Personnel Proponency in the Office of Infantry Proponency, U.S. Army Infantry Center, said he thought a reporter from the Newark Star-Ledger was playing a trick on him when he called to tell him that he had been chosen as the New Jersey boys' swimmer of the Century for their Feb. 27 issue.

But this high honor was no joke and neither is Gantner's swimming record.

Gantner was the first state swimming champion, as well as, the first state champion of any kind for Piscataway High School. This was no small feat considering the school didn't even have a swimming team.

Gantner was a one-man-team, coached by his father.

Gantner said he feels fortunate to have had a father who was an accomplished All-American swimmer to act as his coach. His father started assisting him early in his endeavor.

"I've been swimming competitively since I was 10 or 11 years old," Gantner said. And his father was with him all along the way.

"He was a master motivator and leader," said Gantner. "He had that gift to motivate people. He was a master at that stuff."

Because his school didn't have a pool, Gantner practiced at the Westfield YMCA where he swam with other top New Jersey competitors.

The payoff began early in his swimming career.

As a freshman at Piscataway, Gantner captured two first place finishes in the 100-yard butterfly and the 200 individual medley at the state's swimming championship in 1960. No other swimmer would ever beat him at a state championship race.

And no other boy or girl swimmer in New Jersey's swimming history has ever held two state swimming titles for four years consecutively.

"His achievements are unparalleled," said Joe Battaglia of Dorf Feature Service who in conjuction with Bruce Johnson, author of "The History of New Jersey Interscholastic Swimming" chose Gantner as the New Jersey's top century swimmer. "A lot of people say it will never be equaled. It is a premier accomplishment."

The Newark Star-Ledger is featuring a series highlighting New Jersey athletes of the last century for their outstanding contributions to interscholastic sports. The newspaper is highlighting each sport individually, selecting athletes from each decade and one overall athlete of the century.

Gantner was chosen from a list that boasts several Olympians and many All-American swimmers.

Gantner's father, who passed away in June, was chosen as one of the top 10 swimmers of the decade for the 1930s.

According to the Newark Star-Ledger, candidates chosen for consideration had to win a minimum of

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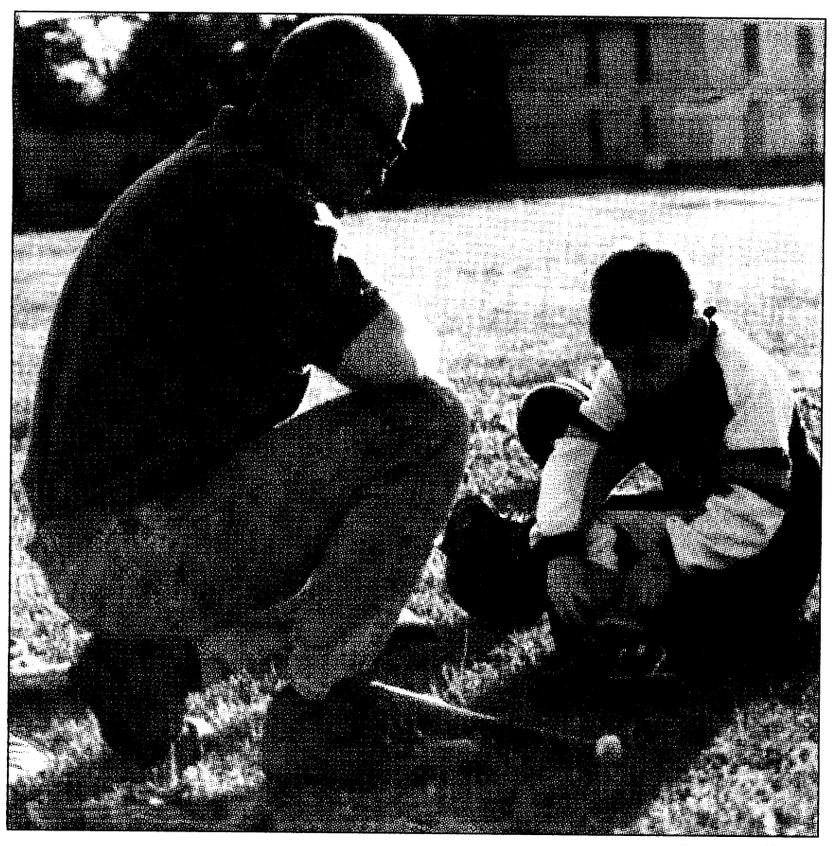
Soldiers teach area sluggers teamwork, discipline



Pfc. Mark Watson

Donald Ladakos makes sure his son, Cody Ladakos, suits up properly before Cody was to catch for his team in a practice.

Fort Benning fathers volunteer 35-plus years experience to Red Sox coach-pitch team

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

In their first year of coach-pitched baseball the 7- and 8-year- olds who comprise the American League Red Sox team have two assistant coaches who are helping teach discipline and how to be a team player.

Considering the 35-plus years of experience these two have spent in a profession that demands using these attributes daily, the Red Sox players are learning from the pros.

Professional Soldiers that is.

The Soldiers are the fathers of two sluggers and are helping turn the 11-boy and one-girl squad into a top-notch team.

Sgt. 1st Class Donald Ladakos, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, and Sgt. 1st Class Clyde Glenn, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 75th Ranger Regiment, have been assistant coaches since their children took up the sport.

Ladakos' son, Cody Ladakos, picked up a bat three years ago to play on a T-ball team and has loved it ever since.

"I really like playing, especially hitting and being the catcher," Cody said.

And the senior Ladakos is loving the time he gets to spend with his son.

"I really enjoy coaching. It gives me a great opportunity to spend some quality time with Cody. I go on TDY a lot so when I am home I try to spend as much time with him as possible," Ladakos said.

"I also really enjoy helping out in the community. I really get a lot out of it when they hit the ball out of the infield in the air for the first time, and they have that smile from ear to ear. Nothing can beat that."

Glenn agreed that spending time with his 7-year-old daughter, Kayla Glenn, is priceless. "Being in the Rangers, I deploy a lot," he said, stressing a lot. "It is hard to coach and go back and forth while deploying, but I really like being with her."

Volunteering their time, the two Soldiers help teach their team the fundamentals of baseball.

"We teach them how to throw, how to hit, which is always their favorite, and how to catch," said Ladakos as one of the Sox players missed a fly ball. Running over to the ball, the Sox right fielder hurled the ball to second base, only to have the ball drop halfway. Ladakos reiterated instructions given earlier to use the cut-off man.

Like Ladakos, Glenn is enjoying the quality time coaching allows him and Kayla to spend together.

"I have helped coach my daughter's team both years that she has played now. Last year she played T-ball, and she just loves playing baseball," said Glenn. "I really enjoy helping out in the community. But it is great to spend time with her and watch her play."

During the practice, Glenn gave his daughter some advice about fielding a ground ball by putting her body in front of the ball and also encouraged her as she fired a ball from shallow center field to the pitcher.

The Red Sox are scheduled to play eight teams and a total of 24 games. The team also practices biweekly, usually on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, said Ladakos.

He said, "We teach them all about baseball. Sometimes parents will be in the stand griping and yelling when something goes wrong, and that is what we are trying to avoid. We tell them (the players) that it is just a

Silver Wings land on NASCAR

Gen. Colin Powell comes to Atlanta for racing event

Sally Shutt
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Sunday retired Gen. Colin Powell will give the order "Gentlemen, start your engines" at the Atlanta Motor Speedway for the Cracker Barrel Old Country Store 500.

But before the drivers fire up their engines Fort Benning's Command Exhibition Parachute Team, the Silver Wings, will perform a freefall demonstration as part of the opening ceremonies. Eight jumpers will land in the infield between pit row and the starting line.

"Atlanta Motor Speedway is honored to host Gen. Powell as our Grand Marshal," Ed Clark, the track president, said.

"His distinguished presence should be a highlight of the day for fans, competitors and all in attendance."

This will be Powell's first visit to a NASCAR event, and Sgt. 1st Class Craig Colberg hopes to meet the retired four-star once he and the other Silver Wings are on the ground.

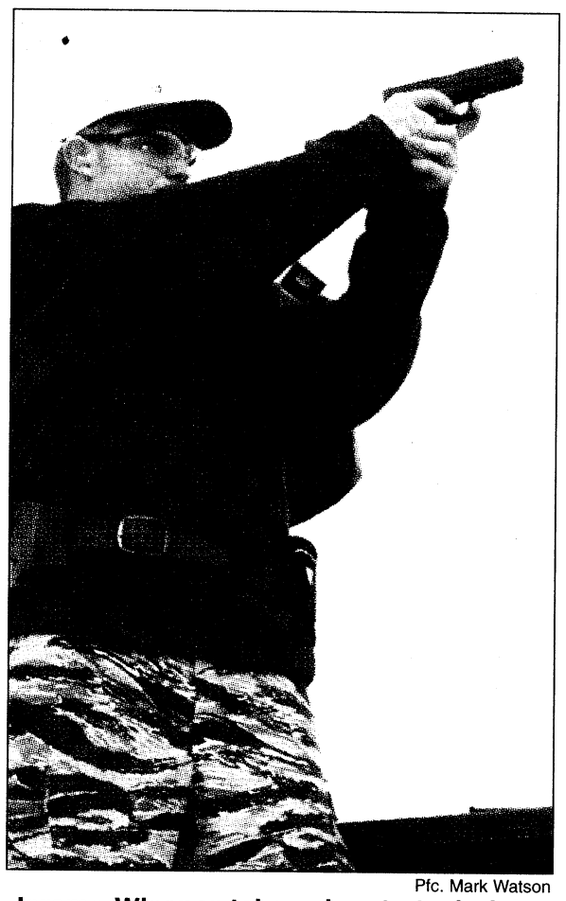
Colberg is a big racing fan, especially of driver Dale Earnhardt, who he predicts will win Sunday's race.

"I know a lot about the sport, and I don't miss a race," Colberg said. He and his family had already purchased tickets for the race prior to finding out that the Silver Wings would be jumping.

"This is a great opportunity for us to represent Fort Benning and the Army before more than 250,000 spectators," Staff Sgt. Greg Windmiller, assistant team leader, said. The event organizer, J. Howard Events, has invited the team to say and see the race.

In the past the Silver Wings have performed at other NASCAR tracks such as the Charlotte Motor Speedway.

The race kicks off the team's demonstration season which extends to late summer. The team will perform March 18 at the Cherry Blossom Festival in Macon, Ga.



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Jeremy Wisener takes aim at steel plates during Saturday's match.

Shooters warm up for GSSF

English Range hosts 40 shooters for practice event

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

More than 40 people gathered at Fort Benning's English Range March 4 for a warm-up pistol match.

Competitors faced the Glock targets and scoring system to prepare themselves for the Glock Sport Shooting Foundation's Old South Regional Classic VIII to be held on post March 25 and 26.

Competitors fired away at three stages. At one stage, shooters needed to double-tap five targets varying in ranges of seven to 35 yards.

At another stage, competitors faced six paper plates lined up at 15 yards. They were stapled on a cardboard backing so the shooter would be able to see where his shot went in relation to the target if he was to miss.

The final stage, and possibly the most frustrating, was the steel plates. Also set at 15 yards, six knock-down plates were the downfall of many shooters.

Like a powerful magnet, the support bar, directly below the plates attracted many bullets.

"I just kept hitting the bar over and over," said a frustrated Johnathan Frye after a practice.

There were six individual categories for the shoot: stock service, enhanced service, custom service, service revolver, back-up revolver and back-up auto.

Taking the top spot for the stock service was Jonathan Moore, with Allan Sheffield and Claude Werner close behind.

Solo shooters were Moore in the service revolver class, Regina Bowman in the back-up revolver class and Jesus Hernandez in the enhanced service class.

In the custom service class, Morris Lewark blazed his way into first place with Clayton Meals and Moore trailing.

Werner took top honors in the back-up auto class with a strong lead over Victor Hallalf and Melisa Frauendorfer.

The next monthly pistol shoot scheduled at English range will be April 1.

Call the Fort Benning Pistol and Rifle Club at 689-3371 for more information.

Athlete: Takes top honors

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three New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic state prep or Eastern interscholastic championships.

Gantner said he was shocked with the announcement. "I was really honored and surprised.

"I did well but I feel as satisfied with my masters and international-level swimming."

After high school, Gantner attended West Point for three years where he was an All-American swimmer. While there he tried out for the 1964 Olympic team but missed it by one slot.

He then graduated from North Carolina State University in 1968 where he received his commission.

Gantner was forced to put his swimming career on the back burner while he went to Vietnam as an Infantry platoon leader. He stayed in the Army for six years, got out as a captain and returned to Fort Benning as a civilian at the Infantry School.

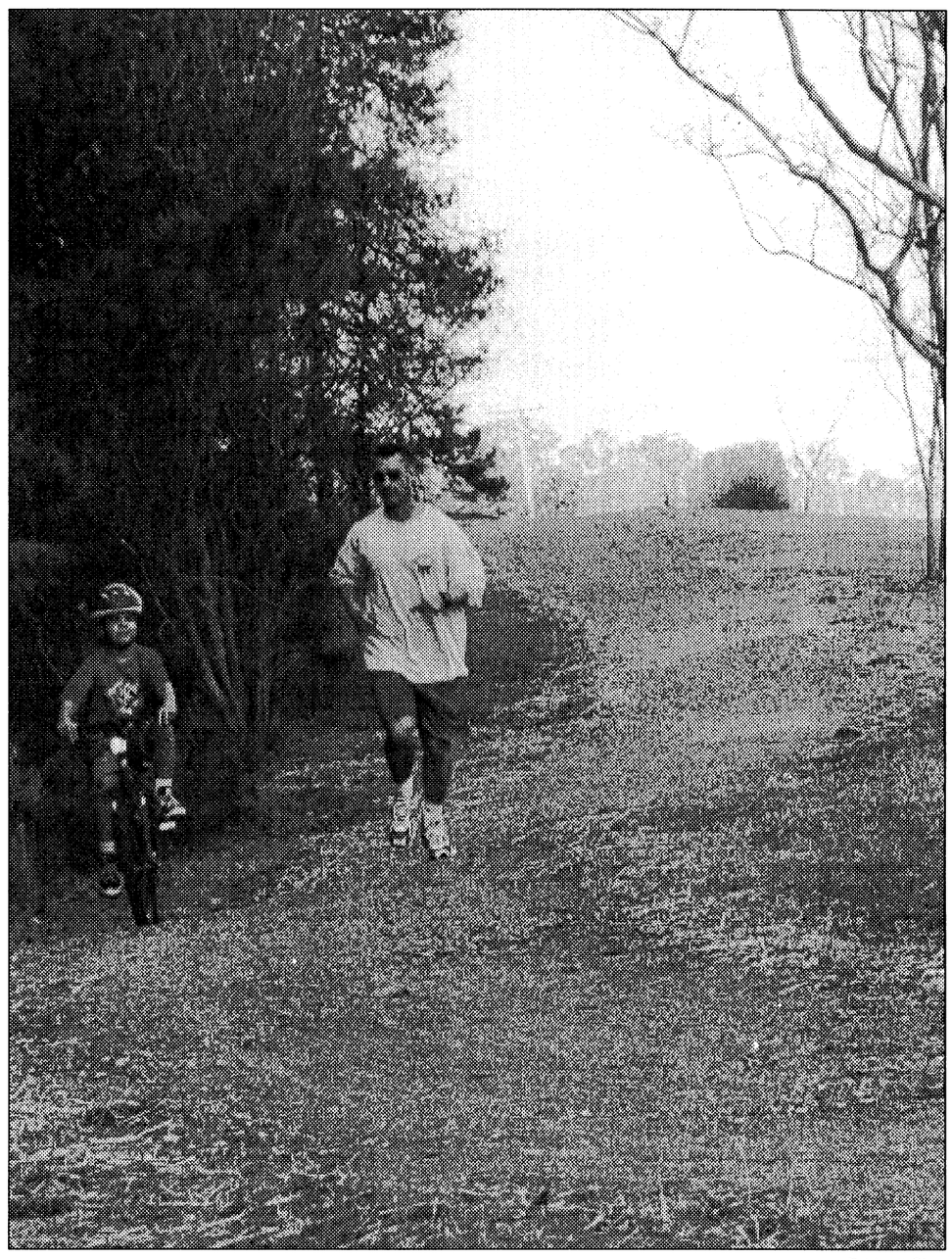
Since that time he has competed on the national and international level.

Now a masters-level swimmer, he has earned many medals and titles along the way. This includes seven gold and three silver medals at the 1985 and 1986 World Championships in Toronto, Canada, and Tokyo, Japan.

He currently spends about three hours a week in the pool to maintain fitness.

"My focus now is to encourage my kids' interests," he said. Neither of his children have decided to swim. But he said they have many interests including soccer, tennis and gymnastics.

Gantner's wife, Lisa, is also a masters swimmer and a physician in Columbus. They have two children Glenn, 11, and Alyssa, 8.



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Happy trails

Sgt. 1st Class Jorge Castro, B Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, Ranger Training Brigade, and his son J.C. take advantage of the warm weather by exercising on the newly completed fitness trail located along Dixie Road.

sports briefs

Military receives discount on Hawks tickets — Military ID card holders can receive a 50 percent discount in the $50, $40 and $20 seating locations at any Ticketmaster location in Columbus or at the Philips Arena box office for the March 17 game versus the Boston Celtics. Limit four tickets per ID.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services.

Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and above, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

For more information, call 545-3070.

USPS offers boating course — The U.S. Power Squadron offers a boat course that begins March 28 at the naval reserve center.

The class targets every type of boater and will feature information on boat handling and seamanship, lines and knots, charts and guides, engine troubleshooting and more.

The cost is $15 for materials. For more information or to sign up, call 561-4943.

Army looks for women basketball players — The Department of the Army Sports is looking for women basketball players interested in trying out for the All-Army Women Basketball Team.

For more information, visit the USAIC Sports Director located in Building 241, Room 221, or call 545-4300 or 545-5777.

Kelley Hill holds chess tourney — The Kelley Hill Recreation Center is holding a USCF rated chess tournament at noon March 25. The entry fee is $4.

For more information, call Riley Lane at 687-6483.

Columbus swim team hosts meet — The Columbus Hurricanes Swim Team is hosting the Division Championship Swim meet today through Sunday and needs volunteers.

The meet will be held at the D.A. Turner YMCA on Warm Springs Road. Sixteen timers are needed on today from 5:30 p.m. until the meet is over. These 16 timers, two per lane, are also needed from 7:30 a.m. to noon, from 1:30-5 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. until the end of the meet on Saturday and Sunday.

Anyone who wants to volunteer can call Jeff Dellinger at 561-2547 or Don McLemore at 327-5622.

Callaway Gardens offers clinic — The Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing School is conducting two-day clinics that include a group classroom session, field instruction and fly-fishing for rainbow, brown and brook trout in one of the Garden's premiere private lakes.

The cost of $150 per student also includes lunch both days of the class.

Register now for clinics scheduled April 1-2, June 3-4 and June 24-25. Overnight accommodations are available.

They are filling up quickly, so call the Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing Shop today at (706) 663-5142, or call 1-800-CALLAWAY (225-5292).

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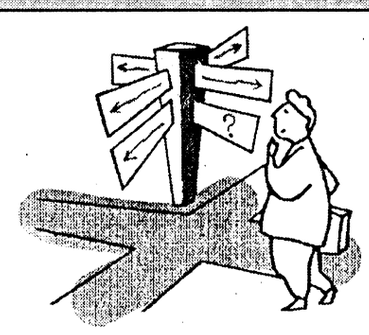

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93 Honda Accord SE Excel. cond. 2 dr, 89k miles, auto, loaded, $10,500 (706-570-2763).(F24)

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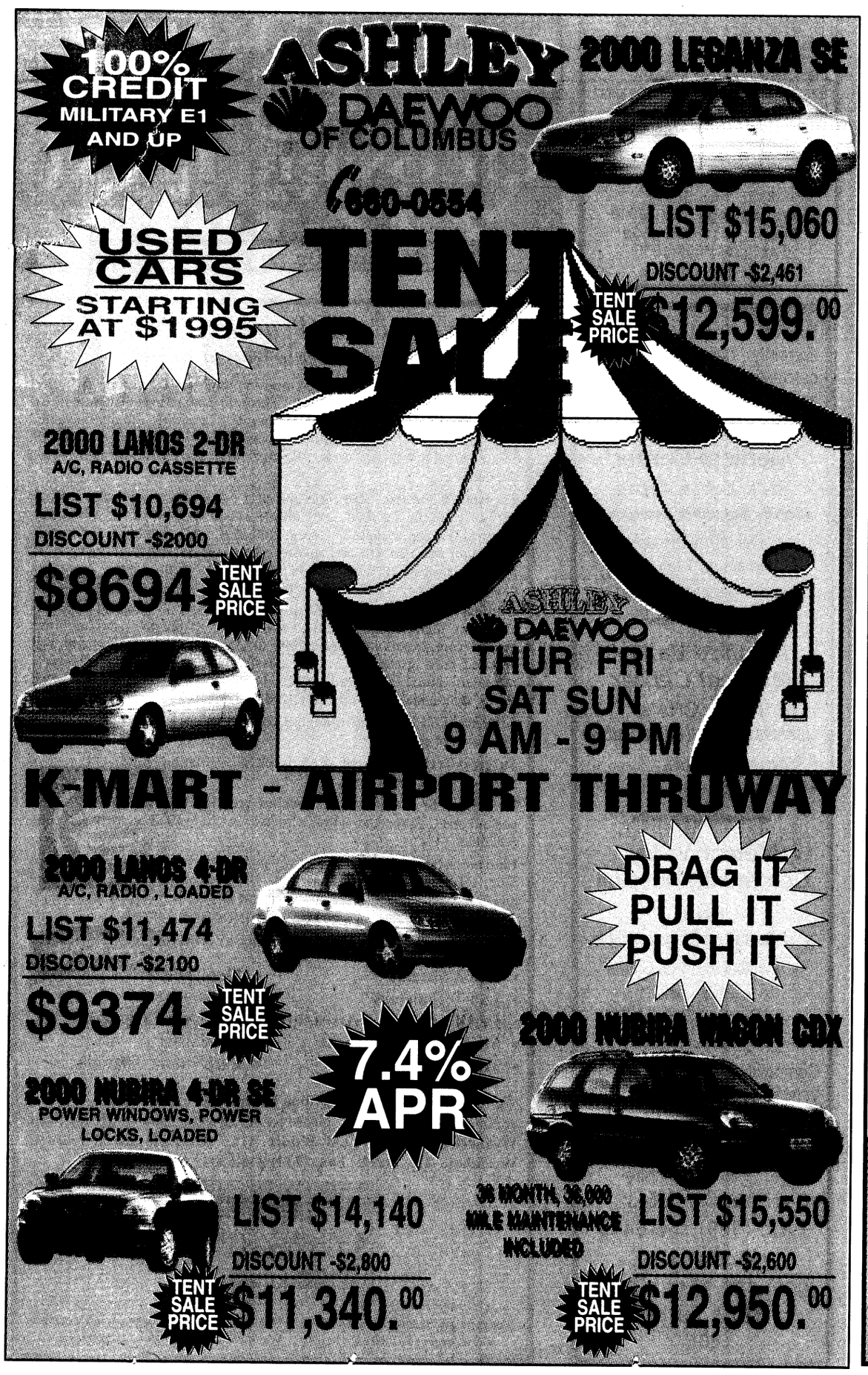

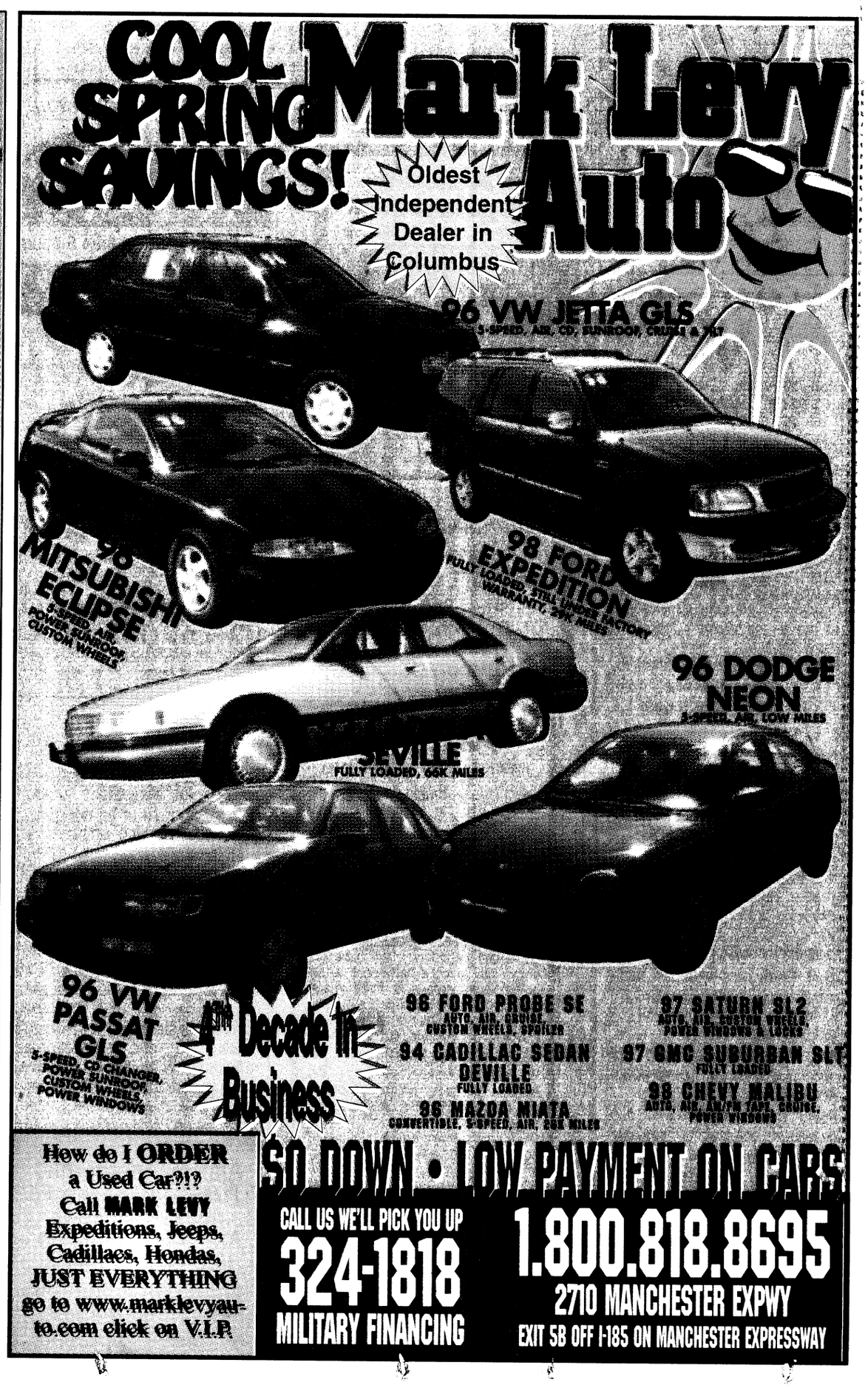

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White Parakeet with partially clipped wings on Meehan St Indianhead Terrace. If seen call 685-4811 (F10).

Free pets

Lab puppies good home only, 4M/ 4F, Ft Mitchell, 855-3358 8a-9p (Judy) (F10)

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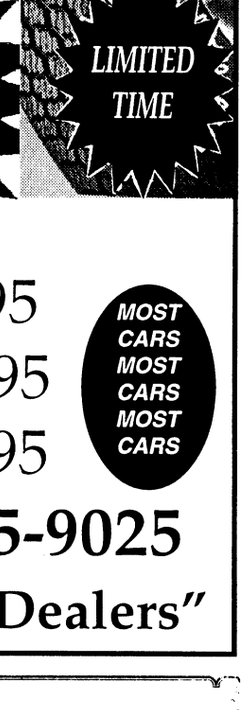

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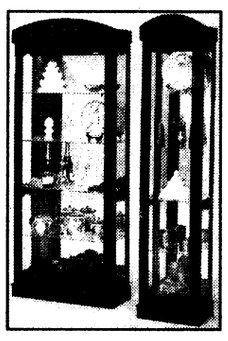

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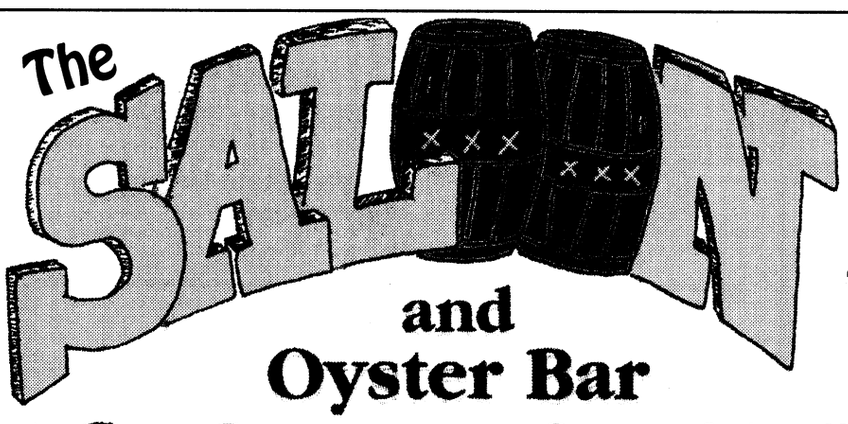



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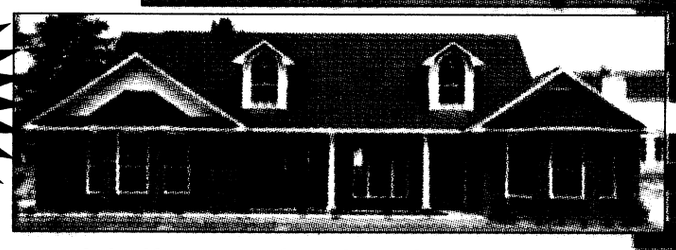

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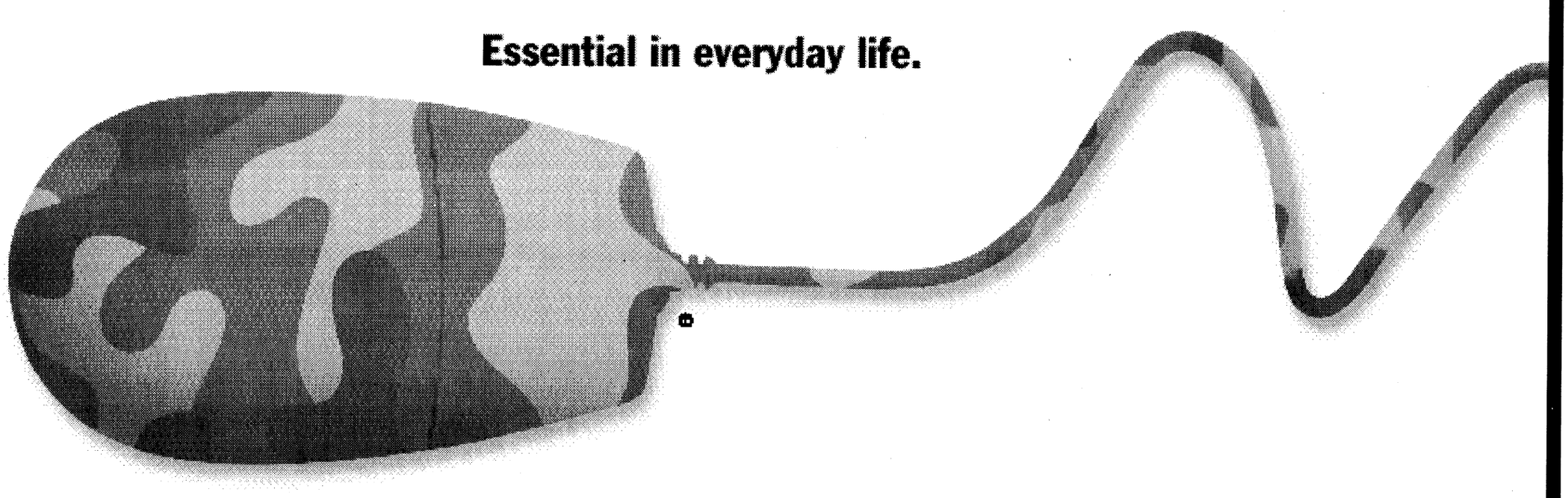

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GI Bill benefits may see boost

More money, transferability could be coming

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

What good is a benefit that is better to Soldiers on the outside than it is while wearing the green?

That is the question Sen. Max Cleland said prompted him to push for a change in the aging Montgomery GI Bill, a benefit he said gives Soldiers more incentive to leave the ranks of the service rather than to stay in.

"In a time of a booming economy in the private sector and ever-competitive job market, we need to do everything we can to retain the high quality and high caliber personnel we have serving our country," he said. "But when you only allow a serviceman or woman the chance to get full benefit from the GI Bill on the outside, we are asking for them to join the already increasing number of those leaving the service."

So how does Cleland hope to keep quality people in the ranks of the modern military? He said the answer is simple: Keep quality of life high and Soldiers, airmen and Marines will continue to re-enlist.

"Updating the GI Bill, I believe is a wonderful retention tool," he said. "Making it possible to use the benefit while in the service is the first major step."

Cleland's proposed overhaul of the bill would be the first modernization of the education bill since 1984, and this proposal aimed at retaining quality Soldiers doesn't stop with use equity issues.

"I also propose we take the modernization effort further by helping servicemen and women educate their children, which is often a parent's greatest goal," he said. "Under my legislation, the services would be given the discretionary authority to permit servicemembers to transfer education benefits they have earned to immediate family members including spouses and dependents."

Assisting those family members, Cleland said, is essential in maintaining a strong force ready to fight and win.

"With 56 percent of our total force married, this would be a benefit that would have a great impact on our entire force," he said.

Cleland's new benefit-packed plan would benefit career Soldiers the most, giving them a chance to transfer the benefits at the 10-year mark of their stint of service.

Cleland has nicknamed the bill HOPE for Helping Out Professionals with Education, and said it will be part of the GI Bill Reform package of 2000 he hopes to bring before the Senate by the end of the month.

Cleland proposed a similar bill last year that coupled the transferability option along with a hike in monetary benefits of the bill, but the bill failed twice in the Senate after twice earning passage in the U.S. House.

Congressman Jack Quinn, chairman of the Veterans Benefits Subcommittee in the

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Soldiers strive for expert title



Pfc. Mitch Frazier

Spc. Tyree Williams, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, prepares the AT-4 for firing during EIB training at Burroughs Range Tuesday.

Infantrymen prepare for EIB testing

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

The Georgia air is cold under the moonlit sky as hundreds of Expert Infantry hopefuls fell assembled on Burroughs Range Monday morning.

The moist, arctic-like air wasn't enough to dampen the spirits of the Soldiers as they readied themselves to begin the first phase of a process aimed at earning them the right to be called the best in their profession — the right to earn and wear the Expert Infantry Badge.

Although the week of official training began the badge process, Soldiers on the site said the week was far from the beginning of their intense training regime.

"We have been working for nearly six weeks just to prepare our Soldiers to come out here and test," said 1st Lt. William Greene, an EIB hopeful assigned to C Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment. "We started out working at squad and platoon level with a certified EIB Soldier, and I think we are all comfortable with the material we are going to be tested on out here."

The testing process, which challenges Soldiers to a barrage of 33 Infantry tests during four days, certifies Soldiers are competent and capable in the Infantry career field.

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Police apprehend protesters

Six SOA Watch members may face jail time

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

After an uneventful demonstration outside Columbus' federal courthouse Friday, six members of the protest group SOA Watch brought their protest to Fort Benning.

Nearly 50 supporters gathered outside the courthouse, rallying to show their support for nine of their members inside facing charges of trespassing stemming from last November's protest of the U.S. Army School of the Americas.

U.S. District Court Hugh Lawson found all nine of the protesters guilty of trespassing, and said after a probation background investigation of the protesters, they will be sentenced in April.

That conviction, officials said, may have added fuel to the fire for the group who then took their cross-carrying campaign, aimed at closing the school, to the grounds of Fort Benning.

Shortly after 2:30 Friday afternoon, military police responded to a report of people outside Ridgway Hall damaging the lawn.

Military police found six individuals claiming to be members of SOA Watch planting crosses and digging what police said looked to be a shallow grave.

"The five females and one male

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Community leaders get insiders look at post

Officials aim visit at awareness, appreciation

Spc. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

Leaders from across the Columbus and Phenix City area and post met at Fort Benning for the Leadership Columbus Military Day March 10.

During the visit, local organization leaders were treated to demonstrations and briefings from the Ranger Training Brigade, the 29th Infantry Regiment, the Airborne School and the U.S. Army School of the Americas. They also were able to enjoy a meal with Soldiers from the 36th Engineer Group.

The day provided a great opportunity for everyone to learn more about one another, said Chuck Walls, garrison manager.

"This is an annual kind of training class, for about 40 people around the community who I would consider the upcoming movers and shakers in the community, to familiarize them with all aspects of the military community," he said.

"Many of them have no idea of what goes on at Fort Benning, so this is a great opportunity for them to get a better appreciation of the size of Fort Benning, the immensity of all of the operations that go on out here and an appreciation for the Soldiers and families out here," Walls said. "I think they'll have a whole different attitude about what goes on out here and the people that dedicate their lives to being in the military."

As a part of that learning experience, the local leaders took part in a hands-on training exercise demonstration by



Spc. Michael Maddox

Soldiers fire a mortar during an exercise at Red Cloud Range.

Soldiers from the 29th Infantry Regiment.

Maj. Tony Carbone, 29th Infantry Brigade operations officer, said his unit was glad to show the Leadership

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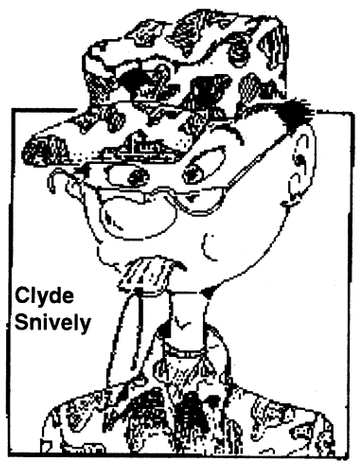
Beware of car transmission woes

Spc. Clyde Snively
Bayonet columnist



Andy, my ex-brother-in-law, was the manager of one of those nation-wide transmission shops.

He used to talk about the training they underwent to make sure the customer got the "best deal."

Tricks like running a finger through a dropped oil pan in front of unsuspecting customers and saying, "you've got metal filings in here, transmission must be bad."

Or how they'd offer free transmission inspections, lay your transmission out on the floor then tell you your transmission was bad and needed either rebuilding or replacement. If you decided you needed a second opinion, they'd tell you it would cost $300 to put the transmission back together before you could leave the garage.

Since being assigned to Fort Benning, my opinion on transmission businesses has not changed. I've heard too many stories about cars being held for ransom, heard about too many instances of customers being told their car will be ready tomorrow and tomorrow never getting there.

This happened to an instructor who ended up calling the police to mediate for him. The policeman was pretty much powerless to do too much since it was a civil matter, but while the policeman was present, the shop manager promised the captain he'd get him a rental car. When the policeman left, the manager closed up shop and went to get a beer at a nearby bar, leaving the captain high and dry.

Needless to say, I'm very wary of nation-wide transmission businesses and in fact, if I see a repair shop that has the word "transmission," on the sign, I make a mental point to steer clear of it too, although I've been told there are some good ones in town. I guess if you check with your buds or the Better Business Bureau you can get a list of them.

Be that as it may, it was with great relief I learned the auto craft shop does transmission work. Of course for the Soldier who is broken down, downtown, that thought might not occur to him, especially if the wrecker service he calls is taking kickbacks from a certain garage — "hey, I know just the place to take your car. They do great work, reasonable prices." I don't trust those people either, so another relief — the auto craft shop has a contract with a wrecker company also.

Beginning to get the picture here? If you've got car problems who would you rather have working on your pride and joy — someone Fort Benning stands behind or someone you don't know?

Also, don't go traipsing in to the AER office with a $2,600 bill and ask for a loan. They'll ask you for an estimate from the auto craft shop. That's one way to ensure Soldiers don't get ripped off and one way to make sure AER money isn't being used to keep some sleaze shop in business.

I hope my car never falls apart, but if it does, I'm glad there's someone I can rely on to make sure I don't get taken for a ride putting it back together again.

And oh by the way. Before you do go searching for a place to take your vehicle, make sure to check the off-limits places. Businesses make this list for a reason.

St. Paddy's Day blessing for Soldiers

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



I have to say there is only one day out of the year where I really appreciate the fact that I have to wear BDUs — St. Patrick's Day.

When I was in high school, St. Patrick's Day wasn't really a holiday for me, rather a day of fear and pain.

It never failed on the only day of the year where you are supposed to wear green I would end up picking the one thing in my closet that wasn't green. I would walk into school with a dumb smile on my face, completely unaware of what was coming next.

And then it would happen. Without warning they would come at me from all directions. Ruthless and unwavering, the pinching would go on all day long. Even tears of pain weren't enough to stop the torture.

Of course, I would always try to get out of the ritual pinchings by proclaiming that I was wearing green, it was just no one could see it. Then if that failed (which it usually did) I would resort to doing what the rest of the other non-Irish, non-green wearing fools would do — paint a piece of tape green and wear it proudly. But even that didn't work all of the time.

Now those days are a thing of the past. No longer do I have to strain my brain the night before to make sure I wear something green, because that's a given. And no longer do I come home sore from hours of abuse by my peers.

Since, I've joined the Army I have been able to enjoy St. Paddy's Day and all it's festivities. Not only that, but I've taken more of an interest in the holiday and actually took the time to find out what all the hoopla is about.

Contrary to popular belief, St. Patrick's Day isn't held in honor of that cute little leprechaun from the cereal commercials. There really was a man named St. Patrick who lived around 400 A.D. He was a bishop who traveled to celtic countries preaching the gospel.

What St. Patrick is best known for is driving the snakes out of Ireland, or so they say. There are many different accounts of what actually happened, and so much of history and legend are intertwined it is hard to know what is true and what isn't. But, the tale states that St. Patrick stood upon a hill and used a wooden staff to drive all of Ireland's serpents into the sea.

And while it is true to this day there are no snakes in Ireland, the story is actually more of a symbol of what St. Patrick accomplished. Back in the days, serpents were a symbol of paganism and because St. Patrick was known for converting a great number of pagans to Christianity that is probably how the story came about.

I'm not completely sure why they decided to make it a holiday, but the Irish have been celebrating it for thousands of years. Frankly, I think it is just an excuse to get together to party and drink green beer.

It's all a bit amazing to me that one guy could cause such a fuss. But, I will admit that St. Patrick's Day isn't such a bad holiday. It can actually be pretty fun when you don't have to constantly shield yourself from people's little pinchers.

Women propel military to greater heights





In recognition of Women's History Month, the month of March is dedicated to observing the contributions and sacrifices women have made throughout American history.

The theme for this year's observance is "An Extraordinary Century for Women — Now, Imagine the Future!"

Throughout American history, women have shown the pioneering spirit and leadership in a variety of diverse arenas. Absolutely no part of American history is complete without addressing and recognizing the contributions of women.

From Susan B. Anthony, who fought for voting and equal rights for women, to Amelia Earhart, who bravely took the skies to advance aviation science; women have put their stamp on America.

Women have served proudly within the American military. While not widely known, women served in the Army during the Revolutionary War under the command of Gen. George Washington.

Women also served during the Civil War. Harriet Tubman served as a Soldier and a nurse and was a leader of the Underground Railroad. Women have continued to serve proudly and honorably in every conflict since.

The women of today, both military and Department of the Army civilians are propelling our military to new heights.

Thousands of women have and are, serving our nation throughout the world, which lets us know that this has been "An Extraordinary Century for Women — Now, Imagine the Future!"

— Maj. Gen. John M. Le Moyne
Commanding General

The *Bayonet* wants community input

Editor's note: *Many people call us with questions about how to get their information in the paper or with erroneous information about deadlines, so we have compiled the following for your information.*

Our mission

We get a lot of feedback from readers, and we appreciate your letters, story ideas and comments. We appreciate the positive comments, and we do our best to address the negative ones.

As Fort Benning's authorized newspaper, we are dedicated to giving you the most complete coverage possible. In order to do this, we rely on members of our audience to keep us informed about their units' or directorates' activities.

Coverage of events

The staff of The Bayonet enjoys covering newsworthy events on post that are timely and pertinent to our readers. Some events we cover include brigade-level changes of command, changes in post policies or procedures and other postwide events.

We don't have enough personnel to cover everything on post, so we focus on the events that affect most of the post.

Also due to our limited number of personnel, we prefer that coverage requests be submitted at least two weeks in advance.

Some events we do not send a reporter to cover are parties, dinners, dining events, dances, balls, teas, coffees, club and organization meetings and elections, award presentations, changes of command below the brigade level, check presentations and group photos.

Deadlines

Film, photos, stories, letters to the editor and other news items intended for The Bayonet must arrive in our office no later than noon Friday prior to the next week's publication.

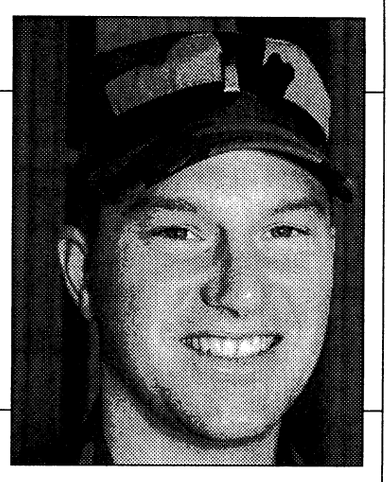
Use civilian dates, times, the name of the building as well as the building number. You may include the street or road if desired. Also, be sure to include the first and last names of all individuals mentioned in the story, and spell out all acronyms on first reference.

VARIOUS VOICES

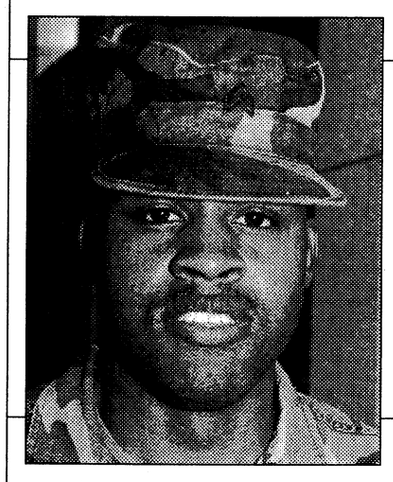
What is the luckiest thing that ever happened to you?



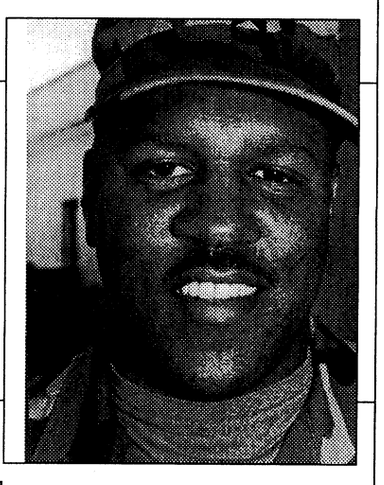
Sissy Doll, family member — "The luckiest thing that ever happened to me is my four children. We were blessed with three daughters and then, 10 years later, the little prince of the house arrived."



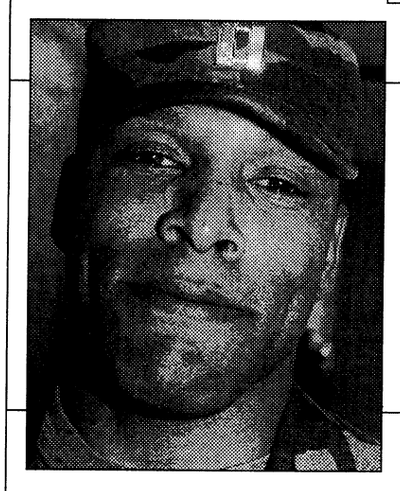
1st Lt. Karl Asmus, B Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "The luckiest thing that ever happened to me was meeting my future wife. We met in a college German class."



Sgt. Philip Laurel, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry — "My wife is the luckiest thing that ever happened to me. We've been married for seven years and without her support I wouldn't make it."



Sgt. 1st Class Rickey Jones, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery — "The birth of my son is the luckiest thing that ever happened to me. Rickey Jr. is 9 years old."



Capt. Michael Morton, B Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry — "I got lucky when the right woman came into my life, and we were married. We have two children. It has been happily ever after."



Staff Sgt. Dee Brown, Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry — "Being selected for Drill Sergeant School is the luckiest thing that ever happened to me."

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Transmission trouble leaves Soldier out of gear

Officer accuses retailer of bad business practices

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

After being told he needed repairs on the transfer case of his 1987 Ford Bronco II, Capt. Anthony Quinn did just what he was told by a Columbus tire retailer.

He drove his truck to a nearby transmission shop on Victory Drive for service. Little did he know when he drove his vehicle onto the lot Feb. 7 he would not be driving it off.

Quinn, who is assigned to the 4th Ranger Training Battalion as a platoon instructor, spent the next 10 days balancing his military career and his battle to get his truck back.

The problem, Quinn said, began the day after he took his truck to the transmission center for repairs.

"I waited and waited for a call from the shop to tell me what was wrong with the transfer case and what could be done to fix it," Quinn said. "After waiting 'til after noon, I contacted them myself to find out what the status was of my vehicle."

During that call, Quinn said he agreed for the shop to begin fixing the problem without signing a service agreement or contract. "It was just verbal," he noted.

Visits to the business Feb. 10-11 and 14 returned no guarantees on service or a completion date of the transfer case project.

Five days after Quinn delivered his vehicle to the shop, he again returned to the Victory Drive repairer to discover a bushing was the hold-up in the project and that his truck would be finished by the end of the day.

When Quinn went to pick up his truck at 4:30 p.m., he found that no work had been completed on the Bronco and the transfer case was still not installed on the vehicle.

Quinn demanded the company pay for a rental car for his inconvenience, but again his request went unanswered.

"I told them if I couldn't get a rental car then I wanted my vehicle drivable or not," he said. "And I told them I wanted my money back as well."

An argument ensued about moving the vehicle and how if moved the warranty of all the parts would be voided.

The argument continued, and as the clock passed 5 p.m., the manager of the business told Quinn it would be tomorrow before anything could be done.

That is when Quinn called for the assistance of the Columbus Police Department.

But Quinn's quest for help was not beneficial as police officials told him the matter was civil in nature rather than a criminal matter. Their hands were tied.

After arriving at 8:45 a.m. the next morning, the service shop manager told Quinn he would refund him his money and did not want his business.

Quinn's truck was towed to a nearby facility where he said mechanics told him the transfer case was in working order prior to the work at the Victory Drive retailer. The only damage to the transfer case was done by the service rendered.

That damage has led Quinn to pursue possible action against the retailer both through the Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board and with the Columbus Better Business Bureau.

"I just don't want this to happen to someone else," Quinn said. "Initially I wanted compensation for my time, but I have given up on that. Now I just want to see that other Soldiers don't get treated the way I did."

Leonard Crain Jr., president of the Columbus Better Business Bureau, said Quinn's complaint was not the first the consumer-watch group had received on the repair shop.

"The bureau has received numerous complaints on this particular transmission shop," Crain said. "All of which the owner of the business has not yet responded to."

Although complaints against the shop continue to surface, Crain said the shop has recently vowed to work with the bureau to answer all bad business queries logged against them.

"The owner of the business said he did not know he was supposed to respond," Crain said. "He has now agreed to work with us in sorting out the confusion of the accusations filed against the repair shop."

Vehicle repair claims are the number one consumer complaint according to a report from the Association of Consumer Agency Administrators, but Crain said a majority of those complaints could be stymied if consumers would have done their homework before taking their car to be repaired.

"Vehicle repair is just like any other major purchase," he said. "You cannot go into it blind."

Crain suggests consumers check with their local better business bureau to see if complaints have been filed against the establishment. He also suggests that an inquiry of friends and locals about the reputation of the business in question is usually beneficial.

"In this case Quinn did not do his homework and he suffered," he said. "If he would have, he would have known the past history of the business in question."

Assistant manger of the Victory Drive transmission shop, who said his name is David Davis, said the business practices of the facility are in line with the highest standards of quality and customer service.

"We service thousands of transmissions a year without complaints," he said. "People leave here all the time satisfied with their service including Soldiers."

Davis said although they do service thousands of transmissions annually, sometimes it is tough for consumers to stay calm when parts have to be ordered, and they are forced to wait for those to arrive.

"They are already upset that they are out of an automobile and their life has to change until they get their car or truck back," he said. "I know that — I have been there."

The complaint against the repair facility will be heard during next quarter's Armed forces Disciplinary Board, a group of military leaders authorized to take formal action against a civilian run facility.

Presently the facility is not one of the two establishments listed on the off-limits list for Soldiers in the Columbus area.

Soldiers wanting to research a retailer can contact the Better Business Bureau at 324-0712 or the Army Community Services Consumer Affairs division at 545-4042.

New trainees, vets join forces for regimental ceremony

Participants say farewell, welcome incoming honorary commander

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

In basic training less than a week, troops from 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, stood on Pomeroy Field at Sand Hill Tuesday morning under the watchful eyes of veterans who served with the regiment during World War II and Vietnam.

The battalion participated in the 47th Infantry Regiment Association's change of authority ceremony.

The outgoing honorary commander, retired Col. Edward Thurman turned the job over to retired Brig. Gen. Douglas S. Smith.

"You've got to believe there is no more honorable profession than being a Soldier. Congratulations to you for choosing it as yours," Thurman said to the Soldiers in formation on the field and those sitting in the bleachers during the ceremony.

He then asked them to remember the warriors who went before them carrying the regimental colors.

"There are tens of thousands who have served under these colors who aren't here today. Our duty is to make sure their legacy is passed down through the generations."

Smith, who now lives in Niceville, Fla., commanded the 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., 9th Infantry Division, in Vietnam in 1969.

"These battle streamers don't stand for winning some softball tournament. They are there because of a lot of blood, sweat and tears."

The "Raider" regiment has a long lineage dating back to 1917. It participated in five campaigns in WWI, eight in WWII and 11 during Vietnam.

Although they have only been in the regiment a few days, and in the Army just a few weeks, the basic training Soldiers will still be expected to carry on the traditions of the unit, Smith said.

"These Soldiers from WWII and Vietnam are looking to them to get the job done today," Smith said after the ceremony. "We wish them well and want to help them."

Members traveled from across the country to attend the ceremony and visit with fellow veterans.

William H. Horan didn't have to drive far from his Columbus home. He and wife, Norma, arrived early and were looking forward to seeing other WWII veterans.

"This will be like a reunion today, if they all come," Norma said.

Chester Jordan, 78, flew from Baton Rouge, La.; and Jack Collier drove two days from St. Louis.

Retired Command Sgt. Major Kenneth Meyer, 79, flew from Texas. He served for eight years as the honorary command sergeant major of the association.

"I gave it up when I reached 78," he said.

Retired Brig. Gen. Ed Maness, 80, drove from Florida for the ceremony. He commanded the 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., as a 25-year-old.

"I grew up in this regiment," he said. "It was my home away from home during WWII, and I went through all its campaigns. The 47th has always been dear to me."

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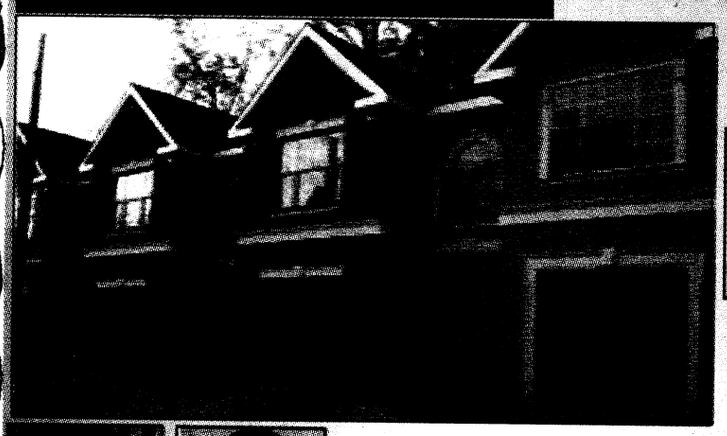

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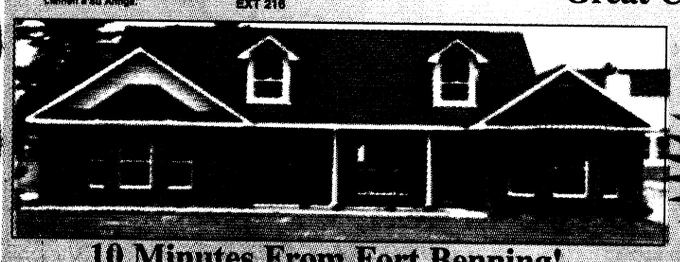

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BIO 123-031	BIOLOGY I W/ LAB	M/W	5	Khan	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
BIO 124-032	BIOLOGY II W/ LAB	T/TH	5	Terry	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
CIS 200-031	COMPUTER CONCEPTS	M/W	5	Alles	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
CIS 201-033	MICRO APPLICATIONS	M/W	5	Alles	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
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ENG 099-031	LSS ENGLISH II	M/W	5	Hull	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
ENG 101-031	ENGLISH COMP I	M/W	5	Dunn	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
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ENG 102-032	ENGLISH COMP II	T/TH	5	Dunn	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
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HIS 121-032	AMERICAN HISTORY I	T/TH	5	Kaufman	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
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CIS 100-035	COMPUTER LITERACY	APRIL 7-9	2	Alles	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
CIS 106-035	SPREADSHEETS	JUNE 9-11	2	Alles	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
CRJ 100-035	INTRO TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE	MAY 5-7 MAY 19-21	5	Arrington	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
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ENG 261-035	PUBLIC SPEAKING	MAY 19-21 JUNE 9-11	5	Sawyer	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
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Post Inspector General warns Soldiers about car abuse

Stopping at ATMs not authorized in government cars

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The Office of the Inspector General is on the lookout for the misuse of government-owned vehicles on Fort Benning.

Just from knowing the regulations and keeping an eye open for GOVs in areas they should not be, Soldiers who work for the IG are spotting frequent violations.

"We are finding government vehicles are being misused a lot," said Maj. Peter Mount, chief inspections branch, office of the Inspector General. "The violators may not be aware they are in violation, but the bottom line is GOVs are to be used for official duties. They are not to be used for personal use such as swinging by the PX to pick something up.

"Frequently, we see them at places where they are not supposed to be such as the PX, Burger King, the post office and the banks," Mount said. "We have even seen them at Soldiers' personal quarters."

Government vehicles must not be used for transportation to, or be parked at, commissaries, PXs, including concessions, bowling alleys, officer and NCO clubs or any nonappropriated fund activities unless personnel using the vehicles are on official government business or temporary duty travel, according to Army Regulation 58-1, the regulation governing the use of GOVs.

Being in uniform and using the vehicle during duty hours does not, by itself, constitute official business.

"If we see someone where they probably shouldn't be, we will stop them and ask if they actually have official business at the location," said Master Sgt. James Cissell, assistant IG. "If they say they do, we ask for proof, such as a receipt from a government credit card. If they do not, we make them aware of the regulation."

"If we see frequent misuse of GOVs a lot in one unit, we will definitely call the commander and make sure he is aware of the regulations regarding the use of the vehicles," according to Army Regulation 58-1, which is the regulation governing the use of GOVs, Mount said.

Stopping the misuse of GOVs can be as easy as an on-the-spot correction. It can also bring more harsh penalties.

Civilians who use or authorize the use of a GOV for use other than official purposes, shall be suspended for not less than one month without compensation, according to AR 58-1. They shall be suspended for a longer period or summarily removed from office if circumstances warrant.

Soldiers who use or authorize the use of a GOV, except for official use, may be disciplined under provisions of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, or other administrative procedures deemed appropriate.

Not only is unauthorized use against regulations, it is also expensive.

"We lease all of the vehicles from the General Services Administration that charges us per month and per mile," said Phyllis P. Peacock, supervisory motor vehicle dispatcher. "It adds extra miles and takes away from someone who needs the vehicle for an official mission."

"Commanders and leaders have a responsibility to ensure government vehicles in their command are properly dispatched and controlled to ensure proper use," said Col. Ron Greene II, post inspector general. "NCOs and officers must also make on-the-spot corrections where violations are suspected."

Commanders talk, practice safety during Safety Stand Down Day

Personnel are briefed on risk assessment

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, Fort Benning's Commanding General, designated March 9 as a Safety Stand Down Day. Units were to dedicate the day solely to safety awareness in relation to on-duty and off-duty activities.

"Recent serious accidents on this installation dictate the need for us to pause to assess the risks we face every day," Le Moyne said in a March 7 memo announcing the stand down.

Two Fort Benning Soldiers died in February — one from injuries suffered when he fell from the obstacle course during training at Sand Hill; the other from alcohol poisoning after attending a weekend party.

Commanders held briefings all over post, and the topics addressed included heat injuries, alcohol abuse, suicide prevention, water safety, vehicle operations and inspection of training devices.

The stand down gave units the chance to focus on safe operating procedures as they transition into the warmer spring and summer months.

"It (the stand down) is a time to step back and take a deep breath," Col. John Latimer, Chief of Staff, said. "It gives us a chance to appraise, equip and prepare for the summer training surge."

> "We are not where we want to be on safety. But thank goodness we are not where we used to be."
>
> **— Col. Frank Helmick**
> RTB commander

For example, Latimer said a number of briefings were distributed to units, including one on hyponatremia, or water intoxication. A Soldier at Fort Jackson, S.C., died in January from the condition — a combination of too much water and not enough sodium in the blood.

In July 1997 a Fort Benning trainee died after consuming too much water. It was the Army's first known death attributed to hyponatremia.

The Army updated its fluid replacement guidelines last year. They are based on activity level as well as temperature. For example, one quart of water per hour is the maximum recommended water intake when temperatures reach above 90 degrees.

Brigade commanders and command sergeants major attended an afternoon briefing conducted by Col. Frank Helmick, commander of the Ranger Training Brigade. The 45-minute session was designed especially for the safety day and illustrated how the RTB administers high-risk training.

The RTB commander said he stood before his fellow brigade commanders and stated up front: "We are not where we need to be on safety. We are not where we want to be on safety. But thank goodness, we are not where we used to be."

In 1995 four Ranger students died from hypothermia during swamp training in Florida.

After that incident, additional safety systems and procedures were established, and during the briefing Helmick discussed several of those including risk management worksheets, daily risk assessments and instructor certification.

During the last 18 months representatives from several outside agencies have observed Ranger training to see how the systems have been implemented, Helmick said.

They include the General Accounting Office, the U.S. Army Safety Center, Naval specialists and a team of officers, civilians and safety experts appointed by Gen. John Abrams, TRADOC Commander, to assess high-risk training.

Fort Benning has another Safety Stand Down scheduled for May 25 before the Memorial Day holiday weekend and the official start of summer.

courts-martial

Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

At a general court-martial Feb. 3, Sgt. Earl M. Capers Jr., A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, was convicted of rape of a child under the age of 16 years of age.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of private (E-1), to forfeit all pay and allowances, to be confined for 27 years, and to be discharged from the service with a dishonorable discharge.

At a general court-martial Jan. 24, Staff Sgt. Ronnie C. Frison, Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized), was convicted of indecent assault.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of private (E-1), to forfeit $1,400 pay per month for 20 months, to be confined for 20 months, and to be discharged from the service with a dishonorable discharge.

At a general court-martial Nov. 3, Pvt. Rafael Guzman, C Co., 2nd Bn., 58th Inf., ITB, was arraigned on a charge of rape.

The accused having been arraigned, the proceedings were terminated Jan. 12 because the Convening Authority withdrew and dismissed the court-martial charge and its specification.

At a general court-martial Oct. 7, Lt. Col. Jerardo Reyes, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USA, was convicted of indecent acts upon the body of a female under 16 years of age. He was sentenced to forfeit $1,000 pay per month for eight months, to be confined for eight months, and to be reprimanded.

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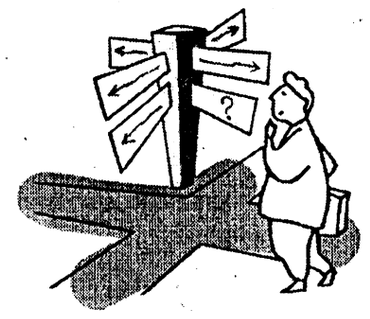

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New washers make life easier, more troop-friendly

Spc. Michael Maddox
Bayonet staff writer

Soldiers across the Infantry Training Brigade can now look forward to quicker weapons cleaning thanks to some new weapons parts washers recently installed at all of the starships.

While the washers could cut weapons cleaning time by 30 to 50 percent, there will be several other benefits in the long term, said Michael Nuckols, an environmental specialist for the Department of Public Works.

"These are a lot safer for the Soldiers to use because there is less exposure to harmful chemicals," he said. "It will also help with air quality because it doesn't put off as much off-gassing."

Nuckols said saving Army dollars will also result from using the new equipment.

"We expect to save probably $1,500 per year, per unit for waste disposal over the old method," he explained. "It will probably save the units 40 to 80 hours they would have to use otherwise turning in drums of solvent."

And those savings can't be beat, especially since the more than $35,000 for the machines came from TRADOC funding.

"There's a pollution prevention program and the environmental funding channel available through TRADOC," said Nuckols. "If we can show a way to provide costs savings, increased worker safety and a decrease in waste disposal, the headquarters will fund certain types of pollution prevention projects like this."

"We've had a couple of weapon washers at the Ranger regiment for the past four years and they really liked them. So we recently applied to funding to purchase some more of these," he said.

Soldiers from 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment said the weapon washers come in handy..

"I use them every time I clean my weapon," said Pfc. William Ortiz, assistant armorer for Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt. "It eliminates using the brushes and swab pads, and it breaks down the carbon quickly."

Master Sgt. Alan Boswell, Infantry Training Brigade environmental NCO, said there are many reasons the brigade will benefit from using the washers.

"It will save us money in rags, disposal of hazardous materials and the man-hours involved in cleaning a weapon," Boswell said. "This system will be much more cost effective over the old system. Now we don't have to buy break free fluid, the only cost we are going to have is the CLP after the weapon is cleaned.

"Each Soldier, for the 14 weeks they are in basic training and AIT, spends 101 hours per cycle on the weapon. We are also looking at this machine cutting that down by one third to a half," he added.

Considering each unit trains 4,400 Soldiers per year and costs an average of $25 per hour to train, the man-hour savings is projected to save ITB $363,000 per unit annually.

"It's great because we are going to save money at the brigade and drill sergeants could have up to 50 more hours per cycle to train Soldiers. It's really cost effective for us," Boswell said.

Cadre at the units said they think the machines will benefit everyone in the units, especially the basic trainees.

"I think it will make the weapon maintenance easier for the trainees," said Staff Sgt. Glenn Greanya, a drill sergeant for 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment. Greanya said he thinks the machines could save Soldiers time later on the ranges by helping them keep the weapons clean so they can fire properly.

Bill: Could allow Soldiers to transfer benefits to family

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House, said he has already begun breaking down those barriers that stopped the bill last year, and has also drafted an additional bill that would boost GI Bill monetary benefits.

Quinn has drawn together a coalition of congressional, higher education and veterans' action groups to speak out on the needed improvements of the GI Bill.

The bill as it reads now, he said, does not give military men and women enough funding to attend college.

The maximum GI Bill benefits a veteran can receive is $4,824 annually, but the cost of attending a four-year institution is nearly $9,000 annually.

"We need to close the gap between the current GI Bill allowance and the cost of higher education," he said.

The boost in benefits would also be a benefit to the ever-increasing challenge of recruiting new troops into the ranks of America's military, he said.

"During this time of such a good economy, the GI Bill is not viewed by many recruits as the incentive it once was when it was developed in the '40s," said Maj. Michelle Martin-Hung, public information officer, U.S. Army Recruiting Command in Fort Knox, Ky. "Anytime we can boost benefits and make the service more attractive, recruiting and retention will continue to increase."

"Our veterans deserve all we can give them," Quinn said. "And what better to offer them but a decent education to further their future success.

"We need to give this to our veterans, and we need to do it this year," he said.

Protesters: Will appear in court

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who were digging on the front lawn of the school were all individuals who took part part in November's demonstration and were on the post exclusion roster," said Master Sgt. David Jones, NCOIC traffic division, provost marshal's office. "The material we confiscated, including 12 crosses and a small coffin, also appeared to be from the November protest as well."

The six protesters were apprehended at the school and will face federal charges of criminal trespass, destruction of government property and disorderly conduct, he said.

A court date has not yet been set for the six, but Jones said they, like the other protesters found guilty Friday, will face up to six months in federal prison and up to a $5,000 fine.

"We have no problems with these individuals or any others exercising their First Amendment rights, but with those rights come responsibilities," said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, law enforcement division. "When they infringe on other's rights or damage property, that is where the problem begins."

Visit: Gives local business leaders insight into America's modern military

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Columbus members what his unit does each day.

"This is a good opportunity so we can tie in with the people of Columbus and the leadership," he said. "We are a part of their community, and we're proud of that fact."

Getting an inside look at the post will gives the leaders an experience that will help them better understand the Soldiers in the community, said Peggy Martin, Phenix City mayor.

"This visit has been fantastic, I'm just awed by everything," she said. "I'm so proud of our Army and these young men and women. They have the ability and they want to be their best as Soldiers."

"I want to be able to share this experience with the Phenix City counsel and really encourage them to come out and see for themselves where their tax dollars are going for the protection of the citizens."

Walls added, taking that information back will benefit everyone in the community.

"Anytime we can continue to break barriers down so folks have a more comfortable feeling about the military and what it's about, it helps us because we are going to be dealing with these people," he explained. "Because more than half of our Soldiers live off the post, it's important that they understand what a Soldier's life consists of and what the families go through. Soldier issues will come up across their desks at some point. We open the post up to them so they can see what goes on here."

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3rd Brigade prepares for National Training Center

Spc. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

The Soldiers of 3rd Brigade have been on a nonstop roller coaster ride that began in February and won't stop until the middle of May.

Starting with the Marne Focus training exercise at Fort Stewart, Ga., to a sea deployment in Savannah, Ga., and then heading out to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif., the Soldiers have been on the move constantly.

While it's keeping the brigade Soldiers busy, the effort they have put into their jobs has definitely been paying off in lessons learned, said Col. Anthony Cucolo, 3rd Brigade commander.

"Marne Focus was great," he said. "Just like at NTC, we arrived, and started out a little rough.

"We found out what we didn't know. Once we found out what we didn't know, we worked to make small improvements everyday," he said. "By the end of the exercise, we were smoking, I thought we were doing great. We started out seeing what we had to fix and we fixed it."

Spc. Joshua Braxton, Headquarters Service Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, agreed. He said Soldiers in his unit used the training to fine tune how they complete their mission — cutting back on down time.

"We did a lot of training out there," he said. "It helped us work out a lot before we go to NTC. We saw how things will work, and how we could cut down on wasted time. It really helped us out a lot."

Marne Focus ended March 20 and the brigade has since been performing recovery operations by making sure everything was accounted for and ready to go to the port of Savannah and on to NTC.

The Soldiers got a short break between the movements, but it's been tough, Cucolo said.

"It's been tough because we've been doing split operations. It's been nonstop, but the Soldiers are doing great," he said.

The brigade will begin training at NTC April 9 through May 12 and it promises to be a great learning opportunity, said Cucolo. He added that he's excited about the rotation for several reasons.

"This NTC rotation will be one of the largest they've ever had. I'll have 5,600 Soldiers coming from six installations," he said. "It will also be the first NTC rotation with Apache Longbows. I'll have a whole battalion of Longbows. I've also got one mech battalion from right here at the hill, one tank battalion from Stewart and an air assault task force from Fort Campbell — it'll be great.

"It's also one of the first Limited Conversion Division 21 rotations where the armor and mech battalions don't have four companies, they have three," Cucolo said.

The commander said he is looking forward to trying out the new organization of LCD 21.

"I want to see what this limited conversion division outfit can do. I'm going to push it as far as I can," he said. "For example, in the defense with four companies in each battalion, you have a certain number of options on how to defend.

"With only three companies, I have to think very carefully about what size reserve I pick because I have fewer units to work with. Because of that, I'm thinking the best defense will be a mobile defense where I have fewer fixed, dug-in forces, and more moving forces," he said. "That's going to be a challenge for us — figuring out how to fight with this organization that has fewer numbers.

"It's only a challenge because we're used to four companies each, but we'll figure it out," Cucolo said.

Even with the new configuration, Cucolo said the brigade will still be able to work on the basics.

"We'll focus on how we fight as a brigade. This is where we work it out. This is where we come up with our tactics, techniques and procedures," he said.

"This is the closest thing we have to war. If you do well there, I firmly believe you're ready to fight in combat," he said. "I think it's one of the best ways to prepare for combat. So we are going to focus on being ready for war through training at NTC."

EIB: Tests Infantry Soldiers

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"These are the skills needed to keep the Soldiers alive in combat," said Sgt. 1st Class Edward Lewis, C Co., 1st Bn.., 15th Inf. Regt., on the items covered during the intensive Infantry skills test. "That is why it is so important to get all of our Soldiers qualified."

That importance is not one taken lightly during the training testing process said Spc. Matthew Ephremn who described the battle for the badge as one that is more about pride than knowledge.

"Sure this is about knowing what it takes to fight and win in combat, but to me its more about pride," said Ephremn who is a trying his hand at the EIB test for the second year in a row. "Last year I had trouble with NBC and land navigation. Those were the two things that put me out, but this year I feel more prepared."

Ephremn is one of the many Soldiers who fall victim to one of the test's most stringent rules: Two unsatisfactory performances at any two stations disqualifies the Soldier from earning his badge.

But like many who fall prey to the rule, Ephremn returned to the testing with an increased sense of awareness and readiness for the test.

"To be honest, when I got here last year, I just wasn't ready," he said. "I had only put in three days of training before the training week and I wasn't prepared.

"This year I learned from my mistakes from last year. I have been out land navigating and working on the skills I need to pass this thing," he said.

Ephremn wasn't the only one to benefit from his mistakes last year.

"Being here last year gave me an idea of what to look for during the testing and how to prepare for it," he said. "Coming into this this year I knew how to prepare and so did the rest of my squad I helped get ready for this.

"I am a lot more confident this year and after telling my squad members what to expect, I think they are too," he said.

The key to EIB success is readiness and pretesting, he said.

The testing week will start Monday, said Sgt. 1st Class Anthony B. Fowler, A Co., 1st Bn, 11th Inf. Regt.., who is a grader for the testing.

"That readiness brings with it motivation and discipline for the Soldiers out here testing," Fowler said. "And that combination makes for a more confident Soldier. I think gives him a better chance of success out here during testing week."

While the results of the training will not be revealed until after next week's naming of the Army's newest expert Infantrymen, Lewis said he can offer one piece of advice to Soldiers testing next week.

"If a Soldier listens to the grader and practices before he comes here, he will have no problem passing the test successfully," said the expert Infantryman. "Basically, if they rely upon their training they will have no problems here."

Editor's note: *Be sure to pick up next weeks edition of THE BAYONET for compete coverage of EIB testing.*



Pfc. Mitch Frazier

Pfc. Kyle Scott, C Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, readies a .50-caliber machine gun for firing during Expert Infantry Badge training Monday. Scott and hundreds of other EIB hopefuls will begin testing Monday.

Expert discusses fighting fuel

Better diet, physical fitness key to success, she said

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Soldiers tasked to prepare for war at a moment's notice must be fit-to-fight mentally and physically, and staying in top fighting shape requires a well-rounded physical training routine and a proper diet.

For Soldiers, physical training is a given, but for the Soldiers with the 2145 Garrison Support Detachment Saturday's training was on the second element of being fit to fight — eating healthy.

So how do Soldiers prepare a proper diet and eat right?

Kay Cravon, a dietitian at West Georgia Metabolic Center in Columbus said saturated fats and high sodium diets should be avoided to maintain a healthy diet.

There are three types of fats — polyunsaturated, monounsaturated and saturated fats —but one, saturated fats, is really bad for you, she said. Saturated fats are found in foods like milk, eggs, meet and other foods that come from animals.

Less than 30 percent of calories should come from fats, but in today's fast-paced world that number is increasing with the availability of fast foods.

Fast foods are very high in fat. Cravon gave an example that a fast food hamburger may contain almost the entire 30 percent of fat calories.

While avoiding fast food and other calorie-loaded foods may be a good way to battle the bulge, Cravon said some normal myths may not help in the battle.

A lot of people try to be good about their intake of calories from fat, she said, so they use margarine instead of butter, but margarine actually has about the same amount of calories.

One way people cut calories received from fats is to eat low fat foods. However, low-fat foods often times are high in sodium. Salts, which are a high-sodium source, are added to replace flavor lost from the fats. Also, the more processed a food is the more sodium it has, she said.

A low-sodium diet is 2,000 milligrams a day. And adding butter and salt to movie popcorn pretty much tops out the sodium and fat levels that are needed, she said.

Although some people think seasoned salt may contain less sodium, it is still salt and contains the same amount of sodium, she said.

While avoiding fat-loaded foods is a good way to stay healthy, it is only a step in the right direction, she said.

Maintaining a healthy weight level is important, especially for Soldiers who need to be ready to fight and win at a moments notice, she said.

An easy way to figure how many calories are needed to stay a constant weight, take your weight and multiply that by 10. Take that number and multiply it by an activity level of 1.2 to two. A person who has an activity level of 1.2 is a couch-potato, Cravon said. That raises to 1.3 which is walking three times a week. AL 1.4 is walking briskly every day. AL 1.5 is jogging every day, and the AL increases to two, which is a marathon runner training every day. That final number is how many calories are needed to maintain a certain weight. To lose weight Cravon recommended to drop 500 of those calories.

Cravon's effort to teach nutrition is part of her campaign of fitness during National Nutrition Month as well as National Diabetes Awareness month.

Cravon and Ann Blair, a registered nurse and clinic coordinator for the West Georgia Metabolic Center tested the blood-sugar levels of the Soldiers.

"If a person has not fasted and their blood-sugar level is over 140 or if they have fasted and their level is over 126 they run a risk for being diabetic," Cravon said. "While fasting, if the test is administered in a doctors' office the blood-sugar level is over 126 twice, the patient is diabetic. There is no such thing as borderline diabetic."

"I never had an idea about all the fat and sodium that is found in foods," said Maj. Eric Ehrmann, operations officer for the 2145 Garrison Support Detachment. "I took the presentation to heart an am going to watch what I will be eating.

"We are learning how to eat better as part of our training and health awareness," Ehrmann said. "Tying this in with PT will keep us strong and able to fit wartime needs. Everyone who was at the presentation said they were going to be watching what they would be eating."

Soldiers undergo test

Training brigade Soldiers take on competition

1st Lt. Christian Knutzen
1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment

Good things are happening down at the Infantry Training Brigade on Sand Hill. New recruits are getting an old twist on new training.

"Old" Soldiers traditionally, perhaps habitually, complain that new 11Bs do not receive the same training that instilled the true grit and grime in the dogfaced Soldier of yesteryear.

However, B Company, 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, is taking the program of instruction back to the basics in order to instill more old-school pride.

The commander and first sergeant tasked their 12 drill sergeants to make the training days tougher, more competitive and, of course, safer.

One of the best examples of this mentality is B Co.'s Squad Competition Day.

First organized in April 1999, and designed after the Best Ranger Competition with events drawn from the basic training regime, squad competition is one of the many pinnacle events for these new Soldiers.

The day began at 4 a.m. with a Army Physical Fitness Test with squad scores tallied and averaged.

Next was a timed equipment change, followed by a full-pack rucksack run to the training area.

The squads make one run through a confidence course on a go or no-go basis. This was immediately followed by a timed run through the obstacle course. The winning time by fourth squad, fourth platoon of six minutes 43 seconds.

As soon as the squad low crawls over the finish line and reforms, the drill sergeant assess a casualty. The squad litter carried this Soldier back to the company physical training field where a "smoke-out" began.

Each squad had four minutes to do as many sit-ups as they can with Soldiers "tagging" each other out in order to maintain as fast pace as possible. This "smoke-out" involved sit-ups, push-ups and pull-ups.

Fourth platoon scored well with first squad scoring 349 sit-ups and third squad scoring 228 push-ups. Third platoon's third and fourth squads tied during the pull-up competition with a score of 105.

The final event was a bracketed tug-of-war won again by fourth platoon, fourth squad.

After 16 hours of sweating, yelling and pushing their bodies to the physical envelope, the Soldiers mustered enough strength to build a crescendo "hooah" as the commanding officer read the places of each squad.

The squad competition enforced all of the Army values, especially loyalty to fellow Soldiers, which is arguably one of the strongest tenets of the "old" Soldier.

Instructors evaluate units

Sgt. 1st Class William Lawson
2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment

Mortar Instructors from D Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, recently returned from Germany after evaluating one of the first maneuver exercises in the country in nearly 10 years.

Maj. Gen. John Abizaid, 1st Infantry Division commander, requested that instructors from the Infantry Center come to Germany to evaluate his mortar platoons in a maneuver exercise.

The exercise consisted of moving their vehicles through towns and the German countryside.

It's been nearly 10 years since Germany has allowed U.S. forces to maneuver throughout the country with limited restriction.

Sgt. 1st Class William Lawson, Staff Sgt. Robert Croak and Sgt. Milton Smith of D Co. left for Germany Feb. 8 to evaluate 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry mortar sections in a tactical environment taking them from Schweinfurt to Bamberg, Germany through March 4.

The exercise provided an opportunity for the mortar section leader to apply what they have learned from the Fort Benning Infantry Mortar Leaders Course in a combat scenario in the German countryside.

"With the pressure of maneuvering down narrow streets, and with the disagreement of Mother Nature, the leaders felt an added pressure under the watchful eye of the mortar instructors," said Sgt. Milton Smith.

Throughout the exercise Lt. Col. H.R. McMaster, 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry commander, used all assets of the squadron.

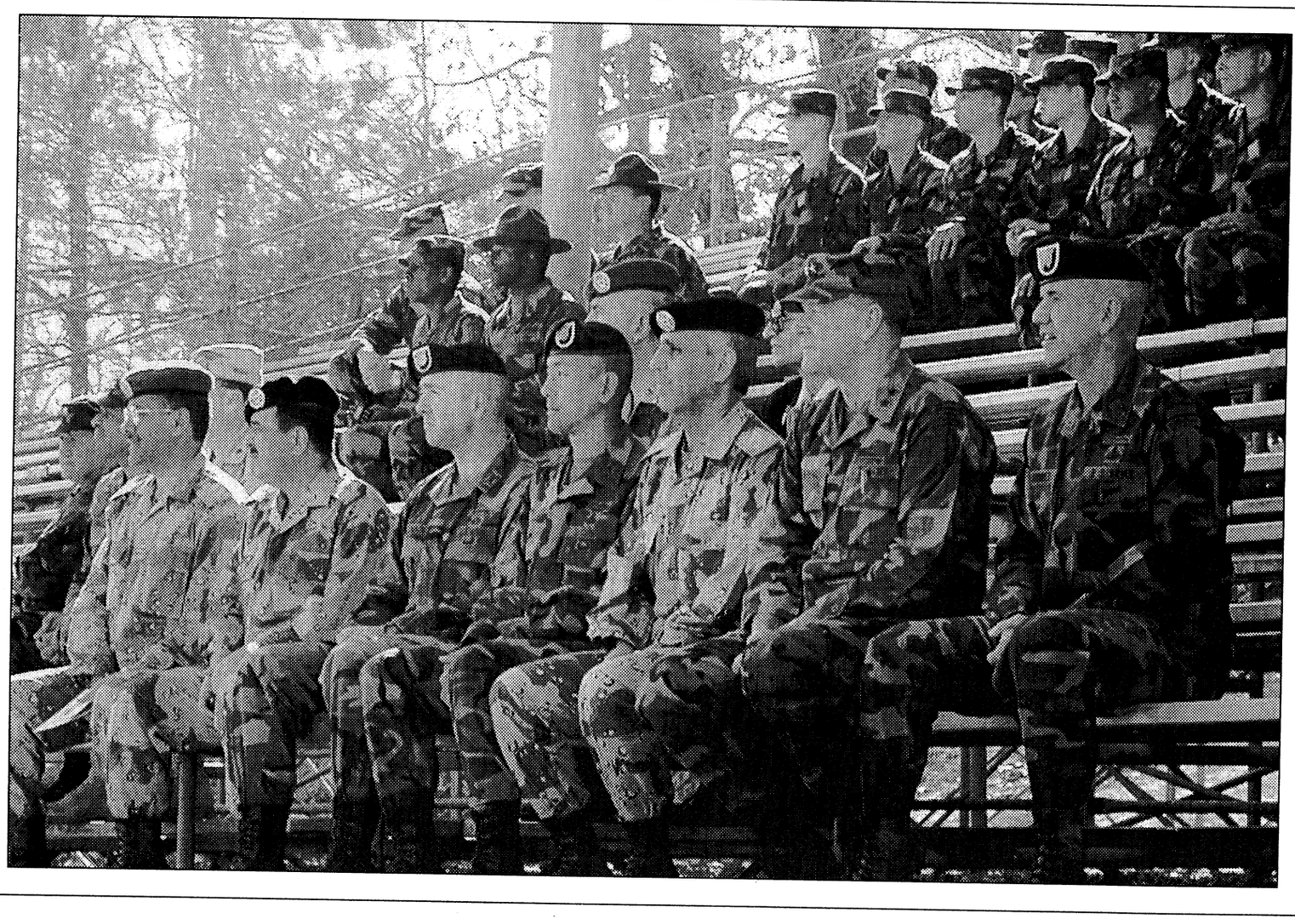
Assets, such as the OH-58 D Kiowa Warrior helicopter down to the dismounted Soldier on the ground, were used to conduct indirect fire missions on enemy positions.

Units from the 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry, 2nd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division were used as the OPFOR.

Sgt. John Briskey of C Troop, 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry, said this was a great opportunity for him, as a young leader, to experience maneuvering as a cavalry unit.

"Most mortar sections in Germany never get the opportunity to maneuver in unfamiliar terrain," said Briskey. "This enhanced my knowledge as a mortar leader and I know it helped my Soldiers gain a greater aspect to what mortars do other than firing on a normal mortar firing range."

Briskey added that he knew he would make mistakes during this exercise, but thanks to the mortar instructors from Fort Benning, he would be able to overcome his errors and apply the instructors' suggestions.



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Lt. Gen. Mohammed Al-Malkawi, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for the Jordan Armed Forces, and Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, post commander, observe with staff members during a Rangers In Action demonstration at the Hurley Hill demonstration area March 7.
The demonstration was one of several stops Al-Malkawi made while visiting Fort Benning March 6-7.

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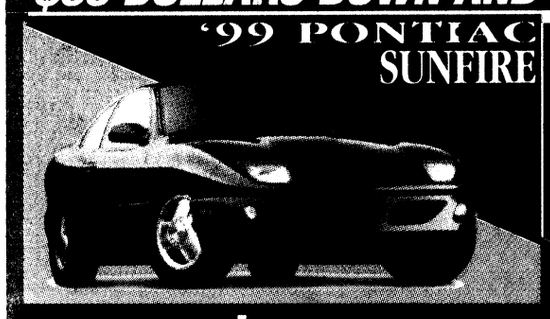

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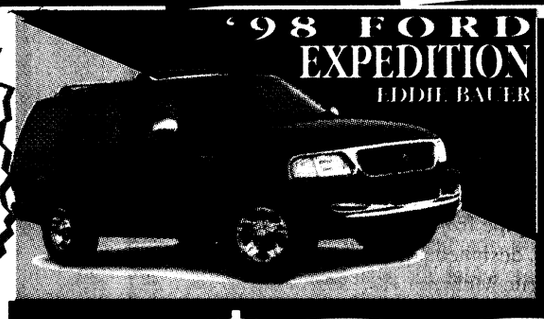

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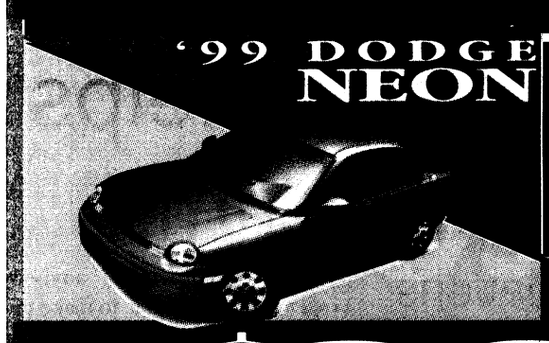

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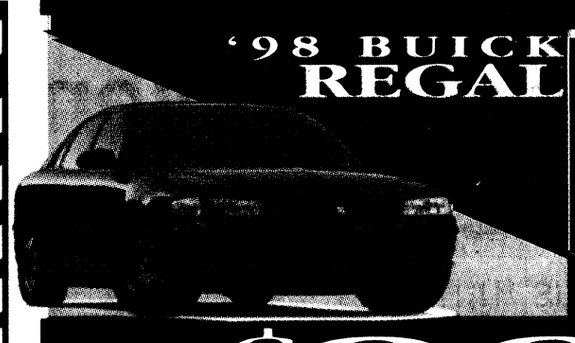

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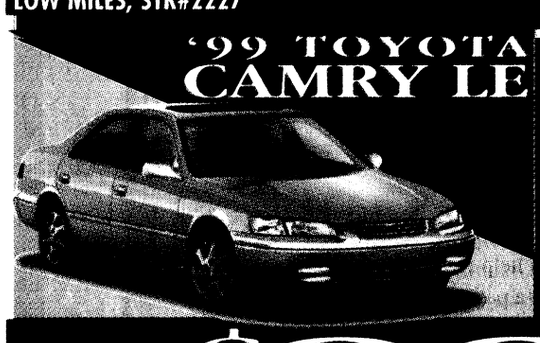

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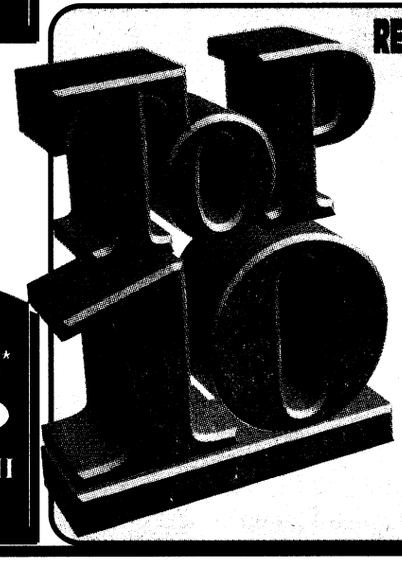

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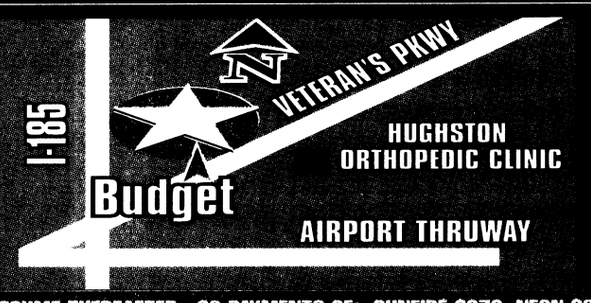

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SECTION B

Creative team takes top honors at regionals

Students put spin on classic *Excalibur*, walk away with gold in Odyssey of the Mind challenge

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Members of the Faith Middle School Odyssey of the Mind team rehearse their satirical presentation of King Arthur's *Excalibur*. The team won Saturday's regional OM competition.

Toilet plungers and soda can tabs? Discarded bed sheets and Christmas tinsel? Can this be the stuff of which legends are made?

Students from Faith Middle School used these items and many more Saturday, to rewrite history and poke fun at one of literature's most enduring legends, King Arthur's *Excalibur.*

Wearing kilts made of garbage bags and period costumes lavishly adorned with candy, the Odyssey of the Mind team won first place in the regional competition at Spencer High School.

Odyssey of the Mind is a worldwide competition sponsored by Creative Competitions, Inc. It is designed to promote creative problem solving for students from kindergarten to college. Faith students have participated in the competition for 13 years, and they have competed at the world finals 11 times.

"Researchers tell us tomorrow's job market is going to need people who can think 'outside the box,'" said coach Cindy Givens. "This competition is all about getting these students to take the blinders off and look at problems from a different perspective."

Using limited resources, this year's seven-member team was required to present an Arthurian legend as it might have transpired if King Arthur had never existed. They began preparing in October for the annual competition, designing costumes from recycled materials, and creating stage props out of cardboard boxes and paint.

"The rules said we were only allowed to spend $100 on the entire presentation. That alone required a lot of creativity," said Anne Trawick, who served as co-coach with Givens. "But these students have always been known for their creativity, so we knew they would be up to the challenge. Every one of them has contributed something absolutely wonderful."

Seventh-grader Dwain Watts wrote the satirical script and lyrics to songs performed by sixth-grader Abbey Cucolo. Eighth-grader Chris Herold created a bagpipe from discarded table legs. Jacqueline Schafer, also in the eighth grade, designed an elaborate coat of arms using dried leaves and pine cones. Anuarite Mubangu and Clint Loyd, both in seventh grade, and sixth-grader Michael Hutchings, constructed humorous costumes and props.

"The materials for the costumes used up most of our budget, even though a lot of it was recycled," Mubangu said. "To save on expense we just had to get really creative."

After more than five months of preparation, including most weekends, the team had only eight minutes Saturday to perform before a panel of judges.

"So much work goes into this every year. These students are really committed to giving their best and they work night and day to perfect their presentation," Trawick said. "They worked over 50 hours alone on making a tapestry. That attention to detail is what sets them apart."

The OM team will travel to Milledgeville, Ga., to compete in the state competition in April. World competition will be held in Knoxville, Tenn., in May.

Hospital liaison relates to patients

Serious tumor threatens vision, provides insight

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Carolyn Bradley assists a patient over the telephone.

She has been there, done that and has the surgical scar to prove it.

And it's her experience as a patient that enables Carolyn Bradley to put herself in the shoes of her clients at Martin Army Community Hospital and help them.

Bradley is a patient representative in the Patient Affairs Liaison office. A sign on the wall of her office says "Little things do matter," and it has become her creed.

"Sometimes it is just a smile to let the patient know that someone cares," she said. "Or it could be as simple as meeting a patient in the hallway who looks lost and helping her find her way. It doesn't have to be this big enormous task to make a person feel better."

Bradley has been a patient wandering in the hallway, and she recalls seven years ago how she looked for friendly faces in the passageways of Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

In 1993, Bradley had a tumor removed from her pituitary gland at the base of the brain — but not before months and months of tests, doctors' appointments and referrals.

The symptoms had appeared about 18 months earlier. Prior to that, the mother of four had never had a serious medical problem. But she started feeling tired, not unusual for a woman holding down a full-time job and carrying a full credit load while earning her college degree at Columbus State University.

However, she soon developed a yeast infection in her esophagus. Stranger still, she started to notice a stale tobacco smell wherever she went, which really bothered the non-smoker.

She saw doctors at Fort Benning, then she went to specialists in Columbus and Augusta.

"When they would talk about all the things it could be, the tests would come back negative, which was good. But, still I had no answer to why I was having problems," she said.

Frustration followed the confusion.

When she mentioned the unusual tobacco smell to her allergist at Martin Army, he became suspicious and pored through her records dating back 10 years. He ordered a CAT scan one morning, and by the afternoon told her he thought there was a tumor on her pituitary gland.

A second opinion from a civilian doctor conflicted with his diagnosis, and then she received a third differing view at Walter Reed about what treatment she should have.

"Medicine is not an exact science, and you have to keep searching for someone you feel comfortable with," she said.

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Thrift Shop helps tornado victims

Store donations benefit area families

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The Officers' Wives' Club Thrift Shop recently donated hundreds of clothing items to tornado victims in Camilla, Ga. More than 200 families benefited from the truck-load of merchandise collected by store employees and volunteers.

After tornadoes ripped through southern Georgia Feb. 14, Thrift Shop employees Judy and Norris Pierce decided to visit the area where hundreds of families were left homeless.

When Thrift Shop employees learned about the mission, they collected 13, 33-gallon bags of clothing donations to send with the Pierces.

"The Thrift Shop often donates clothing, household goods and toys to fire and disaster victims," Norris said. "But this time they just went over and beyond what anybody expected. We were able to make this trip on behalf of the Thrift Shop because they supplied enough items to clothe hundreds of people."

Store manager Lori Lane said the employees and volunteers recognized the urgent need to get assistance to the victims as soon as possible.

"We could have collected clothes and turned them over to any charitable organization that was working in that area, but sometimes that process can take several days. These people were without homes. They could not wait. We wanted to meet their immediate needs," Lane said.

After gathering unclaimed merchandise from the store, the staff began to collect donations from family and friends throughout the area.

"It's our policy to donate items that have not sold and remain unclaimed, but we felt compelled to do more than that," Lane said. "I saw pictures of families standing in

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April reception recognizes outstanding installation volunteers

Fort Benning offers more than 2,600 volunteer opportunities

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The Volunteer Recognition Reception is from 4-6 p.m., April 25 at the Officers' Club, and Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, post commander, is slated to be on hand to present awards to Fort Benning's outstanding volunteers.

The annual event is an opportunity to recognize volunteers who have distinguished themselves throughout the past year by volunteering their time and talents to various organizations on post.

Installation volunteer coordinator, Jill Crider, said the reception is the culmination of a month-long celebration of April as "Volunteer Recognition Month."

"April is the big push to recognize those that have been filling a need here on Fort Benning," Crider said. "But it's also a time to educate people about the many opportunities out there to volunteer."

Crider said there are currently more than 2,600 volunteer positions available, many of which are part-time or temporary.

"The reality of it is, the need has increased but the number of volunteers has not. We do not have 2,600 volunteers to fill these slots," she said.

"Typically we're finding that a single volunteer is often working in three volunteer activities at once," Crider said.

Besides traditional volunteer slots at the schools, hospital and thrift shop, Crider said there are positions available in almost every conceivable area and on every part of the installation.

"We have clerical and receptionist positions open right now," she said. "We need people to help fill bird feeders at Russ Pond." .

"Of course the Red Cross always needs volunteers. There's just no end to what a person could find to get involved in," Crider said. "The challenge is to get people to recognize that they do have something to offer, no matter how non-traditional, even if it's just for one hour here and there."

Crider said that "episodic" volunteers — those that have only a month or two to volunteer — are needed in many areas, such as youth services and other activities around post.

"Temporary residents or wives of visiting students make great coaches because they are not here long enough to seek a paid position. They have the time to give of themselves, she said.

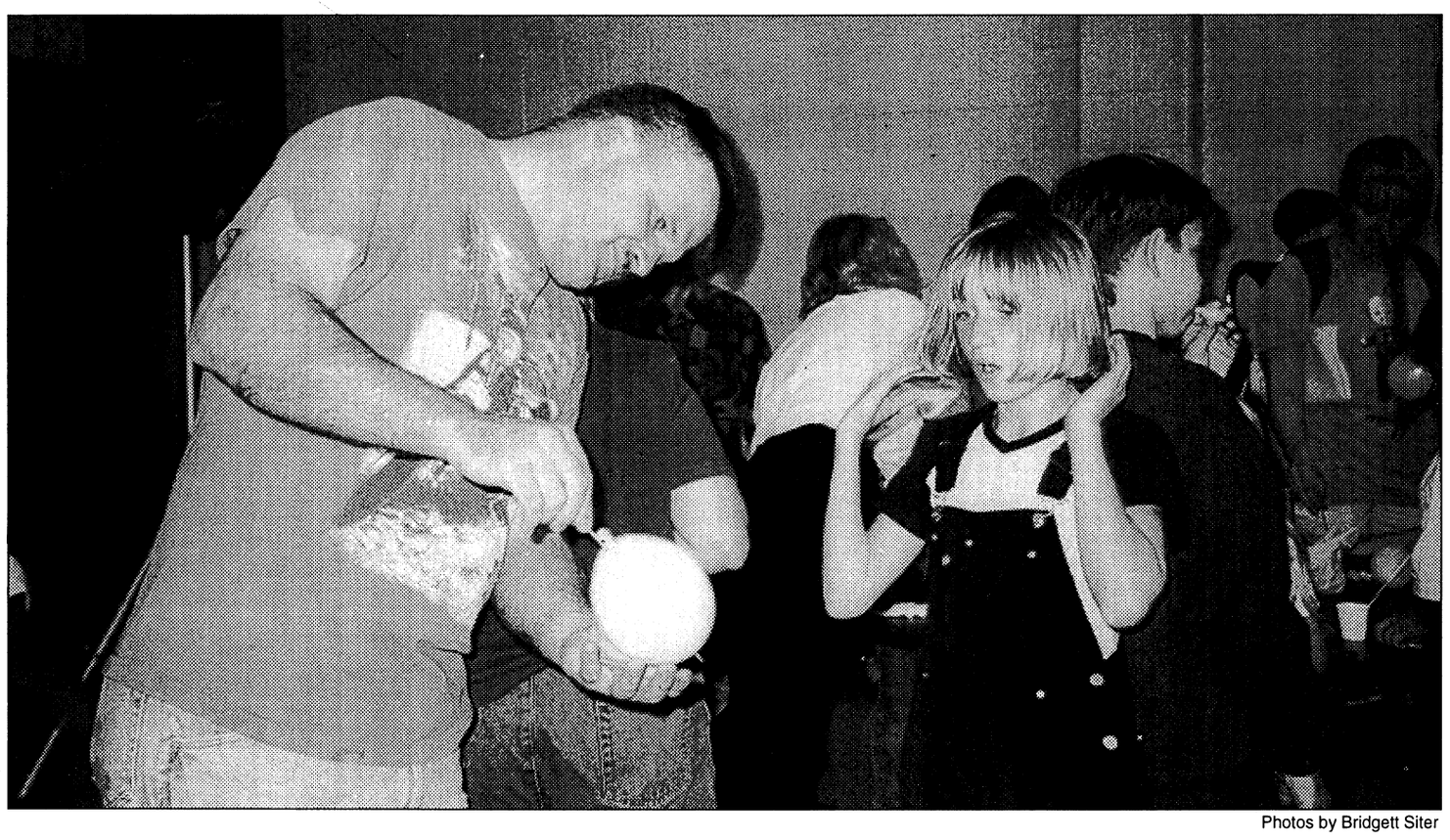
"Stay-at-home moms who want to develop work skills or stay fresh for the job market until their children are older — these make great volunteers," Crider said.

"Volunteering is simply unpaid work experience. It looks great on a resume. It's also a smart way to get training in areas you're not familiar with," she said.

"And it's a great way for retirees to stay active in areas that interest them," she added.

Retiree Billie Galbraith, one of Fort Benning's many retiree volunteers, sa id that after eight years he still enjoys the time he spends volunteering and spending time with the Soldiers in the Tax Center every January to April.

"I've always enjoyed math. After I was injured in Vietnam, I spent the last few years sitting at a desk doing paperwork. This fits right in and I still like doing it."



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The magic of science

(Above) Fifth-grader Rachel Miller watches her dad, Ray Miller, successfully pierce a balloon without popping it during Stowers Elementary School's Family Science Night recently.
(Right) First-grader Brittany Hope blows a bean across the table.
Students and their guests visited 10 science stations set up in the cafeteria, each designed to incorporate problem solving and processing skills, like communicating, measuring, predicting and observing.

"This is one of our school-home activities designed to involve siblings and parents as co-teachers," said principal Glenn Hughes. "We're equipping families with experiments they can expand on at home."



Bradley: Takes time for patients

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"I can understand how patients get so confused. Which one do you believe? One is saying to have surgery, then another says not to. Even at Walter Reed, I had the same problem. Thank goodness I had a doctor who was persistent," she said referring to her primary care physician who continued to write referrals in search of an answer.

"When patients come in and say they aren't being told what is wrong or the doctors don't know what is wrong, I can relate to that," she said.

The tumor was benign, and she has an MRI annually to check for regrowth. The mass was extending to her right optical nerve, and had it not been removed in time her vision could have been affected. Her personal experience has helped her in her job at the hospital. Bradley has been a patient representative at Martin Army for 11 years, before that serving in the PAL office as a clerk.

"Carolyn is so good at her job because she is a military medical beneficiary. She uses and understands the system," Terry Beckwith, the hospital's public affairs officer, said.

The phone rings constantly in Bradley's office on the first floor just off the front lobby. Bradley and Penny Jenrette, the other patient representative, handle between 225 and 275 cases a month.

"I'm the commander's representative for the hospital, so if patients have problems, concerns or questions, they can come to us. If we don't know the answer, we will know where to send them," she said.

"This is a very rewarding job," Bradley said. "It's a stressful environment, but I believe in what I do and this office provides a valuable service to our beneficiaries," she said. "This is somewhere they can go where someone will listen to them."

Jenrette sees daily how Bradley assists patients.

"She never gets upset. She has such a great caring personality in that she wants to help other people," Jenrette said.

To contact the Patient Affairs office, call 544-1817 or 544-2788, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Hospital needs volunteers

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Carolyn Bradley, patient representative at Martin Army Community Hospital, knows the value of doing the little things — smiling, giving directions, listening.

Martin Army needs people willing to help do those small, but very important services.

Volunteers are needed to serve as greeters and work at the front desk and other locations in the hospital. Volunteers run a shuttle service in the parking lot and work throughout the facility in various capacities — from the pharmacy to the First Steps program for new mothers.

To volunteer call Cassandra Wyatt, assistant station manager for the American Red Cross, at 545-5194 or Terry Beckwith, public affairs officer at Martin Army, at 544-4564.

Workers are required to go through the Red Cross orientation program. The Red Cross covers the cost of up to 30 hours of child care at Tot Town each month for volunteers.

"Anyone who is willing to work, we can find a place for them," Beckwith said.

Victims: Receive helping hand

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line for water and basic needs. I've never personally experienced this kind of tragedy, but someday it could be me. I would want someone to help my family if it ever happened to us."

The Pierces made the 200-mile round trip to deliver the clothing to a distribution center set up in a tent at the site where homes had been demolished only days before.

"It was very worthwhile. We separated items into sizes, and people just came in and picked out what they needed to clothe their families," Judy said. "It felt good to know that these items donated were going directly to where there was a need."

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volunteer lighting the way

Molly Ramsey
Blair Mills, Penn.
On-site coordinator for Army Family Team Building, AFTB master trainer.



Why you volunteer: For the experience, both professional and personal. I enjoy using the degree I earned, but also the one I'll eventually get from the school of hard knocks.
What you like most about volunteering: I enjoy meeting people from all over. Every day is different.
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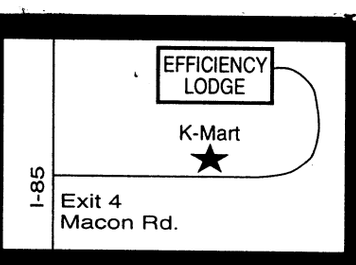

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Students improve grammar skills with Perfect Copy

Children use instructional support program to identify writing errors

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The second- and third-graders at McBride Elementary School have an exciting way to improve and enhance language arts skills through technology this year.

One program is Perfect Copy and is used in the instructional support classes for writing led by Caroline Myers.

Children read a story and identify errors in the areas of punctuation, grammar, and word usage.

When the class is completed each day, the child gets a printed report of his or her progress.

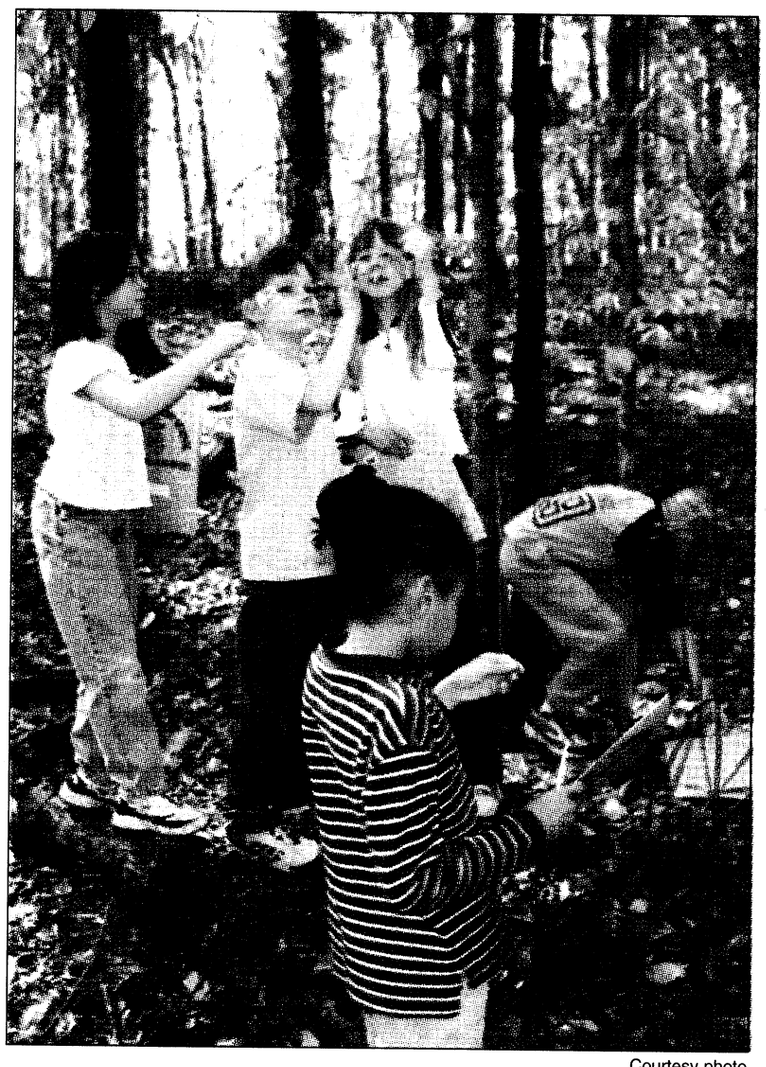
"We get to do fun stories. It is also fun when we have to look for mistakes and when she checks the stories that we did," Shelly Lindblade said.

"There are always new things to learn. On the computer we get to do hard, easy, and silly stories too. She helps us if we make a mistake," Ariel Tucker said.

The students look forward to the time they have in the mini-lab that has been designed for them, Myers said.

Each writing lesson is a challenge with opportunities for success available so that each student is able to achieve.

The teacher and students together have an enjoyable, educational adventure together.



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McBride Elementary School students study trees in the wooded area behind the school.

Woodlands program gives class outdoor education

McBride Elementary School

The McBride students are enthusiastically engaged in a new "Woodlands" adventure at their school.

McBride Elementary has an Outdoor Education Project in their own backyard.

The school is bordered in the back with woodlands which go to a pond branching off from Upatoi Creek.

The Woodlands are the location of many lessons incorporating our school-wide focus of critical thinking skills with nature studies.

Our Outdoor Education Program and McBride teachers are committed to bringing the environment into their classrooms, Marie Hand said. Our outdoor activities center around increasing students understanding of our complex environment.

Hand said they are learning how to be responsible on behalf of the environment.

Students in first through third grades are involved in lessons centered around trees. They have each "adopted" a tree to study.

The students have documented in their outdoor education journal information about their tree.

Stephanie Smeltser, a third grader, thinks the outdoor education program could help us learn about trees, animals and our habitats; how pollution and litter can affect animals lives and about plant growth.

Hannah Courtney, a third-grader, has adopted a tree on the nature trail. When she found her tree to adopt she gave it a name and then wrote descriptions about her tree in her outdoor education journal.

"Everytime I go out to my tree I will see how it's grown, see if it looks different, and if the leaves have grown," Courtney said.

Andrew Noonam said, "We are using the computer to do research about the environment around us. Looking up nature on the Internet and learning outdoors is cool."

"I think outdoor education is terrific because it teaches you to use your mind to learn about nature," Deanna Andrews, second grader, said. "A classroom outdoors helps me see and touch things I have read about."

Children work at own pace using accelerated math program

Scan cards make math fun, allow students to master fundamentals, get feedback

McBride Elementary School

Accelerated math is a collection of objectives that go along with the math curriculum. It is a computer management program. It gives a list of these objectives and the teacher picks one or more for their class to work on. It allows the student to work at their own pace. If they need remediation it gives them more practice on that particular skill.

If the objective has been mastered they move on to the next objective. The students like it when they can move ahead and not have to wait on the others, Patsy Hanner said. The computer gives each child a practice sheet covering the objective chosen. The student pencils in the bubbles on the card.

When the student has completed the card it is scanned on the computer and graded. The graded page or TOPS report is immediate feedback and shows the teacher and student if the objective was mastered. This program supplements the math program. We can use it as reinforcement of skills being learned in the book or for practicing several objectives at one time.

What teachers have to say about accelerated math:

"I like using the program because it enables the students to work through the skills at their own pace. This program allows each student to be successful."

— Iris Kimbley

"Accelerated math allows me the freedom to focus in on each child's strengths and weaknesses. I may have each student working on the same skill or a different skill and at different levels. The student can scan their card immediately. That enables me to move to another skill or reteach that skill. Another important factor is that students love anything to do with computers so they are motivated to work harder."

— Sherian Sansom

"This program allows my students more practice with skills they are having trouble mastering. Being able to work on the computers is a big motivator for my students. They beg to do accelerated math. The TOPS report helps me to know just what each student needs help with."

— Patsy Hanner

What students have to say about accelerated math:

"It is interesting because I like to scan my card and see my scores right away."

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"I think accelerated math is neat because it is something new ... and I love working on the computer."

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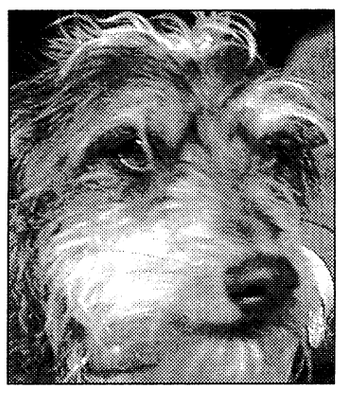

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Capt. Richard Henry
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I do some charity work during the year. I know I can claim the money and clothing that I donate on my taxes, but what about the time and services I give?

A: Many Soldiers and their family members donate their time and services in support of bona fide charitable organizations such as churches, boy scouts and others. Although admirable, they may not take a charitable deduction for the value of their time or services.

The Tax Court has upheld regulations disallowing a charitable contribution deduction for the value of contributed services. In one case, the taxpayer performed uncompensated legal services for organizations eligible to receive deductible charitable contributions. The taxpayer did not include the value of these services as income. On his income tax returns, he deducted amounts representing the value of the time he spent performing the services. When he prepared his returns, he was aware that Treas. Reg. B 1.170A-1(g) prohibited a charitable contribution deduction for a contribution of services, but he deliberately disregarded the regulation because he believed that it was invalid.

The Tax Court held the taxpayer was not entitled to deduct the value of his contributed services to the charitable organizations. The court also determined that regulation B 1.170A-1(g), which disallows the deduction of the value of contributed services, is valid. Additionally, the court held the taxpayer had no reasonable basis in claiming a charitable contribution deduction for the value of his contributed service and was, therefore, liable for an addition to tax for intentional disregard of the regulations.

While it is well established a taxpayer may not deduct the value of his time or services contributed to charity, he may deduct the fair market value of any gift to charity and the amount of any reasonable expenses incurred in performing charitable services. For example, if the taxpayer incurs transportation expenses in service of a charitable organization, those expenses are deductible. Taxpayers may deduct the actual cost of the transportation, or a flat mileage rate of 14 cents per mile driven. Deductible expenses include parking fees, tolls, and mileage to and from the location of the charitable service.

As with any deduction, however, the taxpayer must keep adequate records of those expenses to deduct them.

While expenses incurred by those donating their services to charity are generally deductible, they are only deductible as itemized deductions on Schedule A of Form 1040. In addition, the deduction is subject to the 3 percent reduction of total itemized deductions if the taxpayer's adjusted gross income exceeds $126,600 ($63,300 if married filing separately).

Tax Center 2000 is open for business in Infantry Hall, Classroom 1. The hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m Monday-Friday. The phone number is 545-4267.

births

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Dana Loren Crosson — born Feb. 23 to Sgt. Lorraine and Staff Sgt. David Crosson.

Makayla Lorene Penn — born Feb. 23 to Melody and Staff Sgt. Robert Penn.

Olivia Layne Davis — born Feb. 23 to Nancy and Sgt. Bryan Davis.

Autumn Lavon Morris Burns — born Feb. 24 to Crystal and Spc. Robert Burns.

Maranda Kaye-Lee Martelle — born Feb. 25 to Micheal and Spc. Joshua Martelle.

Trinity Bone Penn — born Feb. 27 to Sgt. Eletha and Sgt. James Penn.

Brianna Elizabeth West — born Feb. 28 to Belinda and Pfc. Charlie West.

Jamie Leigh White — born Feb. 29 to Carin and Sgt. Jonathan White.

Regan Elise Baney — born March 1 to Erinn and Sgt. Keshava Baney.

Abigail Victoria Almazan Paras — born March 5 to Lourdes and Sgt. 1st Class Mark Paras.

Boys

Joseph Robert DeFelice II — born Nov. 15 to Susan and Staff Sgt. Stephen DeFelice.

Jaccob Bradford Henderson — born Jan. 20 to Shellie and Cpl. Michael Henderson.

Moses Ramirez-Encarnacion — born Feb. 17 to Carmen and 2nd Lt. Moises Ramirez.

Joel Gautier Jr. — born Feb. 22 to Joanna and Spc. Joel Gautier.

Zachary Taylor Carnley — born Feb. 23 to Tiffany and Spc. Stephen Carnley.

Devin Scott Ricks — born Feb. 26 to Ngoc and Sgt. Wallace Ricks.

Dylan Michael Hardouin — born Feb. 26 to Jeanelle and Sgt. Michel Hardouin Jr.

Christian Nathan Morales — born Feb. 26 to Isis and Sgt. Antonio Morales Jr.

Joseph Michael Lister II — born Feb. 27 to Jennifer and Sgt. Joseph Lister.

Charles Edward Logan Jr. — born March 1 to Maria and Pfc. Charles Logan.

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Units & Activities

Due to Fort Benning's enthusiastic participation in the campaign to increase recycling, coupled with a temporary manpower shortage in the Recycling section, DPW personnel are unable to maintain their usual schedule for pickup of recyclable items in units and activities.

DPW urgently requests the help of all units and activities. Please go the extra mile, and make an effort to bring recyclable material directly to the DPW Material Recovery Facility, Building 4000, in Harmony Church, on Old Cusseta Road. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. MRF personnel are available on site to direct units in proper disposal of all items.

Units can also assist by segregating white office paper from newsprint and colored paper (catalogs, magazines, etc.) as it accumulates. If a unit has only one container for all paper, it could be separated into paper bags (please, no plastic) or cardboard boxes. The cardboard boxes that office and copier paper is shipped in make ideal containers for temporary storage and transport when recycling office paper. Another handy tip: paper will take up less space, if it is left flat and not crumpled.

Family Housing

DPW employees do not pick up recyclables in Family Housing.

Pickups there are done under contract; therefore, they are not affected.

There are no changes to the service or schedules in Family Housing areas.

Everyone on post: It would be a big help if everyone flattens all cans and plastic containers and leaves the tops off all plastic food or beverage containers. If folks take just a few seconds more to do these two things, the crews at the MRF will be able to process materials more efficiently and quickly.

With everyone's cooperation, we can continue to recycle effectively, keep expensive landfill fees down and protect our environment.

For more information, contact Walter Nichols, Solid Waste Program Manager, DPW Environmental Branch, at 544-6142, or e-mail NicholsW@benning.army.mil for further information about recycling.

Road Closure Notice

The 36th Engineer Group announces the closure of a 1,500 meter section of dirt road running from the Dekkar Air Strip to approximately the northern corner of Lawson Army Air Field. (Grid Coordinates FL93887290 to FL95057395) The road will be closed now to April 15. Normal traffic on this road is minimal and alternate roads can be used while this section is closed.

The purpose of the closure is to determine if the use of recycled crushed asphalt on Fort Benning tank trails will increase the trafficability, stability and longevity of the unimproved dirt surfaces through mechanical stabilization. The test strip will be divided into six sections. Each section will test a variation of road bed preparation and surface treatment. DPW Environmental Branch will provide their "rock crusher" equipment to process the asphalt and personnel are available for information and consultation.

For more information, call the Construction Management Officer at 545-2954.

Family Housing Closure Notice

The Family Housing office, Building 399, Olson Hall and the CHRRS office, Building 2621, Soldiers' Plaza, will be closed all day on March 29. Employees will attend an all day training session. Both offices will reopen at 8:30 a.m. March 30.

Don't forget!

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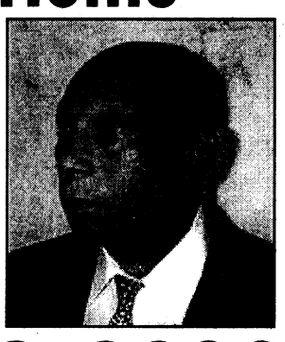
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Easy path not always best road to take in life

Chaplain (Maj.) Harvey Hennington
30th AG Battalion (Reception)

reflections

A few years ago, we had a rather large yard, which required constant maintenance. My wife mows the lawn at our house, since I have terrible allergies.

One time when she was mowing the back yard, a rabbit ran from some brush, through a fence until he got his hips caught in the wire.

Although he probably could have pushed himself back through the wire, he continued to try to go forward, and was hopelessly caught.

At this point, my wife came for me, telling me that I had to help the poor rabbit. I found some sturdy gloves in the garage and followed her to the point of entrapment.

Sure enough, there he was, struggling as though he was scared out of his wits. As I took hold of his rear feet, he stopped struggling.

I guess he figured either I'd kill him for dinner or I'd have pity and let him go. I quickly pulled him back through the fence and let him go.

In the book *Pilgrim's Progress*, the main character, Pilgrim, also has a choice.

He can either take the path to the left, which slopes downward, is clear and wide, or he can take the path to the right, which leads uphill and has some bushes growing in the way. He decides to take the easy path and soon finds himself at the edge of some water. He can barely make out the other side.

Unfortunately, he missed the sign that said Slough of Despond. Soon he finds himself waste-deep in water with so much muck on the bottom that he can barely pick up his feet. Very tired and depressed he decides to turn back. At this point he realizes that he really could have saved time by taking the road that appeared to be harder. He also realizes that he lost a whole day's travel because he took the wrong fork in the road.

Life is just like that isn't it? So many times the path appears to be easier than it really is. It is easy to miss the warning sign and plunge into something way over our head.

Once we are finally willing to admit our mistake, steps must be retraced to the fork in the road and then the right road must be taken. We have a built-in warning device called conscience.

Like the fork in the road, we can elect to heed its warning or ignore it. Many times this involves doing the right thing as opposed to the wrong thing.

Once when preaching, I used the illustration of taking a trip and being on the look out for policemen. I explained that I found a wonderful secret.

If I obeyed the speed limit signs, I didn't have to worry about getting stopped for speeding. This made for a tremendously enjoyable trip. If I decided to ignore the warning, I found myself all uptight and completely exhausted by the time I reached my destination.

Just like the rabbit, it is easy to get scared and snared. Once we realize that we are caught, it is very tough to turn around or to back out of the situation, but in most cases that is exactly what is needed.

Once we have made a mistake we must admit to ourselves and those affected that we were wrong, and be willing to go all the way back to the fork in the path and then take the right road.

Sin acts as the snare of life ... sooner or later that sin will catch up to us and bog us down until there is nowhere to turn but up.

God's word says, "But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at the door, it desires to have you, but you must master it." Genesis 4:7.

Jesus is ready and waiting to forgive all our sins and help us back to the right path — all we have to do is ask.

chapel briefs

Catholic council meets Friday — The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m in the Main Post Catholic Chapel on the first Friday of each month, for a special program with a guest speaker.

This meeting is followed by the noon mass.

The group also meets Thursdays of all other weeks from 9-11 a.m. at the Main Post Catholic Chapel for a Bible study. All women are invited to share in this fellowship. Child watchcare is provided.

For more information, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Sunday School meets — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road, from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

Prebaptism class date set — There will be a prebaptism class for parents who plan to have their child baptized in the Catholic Church.

The class will be conducted at 1 p.m. March 26 in Custer Terrace Chapel. This is the first session of a three-session cycle. To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-5508.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel meets — Effective March 19, the Junior High and Middle school group will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. and the Senior High group will meet March 23 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Relationships die without trust

Marital trust means proving your love in caring, giving ways

Chaplain (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center

Noted marriage counselor Earnie Larsen had this to say about trust, "The only issue there is in any relationship is trust. Our task is to grow, to become more trustworthy so there is more trust in our relationship."

Marriages die because of no trust. One spouse does not trust the other or neither trusts each other. Communication? Forget about it.

When trust dies communication dies with it.



Rupel

For too many couples doing what it takes to make the marriage work is not an option. Instead they choose to get mad, scream, yell and intimidate. It's more of a game than a marriage, it's who can win this argument. Husband 3, Wife 2.

Screaming, yelling and intimidation may be a part of a football game but it has no place in a marriage where a couple is trying to build trust. When I talk about trust with married couples most think about sexual fidelity.

Trust in a marriage goes beyond that. Marital trust is where you really care about your spouse. Trust means proving your love to your spouse in caring, giving ways which count to him or her.

The first step in becoming trustworthy is to look at oneself and ask, "What is there about me that I need to change? What do I need to change in order to become a more trustworthy spouse?"

Don't wait on your spouse to change. If both spouses will do this, there is no limit to where their relationship can go and their love for each other can only grow.

However, those who are not honest with themselves and continue to play games with their spouses will end up miserable and most likely in a divorce court.

Maybe you and your spouse need help with your communication skills.

The Fort Benning Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center offers couples communication classes. Call the Center at 545-2050 for more information.

And in the morning, a great while before day, he rose and went out to a lonely place, and there he prayed. Mark 1:35

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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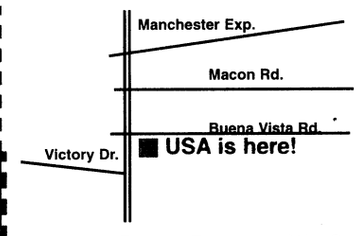

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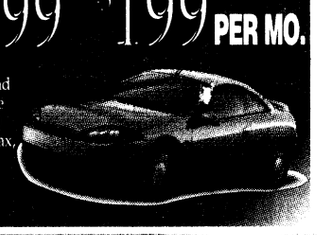

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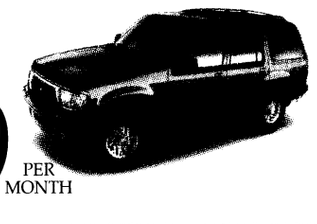

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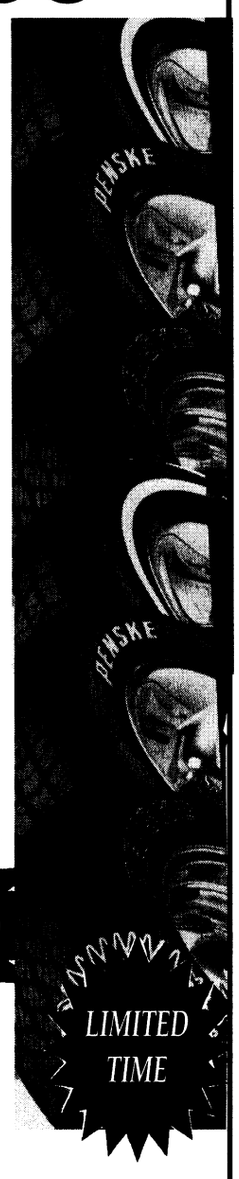

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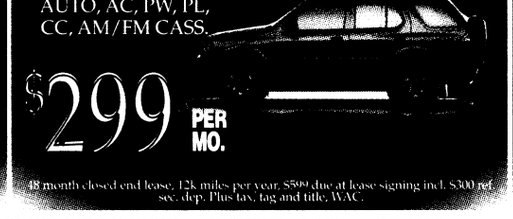

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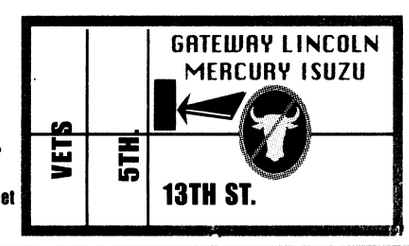

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SECTION C

Hurricanes play host to 200 plus swimmers

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Destiny Graber, 13, probably spent more time in the water than out this weekend. The daughter of Sgt. 1st Class Gregory and Quiteen Graber, Destiny is a member of the Columbus Hurricanes Swim Team.

More than 200 competitors from the region hit the heated water at the D.A. Turner YMCA on Warm Springs Road as the Hurricanes hosted the Southwest Georgia Division Championship.

Sunday afternoon Destiny competed in three finals. She placed second for her age group in the girls' 200-yard backstroke, third in the 100-yard breaststroke and fourth in the 100-yard freestyle. A student at Blackmon Road Middle School, Destiny has been swimming on the team for three years.

The Grabers were stationed at Fort Drum, N.Y., where the severe winter weather and an excellent coach made indoor swimming extremely popular, Gregory said. Destiny took lessons there at age 6 and joined the Hurricanes when the family moved to Columbus. She practices about five times a week.

Of the monthly meets, she said, "I do it for fun, and I don't take the meets very seriously. It helps you do better if you enjoy it."

And swimming has become a family affair. Mom Quiteen worked Sunday as a timer for Lane 1.

"I'm not a real sports person," Quiteen said. "And this a way for me to get involved."

Destiny's younger sister, Jessica, 8, started swimming in September and had a great meet, qualifying for three finals.

"It's wonderful to see them excel and grow," Quiteen said.

While the kids were racing, the parents of the Hurricanes were working hard poolside serving as timers, officials and announcers.

The team "cut me a break," Gregory, who is assigned to Headquarters Service Company, Infantry Training Brigade, said.

The Soldier had total hip replacement surgery recently at Martin Army Community Hospital and is still walking

See **SWIMMERS**, C-2

Teen's talent turns heads

1st Lt. Raquel Riley
608th Ordnance Company

She has an angelic face, like the kind you would see on a statue in a sanctuary.

Her expression never changes.

And her eyes watch you — very closely and very carefully.

What Naketia Swanier doesn't realize is that people are watching her — very closely and very carefully.

This 5'6" girl wonder, as some may call her, has raised the eyebrows of not just local coaches, but even a few college coaches are watching.

That's probably because this young teen-ager has already superseded many high school player's averages, in one game, to their average totals in say, two or three games.

At the age of 12, when most girls are still weaning themselves from Barbie dolls, she had already led the Wuerzburg Jr. Girls team Germany to a first place win. She also happened to pick up a few awards enroute, including the Sportsmanship Award and Most Valuable Player Award, just to name a few.

The question that many might ask is how do you coach a child so gifted?

Michael Green, basketball coach of the Georgia Magic Girls basketball team, stepped up to the challenge. Having met Naketia more than three years ago, he realized he had a winner on his hands.

"I knew she had a gift after I watched her play for only 10 minutes." He said that he was a bit skeptical of the phone call he received from her father Sgt. 1st Class Cornell Swanier, now stationed at Fort Benning as an Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control educator.

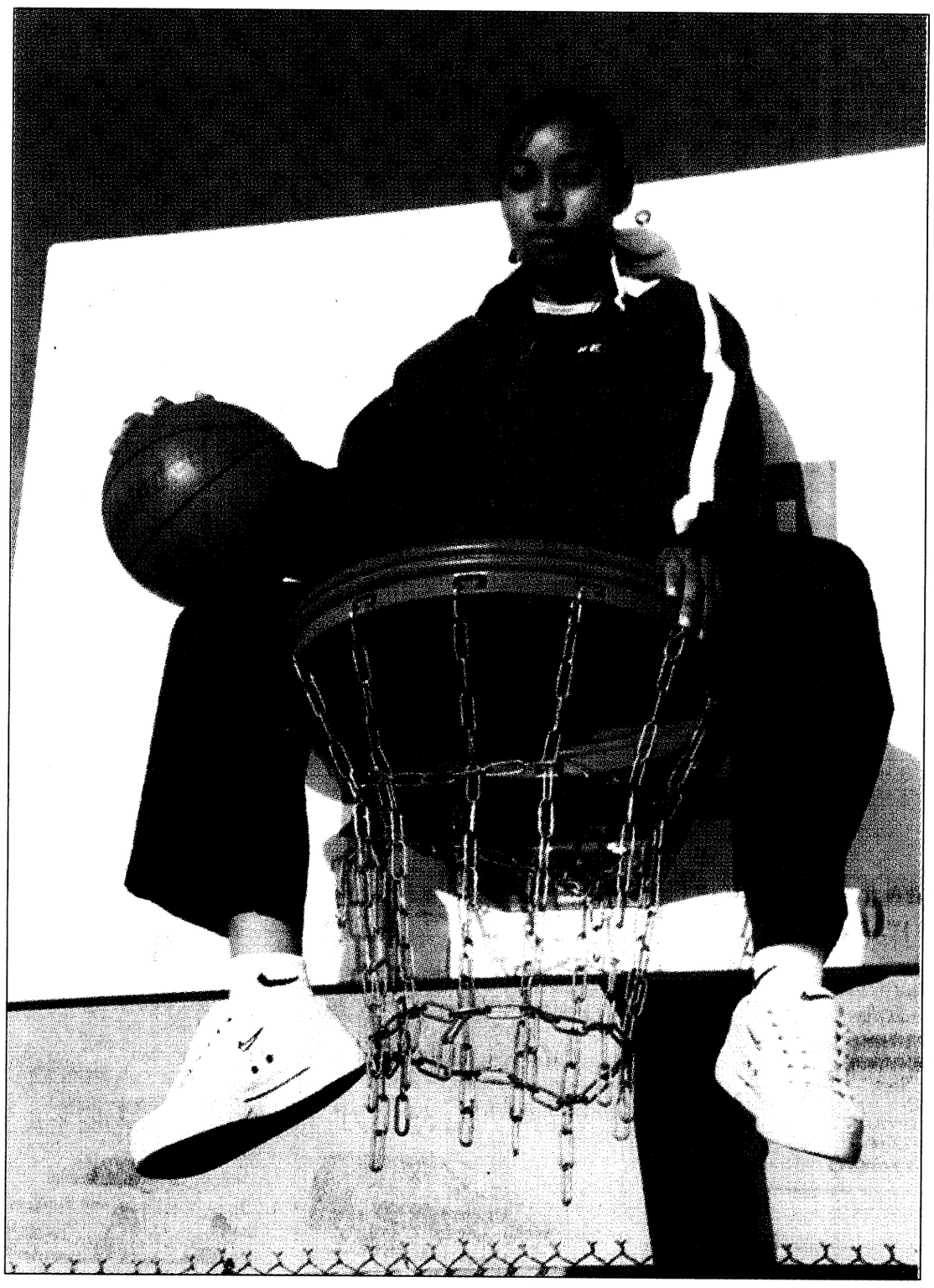
"I have talked to lot of parents who tell me their kids have that special something. I take it with a grain of salt because every parent is going to feel that way about their kids," he said. "But when I saw Naketia play, I knew her father was right."

Soon after her tryout with the Atlanta-based team, she helped lead them to first place wins in the Youth Basketball of America tournament and the Georgia State AAU tournaments in May '98. To top off that year, in July, she and her team took a gold medal home at the Georgia Games held in Atlanta. And if that isn't enough "in your face" action, Naketia then helped lead the team to the National Championships last year in Springfield, Mo., finishing ninth out of 74 teams.

Naketia seemed destined to become the heart pounding basketball star that she is. At the age of 6, she was dribbling balls between her legs. Her parents, having both played sports, took notice of their daughter's skills and bought her a basketball goal. As she grew older, she played other sports to include soccer, baseball and T-ball, but basketball was in her heart.

Now, a basketball player at Arnold Middle School, she continues to astonish misbelievers by averaging 22 plus points a game. In her last season, her record high was over 33 points. Not bad for someone who can't even drive herself to games yet.

What comes, as even a bigger shocker is her demeanor. She is very humble about all the fame and glory her skill has earned her.



1st Lt. Raquel Riley

Naketia Swanier, 12-year-old at Arnold Middle School, is one of the area's most promising young basketball stars.

"She is a very honorable person. Things don't seem to faze her," her coach said. "She is just amazing. I mean, she works well with her teammates and stays focused at all times."

He added that her success is partly attributed to her parents. "Every week, they travel to Atlanta for practice and are at every game. They support her whole-heartedly."

Naketia's mother, Sgt. 1st Class

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Shooters aim for win in tactical match

Rifle and Pistol club plays host to 45 riflemen

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Fort Benning's Rifle and Pistol Club hosted a tactical rifle match Saturday at English Range.

More than 45 marksmen competed in the shoot that took targets out to 300 yards.

The shoot was comprised of six classes, but three classes were made up of only one shooter.

In the competitor class, T.W. Fuller took the top honors shooting a perfect score and only five rounds outside the X-ring. Lindsay Bunch and Fuller were close behind with a score only a few points down.

In the bolt action precision class, Gerald Boutin won by shooting a 249, only one point away from perfect. David Tally and Tony Sporri tied for second place missing the top spot by only one point.

In the professional class, Raymond Smith shot a perfect score with 15 bullets placed in the X-ring. Bill Huskey and Henry Wadkins rounded out the top three spots in the class. The next tactical rifle shoot is scheduled for 2 p.m. April 9 at English Range.

Tactical rifle shoots are held the second Sunday of each month and tactical pistol shoots are held the first Saturday of the month. A special event to Fort Benning will be the Glock Sport Shooting Foundation competition March 25-26 at English Range.

Between 300 and 350 shooters are expected to compete in the two-day shoot, which is the largest shooting competition in the tri-community area and usually the second largest in Georgia, said Jim Graham, assistant manager of English Range.

There will be three stages which will take about two hours for competitors to complete, Graham said.

A prize schedule, based on the Lewis System, will pay off six pistols and about 10 cash spots per Lewis, said Graham.

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Entry fees are $25 for pre-registration and $35 the day of the match. Also there is a $20 GSSF membership fee, which is good for one year.

Other GSSF matches that are nearby include Conyers, Ga., Columbia, S.C., and Jacksonville, Fla.

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36th battles to stay undefeated

Engineers topple 598th 49-37, use fouls to advantage

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

"Taking the ball to the hole creating a lot of shots and fouls," is how 36th Engineers head coach, Lucious Hires said they won 49-37 over 598th Maintenance at Tuesday's Post Intramural Basketball game at the Audie Murphy Gym.

Although missing two key players, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group was able to come closer as a team and managed to get the best of the undefeated 598th Maintenance Company, 36th Engineer Group.

Nearly as soon as the game began 598th forward, Stephen Bullck drew a foul and went to the line, but he was unable to sink either of the two foul shots.

The game got off to a slow start, with neither of the teams scoring. Almost as probing for each other's weaknesses the first half scores were kept low.

With 10 minutes left in the first half, 36th began to slowly pull away while 598th was getting frustrated and began to foul frequently.

Taking advantage of numerous turnovers, and their speed, 36th created many scoring opportunities from fast breaks leading to several layups.

Almost out of desperation, 598th continued to foul. They often collided in mid air causing both the defender and the attacker to drop to the floor.

The first half ended with 36 in the lead 24-11.

The second half was similar to the first with neither team running up the score to a extreme.

However, 36th continued to chip away at 598th defense, as well as drawing more than 10 team fouls giving them the opportunity to go to the free-throw line multiple times for a one-on-one chance.

Utilizing fast breaks and taking advantage of untimely turnovers, 36th extended their lead continuously till time expired letting the 36th take the win, 49-37, and remaining undefeated. Losing their first game, 598th "is an excellent team," said Hires.

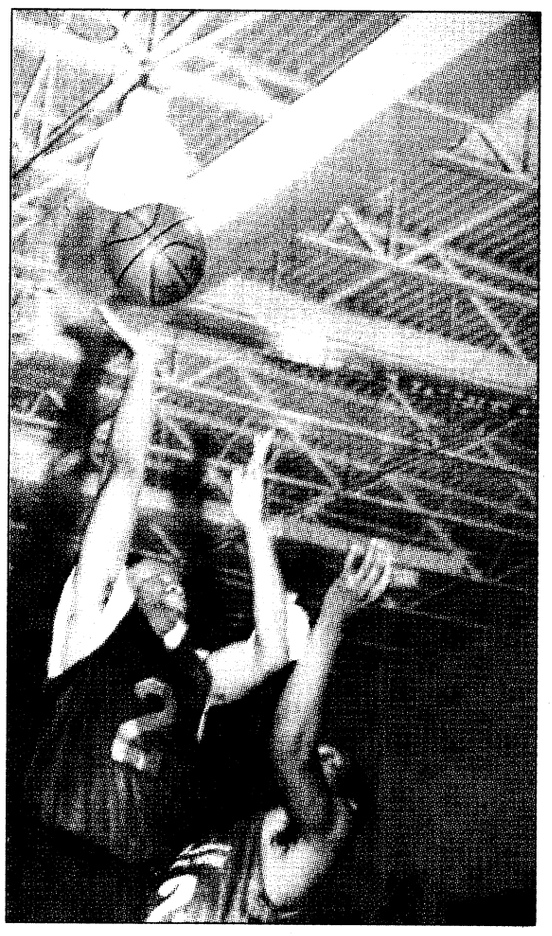
"We just didn't get into our rhythm," said Tim Jones, coach of the 598th. "Things ju t didn't go the way we wanted."

> "Missing our two key players really brought us closer. ... We all just played our hearts out."
>
> **— Lucious Hires**
> 36th Engineers coach

Things worked out a little differently for the 36th even though they were missing two key players.

"Tonight we played as a team," said Hires. "Missing our two key players really brought us closer together, and there was really no star. We all just played our hearts out."

Intramural action can be seen at three gyms across the post. Santiago Fitness Center, Bryant Wells Field House and the Audie Murphy Gym on weekdays.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Vernon Lesure (left) goes over the top for a layup during court action.

Local park offers fun, relaxation

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

outdoor corner

There is a place in Columbus' own backyard that is perfect for just spending the day.

Although Flat Rock Park isn't the most spectacular park in Georgia it is definitely a step up from most other post and city parks.

Located off Warm Springs Road you immediately find out how the park got its name. There are a series of small rock formations that trickle down into the park. During the summer water flows over these ledges creating a sort of flat waterfall effect. Although I'm not sure how safe it is, I have heard stories of people actually sliding down the rocks when the water is flowing.

In my opinion the best thing about the park is the fact that it's not just a bunch of playground equipment plopped down in a sandbox. It sprawls across a pretty good chunk of land and is in the thick of nature with a variety of trees and animals to add to the experience.



Flat Rock is perfect for all kinds of adventure. Whether you want to ride your bike, explore, hike around, fish or have a picnic, the park has the means to accommodate it all.

There are loads of picnic shelters, tables and grills for barbecuing, which make it perfect for get-togethers and family outings.

If you're looking to get some exercise you can bike or hike around. If you decide to haul out your bike you can choose to take it easy and simply ride on the road around the park or you can challenge yourself by tackling the park itself. When I went I enjoyed riding down along the flat rocks while it was mostly dried up.

The park is big enough so that if you walk from one end to the other you are bound to get something out of it.

Although I'm not sure how good the fishing is, the lake is never without at least one angler out testing the waters.

Best of all, the park is just right for relaxing. The atmosphere is just right for pulling out that trusty blanket and taking a nap under the sun or sitting down by the lake with a good book.

I recommend everyone go out and enjoy a day at the park. I'm positive you won't regret it.

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Swimmers: Area teens place in tourney

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with a crutch. "It's amazing what you have to do to get out of something," he said laughing.

The father still played an important role — cheering the Hurricanes on against the five other competing teams.

Other military families were out in force at the meet.

Amanda Olsen, 11, finished eighth in the girls' 11- to 12-year-old 100-yard backstroke.

"I really like being in the water," she said. Meets, however, "can be kind of nerve wracking and my stomach turns."

She puts up with that because "it's fun and I like being with my friends."

Her dad, Maj. David Olsen, the Marine Liaison at the U.S. Army School of the Americas, worked the computer Sunday keeping track of the results. Amanda's mother, Shirley, served as an official. Her younger brother, Gregory, placed second in the individual medley for his age group.

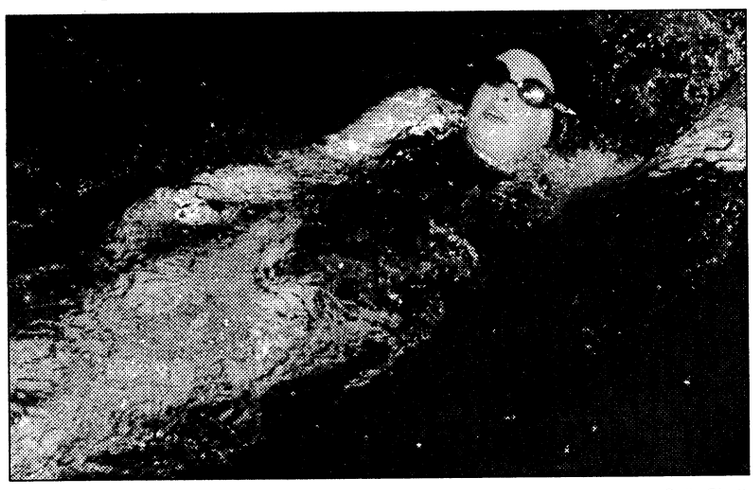
"We started the kids off at about 5- or 6-years-old and let them experience different sports. If they didn't like it, we didn't push it," David said. "As long as they like it, I will encourage them to do it."

The swimmers practice an average of five times a week in 90-minute sessions, and meets are held about every two to four weeks. The Olsen siblings usually compete in one a month.

"The camaraderie is wonderful," Shirley said. "The kids' friendships will last forever, and that goes for the parents' friendships also."

The event started Friday afternoon and ran until 8:30 p.m. Swimmers and parents were there from about 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, and 7 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

The Hurricanes have 90 members, and about 20 percent are military connected, coach Jeff Dellinger said.



Sally Shutt

Amanda Olsen competes in finals Sunday.

Sunday marked the end of the short-course season in the indoor 25-yard pool at the Turner facility. The long-course season will start in May at the 50-meter outdoor pool on Double Churches Road.

Parents do not have to be members of the YMCA for their children to participate. However, if their child joins the team, he or she must pay club dues that include membership to the Y for the child.

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Star: Young prodigy set sights on college b-ball

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Rosie Swanier, also stationed at Fort Benning, at the 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), 29th Infantry Regiment, sees herself in her daughter. Once an avid basketball player herself, Rosie said, "She has the same drive and determination I had. She gives 110 percent in every game."

Though Naketia sees herself one day playing on a Division college team, her mother was quick to interject, "Academics are first. I love what my daughter is doing, but she knows that I want her to achieve in academics."

With that remark, the basketball star didn't even cringe. She carries a 3.5 average in school.

"It's not a problem," Naketia said with a grin, as she grabbed her basketball and headed off to school.

Some of Swanier's other accomplishments include:

• Led the Wuerzburg Jr. Girls in USAREUR Championships, 2nd place, March 98 at age 11, won Sportsmanship Award (13- to 15-year-old division).

• Led the Wuerzburg Jr. Girls in USAREUR Championships, 1st place, March 99 at age 12, won Most Valuable Player Award (13- to 15-year-old division).

• Placed first in 11 and under Georgia State AAU and Youth Basketball of America (YBOA) Championships with Georgia Magic (May 98).

• Went to National Championships in New Orleans, La., with the Georgia Magic, placed ninth in the nation out of 78 teams (July 98) 11 and under.

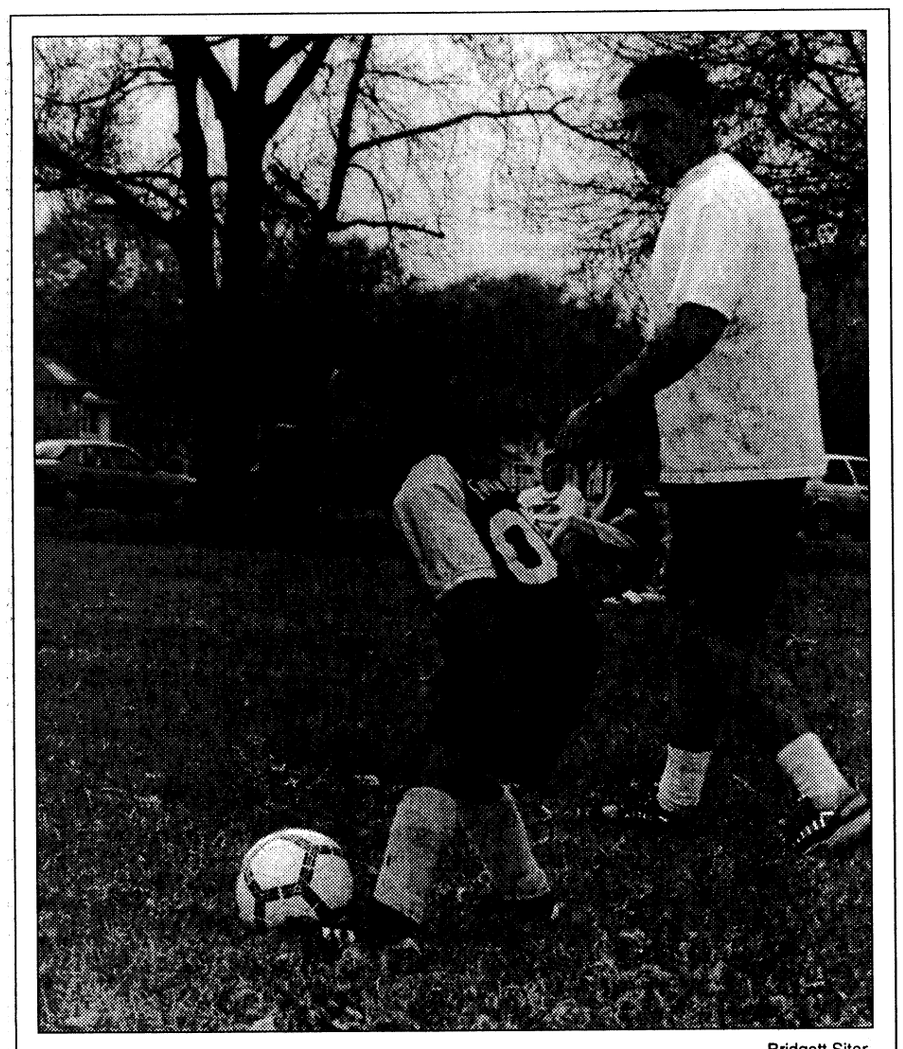
• Won Gold Medal in Georgia Games in Atlanta, Ga. (July 1998).

• Placed first in 12 and under Georgia State AAU and Youth Basketball of America (YBOA) Championships with Georgia Magic (May 99) 12 and under.

• Went to National Championships in Springfield, Mo., with the Georgia Magic, placed 13th in the Nation out of 74 teams. (July 99) 12 and under.

• Averaged 22 points a game with Arnold Middle School this past season.

• Selected as Sports Ambassador to represent the U.S. major cities overseas playing basketball.



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Ready, aim ...

Donald Fox (right) coach for the 6- to 7-year-old Team No. 3 keeps an eye on 6-year-old Marcus Luster as he practices for the upcoming soccer season.

sports briefs

Military receives discount on Hawks tickets — Military ID card holders can receive a 50 percent discount in the $50, $40 and $20 seating locations at any Ticketmaster location in Columbus or at the Philips Arena box office for tonight's game versus the Boston Celtics. Limit four tickets per ID.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services.

Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and above, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

For more information, call 545-3070.

USPS offers boating course — The U.S. Power Squadron offers a boat course that begins March 28 at the naval reserve center.

The class targets every type of boater and will feature information on boat handling and seamanship, lines and knots, charts and guides, engine troubleshooting and more.

The cost is $15 for materials. For more information or to sign up, call 561-4943.

Army looks for women basketball players — The Department of the Army Sports is looking for women basketball players interested in trying out for the All-Army Women Basketball Team.

For more information, visit the USAIC Sports Director located in Building 241, Room 221, or call 545-4300 or 545-5777.

Kelley Hill holds chess tourney — The Kelley Hill Recreation Center is holding a USCF rated chess tournament at noon March 25. The entry fee is $4.

For more information, call Riley Lane at 687-6483.

Aerobics begins — Aerobics will be held at Briant Wells Fitness Center Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 6 p.m.

Classes will incorporate kickboxing, circuit and interval training, body sculpting and toning and high and low impact aerobics. Appropriate shoes and a water bottle are encouraged.

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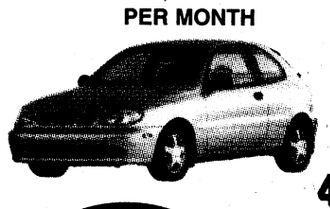

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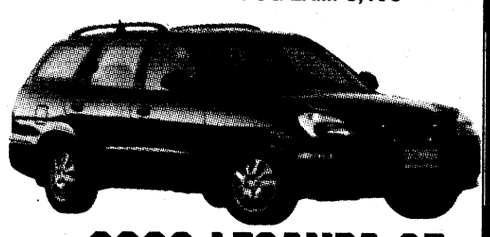

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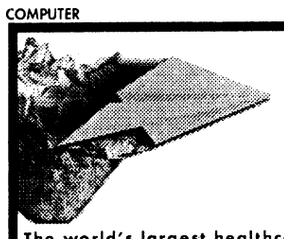

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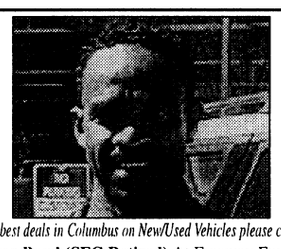

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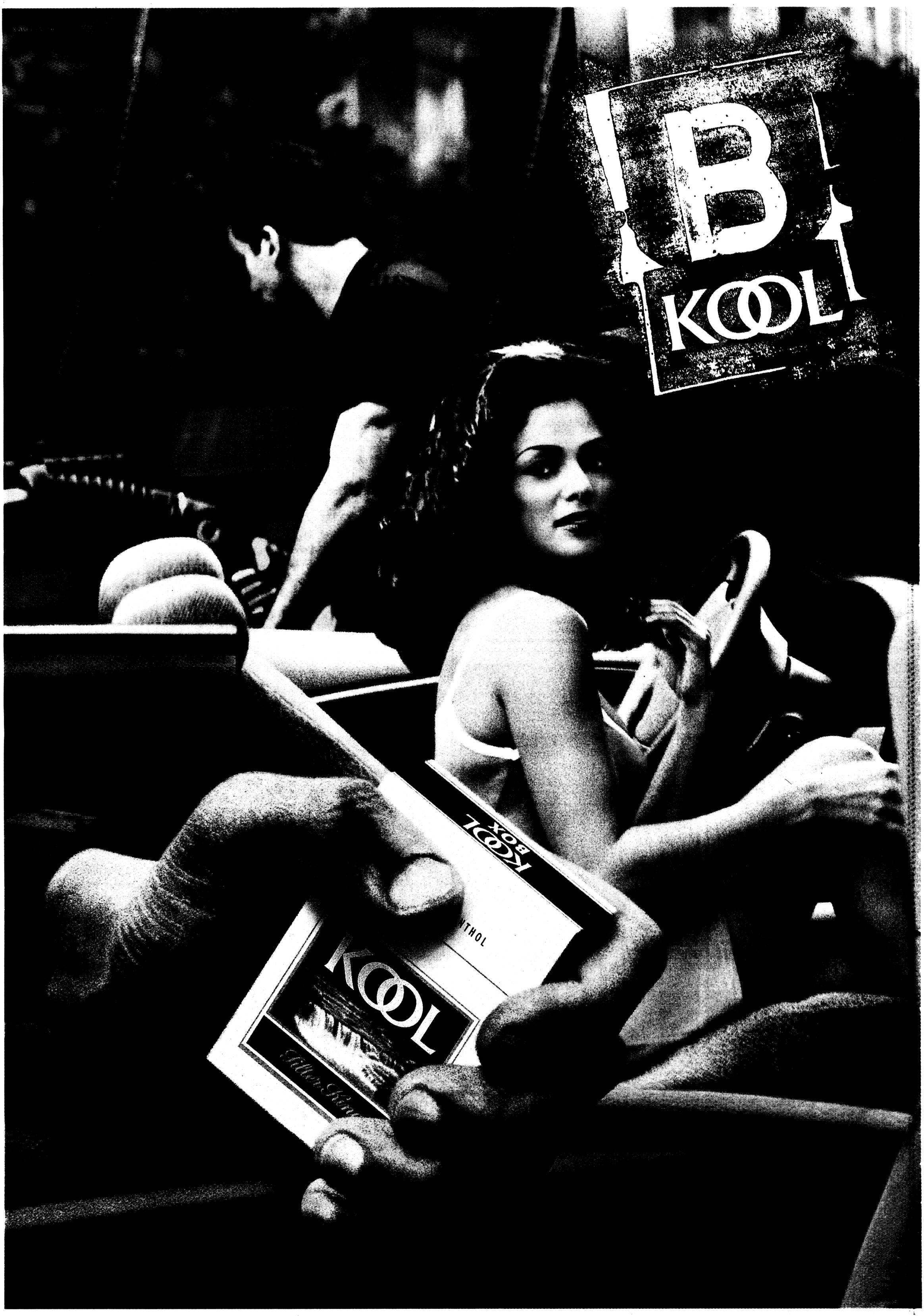

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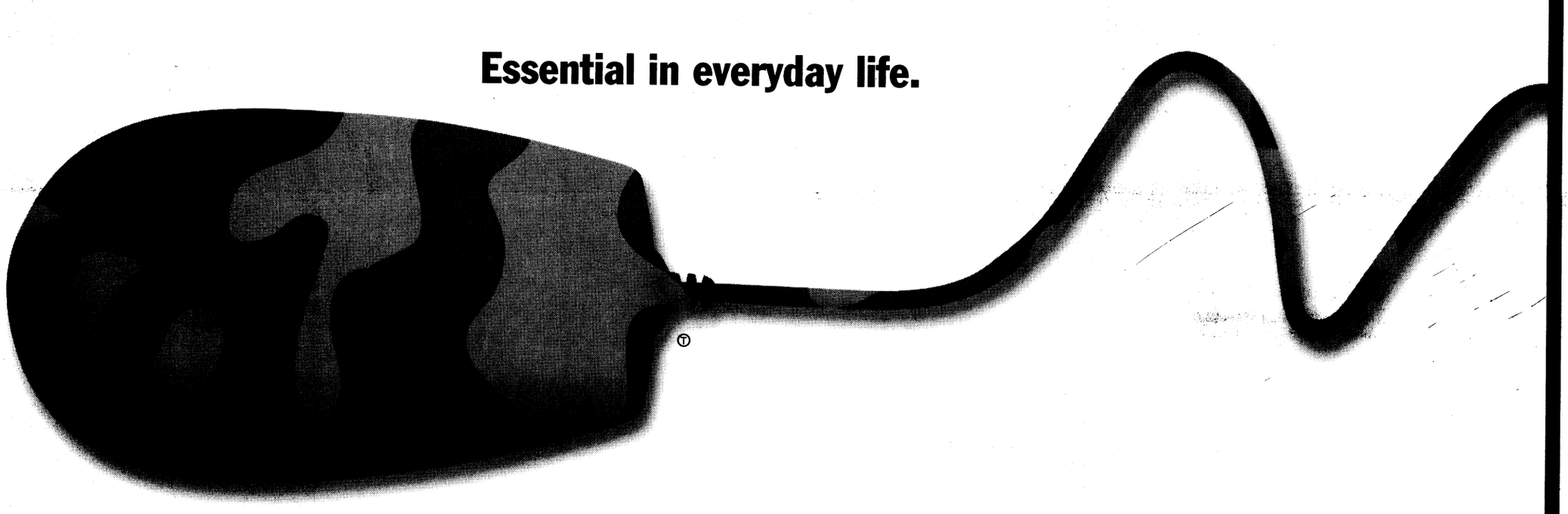

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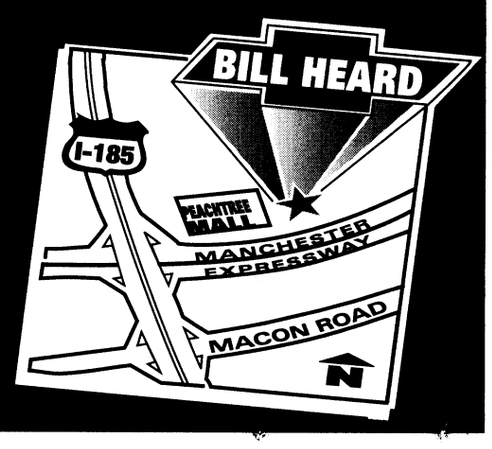

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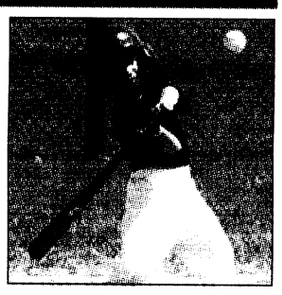

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Pig problem plagues post

New program aims to eliminate excess wild swine

Officer Candidate Sharon McBride
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

Feral swine stomping and rooting around post have not only become a nuisance to the Fort Benning community recently, but now they have become a safety issue as well.

Recently 10 to 15 of the cloven hoofed animals were reported to be hanging out on the Lawson Army Airfield causing a ruckus and a backup of airfield traffic.

Also, there were several reports of the pesky critters tearing up sod and turf on post, most recently having desecrated the Ranger Memorial.

As a result, an area on post has been designated for a feral swine control project.

The area, which encompasses part of the Indianhead Terrace Family housing, land surrounding the Lawson Army Airfield and the land surrounding the new 75th Ranger Regiment barracks, is the area of concentration for the project for the next couple of weeks.

Three personnel from the Directorate of Public Works and the Directorate of Community Activities will be in the area eliminating the swine until the pigpopulation is under control.

"So far we have eliminated 21 pigs," Johnny Phillips, a biological technician, with the Conservation Branch DPW, said. For the past few weeks, Phillips has been working hand in hand with Pete Swiderek and Cliff Hughes, to thin out the ever growing feral pig population.

"There are so many of them," Hughes said. "Basically the habitat is overrun with them."

"There are still more out there," Phillips said. "They multiply rapidly. They are just about in every training area on-post, but now they are moving into the more people populated areas of post and that's causing concern."

"The pigs have taken over essentially what is a small area," Hughes explained. "It's no wonder that they have overflowed into the Main Post."

Phillips estimates there are about 10 to 20 more pigs to be eliminated.

Although the swine are not known to attack people, they can become very nasty if they perceive a threat, Phillips said. "With tusks as long as your index finger, they can be a real threat."

"Families who live in the Indianhead Terrace family housing, have been asked to keep children out of the woods until the project is over as an extra safety precaution," he said.

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Bosnia at Benning?

Deployees get real-life training at site

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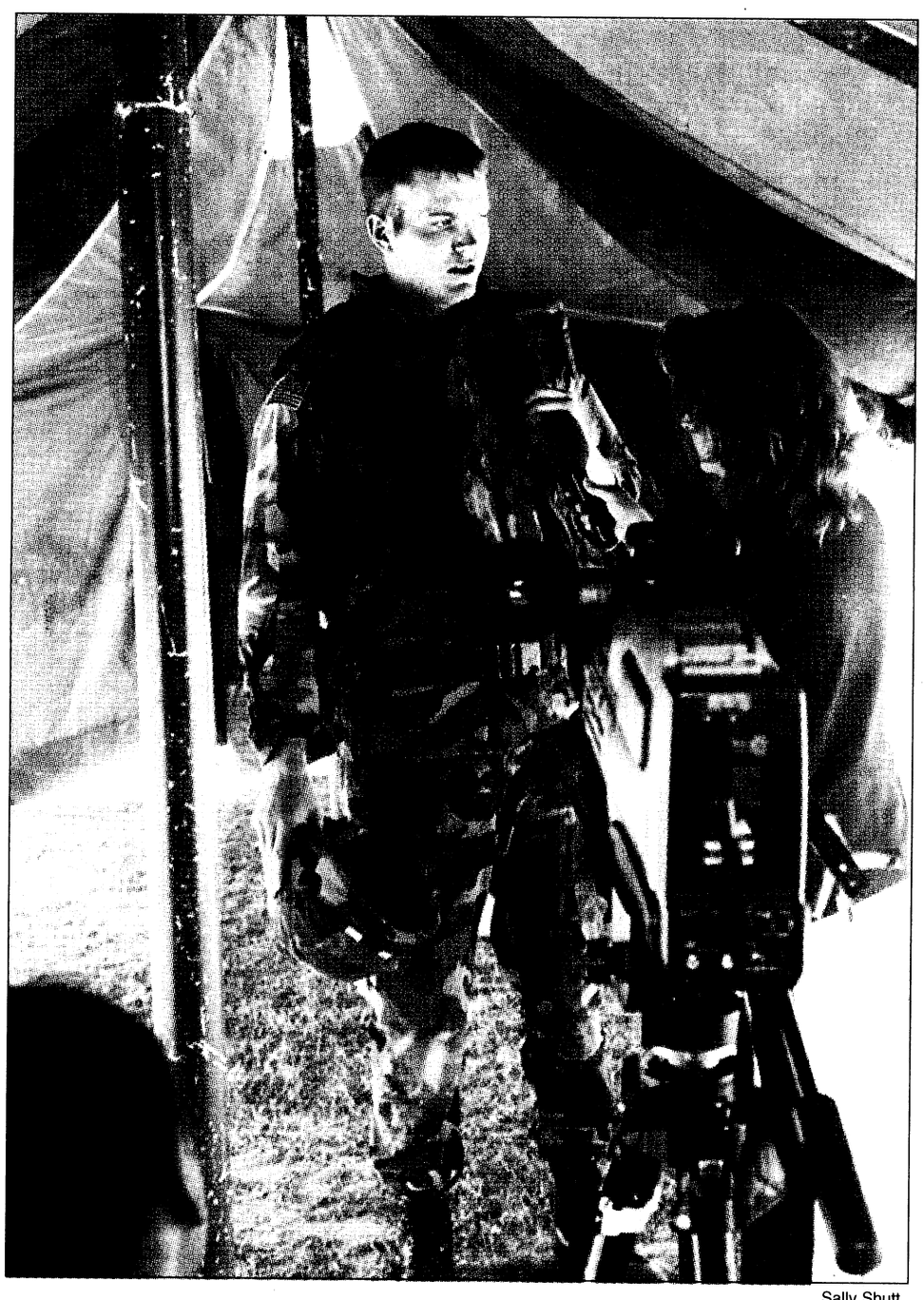

Sally Shutt

Spc. Ian Tomas, a linguist from Fort Carson, Colo., participates in a mock interview Saturday before deploying to Bosnia

The surroundings are new — brand new — but the instruction remains the same for Soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines and civilians processing through Theater Specific Individual Readiness Training on their way to the Balkans.

Two weeks ago, a new 4,000-square-foot building behind the Collins Training Center, headquarters of the 29th Infantry Regiment, opened for business. The former TSIRT site was located at Harmony Church in an old motor pool.

The new building has three classrooms and office space for personnel. Two checkpoint lanes were constructed behind the building and feature concrete barriers and concertina wire. Personnel and vehicle inspection exercises are conducted there.

"They replicate checkpoints in Kosovo or Bosnia. It's to give them an idea of what they will see over there," A.J. Luke, TSIRT site manager, said.

Since March 1997, about 10,000 people and almost 208 units have trained at the Fort Benning site while processing

See **SITE**, A-3

Recruiters take effort to video

Spc. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

In an effort to recruit new civilians into the Army, the U.S. Army Recruiting Command is going 3-D.

A team of photographers from the command have been at Fort Benning all week shooting video of various training.

The video itself is a new idea to the command because the new ads will be three dimensional.

Because of that factor, the team has been taping certain events and training that might lend themselves to a nice 3-D effect, said Capt. Beth Botti, advertising project manager for the Recruiting Command.

Among the training, the crew has been capturing video of an Airborne jump, Airborne students on the 250 foot towers, Rangers doing fast rope training, miscellaneous aviation footage, Bradleys, humvees, dismounted Infantry Soldiers and an award ceremony with color guard presenting arms.

Botti said the team was looking for certain events that would entice prospective Soldiers into hearing out recruiters.

"The whole idea is to look for opportunities where images are coming at you. That's what will help the video be effective," she said. "A lot of the stuff that we have in our cinema vans right now, are 2-D, and we want to do something a little more exciting that will help bring the young men and women in and raise their interest in the Army."

This isn't the first time a video crew from the Recruiting Command

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Female general's success story keynotes lunch

Post plays host to Women's Month lunch Wednesday

Bridgett Siter
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When eighth-grader Velma L. Richardson announced her intention to become an Army officer, her classmates laughed at her.

In the early '60s, few women pursued careers in the military, and very few black women were promoted to the rank of officer.

Richardson briefly entertained thoughts of becoming a preacher like her grandmother or a doctor like her uncle.

But it was her Aunt Vashti Jeffries' career as a colonel in the Women's Army Corp that most intrigued Richardson.

"Her lifestyle, the way she talked about the Army, how she enjoyed her work and her ability to travel around the world really appealed to me," Richardson said during an American Forces Press Service interview. "She is why I am here. And she is probably why I have stuck around so long."

Richardson, 49 years old, has "stuck around" long enough to become one of only five black women to ever hold the position of brigadier general.

In January Richardson became the deputy commanding general of Fort Gordon, Ga., the second highest ranking officer at the U.S. Army Signal Center.

She now holds the fourth highest rank a U.S. Army commissioned officer can attain.

A lot has changed in the past 40 years since Richardson first dreamed of joining the Army. Women like her Aunt Vashti broke new ground for generations of women.

And women like Richardson continue to shatter the glass ceilings that have traditionally limited their career options.

Fort Benning celebrated the contributions and sacrifices of women in America at a Women's History Month Luncheon Wednesday at the Officers' Club.

The theme of this year's observance was "An Extraordinary Century for Women — Now, Imagine the Future!"

As the guest speaker, Richardson said the Army has been in the forefront of providing equal opportunity to women, making America truly "the land of opportunity."

"Using the military as a yardstick, it's certainly possible to imagine an amazing future for our gender, our military, and our nation."

Richardson said Women's History Month is a wonderful opportunity to publicly appreciate the contributions of women to American history.

"We should all feel a great sense of relief that America awoke to realize that we could no longer ignore the talents, strengths and gifts of more than half the American population," she said.

"The future of today's young women is brighter than at any other time in history because the military eliminated the use of gender as an excuse for discrimination."

More than 400 people attended Wednesday's event, including eight third-graders from Dexter Elementary's talented and gifted program.

Teacher Marjory Brasfield said the students were exited about the opportunity to attend the function.

"They have been doing independent studies all month long on great women in American history," she said. "This is a marvelous way to celebrate the culmination of all their hard work."

Don't forget, Sunday begins Daylight Savings time — set your clocks ahead one hour.

Humor heals April Fools' disaster

Bridgett Siter
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commentary



All the major events in our lives have taken place on or around a holiday. We had our first date on Fathers' Day. Tom gave me an engagement ring on Christmas, and we were married on Valentine's Day. Our first child was even born on Labor Day.

So I should have known this was no April Fools' joke when the phone call came on April 1, 1998. It was one of my husband's buddies, calling to tell me I should go immediately to the Womack Emergency Room. Oh, he played his part very well. He even sounded upset as he told me about the high winds on Sicily Drop Zone, and about the huge bank of packed clay that came between Tom and a perfect parachute landing fall. He said Tom was hurt badly.

In my own defense, I should tell you that my husband is notorious for his practical jokes.

There's one poor guy in Florida who has never fully recovered from finding a snake in the office refrigerator. It was coiled on a tray, covered with foil, and labeled 'cookies'.

So when I awoke that morning and looked at the date on my alarm clock, I knew I'd better be prepared for some form of foul play before the day was over. It was just like Tom to recruit someone else to help him with his little scheme.

His friend went so far as to say that Tom had broken his sacroiliac. I actually giggled. Everybody knows there's really no such thing as a sacroiliac. Right?

A quick word with the ER doctor confirmed that, indeed, there is a sacroiliac. It's the joint between the top part of the hipbone and the bottom vertebrae.

The doctor said that Tom had shattered this bone and his left pelvic bone, and we should expect a very long, slow recovery. At this point, things were looking decidedly not funny.

They recommended bed rest for at least six weeks and physical therapy. It might be six months before he could comfortably sit behind a desk, and don't even think about jumping from an airplane for at least a year. Maybe never.

Did I mention my husband always has to have the last laugh? He left that hospital in less than a week. He returned to work in less than a month. And, yes, he jumped out of a perfectly good airplane three months later.

His mother will tell you it was many prayers that made it possible for Tom to recuperate so miraculously.

His buddies will tell you it was that Ranger hooah spirit that spurred him to recovery.

His dad will tell you it was his indominable sense of humor.

But, just between you and me, the reason my Ranger became upright and mobile in record time, had very little to do with his Ranger pride or his sense of humor, and a whole lot to do with a certain rubber-gloved nurse he called Brunhilda. He still breaks out in a cold sweat at the mere mention of her name.

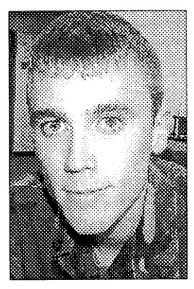
Tom's injuries have completely healed, although he swears he can tell when it's going to rain by the ache in his hip. He never lost his sense of humor, but I've grown to appreciate him for it, or in spite of it. And just to prove it, I'm baking him a batch of his favorite cookies.

They'll be waiting for him in the fridge, wrapped in foil, labeled 'cookies.'

Long duty hours can spell trouble

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



Say the two letters, 'C' and 'Q' together in or around the ranks of today's military, and you are sure to hear numerous groans and derogatory comments about the all-day duty.

Despite the complaints, the Army has always contended the 24-hour duty is something we have to do to keep our colleagues safe. But as more and more studies are published on sleep deprivation as a result of such duties, the question has to be asked, "Is this so-called safety duty really keeping our Soldiers safe, or is it putting them at an unneeded risk?"

The threat isn't coming from the increase in global terrorism or rising rates of attacks on personnel overseas, the threat comes from something everyone battles on a daily basis — the battle to get enough sleep.

And those Soldiers battling the big sleep deficit after 24-hour duty have the scales of safety weighted against them.

The Council on Scientific Affairs reviewed two decades of records including a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study that revealed as many as three percent of highway crashes are caused by sleepy drivers.

So who are the sleepy drivers? People like the 24-hour CQ Soldiers who are forced to work too long without enough sleep and then get in their vehicles and drive home are some of them.

The Army has admitted tired drivers and long-term road trips don't mix by regulating drive times while Soldiers are operating government vehicles, but nothing has been done by the big green to protect persons driving privately owned vehicles after a long duty day.

Army Regulation 385-55 states military drivers operating a government vehicle for a combined duty period exceeding 12 hours in any 24-hour period must have at least 8 consecutive hours of rest.

The Army seems to be taking care of drivers of government vehicles, but shouldn't this rule apply to privately owned vehicle operators as well? It is obvious the same dangers are out there whether piloting a Bradley or a BMW, so perhaps something needs to be done to keep our Soldiers safe.

Police officials report tired drivers are the primary cause of more than 100,000 traffic accidents a year. An organization like the Army that is already operating on short-staff cannot afford to lose its people to these types of preventable accidents.

The answer to me seems simple — follow the same rules for POVs as GOVs. If a military driver can only work 12 hours without sleep, the same should hold true for the men and women filling the rest of the ranks, including a charge of quarters shift.

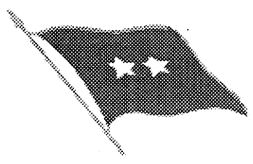
Sure more people will have to be on the duty roster, and the whole issue of recovery time will have to be reevaluated, but isn't it worth it to keep our Soldiers safe? Isn't it worth it to keep our Soldiers alive?

Community works together to prevent child abuse, neglect



Whereas, child abuse prevention is a community problem and finding solutions depends on involvement among people throughout the community;

Whereas, statistics of children who are abused and neglected escalate each year;



Whereas, the effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities, and need to be addressed by the entire community;

Whereas, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, families, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community;

Whereas, all citizens should become more aware of child abuse and its prevention within the community, and become involved in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment.

Now, Therefore, I do hereby proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month at Fort Benning, Georgia, and call upon all Soldiers, families, citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening the community in which we live.

— Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne
Commanding General

Safe, harmless jokes make April Fools' Day fun

Erin A. Nash
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

We're well into the new millennium, and I'm hoping that the new millennium brings us some brand spanking new jokes and tricks come this April 1.

April Fools' Day actually came to be in 16th century France when, the start of the new year was April 1. Then, in 1562 Pope Gregory introduced a new calendar, and the new year fell on Jan. 1.

Some people didn't hear of or wouldn't believe the change, so they continued to celebrate New Year's Day on April 1st. Others played jokes and tricks on them and called them "April Fools."

Anyone who knows me well might say I'm fairly gullible.

When I was a freshman in high school, I heard two guys talking. One of them told the other, "Hey, did you know that the word gullible isn't in the dictionary?"

This threw me into a whirlwind. "How can a word not be in the dictionary?" I wondered all day. When I got home, the first thing I did was run to my dictionary and look it up. It was right there.

Then it slowly started sinking in. Ohhhh, I thought, boy am I gullible!

Like me, there are other gullible people, and April Fools' is the perfect day to play tricks on them.

For me the hardest part is trying to come up with something that people will believe.



When I try to play a joke, I cannot keep a straight face.

I usually tell my husband something stupid, like the car broke down or the dogs ran away. I'm really not too creative when it comes to playing jokes. The only time anyone believes me is if they forget it's April Fools.

I haven't heard anything spectacular in the way of jokes from anyone else.

My sister called my dad two years ago and asked him if he had heard from me. He said no, and my sister said, "Well, then she should probably tell you."

By saying that she had him thinking I was pregnant. I followed up with a call and made him believe it. Eventually we let him in on the joke.

Then, when I really was pregnant that October, he didn't believe me.

Now my 8-month old son is walking — sorry, had to throw that in there, proud mom. No joke!

April Fools' Day is a great day to play safe, harmless jokes and end up having a big belly of laughs. Be safe, be nice and play some good jokes!

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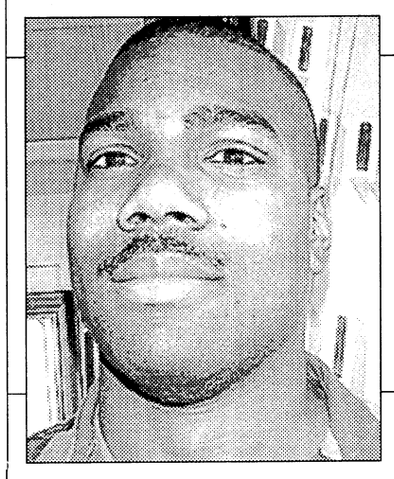
What was the best April Fools' joke ever played on you?



Spc. Troy Stupart, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "When I was stationed in Germany, I was a driver for our executive officer. I was supposed to pick him up on April Fools' Day, and the guys in my office replaced the rank on my hat with his. When I went out the brigade commander saluted me."



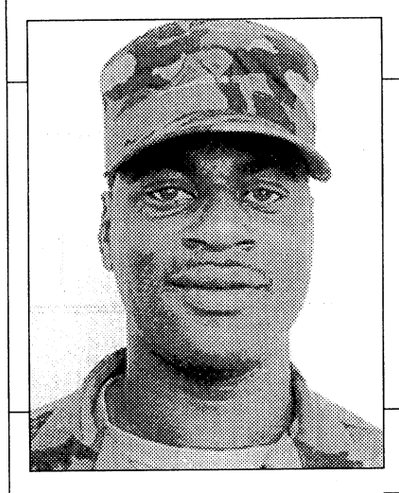
Spc. Kiona Jones, HHC, 317th Engineer Battalion, 3rd Bde. (Mech) — "My friend convinced me that she had seen my name on a roster saying I was going to Bosnia. The whole company was in on it. I really thought I was going."



Staff Sgt. Jason Orello, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C. — "My wife told me she was pregnant and she really wasn't."



Sgt. Justin Enders, A Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt. — "When I was at the 10th Mountain Division I had just gotten back from 30 days of leave and I was told we had to pull out. Supposedly there was an alert and we needed to leave. I was already packed up and half way to Rome, N.Y., before I found out it was a joke."



Spc. Joseph Simmons, 104th Transportation Co., 36th Engineer Group — "My mom made our family believe we had won the lottery. She packed us up, drove to Tallahassee, Fla., and when we got there we found out the only thing she had won was a ticket. She only did it to get all of the kids together."



Renea Lee, Army and Air Force Exchange employee — "The best April Fools' joke that has been played on me was when I went to make some coffee and somebody had replaced the sugar with salt."

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Retiree finds joy in footnotes of history

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Robert Felton spends three days a week in "the hole," sometimes not seeing daylight or another human being for hours at a time. He still enjoys his job. He calls it a gold mine where he discovers "little gems" every so often.

Like the time he found a game roster listing the players on the Army and Navy baseball teams that competed at Fort Benning during World War II. There in pencil on the coffee stained ledger were the names Joe DiMaggio and Phil Rizuto.

"Those are what I call the footnotes of history — the little known facts that I come across every now and then that really make my job interesting," Felton said.

Felton's "job" is a volunteer position preserving and cataloguing photographs and historical documents at the National Infantry Museum. He works in the reference library. His co-workers call it "the hole" because it is a cramped and isolated room. Felton calls it "Fort Benning's attic," because it houses an estimated 250,000 photographs, books and documents relating to Fort Benning and the U.S. Infantry.

Felton, who will turn 70 in May, retired from the military in 1974 after 27 years of active duty, including tours in Korea and Vietnam. As a lieutenant colonel, Felton spent his last four years at the Pentagon.

"Since the time I was just a little boy, right after World War II, all I ever wanted to do was join the Army. I enjoyed my time in service, except for the last few years at the Pentagon," Felton said. "I missed being with the boys in the field."

While attending the Advanced Officers' Course at Fort Benning in 1958, Felton discovered another "gem" near the very same spot where he works today. From the third floor of the museum, Felton pointed out the window at Sacrifice Field and described the scene as it appeared more than 40 years ago.

"This used to be the old hospital," he said, referring to the museum itself. "In that field, there were old one-story buildings from World War II used as an annex to the hospital. That's where I met my wife Dell. She used to work in one of those buildings."

Dell's family lived in nearby Newnan, Ga., so the Felton's returned to Columbus after retiring, and Robert worked for 17 years with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

After toying with several volunteer activities, Felton approached the museum director, Frank Hanner, who said he could use some help "straightening out some photographs."

"That was three years ago," Felton laughed. "I'm only about a quarter of the way done."

The task of separating, identifying, cataloguing and preserving thousands of unmarked photographs would seem daunting to even the most avid history buff. Felton calls his methods "low tech." He often has to refer to historical records or call historians to identify photos. Sometimes it's as simple as recognizing a face or a uniform.

"It's like a Pandora's box, I guess you'd say. It's a tremendous job, but sometimes frustrating," Felton said. "In and of themselves, these pictures might not be all that interesting. But it's the stories behind the pictures that are fascinating when you start to identify them and learn about the lives of the people in them."

Felton was named Retiree Volunteer of Excellence in 1999 for his contribution to the museum. His co-workers say he is performing an invaluable service to Fort Benning and the Army.

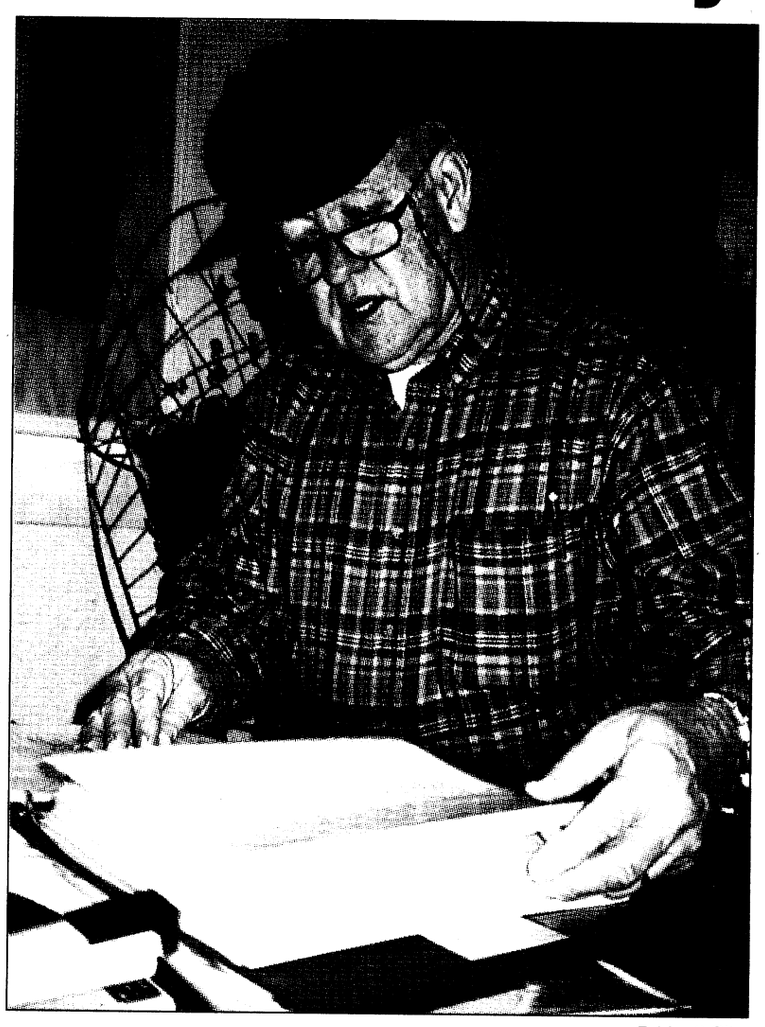
"If it wasn't for Bob, those photos would still be sitting in filing cabinets, with no organization or protection. They couldn't be properly utilized to assist people," said Hanner. "The people who donate these pictures to the museum are entrusting them to us for future generations. The service Bob is performing is invaluable."

"It's not a glory job," said Becky Pennington, museum secretary. "All he gets out of it is self-satisfaction and the knowledge that he is doing something that we have no one else to do."

Felton appears undaunted by the job at hand and unimpressed with the accolades sent his way.

"I like my work, but I'm really in it for the money," he chuckled. "I got a 100 percent increase at the beginning of the year."

Of course, as a volunteer, Felton receives no pay for his work, and a 100 percent increase of nothing is still nothing.



Bridgett Siter
Robert Felton catalogs history at the Infantry Museum.

Site: Prepares Soldiers for world deployments

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through the CONUS Replacement Center, Luke said. The Fort Benning TSIRT site is one of six in the U.S.

"We have the capability to run 400 Soldiers a week through here," Luke said.

Saturday a group of about 35 individuals, including linguists, tankers and flight medics, were completing their instruction.

"The training is geared to what they may encounter in Bosnia or Kosovo, and is a follow-on to the training they have already received in Force Protection," Earl Brown, chief of the Mobilization Branch, Plans and Mobilization Division, Directorate of Operations and Training, said.

Classes in media awareness, countermines, mine awareness, convoy operations and other topics pertinent to the theater of operations are given in the building.

Monica Manganaro, deputy public affairs officer at Fort Benning, presented the media awareness class, which covers what can and cannot be said to the press. While the class remained inside, she, a camera operator, and several volunteers stepped outside to conduct mock television interviews. She then played the tape for the class to critique.

"Remember, you are putting a face on this big green machine," she said.

While Manganaro covered media awareness, two other groups were conducting personnel and vehicle searches outside under the supervision of NCOs from the 29th Infantry Regiment.

The day before, the students had received classroom instruction.

"We go from the crawl, to the walk and then the run mode," Luke said.

By Saturday morning, the students are in the running stage — applying what they've learned in the classrooms on Friday to the field.

In addition to the personnel and vehicle searches, Situational Training Exercises are conducted at the Force Protection Lanes just down the road from the Collins Center. Squads move down the 1,000-meter lanes and probe for mines, bypass mine-wired obstacles, react to sniper fire and deal with civilians on the battlefield.

Trainers from 1st Army at Fort Gillem, Ga., instruct units which process through the center. But for smaller groups and individuals, the training responsibility falls on the the 29th Infantry Regiment, Luke said.

"Everything we are teaching here relates to what is going on in the Balkan theater," Staff Sgt. Mike Roberts, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Inf. Regt., said.

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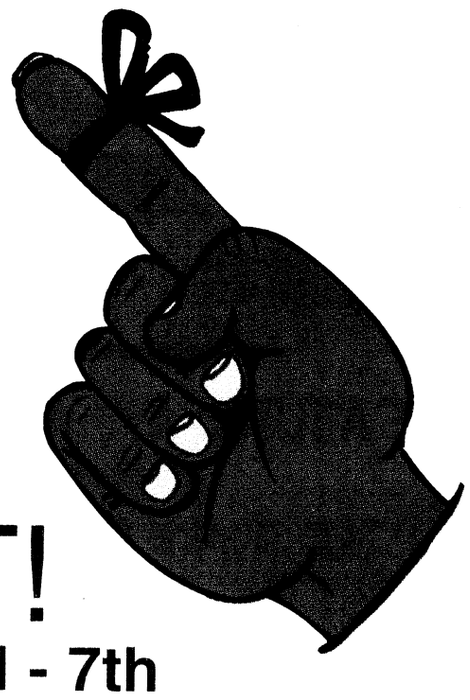

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COURSE	COURSE TITLE	DAY	HR	INSTRUCTOR	TIME
ACC 201-032	ACCOUNTING I	T/TH	5	McGeorge	6:00 -8:15 P.M.
BIO 105-033	ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES	M/W	5	Khan	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
BIO 105-034	ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES	T/TH	5	Terry	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
BIO 123-031	BIOLOGY I W/ LAB	M/W	5	Khan	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
BIO 124-032	BIOLOGY II W/ LAB	T/TH	5	Terry	5:30 - 8:15 P.M.
CIS 200-031	COMPUTER CONCEPTS	M/W	5	Alles	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
CIS 201-033	MICRO APPLICATIONS	M/W	5	Alles	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
ENG 097-033	LSS ENGLISH I	M/W	5	Norvell	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
ENG 099-031	LSS ENGLISH II	M/W	5	Hull	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
ENG 101-031	ENGLISH COMP I	M/W	5	Dunn	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
ENG 101-034	ENGLISH COMP I	T/TH	5	Dunn	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
ENG 102-032	ENGLISH COMP II	T/TH	5	Dunn	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
ENG 202-033	LITERATURE II	M/W	5	Dunn	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
HIS 121-032	AMERICAN HISTORY I	T/TH	5	Kaufman	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
HIS 122-034	AMERICAN HISTORY II	T/TH	5	Kaufman	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
MAT 097-031	LSS MATH I	M/W	5	Brackin	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
MAT 099-033	LSS MATH II	M/W	5	Lumbard	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
MAT 106-031	MATH MODELING	M/W	5	Lumbard	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
MAT 109-034	COLLEGE ALGEBRA	T/TH	5	Lumbard	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
MAT 200-032	STATISTICS	T/TH	5	Lumbard	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
PED 115-032	GOLF	T	5	Carpenter	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
PLS 101-034	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT	T/TH	5	McGeorge	8:20 - 10:35 P.M.
PSY 200-032	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	T/TH	5	Dixon	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.
RDG 099-031	LSS READING	M/W	5	Norvell	6:00 - 8:15 P.M.

MON/WED "EARLY"
BIO 123
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ENG 101
MAT 097
MAT 106
RDG 099

TUES/THUR "EARLY"
ACC 201
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MAT 200
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ENG 202
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HIS 122
MAT 109

GMC Weekend Courses
All classes meet in Building 4 except computer classes meet in Building 85

COURSE	COURSE TITLE	DAY	HR	INSTRUCTOR	TIME
BUS 100-035	INTRO TO BUSINESS	MAY 5-7 MAY 19-21	5	McGeorge	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
CIS 100-035	COMPUTER LITERACY	APRIL 7-9	2	Alles	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
CIS 106-035	SPREADSHEETS	JUNE 9-11	2	Alles	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
CRJ 100-035	INTRO TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE	MAY 5-7 MAY 19-21	5	Arrington	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
CRJ 201-035	CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	MAY 12-14 JUNE 2-4	5	Beach	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
EDN 206-035 PSY 203-035	HUMAN GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT	APRIL 14-16 APRIL 28-30	5	Jarrett	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
ENG 261-035	PUBLIC SPEAKING	MAY 19-21 JUNE 9-11	5	Sawyer	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
GMC 100-035	PREPARING FOR SUCCESS	APRIL 7-9	2	McGeorge	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
HIS 102-035	WORLD CIVILIZATIONS II	APRIL 14-16 APRIL 28-30	5	Kaufman	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
HIS 200-035	MILITARY HISTORY	JUNE 2-4 JUNE 16-18	5	Kaufman	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
PLS 101-035	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT	APRIL 14-16 APRIL 28-30	5	McGeorge	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
SOC 203-035	SOCIAL PROBLEMS	APRIL 28-30	2	Buck	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
SOC 207-035	THE FAMILY	MAY 19-21 JUNE 2-4	5	Buck	FRI. 6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M. SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M SUN. 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
WEL 154-035	WELLNESS	MAY 6-7 MAY 20-21	3	Lawson	SAT. 8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.. SUN. 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M

Old Glory needs light when under stars

Regs say porch light not enough to illuminate flag

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

For all of the "Yankee Doodles" on post there is probably nothing more patriotic than the American Flag waving just outside the door.

And while erecting a flag at one's private quarters may seem a simple procedure, there are actually a number of Army regulations that guide the proper display of the flag.

One of the more common mistakes people make is keeping the flag outside past dark, said Cliff Davis, chief of ceremonies, Directorate of Operations and Training.

Army Regulation 840-10 states that the flag of the United States will be displayed daily from reveille to retreat unless MACOM commanders authorize the permanent or semipermanent 24-hour display of the flag.

When display of the flag past dark is authorized it can only be done so if the flag is illuminated with its own source of light.

Residents often turn on their outside lights thinking it is proper lighting, but unless that light is aimed directly at the flag, it doesn't meet the standard, Davis said.

Other regulations regarding the display of the flag prohibit it from being worn as apparel, bedding or drapery.

It can never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free. It should never be used as a covering for a ceiling or decoration.

Also, the flag must never have any marks, insignia, letters, words, designs, pictures or drawing of any nature placed upon it nor attached to it.

Davis said he often sees people making a number of other mistakes when it comes to paying respect to the flag.

One of these is rendering the proper courtesy when the flag is passing by.

"A big problem with both civilian and military is they don't take the time to know the proper courtesies rendered to the flag when it passes," Davis said. "When the flag passes six paces before until six paces after military personnel should salute and civilians should cover their heart with their right hand."

Another major disrespect to the flag that Davis witnesses often on post is the lack of courtesy during reveille and retreat.

"My biggest pet peeve is during reveille and retreat when people do not stop their vehicles and render honors," Davis said.

He explained that a person should get out of their car, face the flag, or the music if they cannot see the flag and salute or place their hand over the heart.

"By rendering proper courtesy to our national symbol it simply shows respect to our nation," Davis said about why it's important to understand and abide by the regulations.

"I feel great when I properly display the flag. It says that I am proud of my country."

Smartforce sends Soldiers to school for free

New website makes *Microsoft* certification easily accessible on line

Sgt. Lori Smith
Assistant editor

More than 5,000 courses are available online and free for Department of the Army civilians and active-duty, Reserve and National Guard Soldiers.

Free information technology training is available on the SmartForce website, a technology-based system of interactive courseware.

Courses are designed for the beginning computer student as well as those who would like more advanced training. Students can choose from a wide range of courses including Microsoft Office 2000, Java programming, systems and data base design and networking.

"This is a great opportunity to brush up on computer skills," said Mike Hodge, education services specialist, Fort Benning Army Learning Center.

"The Army bought into this program in 1998," Hodge said. "With fewer personnel, training dollars are short. This way Soldiers can stay in the office and train."

Hodge suggests Soldiers and authorized civilians take advantage of this opportunity because computer knowledge is necessary for today's workforce.

The self-paced courses range from two to 12 hours. Upon completion of the course, students receive a certificate of completion. Although the certificate does not count towards college credit, Hodge said it may show the unit or employer that the student has computer knowledge.

To gain access to the courseware, students must register at the SmartForce Website from any military address site.

Hodge said if students have problems, he can assist with registration at the Army Learning Center in Infantry Hall.

Once registration is complete, students can access courses using a web browser either from home, office or the Army Learning Center.

The address for SmartForce website is www.armycbt.army.mil.

Three new masks protect Soldiers from various forms of attack

Jim Caldwell
TRADOC News Service

FORT MONROE, Va., — Training and Doctrine Command has a key role in developing three masks to protect service members who might be exposed to nuclear, biological and chemical agents on future battlefields.

"Public law mandated the consolidation of all DoD chemical and biological defense programs and made the Army the executive agent for coordinating and integrating the development of NBC protective equipment," said Carl Fraker, an NBC systems analyst in the Combat Service Support Directorate for TRADOC's Deputy Chief of Staff for Combat Developments.

"Within TRADOC, we represent the Army's fighting force, the Soldier. We are responsible for developing the requirements for new equipment based on an analysis of our potential adversaries' capabilities. We also are aware of deficiencies of existing masks, based on feedback from the field."

Other services go through a similar process. When all the services' requirements are identified, a Joint Service Integration Group brings all their representatives together to integrate their needs.

The purpose of the integration group is to prevent each service having to develop their own unique versions of equipment for NBC defense requirements.

There currently are two versions of the next generation Joint Service General Purpose Mask in various phases of development.

The XM-50 is for all ground personnel, while the XM-51 will be for combat vehicle crewmen.

A new Joint Service Aircrew Mask is also under development.

Only a technology demonstrator model of the XM-50 exists now. It was built by engineers at the U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. Made of a black rubber blend, it has a single eyepiece for a greater range of vision.

The eyepiece will also work with night vision and sighting devices. Below the eyepiece are low-profile filters and a voicemitter, which make the XM-50 look like a Darth Vader mask.

Another objective is for the new mask to be compatible with a wide range of current equipment or equipment and systems that are being developed.

"Our suspicion is that the finished mask will look very much like this when it is fielded in the 2005-2006 timeframe," Fraker said.

How it eventually looks depends on the winning contractor's recommendations to meet the performance specifications, followed by a series of developmental tests and operational trials.

The final M-50 mask will have a 50 percent across-the-board improvement in visibility, breathing, speech clarity and overall comfort.

The XM-51 differs from the XM-50 in that it will have an optional hose which combat vehicle crewmen can plug into an onboard gas particulate system.

"Combat fighting vehicle crews are more and more like pilots working in confined spaces, any mask and filter system that interferes with their movement and ability to perform their mission can cause almost as much risk as an NBC environment," Fraker said.

The XM-50 may also be modified so that ground personnel such as air traffic controllers can use different communications equipment.

The new aviation mask will be designed for used by helicopter pilots and crew members, as well as for "fast movers" (jet aircraft), according to Fraker.

As the Army increasingly operates in urban areas around the world, there is also another threat to consider — toxic industrial materials and chemicals.

"We're requiring for the first time ever for this future mask to protect us not only against traditional NBC threats, but now toxic industrial materials," Fraker said.

post briefs

Post prescribes control burns

Prescribed burning of woodland areas will take place from Monday to April 9. If weather permits, the following areas will be affected: A15, C1, D8, D14, E7, J3, L6, M2, M8, N1, N2, O5, O10, P3, Q3, S1, T2, U3, Y1, Y3, Z1, Z2 and the Sand Hill cantonment area.

Burning will occur in pine stands within these compartments to enhance endangered species habitat training areas. Personnel proposing to use these areas must vacate the areas before 9:30 a.m.

Units using ranges and training areas are reminded to remove flammable debris, such as pinestraw, leaves and trash, from around structures in accordance with USAIC Regulation 210-4.

AUSA hosts writing contest

The Association of the United States Army has established a writing prize for future concepts for a Mobile Protected Fighting System.

This prize is designed to promote conceptual thinking for the design, development and use of a new ground combat system by the U.S. Army around the year 2025.

AUSA will assemble a distinguished panel of military and civilian experts chaired by retired Gen. Glenn Otis to judge essays of 2,000 words or less. The top essay will receive a prize of $5,000. Second prize is $1,000 and third prize is $500. The three prizewinning essays will be published in Army Magazine and presented at this year's annual meeting.

Send essays to: Institute of Land Warfare, Association of the United States Army, MPFS Essay Contest, 2425 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201.

TSU offers classes

Troy State University offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during non-traditional hours and dates. Units have the flexibility to schedule classes during times, dates and locations of their choice.

For more information, call 685-9555.

CID seeks criminals

The U.S. Criminal Investigation Command is offering rewards for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the following crimes:

- larceny of a government Dell 3200 Inspiron laptop computer, one GE hand held radio and one Erikson hand held radio from the transportation office between Dec. 29-30, 1999.
- larceny of one portable John Deere gas operated power washer and one Millermatic portable electric welder from Building 4314 between March 1-3.
- larceny of cash, jewelry and CDs from Quarters 660 Kandle Drive.
- larceny of government Gateway computer, monitor and Hewlett Packard printer from the post chapel between Jan. 5-6.
- larceny of two government Gateway computers from the mail room in Building 9076 between March 2-3.
- larceny of a government Pentium computer from the administrative office in Building 9073 between Jan. 21-23.
- larceny of Gateway computer, monitor, Canon printer, Xerox and APC power cord from the Conner Brothers construction site adjacent to 1st Division Road between Jan. 6-7.

Anyone with information is requested to call CID, at 545-8916.

SF seeks volunteers

Special Forces wants professional enlisted and officer volunteers seeking their next challenge in the Army. Enlisted Soldiers E-3 through E-6 with a GT score of 100 or higher and commissioned officers in year group 1995-1998 can apply for training.

For more information, call 545-3079.

CSU offers criminal justice classes

Starting May 20 through July 28, Columbus State University, Criminal Justice Department, in conjunction with the Fort Benning office, will offer four criminal justice classes.

Each of the classes will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Two will begin May 20, one graduate and one undergraduate.

The remaining (graduate and undergraduate) will begin July 1 ending July 29.

For more information, call 689-8668 or 545-1085.

Promotions draw review

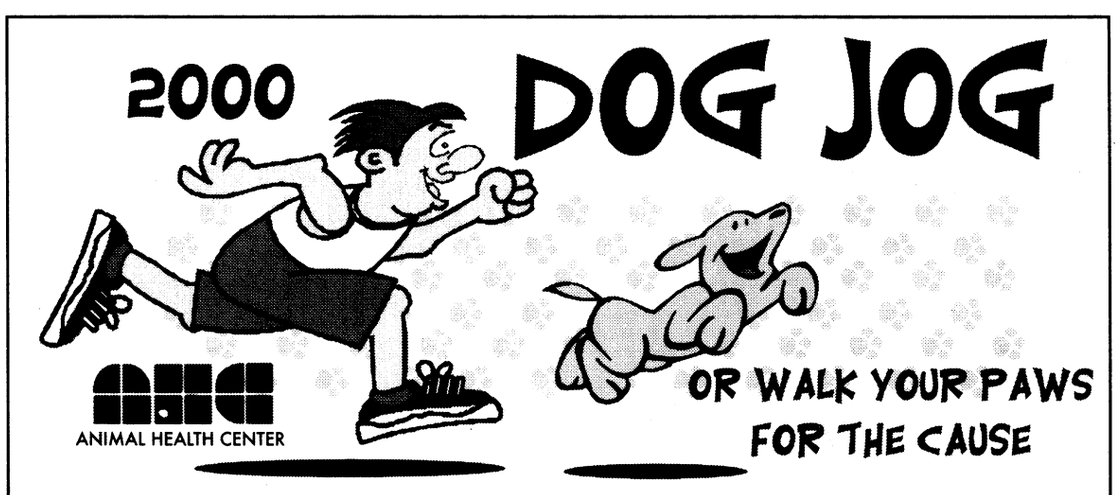
The Department of the Army selection board will convene May 31 to consider Soldiers for promotion to sergeant first class. The board will also review elimination under the Qualitative Management Program.

Zones of consideration for promotion are all staff sergeants with a date of rank June 30, 1998, and earlier with a basic active service date between May 31, 1981, and May 31, 1994.

For QMP, all staff sergeants with a date of rank May 31, 1999, and earlier and basic active service date of May 31, 1981. Soldiers who meet eligibility must have a current photo. To schedule a appointment, call 545-1381.

Those NCOs who meet the eligibility criteria must review their personnel records and authenticate their personnel qualification record, which goes to the selection board.

Contact the personnel sergeant or call the Adjutant General Personnel Services Readiness Division at 545-8861 or 545-5640 for an appointment.



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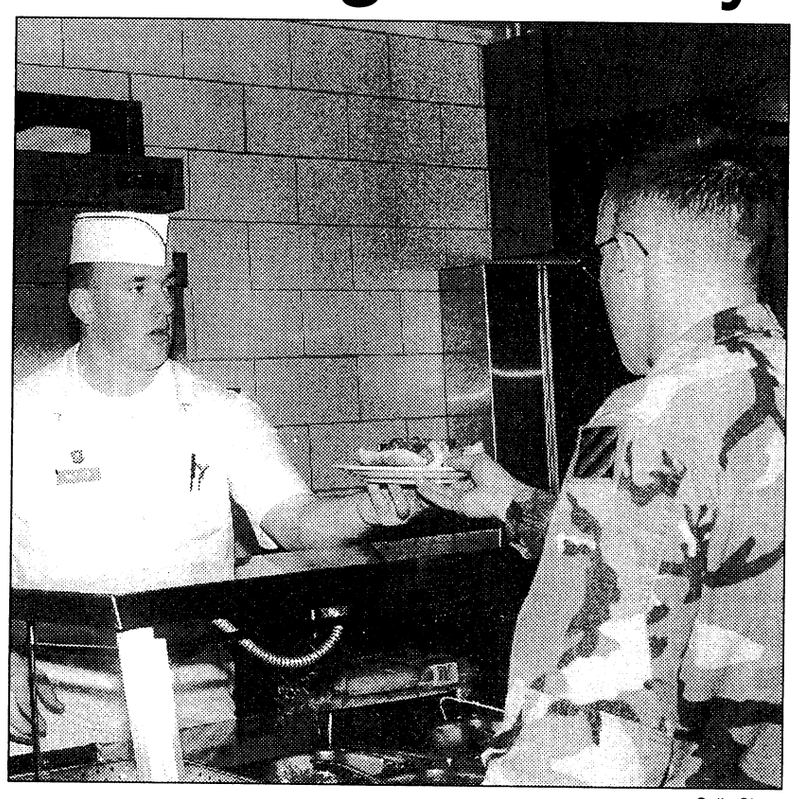
Benning culinary team takes honors at competition



Sally Shutt

Pvt. Jeremy Moyer, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery Regiment, won a bronze medal in the Junior Chef of the Year at the culinary arts competition at Fort Lee, Va. He works at Gibson Dining Facility at Kelley Hill.

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

The Soldiers eating chili dogs at Gibson Dining Facility at Kelley Hill last week had no idea the cook serving the entree was a medal-winning chef.

Pvt. Jeremy M. Moyer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery Regiment, 3rd Infantry Brigade, won a bronze medal in the Junior Chef of the Year contest at the 25th annual U.S. Army Culinary Arts Competition held earlier this month at Fort Lee, Va.

At 20, Moyer was the youngest Soldier on Fort Benning's six-member Culinary Arts team. Although he has only been in the Army two years, Moyer has years of experience in food service and participated in cooking competitions while in high school.

"My family owns the Chimney Corner Restaurant back home in Lancaster, Pa.," he said.

When he leaves the Army in 18 months, Moyer plans to attend the Culinary Institute of America to further his culinary education, he said.

Moyer and the other Soldiers who competed for the Junior Chef of the Year honor were required to cook and serve a set menu which was comprised of soup, a main plate with starch and vegetables and dessert.

They used standard Army recipe cards given to them the day of the timed event.

Master Sgt. Carolyn Lewis is a master chef, a Culinary Olympic medal winner and surrogate mom to the food service Soldiers like Moyer whom she mentors at Fort Benning.

Several of her Soldiers have gone on to serve at the Pentagon and to compete on the U.S. Army Culinary Arts Team.

Assigned to A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, Lewis serves as an enlisted aide to Commanding General John Le Moyne.

The chef guided the team during the competition Feb. 24 through March 11. They returned with 20 overall awards and numerous lessons learned in hand.

Lewis won an honorable mention in the Chef of the Year competition. She was required to plan, prepare and serve a five-course meal for four people using a mystery basket of ingredients. She had four hours to complete the task and her ingredients included ostrich, shrimp, scallops, halibut, quail, duck and assorted vegetables and fruit.

She also won three bronze medals and two honorable mentions.

Fort Benning's four-member Field Mess team won a silver medal. Staff Sgt. Olen Winningham, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Bde.; Spc. Wileana Martin, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Bde.; Sgt. Katina Stacey, 988th Military Police Company, and Moyer were given a menu at 6 a.m. and required to have a meal for 50 people prepared in four hours.

The experience of preparing food for judges was much different than preparing for Soldiers, Martin, who also won an honorable mention for cold desserts, said.

"The judges are constantly there, watching the process and watching every little move you make," she said.

Soldiers are not that picky. "In the field, they are glad to just come in and eat," Martin said.

Winningham, a pastry chef, won a bronze for petit fours and an honorable mention for a centerpiece.

Sgt. Belinda McCall, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group, won a bronze medal in the centerpiece category and an honorable mention in the lunch meal contest.

Fort Benning's six-member team competed against 12-member teams from other installations. The group had less than two weeks to prepare for the competition, Lewis said.

"Because our Soldiers go to the field a lot, we were unable to pull them from their units until just before the competition," she said.

Local Army attorneys earn accolade for service

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The Fort Benning Office of the Staff Judge Advocate received the 1999 Army Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance in March, for their demonstration of consistent excellence.

Receiving the award for the last 10 years in a row, and 15 of the last 16 years, Jane M. Winand, chief of the Legal Assistance Division of the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, said the office helps Soldiers, family members and retirees with various legal issues such as preparing wills, power of attorney, filing income tax and other personal legal matters.

The award is to recognize a LAD that provides quality legal services and shows innovation in the provision of preventative law information, Winand said.

"The strength of our program lies in the dedication and experience of the attorneys and support personnel," she said. "Our current staff includes an attorney with an advance law degree in tax, an attorney who specialized in divorce law in Columbus for seven years before joining the LAD. And we have a paralegal who has eight years experience handling family support cases."

Staying busy in 1999 as well as other years, SJA helped nearly 41,000 people in legal matters including adoptions, small claims court and probate, Winand said.

"While many civilian legal offices charge $1,000 per case, we do the cases for free and have quite a high caseload," she said.

The office is able to maintain it's high standards because of the professionalism of the military and civilian staff.

"It is the great people we have here that gives the office it's strength," she said.

Rich Coreno was able to see first-hand the professionalism and strength the office gives during times of need.

After his dad passed away, Coreno, a personal management specialist for the Civilian Personal Advisory Center, took his mom to the SJA to ask questions on his dad's will and estate settlement.

"Carolyn Moller, (a legal assistance attorney), did a super job helping us. In a difficult and confusing time, she put us at ease. She even went to the probate judge's office with us and took care of everything," Coreno said.

"The care and concern she showed was very evident," he said. "There is no better assistance around."

Pigs: Digs send officials on anti-swine search

All in all the pigs are disposed of in a very humane manner, he said. Several huge traps have been set in secluded areas where the pigs are known to frequent.

The traps are boxes approximately four feet by eight feet that work with bait and a sliding trap door.

"Basically they are confined in the pen until we get to them," Phillips said.

The pigs are taken to Daffin's, a meat processing plant in Columbus.

"Then the processed meat is donated to local food banks through a program called 'Hunters for the Hungry,'" he said.

With pigs that weigh up to 300 pounds that's a lot of meat for the less fortunate, he said.

The project is scheduled to continue for the next couple of weeks.

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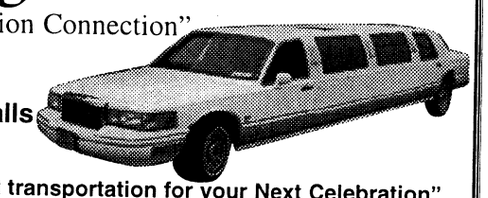

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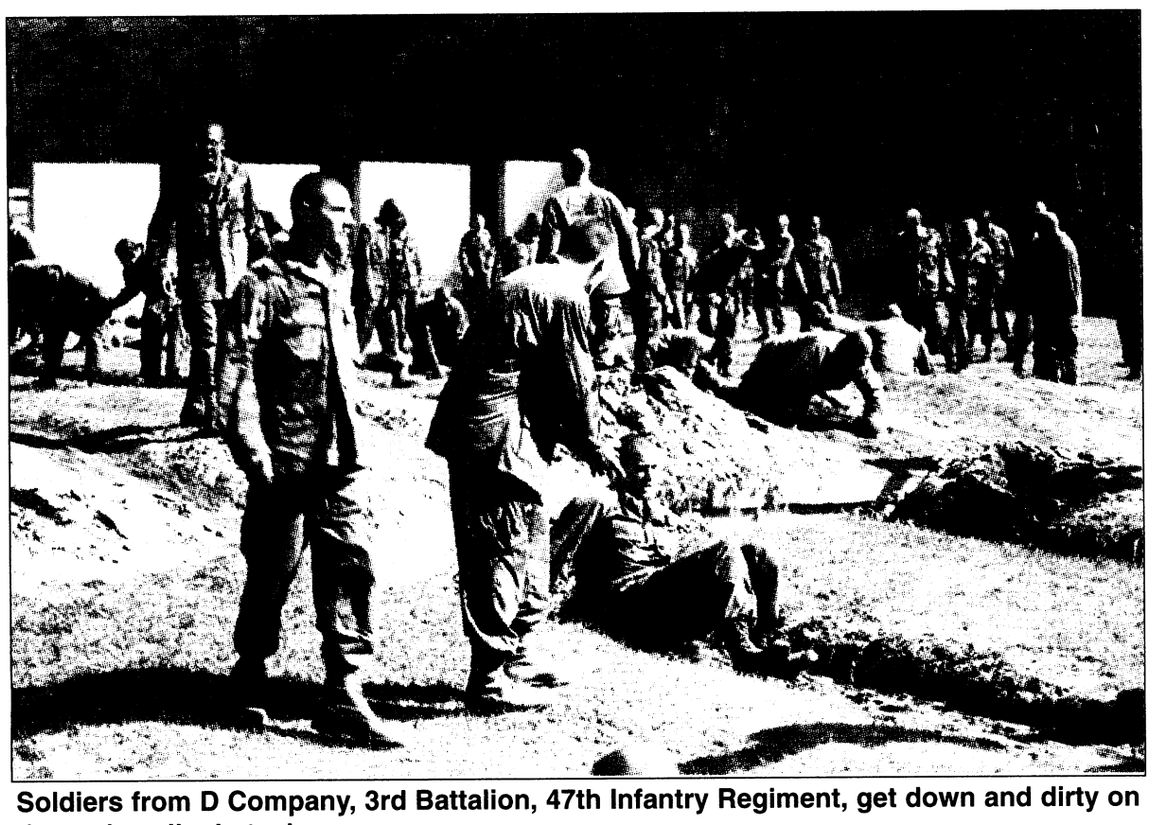

Soldiers from D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, get down and dirty on the crab-walk obstacle.

Trainees put through paces by taking on obstacle course

Staff Sgt. K. Allen Whiteacre
3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment

The conditioning obstacle course hosted 240 Soldiers from D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47 Infantry Regiment, March 24. The company went looking for the challenge and motivation it experienced the last time it was at the course.

"We would like to hit this course three times a cycle, because it is an excellent gut check and builds esprit de corps," said Capt. William Burley, D Co. commander.

According to the program of instruction, obstacle courses are used to improve physical conditioning and instill confidence. Although the course is littered with low obstacles it is run against time. The time factor and team competition offers an excellent physical workout.

As with most periods of instruction the obstacle course also reinforces several Army core values. Overcoming the limitations of one's physical conditioning to complete the course to standard requires personal courage.

By being a positive motivator and encouraging teammates to succeed, one practices selfless service. On the other hand, by refusing to be a negative motivator the competitors demonstrate respect.

The course is made up of 15 obstacles that challenge competitors to jump, dodge, climb, traverse, crawl, vault and balance. Trainees jump ditches, climb a 25-foot rope, traverse a horizontal ladder, negotiate a log bridge and dodge their way through a grid maze.

That puts the trainees in front of the centerpiece of the course near the halfway mark. Competitors must crawl under barbed wire. The ditch, depending on weather, is often filled with mud and water. The company found the obstacle when there was more mud than water to crawl through.

"The mud pit is the most memorable obstacle, because it is a chance to get dirty," said Pvt. Marc Runge, from Phoenix, Az., with a grin and mud on his face.

After the mud, the course is downhill. The obstacles left include a fence, a six-foot wall and a few other minor obstacles.

D Co. ran the course once for familiarization and then once for competition. Finally, platoon squad leaders competed against each other and the clock.

As always in competition there is a winner, but because this competition helped build teamwork, physically conditioned the trainees, reinforced several Army core values and raised the company's level of motivation, it was a win-win competition with no losers.



Photos by Staff Sgt. K. Allen Whiteacre

Pvt. Stephen Matthews, D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, carefully navigates a wire obstacle on the conditioning obstacle course.

Mortar Leader Course taught at Campbell

Instructors teach Air Assault hopeful Soldiers

Capt. Gary Jones
2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment

The Infantry Mortar Leader Course conducted its first ever course outside of Fort Benning since the course's inception back in 1962.

The IMLC course was conducted at Fort Campbell, Ky., with the Soldiers of the 1st Brigade (Bastogne), 327th Infantry Regiment, 101st Air Assault Division, attending the class.

The course is normally conducted at the Infantry School, but the 29th Infantry Regiment and the 1st Brigade commanders' initiative took the course and its mobile team of instructors to Fort Campbell.

This was the first time the IMLC has been conducted at Fort Campbell, or at any other installation in the Army.

The Infantry Mortar Leader Course graduated the first class of students during a ceremony at the 327th Infantry Regiment's dining facility March 16.

The presentation of course certificates at the graduation ceremony has now tripled the number of Infantry mortar leaders in 1st Brigade, said Lt. Col. Gordon B. Davis, Jr., commander of 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., and guest speaker at the graduation ceremony.

"That's what IMLC was established for and that's the charter for the Army to produce technical and tactical expertise needed to successfully lead the Army's mortar platoons and sections," Davis said.

Thirty-four of the 42 students enrolled in the course successfully completed "one of the most academically challenging courses that the Army has to offer," said Master Sgt. John Hoch, training chief for the Infantry Mortar Leader Course.

In addition to the mental rigors, the course can also be physically tough.

Throughout the four weeks, condensed from six, the students participated in 210 hours of instruction and live fires, seven exams, and more than 30 hours of cardiovascular physical training.

"Fast and furious" is how Spc. Ryan Downey, A Co., 3rd Bn, 327th Inf. Regt., described his experience with the course.

"I didn't know what to expect before going in but it was definitely worth it," he said.

Students completed the course in record time, despite the rigorous pace. It consisted of late training nights, often until 11 p.m., and two full Saturdays.

Some students also had to endure the stresses of retraining.

"The course was pretty hard," said Spc. Tim Demars, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Bn., 327th Inf. Regt. "I'd never done any of this kind of training before. I learned a lot. I knew what it was all going toward, so I made myself deal with it and drive on."

Col. Michael L. Oates, commander of 1st Bde, 327th Inf. Regt., commended the instructor cadre from Fort Benning and all those responsible for the training for their leadership.

"The NCO corps is what makes our Army the strongest in the world," Oates said.

To the graduating class, he added, "Your leadership appreciates your newly obtained expertise and skills. They know what they're getting back when you return to your units."

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Candidate marches to own drum

Officer Candidate Sharon McBride
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

All it takes is a few notes of *The Army Song* for him to get a charismatic gleam in his eye.

Put him up in front of more than a hundred officer candidates to lead them through that traditional song and it's visually apparent on his face that this man has found his utopia.

Officer Candidate Derrick Shaw, currently enrolled in OCS Class 3-00, recently joined the ranks of a select group of officers in the U.S. Army.

Pending his graduation from OCS this summer, Shaw will become one of only 21 officers in the entire U.S. Army that hold the position of staff band officer.

"A staff band officer primarily is a band conducting position," Shaw said. And on occasion they also conduct chorus that are attached to world famous bands -- bands like *FORSCOM*, *The U.S. Continental Army Band* and of course *The U.S. Army Band* or better known as *Pershing's Own*.

It's a feat that took Shaw years of preparation, a grueling application process, not only to be selected to become a staff band officer, but to gain OCS admittance as well.

Prerequisites for the band job include a minimum of five years experience teaching and conducting music, letters of recommendation and a video tape of the "hopeful" conducting specific musical selections.

But it doesn't stop there, that's just the first part of the selection process.

If the video fares well, the "hopeful" must travel to Arlington, Va, to audition for a slot.

Simultaneously, those who want to be selected must also submit a OCS packet, which entails getting letters of recommendation and appearing before a selection board.

Shaw, who was working as a high school band director for more than four years in Atlanta, Ga., started the entire application process in January 1999.

He made the first cut and was invited to audition, along with approximately 20 other applicants.

"It was the hardest audition I ever had to do," Shaw said. The hardest part was the music theory portion, he explained.

"That test humbled me," he said. "and I thought to myself, 'These people are going to think I'm a joke.'"

The second part of the audition was a chance to conduct band members of *Pershing's Own*, — an elite band has been in existence for more than 75 years and is the premier musical organization of the U.S. Army.

His packet was approved and soon Shaw found himself on the way to basic training as an OCS college option candidate.

"I've always wanted to be in the Army," Shaw said. "Army bands are some of the best in the country. It was definitely a vertical career move for me."

But after spending 29 years as a civilian, Shaw said entering the world of the Army was a bit of a shock to his system.

"Teaching high school for four years is not conducive to being in shape," he explained. So he started running — a lot.

And after graduating from basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C., in December '99, he came to Fort Benning, where he waited to start OCS in late February.

While he waited to start class, he said he ran — a lot more.

Shaw is now six weeks into the course, and has entered the intermediate phase of OCS.

"OCS so far has been a real challenge, but it's been real good for me," Shaw said. "Physically, its pushed me. But I like everyone in my platoon, and I'm learning a lot from the people around me."

They in turn are also learning a lot from him.

On several occasions, Shaw has led the class in singing "The Army Song," and "The OCS Alma Mater."

"It was very stirring for me," Shaw said. "I'm a very expressive conductor. I am very passionate about music, and I am very passionate about the Army.

"I think that all comes through when I conduct," Shaw said. And I think that's one of the main reasons I was selected."

And the folks at Arlington agree.

"Shaw had a very strong audition," Maj. Thomas Palmatier, Headquarters Department of the Army Staff Band Officer, said. "He communicated very well, he had great military bearing, and he seemed very comfortable in leading and motivating the band members."

Only two or three selections for staff band officers are made per year, Palmatier said. But last year, Shaw was the only one that met the criteria and was selected.

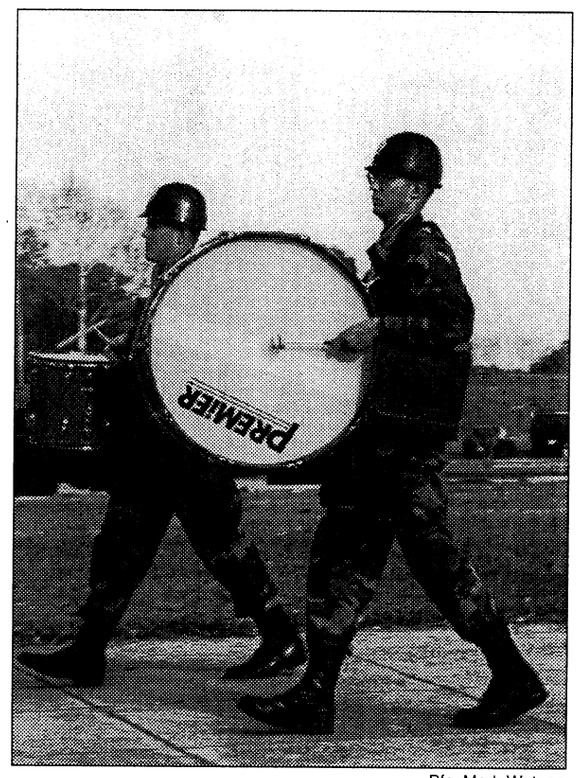
"It's a very select group," Palmatier said. "It's a diverse group with a lot of talent."

So much talent in fact, that Shaw did not feel he was ready to try to audition for a slot until he had a masters degree in music under his belt and several years of practical experience.

"I didn't feel I was ready when I was younger. I really wanted to be successful," Shaw explained.

"I love being a part of the military and a musical tradition that dates back in history," he said.

"Music has always been a part of daily life in the Army," he explained. "As Soldiers we wake up to music — every post in the world stops when retreat and reveille are played. Music has always been a part my life. I'm happy to say I'm right where I want to be."



Pfc. Mark Watson

Officer Candidate Derrick Shaw provides the marching beat for his OCS class.

Recruiters: Use videos

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has visited Fort Benning in search of great training footage. They were here in October shooting for commercials.

Botti said that experience was very helpful in preparing for the current shoot.

"The first time I did this was the commercial shoot here," she said. "After going through one of them, you really get an idea of what you are going to need the next time."

Making the new video in 3-D was a new concept to the Recruiting Command. It came about thanks to Gregory Durdock, a sales engineer for VREX Inc., the company making the video.

"I thought the new technology might be something the Army would be interested in using for marketing and advertising," he said. "We specialize in stereoscopic 3-D imaging so I thought we might be able to help the Army do something a little different to get more people interested."

"Now we're here to obtain some true stereoscopic video. I think we should be able to get a lot of good video from things like the Bradleys and the Blackhawks," he added.

Botti said something else that has made the shoot easier is the support the team has gotten from units across post.

"Everybody has been absolutely super by accommodating us and our needs. The help we've received from all of Fort Benning during both of the commercial shoots is really appreciated," she said.

"This is an ideal place to come with a lot of great aspects of Army life and a lot of great Soldiers."

The team will finish shooting today and then head back to have the tape edited and worked into short promotional video.

Botti said recruiters could look to see the video available as soon as this summer.

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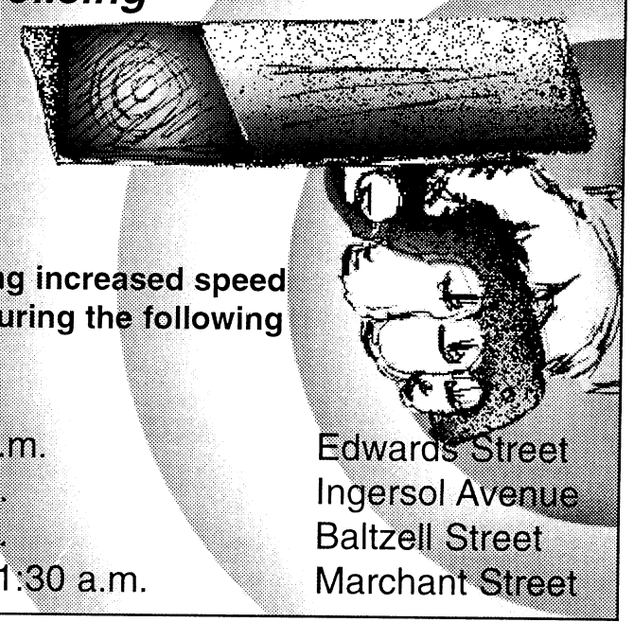

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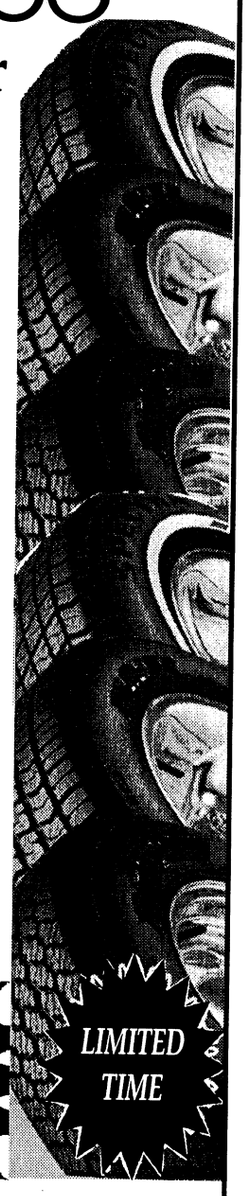

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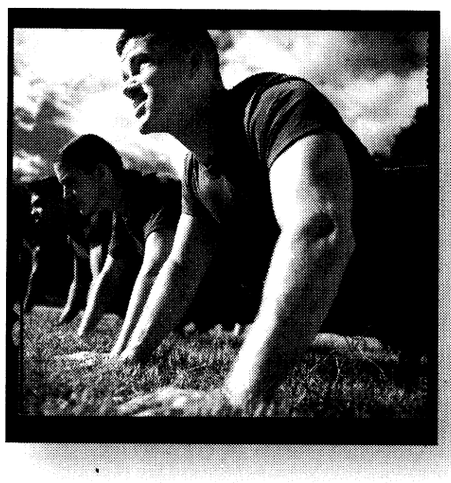

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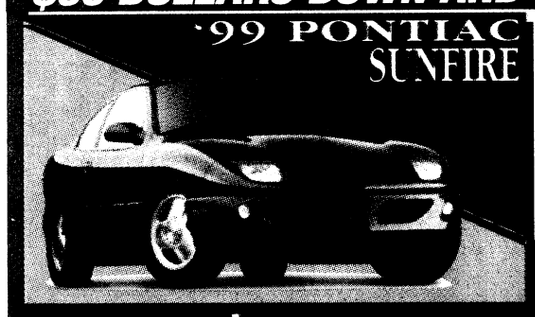

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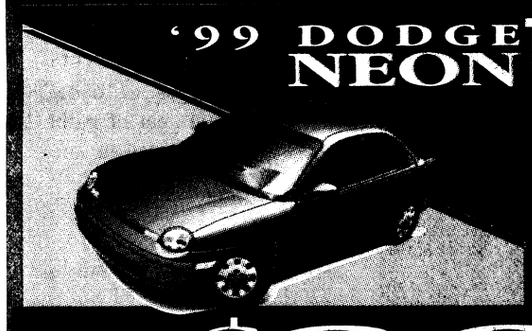

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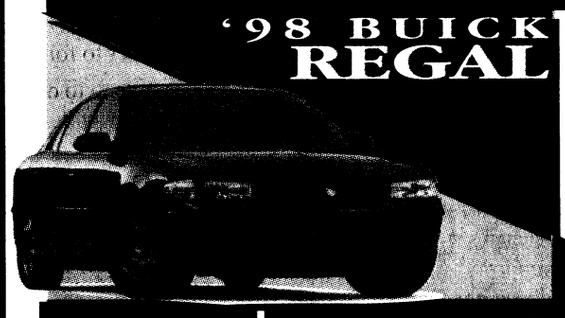

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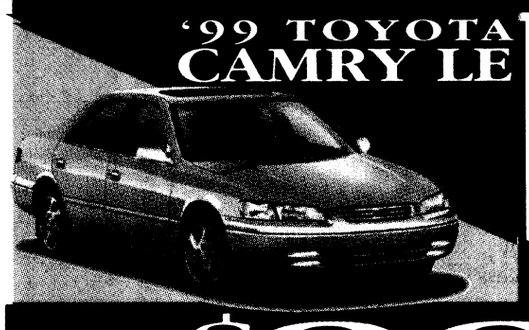

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SECTION B

Hospital support group walks for research

Logged miles turn into earned dollars for cancer survivors

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Last spring Susanne Fowler was in a hospital bed fighting breast cancer. This spring she'll do her fighting in sneakers as she makes her away around the Kinnett Stadium track during the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

Her husband, Anthony, who is assigned to the Ranger Training Brigade, and two small children, Julien and Arianne, walked in the fund-raiser last year.

"I told myself then I'm going to be there next year," Fowler recalled.

May 19 Fowler will be joined at the cancer society event by her family and the friends she has made through Supporting Sisters, a breast cancer support group at Martin Army Community Hospital.

Monday evening Fowler and her "sisters" held their monthly meeting and shared stories of diagnosis, surgery, chemotherapy, radiation and survival.

Fowler was told a year ago that the breast cancer she was diagnosed with and treated for three years earlier had returned.

This time around, she sought out a support group of fellow patients.

"What I was seeking most were women who had been through it," she said.

"You can really open up and share your emotions and feelings," the 38-year-old nurse said.

"I'm willing to talk to anyone about breast cancer. That's my way of dealing with it," Fowler said.

"You meet survivors who have been through the same problems, and you see that five or 10 years down the road, there is life after breast cancer."

Ingeborg Atkins is one of the survivors. At 73, she calls herself "one of the old bloods" in the group.

"It's different for older women," she said. "I feel so sorry for younger women."

The group ranges in age from the those in their mid-30s to women, like Atkins, in their 70s.

Fowler was just 34 when she found a lump.

"Younger women who believe you can't get breast cancer are mistaken," she said.

Fowler encourages women who find anything questionable during their breast self-exams to go to their doctors.

"And if you don't feel confident with his diagnosis, try to get a second opinion — even if you have to pay out of pocket."

Carol Myrick had surgery two years ago for breast cancer. Last year she walked the first survivor's lap of the Relay for Life with her husband, Alan.

He often attends the support group meetings with her, and offers support to other husbands who are facing the illness with their wives.

After the first meeting in 1998, Myrick thought she didn't need to return.

"I felt fortunate because I didn't need to undergo chemotherapy, and I thought I didn't need to come back here," she said.

But, several months later she returned and found that there were varied topics discussed, and that while she might not be the one needing support, she could be the one to provide it to others.

The group also includes active duty personnel, like Master Sgt. Rebecca Smalls, 49, of the U.S. Army Medical Department Activity.

Smalls worked all but three days during her five months of radiation treatment after

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Police, schools team up to keep students safe

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

Approaching the anniversary of the massacre at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., authorities have officially concluded their investigation. But unanswered questions still plague the minds of parents and educators across the country.

Could this happen in our community?

Is there anything we can do to prevent it?

The Fort Benning school system has always had an emergency plan for natural disasters and terrorism, but last year's incident at Columbine was the inspiration for a broader, more detailed Safe Schools Plan.

"We had a plan in place one year ago that included standard operating procedures for evacuations," said Donna Ford, support services supervisor. "But those plans were not detailed to include every possible emergency scenario. We revised the old plans to make them very thorough and precise, yet simple to read."

Since the beginning of the school year, every school on post has instituted the plan, and some have incorporated extensive measures of their own to ensure their students' safety.

All schools have a visitor sign-in policy and staff members have been trained to watch for unidentified visitors on campus. Schools also have limited access after school starts each morning. Only the main entrance remains unlocked throughout the day.

"Safety is everybody's job now. Even our custodians have been trained to take extra security precautions," said Glenn Hughes, Stowers Elementary principal. "It was a bit bumpy in the beginning of the year. Parents may have felt we were being a little intrusive by requiring identification and locking them out of the perimeter doors, but they are quite grateful after they learn that we are doing it to protect their children."

Though these preventive measures are an integral part of the new plan, much of it is instructional planning for natural disasters and terrorist threats, both interior and exterior. The plan works on two levels.

The immediate response plan details every action that should take place in the school as soon as a crisis situation has been identified. Checklists are provided for personnel listing emergency contacts and procedures to follow to reduce students' exposure to danger.

"Teachers are our first level of defense because they're our first responders. They've been trained to know how to respond as soon as an emergency occurs. They know what steps to take to protect their students," Ford said.

Rebecca Willoughby, sixth-grade teacher at Faith Middle School, said the safety plan offers teachers a sense of security.

"Chances are we would be the first to know if there was a crisis.We needed this guide," Willoughby said. "It certainly makes me feel safer knowing how the system would have me handle an unfamiliar situation."

The second part of the plan is called Operation School House, an all-inclusive title for the various plans Fort Benning emergency response departments have developed. Ford said this part of the plan is the result of a group effort that included the schools, support services and emergency response forces such as the military police, fire departments and health-care providers.

"I have been so impressed with the support we've received from the entire post," Ford said. "All the

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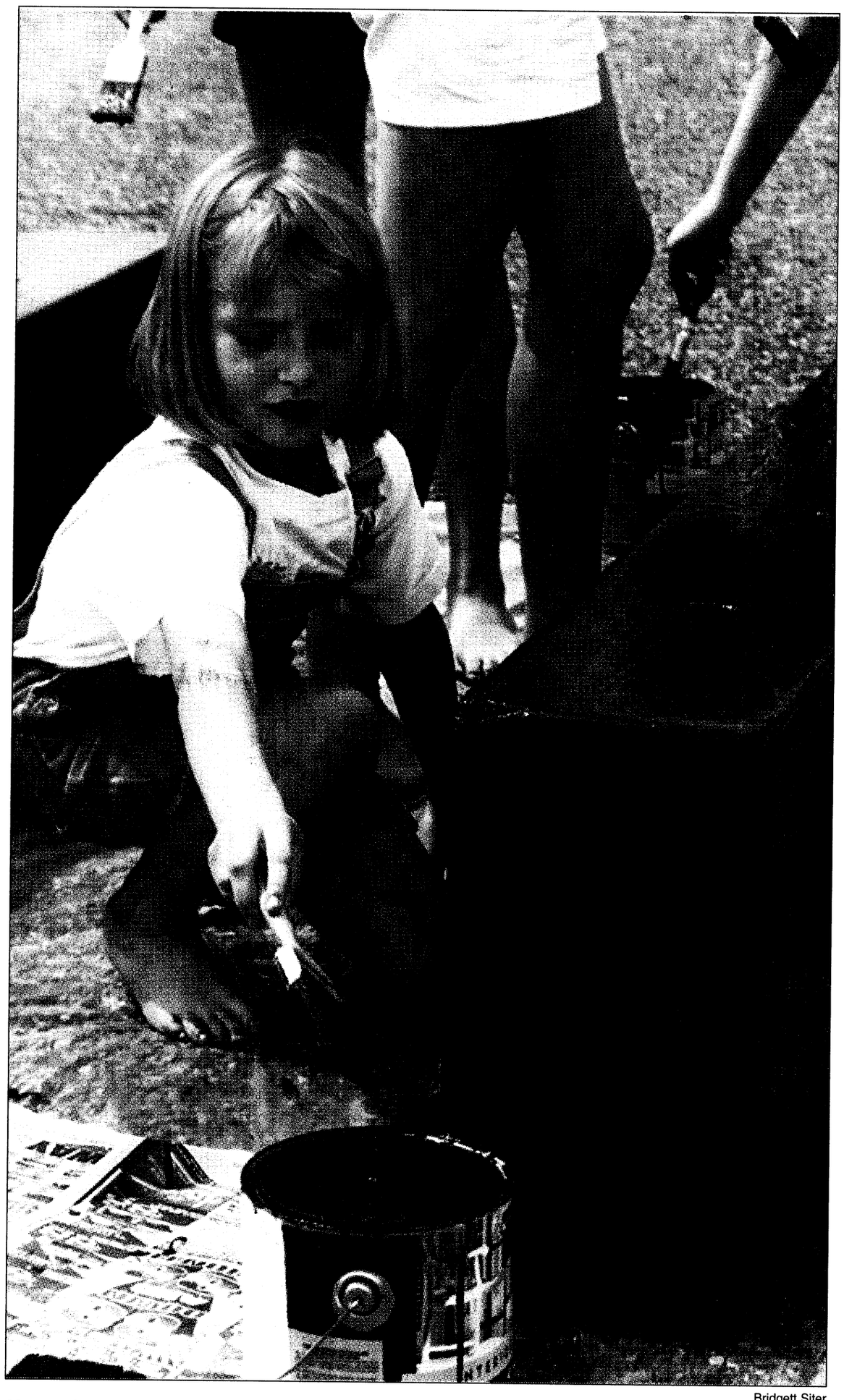

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Karen Overstreet paints one of the Protocol flag stands Sunday.

Volunteers lend hand, paint brush to effort

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When events like Wednesday's Women's History Month Luncheon go off without a hitch, very few people realize the amount of preparation that goes into every detail. Tens, even hundreds of people contribute their time and efforts to make the program flow effortlessly.

A team of 10 young Red Cross volunteers devoted more than 50 work hours this month sawing, sanding and painting the large stands that are used at such events to display the 50 state flags.

Sunday the volunteers, all between the ages of 9 and 17, added the final coat of paint. Red Cross assistant station manager Cassandra Wyatt said the children began work on the flag stands March 3, and spent many weeknights and weekends on the task.

"Initially we thought the stands would just need a coat of paint. They were a lot worse than we realized," Wyatt said. "We had to replace some of the legs, sand them all down to the bare wood, and apply several coats of paint."

The volunteers are members of a "special projects team," youth volunteers who, with the help of adult volunteers when necessary, tackle projects outside the scope of traditional Red Cross assistance. From polishing silverware for the Enlisted Wives' Club to painting flag stands, they offer their help in areas that garner them little recognition.

"Typically we use our student volunteers in the hospital, the library and Vet Services," Wyatt said. "But we want to give them a chance to learn that there are things they can do to help the community that are nontraditional, but still very much needed."

See **PAINTERS**, B-4

Basic trainees visit local church for Operation Appreciation



Sally Shutt

Pvt. Miguel Correa enjoys pizza and conversation with JoAnn Holt, a member of St. Luke United Methodist Church, during Operation Appreciation Saturday night.

Soldiers receive food for bodies and souls at St. Luke event

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It was culture shock for 40 Soldiers Saturday night — a taste of civilization for a few hours before returning to Sand Hill and the rigors of basic training.

The Soldiers, in their seventh week of training at the Basic Combat Training Brigade, were the guests of St. Luke United Methodist Church for an evening of food, games and fellowship.

"I think my body is going into caffeine shock," said Pvt. Jeremy Fjeldheim after dinner with a Mountain Dew in one hand and a candy bar in the other.

"This has been a lot of fun. It's been great to see civilization and how nice the people down here are," the Littleton, Colo., native said.

JoAnn Holt was one of about 25 church members who welcomed the Soldiers. Holt talked with the young men about their hometowns and what their training was like.

"We just chatted," she said. "I think they were glad to be somewhere where there were grandmothers."

In its second month, Operation Appreciation is held one Saturday evening per month and is sponsored by the uptown Columbus church as an outreach to the Soldiers in training. Those who participate, approximately 40 per event, are somewhere between weeks seven and nine of their training. The units are selected on a rotating schedule, according to their training cycle, and the men volunteer to attend.

"St. Luke wants to minister to this community and Fort Benning is a big part of it. The post has been very gracious and cooperative, and we are enjoying our relationship," said Dr. Hal Brady, St. Luke pastor.

Brady, retired Col. Ralph Puckett and others worked on the project for more than a year and approached the BCTB with the idea.

As a result of the first appreciation night held in February, Brady and several church members attended the graduation ceremony at Sand Hill of the young men they met that night.

"Our members' reaction was better than I expected," John Tongert, one of the coordinators of the program, said. "They were really touched by talking with the Soldiers. Some ladies even had tears in their eyes."

Dressed in their Class B uniforms, the Soldiers from 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment,

See **CHURCH**, B-4

Community recognizes childrens' months

Army Family Advocacy Program

The Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program will be sponsoring several events during the month of April in observance of Child Abuse Prevention Month and Month of the Military Child.

Mark your calendar for the following events.

Saturday-April 30:

• The Army Family Advocacy Program at Fort Benning is joining many state and national organizations in a campaign to "get people to show their true colors" as a part of Child Abuse Prevention Month in April.

The Family Advocacy Program, under the direction of Rebecca Welch, is a specialized prevention program which focuses on child and spouse abuse.

•Blue Ribbon Campaign — Blue ribbons will be distributed on post and adults are asked to wear a blue ribbon throughout the month of April, to symbolize the fight against child abuse and neglect. In the spring of 1989, Bonnie Finney, a Norfolk, Vir. grandmother, took a stand against child abuse when she tied a symbolic blue ribbon around her van.

It was a signal to her community of her personal commitment to involve everyone in the battle to stop child abuse. Bonnie's own grandson, Michael Wayne "Bubba" Dickenson, was a tragic, young victim of child abuse.

His death gave her blue ribbon its own inspiring message.

Can one person make a difference?

According to Rebecca Welch, Family Advocacy Program Manager, Bonnie Finney had a great message she was trying to get across to the public. The blue ribbon serves as a constant reminder to fight for the protection for all our children.

"We must protect our most precious gift of all — our children. Wear a blue ribbon in April to show your concern for our children. Put one on your car, give one to a friend, and tell him or her what it means. You may save a child's life," Welch said.

Blue ribbons can be picked up at the following locations during the month of April:

• Family Advocacy Program Building 2624 Soldiers' Plaza 545-3344 or 545-5516

• Social Work Services Building 2625 Soldiers' Plaza 545-1661

• Family Advocacy First Steps Program Martin Army Community Hospital, 3rd Floor 544-2020

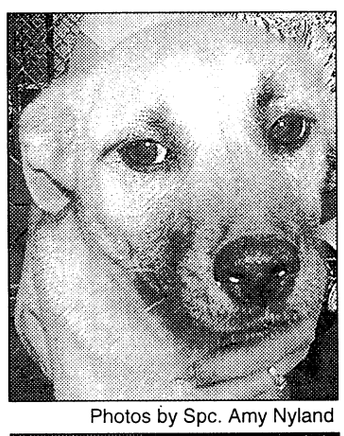
• University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Ground Floor, Government Center

Family Advocacy has coordinated with the Child Development Centers and Youth Services to have educational materials available for parents, to include the following refrigerator magnets — "The Military Parent's Pledge."

"Ten Ways to Build Self-Esteem in Your Military Child" and "Eight Keys to Military Family Success."

The Army Community Service Family Program located in Building 2624 will also have a display table set up with free educational materials for parents and coloring books and crayons for children throughout the month of April.

For more information , call Rebecca Welch, manager, Family Advocacy Program, at 545-3344 or 545-5516.



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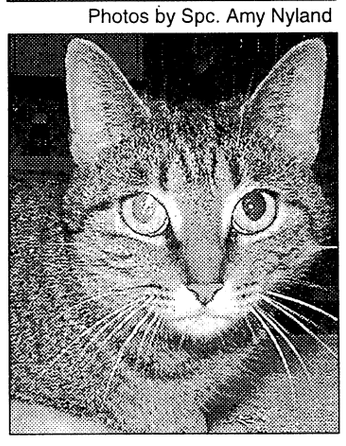

Pets of the Week

A 4-month-old female shepard mix and an adult female domestic short hair cat, are just a few of the animals available at the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic. More are in need of a good home. For more information, call the clinic at 545-4826.

births

Girls

Lauren Taylor Hess — born March 11 to Stacy and Capt. John Hess.

Brianna Marie Monroe — born March 12 to Pvt. Marijo and Christopher Monroe.

Dominique Michelle Merrill — born March 14 to Natasha and Pfc. Robert Merrill.

Anija Bianca Johnson — born March 14 to Willie and Spc. Leroy Johnson.

Chelsea McKenzie Champion — born March 17 to Tammy and Sgt. Christopher Champion.

Abrianna Monet Bell — born March 19 to Mona and CW2 Fred Bell Jr.

Jasmine Montrice Whittaker — born March 21 to Pfc. Toya King and Pfc. Edward Whittaker III.

Boys

Jacarri O'Ryan Braddy — born March 10 to Tammye and Sgt. James Braddy.

Gavin Lewis McGahey — born March 12 to Julie and Capt. James McGahey.

Tristan Thomas Girard — born March 14 to Raquel and Staff Sgt. Brad Girard.

Isaiah Quentin Crawford —born March 15 to Patsy and Spc. Mark Crawford.

Justin Patrick Mike — born March 16 to Glenna and Pfc. Joseph Mike.

Jackson Joe Winterrowd —born March 16 to Susan and Capt. Eric Winterrowd.

Garrett Jones Harris — born March 16 to Stacy and Spc. David Harris.

Nicholas Ryan Ivey — born March 17 to Spc. Anh Hughes-Ivey and Staff Sgt. Jeffery Ivey.

Enrico Delano Ard — born March 18 to Celia and Sgt. Enrico Ard.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

volunteers lighting the way

Doreen Milam
Galveston, Ind.

Family Readiness Group Representative for C Company, 203rd Foward Support Battalion



Why do you volunteer?
I always participate to help out others when our husbands are away.

What do you like most about volunteering?
It gives me a sense of togetherness and family. It also makes me not feel so alone when my husband is away.

What others say about your contribution:
Her actions open communications between Soldiers, families and leadership within C Co. and 203rd FSB. All her efforts ultimately assist to improve unit readiness.

— Melanie Poole
203rd FSB, FRG advisor

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Michael Nuckols
Directorate of Public Works

The Directorate of Public Works Environmental Management Division nominated the Recreation and Support Services Division's new fishing pier project at Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina for consideration in the Eighth annual Keep Columbus Beautiful Community Awards Program.

The new pier provides the community, including handicapped persons in wheelchairs, with access to the wild and scenic Uchee Lake.

A system of ramps and platforms, made of pressure treated decking lumber, link a portion of the Uchee Creek recreation area to the waters edge, approximately 30 feet below.

The ramps are designed for wheelchair access, with a maximum ramp section length of 30 feet.

Horizontal resting areas, or platforms, are provided every 30 feet. The result is a total ramp length of approximately 300 feet meandering in a "switch back" pattern through the wooded slopes of the backwaters' bank.

Some of the resting platforms at the end of the switchback ramps are enlarged and, because of their locations overlooking the waters below, function as great nature observation decks.

This project was sited, designed and constructed with tree preservation in mind. As a result of team efforts between the site manager, the designer and the builder, no tree was removed for the construction of any portion of its structure.

This project is located on a steep riverbank, which represents a fragile ecological area. Bank vegetation protects the slope from erosion and provides habitat for a myriad of animal species.

The project was also designed as a nature observation facility and, as such, will contribute to public environmental awareness.

The project's low impact construction and its design, which blends harmoniously with the surrounding natural beauty, make it an excellent candidate in the following categories: tree preservation, beautification, and community improvement.

DPW plans gas outage

There will be a scheduled natural gas outage from 6 a.m. to noon Saturday in the 2700 and 2800 block area on Main Post. The following buildings will be affected: 2726 - Army Learning Center, currently vacant; 2783 - Arts and Crafts; 2784 - Reggies and the NCO Club; 2785 - Bowling Center; 2818 - Audie Murphy Gym; 2820 - 36th Engineer Group Chapel; 2822 - 36th Eng. Grp. Medical Troop Clinic; 2828 - Burnheim Dental Clinic.

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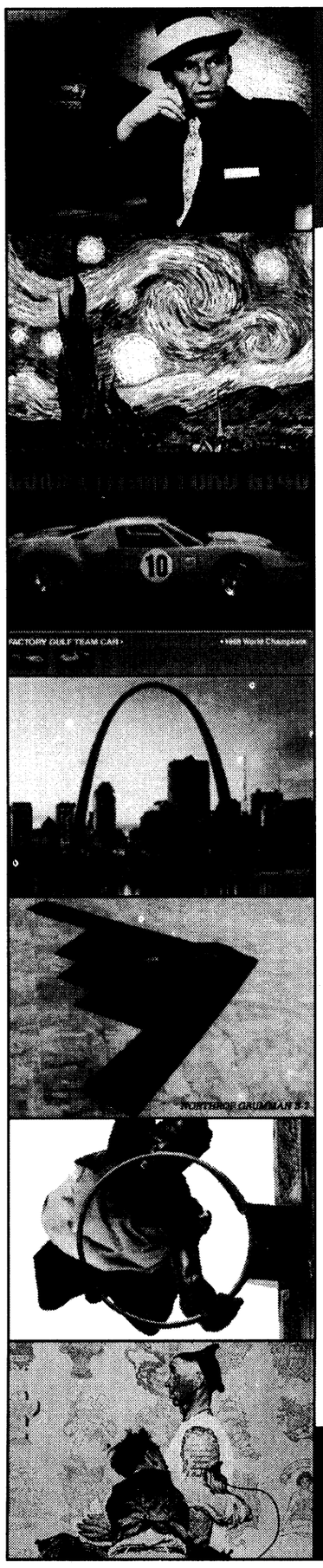

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Debra Wade

Members of the Loyd Elementary Panther Enrichment Program pose for a group photo.

PEP Club sponsor rally for Terra Nova testing

Loyd Elementary School

Loyd Elementary School celebrated the beginning of the standardized testing of the Terra Nova on Friday March 10 by having a PEP Rally sponsored by the PEP Club of the school.

The PEP Club consists of third-, fourth- and fifth-grade students who meet on Fridays with the club sponsors Debra Wade and Steve Pate.

PEP stands for Panther Enrichment Program. The school mascot is a Panther.

Wade is the instructional support person at the school. Pate is the Talented and Gifted program teacher at the school.

Students in the PEP Club wrote an original play that told the student body how important the Terra Nova test is. The play compared kids called "Yahoos" to students who cared about their school experience. The student body enjoyed the play. It was light-hearted, yet came with a powerful message that was well received.

After the play, the PEP Club invited the audience to remain for light refreshments.

A large cake had been decorated for the celebration with the clubs motto, Do your best, Be the best!! The motto was echoed throughout the school on the T-shirts the PEP Club wore on that day and on the next week as a reminder during testing.

On Monday of testing week, the PEP Club gave each student a handmade bracelet for the girls and a good luck gecko for the boys made of school colored beads. The students loved them.

"This is the first time I have seen the children so excited about testing," Pate said. "This rally is helping set the mood for next week."

"It is so rewarding seeing the children being this interested in their school career," said Wade.

Students build bridges from scratch

Loyd Elementary School

Students in grades one through five were given an awesome task during the enrichment classes at Loyd Elementary School.

They were given a small amount of plastic linker cubes and the following instructions:

Make a bridge that will hold up a teacher using the fewest possible cubes. The cubes they used were a one square inch each.

Students were not given any help. They were given five minutes to brainstorm the problem, and 25 minutes to work.

After much discussion, students began to work on the task.

Students really got into the mood of things and worked very hard on making the bridge.

After much work, the students were amazed that they could do this. Many students were able to construct a bridge that held up the 200 pound teacher.

community briefs

on post

Scholarship applications available — Enlisted Wives' Club scholarship applications are now available. The deadline is April 9, but applicants must be a member of EWC or a dependent of EWC or OWC.

Call Winona Aguero at 687-8155 for more information.

Enlisted Wives' Club meeting — The Enlisted Wives' Club will meet at 7 p.m. April 12 in the EWC club house in Building 80, Yeager Ave. Child care is paid for during meeting times.

For more information, call Jeanne at 687-5175 or Winona at 687-8155.

AFTB offers evening classes — Army Family Team Building now offers evening classes to people who are unable to attend classes during the day. Level II will be offered 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays until Tuesday.

Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians are welcome to attend classes. Courses and materials are free. AFTB classes are held in building 395 on Ingersoll Avenue on main post.

For more information call 545-5377.

School hosts "Spring Fling" — White Elementary School will hold it's Spring Fling 5-8 p.m. April 7. The public is welcome to join in on the games and food. For more information, call the school at 545-4623.

AER Scholarships available — Army Emergency Relief Scholarships are now available to help off set the cost of undergraduate level education and post secondary vocational training.

For more information on who is eligible and application information call 545-2536 or 545-4043.

Hospital office relocates — The Admissions and Dispositions and Air Evac offices has relocated to a new area in the hospital.

The new location will be room 170 located next to the Pharmacy waiting room and across from Outpatient Records section. The phone numbers will remain the same.

First Steps seeks volunteers — The Family Advocacy First Steps Office at Martin Army Community Hospital is seeking mothers as follow-up phone callers.

Some categories needed by First Steps are mothers who have had premature babies, mothers who have had multiple births, those who were teenage moms, single moms and SIDS moms.

Mothers of all descriptions are needed.

The basic requirements are that they be caring and willing to contact new mothers to give them helpful information, emotional support and referrals to services they need.

If interested, call the First Steps Office at 544-2020.

off post

Bachelor of Science degree offered — The Medical College of Georgia in conjunction with Columbus State University is offering an information session on the Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy.

For more information call 545-1085 or 689-8668.

Diabetes risk test available — A seven question, free phone call Sunday can help determine who is at risk for the number seven killer in the nation, diabetes.

The risk test can be taken by calling 1-800-DIABETES or visiting a website at www.diabetes.org.

Airlines offer bereavement airfare — Many Soldiers and family members are unaware that airlines offer reduced airfare when travel is necessary to attend the funeral of a relative.

When you call the airlines, ask right away about the bereavement or compassionate fares. Expect the agent to ask you about who died, what the relationship was, name of funeral home or hospital, etc.

VA establishes toll-free number — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has established a toll-free telephone number for veterans and dependents to get the latest information about VA educational benefits.

The toll-free number is (888) GI-BILL (888-442-4551).

By calling the toll-free number, individuals can obtain general educational information, detailed eligibility criteria and general background material on VA programs.

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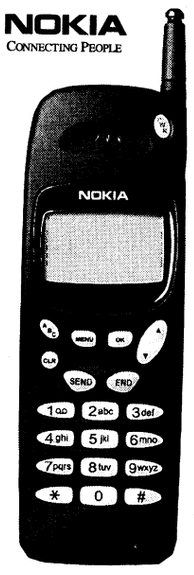

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her lumpectomy.

"Work was the best thing for me. Think about it. You still want to feel normal," she said.

Since October, 1995, she has been in remission.

"But there is always this fear that it is coming back," she said.

The women in the group have helped her.

"I don't want to do this by myself," Smalls said. "I enjoy coming here because we talk about issues and we help each other. These are people I can reach out to and talk to who have gone through what I have gone through."

Between five and 15 people attend the meetings. They meet the fourth Monday of the month on the second floor of the hospital in the Regimental conference room.

While there are other support groups in Columbus, the one at Martin Army is unique in that it is geared toward military families.

"Military women are different. They are far from their families and friends. We have a mix of people from all over the world," Sheila Murphy, the group's facilitator, said. Murphy is a mammography case manager in the radiology department at Martin Army.

The hospital's staff has been very supportive in speaking to the group, Murphy said. Surgeons, radiologists, nutritionists, physical therapists and Tricare specialists are a few of the guest speakers.

"They speak for about 15 to 20 minutes, and then open the floor to questions," Murphy said.

Last year, Murphy and her husband walked 26 miles during the Relay for Life as part of Martin Army's team. She is serving as co-captain for this year's team of fund-raisers.

"Everyone knows someone whose life has been touched by cancer," Murphy said.

In 1999, 176,300 new breast cancer cases were diagnosed in the U.S.

"We can expect one in eight women during the course of their life to develop breast cancer," she said.

The next meeting of Supporting Sisters is April 24 at 5 p.m. It will be a potluck social. For more information, call Murphy at 544-3423 or Shiloh Hendricks, Breast Health Patient assistant, at 544-3730.

The Relay of Life will be held from 7 p.m. May 19 until 10 a.m. May 20 at Shaw High School's Kinnett Stadium.

For more information call the American Cancer Society at 324-5614.

Supporting Sisters breast cancer support group

What: Supporting Sisters breast cancer support group
When: 5 p.m. April 24
Where: Regimental Conference Room, Martin Army Community Hospital
Information: Call 544-3423 or 544-3730.

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

What: American Cancer Society Relay for Life
When: 7 p.m. May 19 to 10 a.m. May 20
Where: Kinnett Stadium, Shaw High School
Information: Call 324-5614

Plan: Keeps schoolchildren safe in case of local disaster

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related departments on post met and discussed the best ways to coordinate their efforts. They have been with us 100 percent in making sure every area is prepared to take action in any situation. The MPA (Military Police Activity) has walked through every one of our schools. They know the layout and they've formulated a plan of action for any possibility."

In fact, the MPA has not only formulated a plan, the Special Reaction Team "practiced" their plan last fall in a mock hostage crisis at Stowers.

"Our facility is a little more secluded out here, so this was a good place to have a trial run," Hughes said. "We staged a very life-like hostage situation. The Special Reaction Team treated the situation as they would a real one. As a principal I was relieved to see their expertise and the professional way they carried out their task."

In the event of an actual crisis, Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief of Law Enforcement Division, said the various departments involved in the Safe Schools Plan and Operation School House are prepared to move quickly and efficiently.

"It wouldn't do a bit of good to have the greatest plan, but never exercise it. We have to prepare for the worst-case scenario and then practice that plan," Kelley said. "DoDEA said our plan is one of the best they have seen. But keep in mind, it is a living document. It will continually be reviewed and altered as needed."

The plans have already had to be altered to accommodate the renovations at Dexter Elementary. Special considerations were made because the students are currently in modular classrooms. Principal Vicki Rogers said that the contractor has been involved in the temporary revision of the school's safety plan.

"The contractor has been very cooperative in working with the Safe Schools Plan. He has held off construction in the cafeteria to allow access to that area for evacuation in the event of severe weather," Rogers said.

Kelley said he feels confident Fort Benning schools will not experience the kind of tragedy that happened in Littleton, but parents and teachers can be assured that post schools and response teams are prepared for any kind of emergency.

"It's a shame that it took something like the incident at Columbine to focus national interest on school safety," he said. "At Fort Benning our emphasis has always been on school safety. There is nothing more important than our children."

Church: Welcomes Soldiers in fellowship

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arrived in vans. After unloading, they lined up in formation under the watchful eyes of a drill sergeant. Then they entered the fellowship hall where they were warmly greeted and given nametags on which to write their first names.

For many of the young men, it was their first chance to learn the given names of their peers.

"They are so formal when they come in, but so relaxed when they leave," church member Ann Newman said.

A map of the United States rested on an easel, and the Soldiers placed colorful pushpins on their hometowns. The church's praise band played while the men mingled with church members including young people their age.

"I think they see that kids on both sides are an awful lot alike," church member Bryan Newman said.

Newman retired from the Army in 1993 and feels a special connection to the Soldiers, he said.

"Not only do I remember going through basic, but years later I was a company commander at Fort Benning and we put 1,000 Soldiers through Infantry basic training," he said.

Newman helped with the logistics of the evening. He ordered 35 large pizzas, dozens of cookies, chips, veggies with dip, six gallons of ice cream, sundae fixings, soft drinks and 100 candy bars.

Not only did the young men receive food for their bodies, but food for their souls.

Brady spoke for a few minutes on Gideon and stressed four points. He told the Soldiers to put their confidence in God, to step forward in courage, to seek always to be an asset and to remember each person can make a difference.

The church opened its youth center to the troops, allowing them to watch NCAA basketball, play pool, pingpong and other games. In the library, magazines, newspapers and writing supplies were offered to anyone wishing to write home.

Pvt. David Jarvis graduates April 6 and called the evening "a great cap to the whole training process."

A highlight for the Vermont native was playing the bass guitar with an impromptu ensemble on stage. Lt. Col. Edward Daly, commander of 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., started things off on the piano, and Chaplain (Maj.) David Giammona, brigade chaplain, joined in on drums.

Giammona called Operation Appreciation "a win-win situation."

"Soldier response has been overwhelmingly positive, and the volunteers at St. Luke's have expressed great appreciation for having been given the opportunity," he said.

Painters: Help

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Staff Sgt. Marion Jackson, NCOIC of protocol, said the volunteers' efforts will not go unnoticed.

"We use those flags at various activities on Fort Benning," Jackson said. "We don't have the staff to do this kind of work and it wasn't cost effective to replace them. Those kids have helped us a lot."

Lauren McCarty, a 17-year-old Red Cross volunteer, said she enjoys working for the special projects team because she knows the time she spends is worthwhile.

"It's fun just because we all have a good time when we get together to work, but I know the main purpose of the Red Cross is to help people. I like that," McCarty said.

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Enjoyment in life comes from reflection of past

Chaplain (Capt.) Milton Johnson
1st Battalion. 30th Infantry Regiment (Mechanized)

reflections

If I were asked what are the three things I enjoy doing, the answer would be: attending church, spending time with my family and pausing to meditate on nature.

Although I enjoy a number of other things, these are first on the list because when I do them, I give, receive and learn more about others and myself.

Since childhood, church has been an important part of my life. Although I am very shy, just preparing to go to church has always been exciting. That's the time when I pull away from work to get spiritual energy to go through the next week happy and content. A young man stopped by my office recently to share his experience of surrendering his life to the Lord, and the joy he senses as a result of it. His story was fascinating. He said a military police officer stopped to check him while he was changing a flat tire. After asking several questions, the MP started talking about the Lord and church. Their conversation turned into a lengthy Bible study that ended with an appeal for conversion and an invitation to go to church.

This Soldier said he accepted both and has been happy ever since. He couldn't wait to see the chaplain and talk about his new life. When he left my office I thought, "If everybody could have that experience, what a better place the world would be."

But, everybody could have that kind of experience if they took time to do what that young man did — open their hearts to allow the Lord to come into their lives, and to follow through with going to church or chapel. And, I can't think of a better time to try it than right now while reading this article.

Christ and church can bring happiness to one's life, and I invite you to try them.

The second joy for me is getting together with family. I grew up in a large family (six brothers and six sisters) and my parents practiced eating meals, going to church and taking vacations together.

It was at those family gatherings where I learned to pray, be polite and feel good about the personality I have. When my folks got together we laughed, cried, talked, criticized and sometimes that was all we did for the entire evening after supper. I learned more about how to work hard and respect people from those family get togethers than probably any class, job or seminar. To this day, I still get a kick out of striking up a conversation over dinner and continuing to talk until time to take a shower or go to bed. Try that sometime, you'll like it.

Several years ago, I developed a sermon entitled "When does God stop talking to us?" The main point in that discourse was that God talks through people, experiences, the Bible, prayer and nature. But to hear his voice in nature we have to stop, look and listen.

The Bible puts it this way in Romans 2:20, (NIV), "For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities — his eternal power and divine nature — have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made ..." And, Psalm 19:1-4, "The heavens declare the glory of God: the sky proclaims the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the Earth, their words to the ends of the world."

I admire nature, and nothing relaxes me more when I'm tired and worn down, than a pause to enjoy the beauty of creation. Once in a while, I like to reflect on moments from the past and desires for the future. What three things do you enjoy the most?

Easter service set

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

In the tradition of celebrating Christ and his resurrection the post will hold its annual 2000 Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. April 23 at Doughboy Stadium.

This year's guest speaker will be Chaplain (Col.) Richard Hartsell, post chaplain.

The event is a community-wide Easter worship service in the Protestant tradition and everyone is welcome to attend, said Chaplain (Maj.) Don Blickhan, Catholic Chapel chaplain.

Blickhan explained there is a long tradition of holding a service on Easter morning because that was the time of Jesus's resurrection.

"The beauty and freshness of an early spring morning helps us to understand in a small way of God's goodness and his plan for eternal life for us," Blickhan said.

He encourages everyone to come out and share in the miracle of this resurrection.

"Worship is a wonderful opportunity to share moments of peace with the lord," Blickhan said. "His message is a healing one an it is spoken to all regardless of background, age, race gender or nationality."

Participants will be able to enjoy refreshments at the Infantry Center Chapel Annex following the service.

For more information, call 545-1452.

Love in marriage creates own rewards

Chap. (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center

Love in marriage is based upon a daily commitment by each spouse.

You choose to love or not to love. When you love your spouse it means that you are willing to accept him or her as a person.

This does not mean you accept bad behavior on your spouse's part or for that matter your part.

For example, suppose you come home from a long, stressful day on the job and as you enter your house your wife immediately lays into you for no apparent reason.

You realize something is bothering her and what's happening is not intended to hurt you. Now you have a decision to make.


Rupel

While your wife's seemingly senseless tirade doesn't make you feel good, you can choose to continue to love her or to escalate the situation by fighting back.

However your anger will never encourage her to resolve her inner conflict and rise above her moodiness. But maybe, just maybe your love and understanding will.

Choosing to love brings its own rewards.

One of my favorite passages of scripture says, "Love does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, it is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered."

While the temptation is to fight back and give your wife a good dose of her own medicine it is better, much better, choosing to love — even in the "difficult" times.

chapel notes

MCCW plans guest speaker — The Military Council of Catholic Women will meet April 7 at 10 a.m at the Main Post Catholic Chapel for fellowship. Father Don Blickhan, the guest speaker, will speak on marriage and family. The program will be followed by noon Mass. All women are invited to share in the fellowship. Child care is provided. For more information, call Mary Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

PYOC meets — The Protestant Youth Of the Chapel junior high and middle school group will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. and the senior high group will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. March 23.

"And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against any one; so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses." Mark 11:25

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
6:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080
6:30 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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SECTION C

Summer job offers fun in sun with pay

Red Cross sponsors 40-hour water safety instructor course

Karen Taylor
Bayonet correspondent

Although Memorial Day weekend is a few months away, it's not too early to be thinking about a summer job, especially if you want to be a water safety instructor.

"Now's the time to take the water safety instructor course," said Lanette Lanfear, volunteer health and safety instructor at the American Red Cross.

If you wait until May, you may not receive your certification in time for the summer season because the course is usually offered during March and April, said Lanfear. "I don't think too many people are aware of that."

The American Red Cross sponsors a 40-hour water safety instructor course that will span the next five Saturdays. The cost of the class is $92. Each eight-hour session includes classroom and pool time in order to prepare future water safety instructors to teach swimming lessons from levels one to seven.

Eligibility for the water safety instructor course, however, requires meeting three criteria: Having already completed an Instructor Candidate Training Course; be 17 years old; and pass the precourse.

The precourse, also taught by American Red Cross volunteer instructors, is a four-hour session that entails a water test and a 25-question written test. Potential instructors must demonstrate 11 different water skills from a long, shallow dive to swimming all four strokes correctly. After completing the water test, students are given a small break and a book to study from in preparation for the written test. Passing the written portion requires a score of 80 percent or better and it tests knowledge of basic water safety.

The water safety instructor course was not always its own program.

It was once part of the lifeguard training curriculum, where you had to be a lifeguard in order to be a water safety instructor.

The program was changed in the early '90s where water safety instruction became its own course and lifeguard certification was not a prerequisite.

This also meant that a lifeguard was on duty during swim lessons providing an even safer environment for

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Spc. Michael Maddox

Jeffery Secor of the Cubs gets ready to connect with the ball during Youth Services baseball action March 25 at the Dexter Field.

Sluggers enjoy spirit of game

Spc. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

It was a real squeaker March 25 as the Fort Benning Eagles were just barely able to hold off the Cubs by a score of 9-8 in Youth Services Baseball action at Dexter Field.

The Eagles came out strong, scoring the maximum of 6 runners in the first inning. The Cubs were only able to come up with 1 run before being called out.

In the second, the Cubs were able to bring in 3 by working the bases with single hits while the Eagles only brought in one.

The third was all Eagles, bringing two more players across home plate.

The Cubs were unable to get a player around the bases this inning. Going into the fourth with the score at 9-4 in favor of the Eagles, the Cubs made their biggest push of the game by scoring 4 runners.

But it was too little too late as the game was called at the one hour time limit with the Eagles ahead, 9-8.

This first game of the season was a good opportunity for both teams to get their feet wet.

Eagles coach Patrick Amos said he was glad of the win, but was happier that the team members enjoyed themselves.

"It seemed like all of our practicing paid off during the game. The kids did a great job of working together and

> "I think they have a lot of courage to want to learn the sport."
>
> **— Christy Simmons**
> Cubs coach

fighting the heat," he said. "All and all, I'm just glad everyone had fun — that's what the game is all about."

Christy Simmons, Cubs coach, agreed. She said she was happy to see her team get out and do their best.

"I think they have a lot of courage to want to learn the sport. They were really participating and have a lot of team spirit," she said.

She added, it also provided her an opportunity to see where the kids might need a little fine tuning. "We're going to work more on infield, getting our players into positions where they like to play, that's what we need to do," said Simmons.

Josh Lundak, Eagles player, said he had fun for his first game.

"I liked getting to bat," Lundak said. Playing the field was okay, but I like batting the best."

Opener draws 300 shooters

Classic awards 10 firearms, prize money

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

More than 290 Glock shooters participated in the eigth annual Old South Regional Classic pistol competition Saturday and Sunday.

The Glock Sport Shooting Foundation season opening match was held at Fort Benning's English and Roosevelt Ranges.

In the ninth year of GSSF competition, about $5,000 in prizes were awarded in this year's OSRC, said Scott Gilbertson, GSSF match coordinator. There were 10 firearms and $3,000 in prize money presented to shooters based on the Lewis System for the amateur classes and to the winners of the master classes.

"These matches are a great time," said Gilbertson. "The shooters are always really nice and laid back. These matches are a great family activity and a great way for a entire family to spend time together."

"This is my first match and I am loving it," said Phillip Warren, a competitor from Macon, Ga. "There was a bunch of us who came

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HHC pummels C Company, 68-31

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Using the fast break and a double-team defense to their advantage, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, emerged with a 68-31 win over C Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment in Monday's post intramural basketball game.

During the fast-paced game, C Co. was overrun when HHC turned their speed and full court passes into a full-blown rally.

The game began slowly with both teams trading baskets and never having more than a two point advantage until 10 minutes and then HHC, began to pull away.

Using accurate passing to their advantage, HHC took a 12-point lead with 10 minutes remaining in the first half. Beginning to step up their defense, they stole the ball from C Co. often leading to scoring opportunities.

Knowing that they were being overrun, C Co. increased their defense as well, closing their loss to 10 points. The first-half score was 28-18 in favor of HHC.

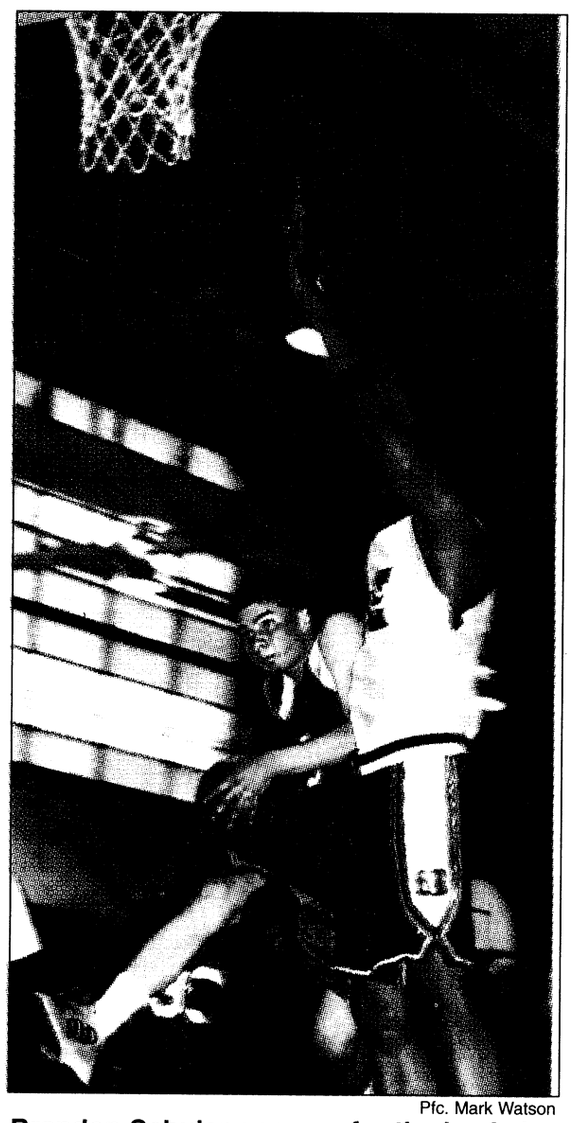
As the second half began, HHC stopped C Co. in their tracks while continuing to expand their lead.

HHC's defense was tough and pressuring, so nearly every time C Co. got the ball, the white jerseys from HHC, surrounded whoever had the ball, often slapping it away.

Allowing only 13 points in the second half, HHC scored 40 of their own.

"We played good, but we definitely could have done better," said Jimmie Ward, a C Co. forward. "We didn't have a whole lot of unit support and I think we could have done better if we would have had more."

The intramural regular season ended Tuesday and the playoffs are scheduled to begin today. Games are scheduled to be held at the four fitness centers weekdays at 6, 7 and 8 p.m. The winners from each gym are set to play a final four playoff at the Briant Wells Field House with the championship game tipping off at 8 p.m. April 8th.



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Brandon Schuler goes up for the basket.



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World Cup hopefuls

The Rugrats challenged the Cats Saturday on the opening day of the Youth Services soccer season. The 4- and 5-year-olds play micro-soccer, a simplified version of the game with both teams declared the winners.
Teams are divided into two sub-teams that play one half hour each, with every child having an opportunity of playing for that entire one half hour. There are no real referees, but the coaches act as referees. There is no score kept for the win-win game.





Photos by Maj. Juan Molina

Great balls of fire

Combining a powerful offensive attack with solid defense, the students of the U.S. Army School of the Americas Command and General Staff Officer Course, cruised past the instructors of the school's Department of Joint and Combined Operations, 6-3 in soccer action March 18.

The victory gives the students an early lead toward the Commander's Trophy, which will be given at the end of the season by Col. Glenn Weidner, commandant, USARSA, to the team with the most victories.

Both teams will meet several times this year in different sporting events to determine who will hold the bragging rights and keep the trophy.

For the past two years, the students have earned the bragging rights.

(Top) Carlos Espitia of Colombia (white shirt) helps the U.S. Army School of the Americas students beat the instructors by cruising past the defense.

(Left) Capt. Steve Meihaus (left) congratulates teammate Jose Luis Bernardez of Argentina after Bernardez scored a goal.

Class: Saves lives through teaching

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kids. "It means you have more eyes on the pool," said Cassandra Wyatt, assistant station director at the American Red Cross.

Also, with the water safety instructor course as a separate program, it makes the coursework more intense as well as more thorough so teachers can give better lessons.

In addition, the water time teaches such important aspects of swimming as determining an individual's buoyancy level. "It's hard to teach you to swim if you can't float," Lanfear said.

Another aspect of the course covers a variety of different swim lesson situations so students can gain experience in how to effectively structure a safe and productive class.

Wyatt recommends the water safety instructor program because it teaches leadership and responsibility as well as giving the swim teachers a sense of pride. "(Teachers) feel like they've really done something. You wouldn't believe how it affects the kids," she said.

Besides providing a community service, teaching swimming lessons during the summer is fun, according to Lanfear. "You get paid to get a tan. You're not inside working ... you're outside in the sun," she said.

One of the reasons that the water safety instructor program is so important is that there is a high demand for instructors in the Fort Benning community. "With a post this large, there's a need," said Lanfear.

And, "It's necessary for kids to learn how to swim," says Wyatt. Especially with the amount of pools nationwide that do not require lifeguards by law.

"You're not going to be rich by teaching swim lessons, but you can feel good by helping someone learn a skill that will be with them the rest of their life," she said.

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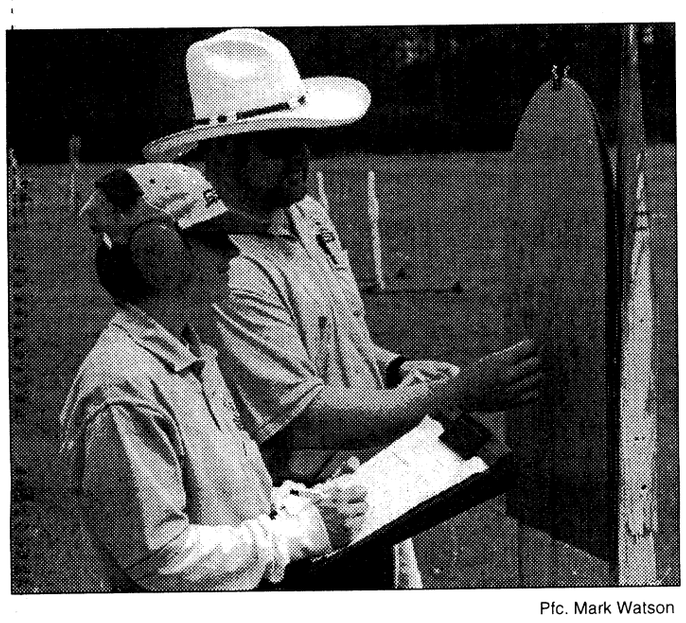

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Red Matthess and Kelly Murray score targets.

Shooters: Compete

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"There was a bunch of us who came down from Macon just for this shoot."

The GSSF matches draw a wide variety of shooters and many of the competitions have hundreds of competitors. There is no age limit for shooters.

"The youngest shooters that I have seen were an 8-year-old-boy and a 9-year-old-girl," Gilbertson said. "We make sure they are confident in handling a weapon by giving them a dummy gun to try out. "The oldest shooter I have seen was a 92-year-old-man," he said. "There has even been a quadriplegic who has competed with a little help from the range officers."

Fort Benning usually runs second for the number of shooters in the GSSF circuit, but Dallas and Indianapolis have been fairly close in the last few years, he said.

"GSSF is oriented to new shooters and to introduce shooters to competition," Gilbertson said. "These matches are always a good time for everyone who participates."

sports briefs

USAIS holds golf scramble — The U.S. Army Infantry School is holding a four-person golf scramble open to Soldiers and their guests at 1 p.m. April 14 at the Follow Me Golf Course.

Deadline for sign-up is today.

For more information, call 545-5296 or 545-5297.

Follow-Me Roadrunners plan meeting — The Follow-Me Roadrunners, Fort Benning's official running club, will hold their next meeting at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Bagel Break on Broadway in Columbus.

The club's primary mission is to serve the Fort Benning Army Ten-Miler team. The meeting will serve as a planning session for the year's events and will be followed by an optional run.

The running club offers biomechanical assessment and training guidance for all participants.

For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Norris Beale at 545-6075 or 545-6380.

Gowdy Field closes — Due to safety reasons Gowdy Field located next to Doughboy Stadium is off limits until further notice.

Faith sets race — The 21st annual Faith Spring Race will be held April 8 starting at Faith Middle School.

The event will feature a one, two and five-mile race and has more than 10 age divisions. Awards will be presented to the top three open divisions (male and female) of the five and two mile races, and to the top five (male and female) open division winners of each one-mile race. Medals will be given to the top three male and female finishers of each group in each race.

Pre-registration for participants 14 and under is $5 and $7 for those 15 and over. Registration the day of the race will be $6 for those 14 and under and $8 for 15 and over.

Maps of race courses are available at the Faith Middle School Physical Education Department. For more information or entry forms, call 545-5524 or 545-7793.

Georgia Parks offers annual pass — Outdoor enthusiasts can save money at any of Georgia's 48 state parks this year by buying an Annual ParkPass. The pass is $25 and provides unlimited access to Georgia State Parks without paying the $2-$4 daily parking fee.

For an additional $10. visitors can join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites" which offers not only the annual pass, but also discounts in Friends-operated gift shops, free historic site admission, one free round of golf, volunteer opportunities and a newsletter.

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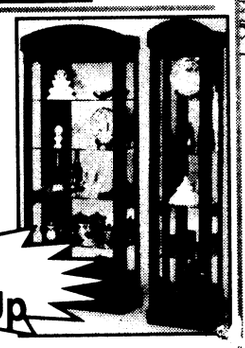
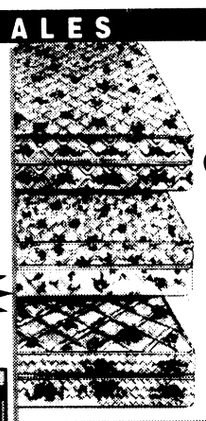
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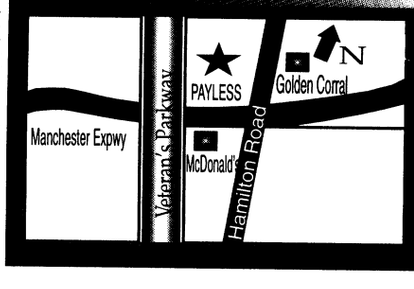

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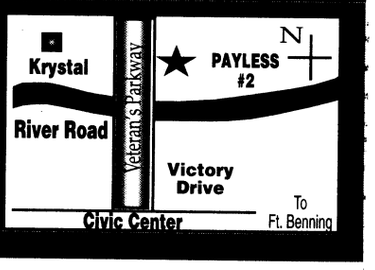

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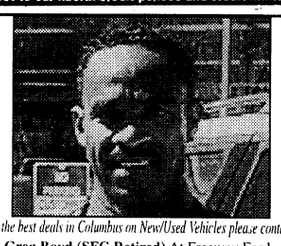

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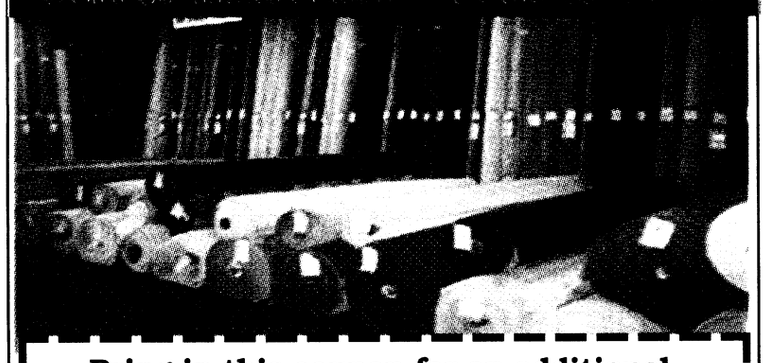

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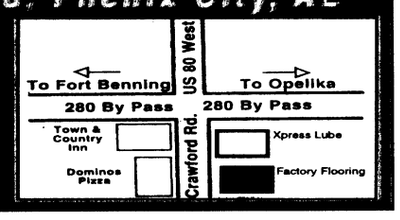

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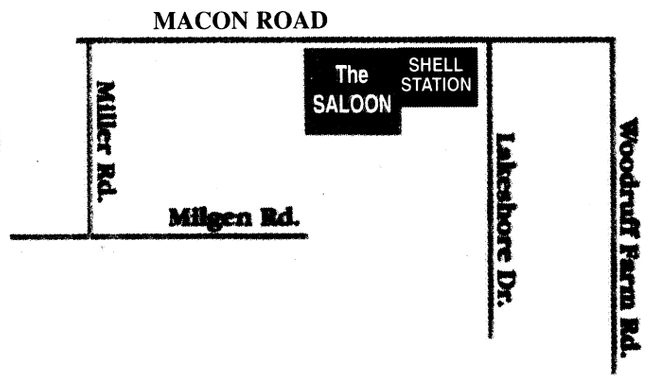



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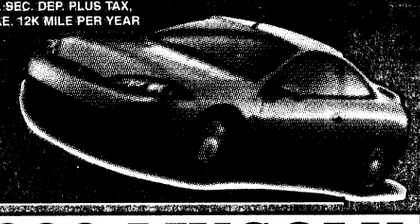

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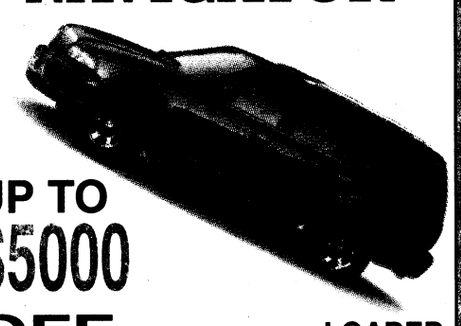

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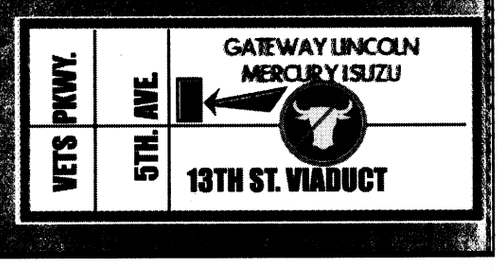

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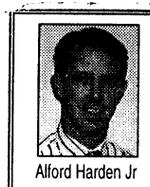
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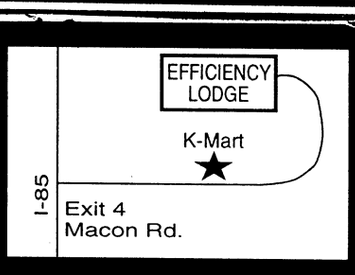

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Columbus, GA. Milton Watts, Chief loan officer at Bill Heard Chevrolet, has exciting news for responsible people who, because of unfortunate circumstances, have had to resolve overburdened indebtedness through alternative means. Including Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 Bankruptcies, one or more voluntary or involuntary repossessions, Charge-offs, credit counseling and partial payment situations.

A National lender has agreed to a pilot program that will extend a second or even third chance to those who have a job and a sincere desire to repair their reputations and have need of a new or slightly used car, truck or van either for their family or a business venture.

These are prime, in demand vehicles, that are either repossessed, overaged or a terminated lease situation.

Bankers will be on hand at Bill Heard's main location at 3615 Manchester Expressway until the end of May. Best of all, cut rate financing will be offered to those whose credit would not normally meet such an arrangement at rates that banks usually reserve for their blue chip clients. Quoting Watts, "I can't imagine that anyone anywhere who has strained credit would want to miss this chance to become associated with such a reputable national lender at a rate generally set aside for only the affluent, and to seriously repair their credit standing.

Kevin Thompson, Representing the dealership, has arranged for special low payments and even deferred payments for those on budget and needing a delay in payment start up because of the cash crunch at the holiday season.

In some cases these payments are ridiculously low. When pressed for an example, Thompson replied, "Well, here is a '95 Elantra 4 door #HS002. With $1 down payment to validate the transaction, your payments to be taken on would be $55 for 60 months at only 9.9% APR with a credit approval process that can take as little as 20 minutes. An incredibly low sale price of only $1,995. Adding only tax, tag, title and WRA make this payment arrangement possible. "Or, if a truck is your thing, then here is a '96 Toyota Tacoma #HS003. Again the $1 down to validate the deal and start making payments on a new bank contract of just $111.89 for 72 months at the same low 9.9% APR with credit approval that may be arranged while you wait. Again, the low monthly payment is possible because of the $5997 sale price adding only tax, tag and title.

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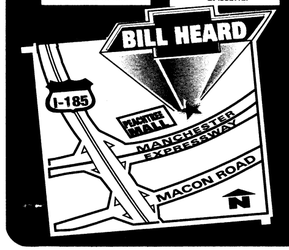

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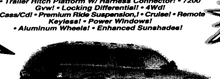

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Post earns eighth ACOE award

Officials will present award May 11 in D.C.

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Fort Benning's seven-year stint as an Army Community of Excellence got another year longer Tuesday evening.

It was shortly after 4 p.m. Tuesday when post officials received the congratulatory call from the Pentagon telling them that for the eighth consecutive year Fort Benning was named as one of the top installations worldwide.

The annual Army Community of Excellence competition named Fort Benning the top installation based upon a post-submitted entrance packet and an evaluation panel's site visit in January.

This year's award will net the post a $200,000 prize purse and bring the eight-year total of prize monies earned from ACOE to nearly $6 million.

"This just shows that Fort Benning continues its quest to improve service for its customers," said Pat Porter, a quality analyst at the Directorate of Resource Management. "We continue to be a leader and strive to be the best place to live and work in the Army.

"I think this a very good indication (of that)," she said.

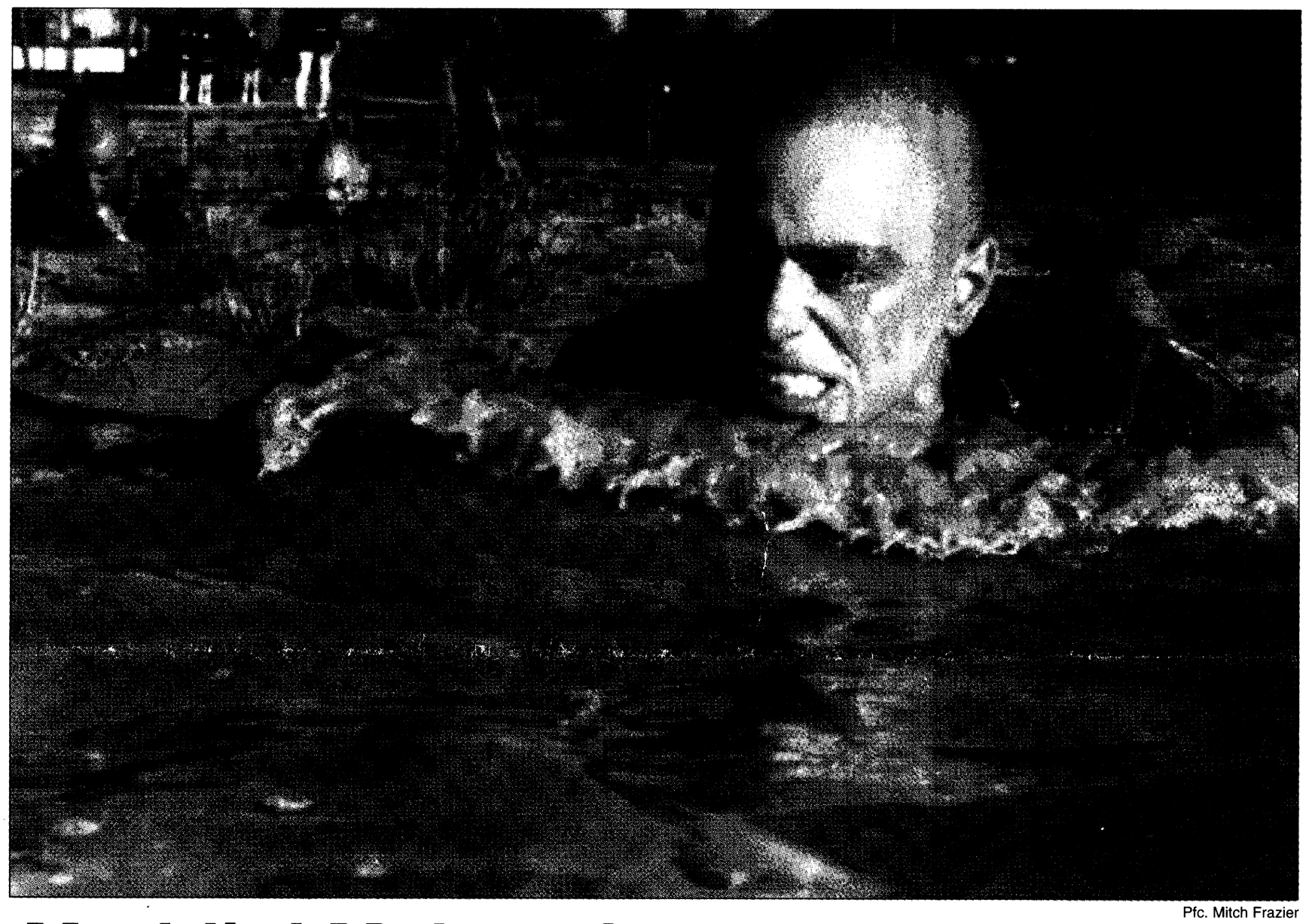
While there are presently no plans in the works for the prize monies netted this year, past prize money has gone to fund various community projects including the addition of new playground and gym equipment, purchase of electric carts at Martin Army Community hospital and completion of the post fitness trail.

Suggestions are still being sought for the $500,000 Commander in Chief's award scored from last year's win.

"Winning this award — again, and again, and again — is truly a tribute to the great professional work force we have here at Fort Benning," said Col. John Latimer, chief of staff. "The true measure of wining ACOE is the civilian work force — it's the continuity that makes this possible."

"We have to remain focused, we can't get complacent," said Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander. "This is not a given, especially since everyone else is working to dethrone you."

Latimer and Mitchell will join other officials from Fort Benning for a trip to the Pentagon May 11 to accept the award from Gen. Eric K. Shinseki.



Pfc. Mitch Frazier

Muddin' Malvesti style

Pfc. Daniel Wilcox, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, negotiates the low crawl portion of the Malvesti obstacle course earlier this week. Wilcox is one of the 319 students undergoing the 61-day Ranger course that began March 20.

OCS Hall of Fame inducts 86 honorees

Col. Rose Walker will be first female award recipient

Officer Candidate Sharon McBride
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

The Officer Candidate School will induct 86 members into its Hall of Fame at 11 a.m. April 7 in Marshall Auditorium at Infantry Hall.

One of the 86 inductees will be the first female in the history of the Hall of Fame to be inducted.

Col. Rose Walker, the first female to be inducted, is a graduate of OCS Class 3-78, and is currently the Brigade Commander, 1st Personnel Command, U.S. Army Europe and 7th Army, Schwetzingen, Germany.

"The first class of females to graduate from OCS at Fort Benning was OCS Class 1-77," Maj. Bill Ramsey, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment executive officer and Hall of Fame project officer, said. "So (Walker) is the first of many distinguished female officers to be inducted into the Hall of Fame."

All the honorees are OCS graduates who distinguished themselves in military or civilian pursuits.

"There are 38 Medal of Honor recipients, five federal judges, six U.S. senators and over 200 general officers to date inducted into the Hall of Fame," Margo Davis, Hall of Fame administrator, said.

Retired Maj. Gen. Frank A. Catalano, is scheduled to be the guest speaker at this year's induction ceremony.

Catalano is a graduate of OCS Class 11-66 and was most recently assigned as the Deputy Commanding General for Reserve Components at Headquarters, U.S. Army Forces Command from Dec. 1, 1995 to Sept. 19, 1999. He retired from active military service on Sept. 30.

This year marks the 42nd anniversary of the beginning of the OCS Hall of Fame. Since its start, more than 1,900 graduates have been inducted into the Hall of Fame,

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Abused families now have help available

Money makes transition easier for battered

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Tears of joy rolled down the face of the grandmother and her shouts of "Thank you, Jesus" traveled across the phone lines. At the other end, Cenneta Gunn experienced one of the joys of her job — helping others.

Gunn is the Victim-Witness Liaison at Fort Benning's Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

She recalled the grandmother's reaction when she received a check from the Department of Defense's Transitional Compensation Program to help with the care of her two grandchildren — children who had been abused by both of their active-duty parents.

"She was overwhelmed with joy and that touched me so. You don't know how much," Gunn said.

The compensation provides monthly monetary help and other assistance to family members of service personnel who have been court-martialed or separated from the military because of dependent abuse offenses.

Gunn has helped spouses and children apply for the aid. She is working on two cases now, and since she took over the liaison position in 1997, 10 families have received the assistance, she said.

"These people are so grateful for this money," she said

The payments and other benefits are made directly to the family members who have been victims of domestic violence or sexual abuse, to offer help as they return to life outside the military.

"It is of the utmost importance," she said. "Transitional Compensation is just what the name implies. It is to help the family transition into the civilian world."

Since 1994 when it was created by Congress, the program has distributed more than $6 million to more than 347 families who have been separated due to abuse, according to the U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center in a press release.

TC is unique to the military and is one of the tools the Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program uses to encourage victims to step forward and report abusive relationships.

FAP is dedicated to the prevention, education, prompt reporting, investigation, intervention and treatment of

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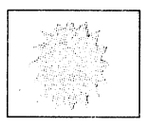

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Soldier questions incentive plan

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

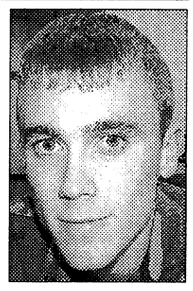
commentary

The Army has always boasted the biggest incentives for recruits. Now that recruiters are offering incentives of nearly $70,000, the question has to be asked, "When is too much?"

When is the cost of getting someone in the service too much? Does it stop with a signing bonus of $20,000 and $50,000 for college? What about the plans to issue each new Soldier a laptop computer, is it going to stop there?

Why are we focusing all of our resources and incentives on recruitment? What about the specialist who has served four years, busted his tail and worked to get where he is. Why aren't we spending some of our money on retention?

A friend of mine is nearing his ETS, you know what he was offered — stabilization for two years and a bonus. Combined, the benefits equal a little more than the ability to supersize a



value meal once or twice a month at lunch.

It is not enough after he has given four years, two of which were in Panama. Extra fries and a bigger drink are the only thing we can offer this Soldier, while we are giving recruits $20,000 just to sign.

The whole inequity of the Army's recruitment and retention programs just blows me away. I can't get over why the Army would even consider boosting the recruiting program when we have hordes of people, including my buddy, who are leaving for better deals on the outside.

And why not? In an era of good economy and decreasing benefits for long-term careers in the Army, why wouldn't they leave? Especially when they see how the Army is giving more incentives for newcomers and completely forgetting about them.

Maybe the powers that be should step back and reconsider this new computer thing in the works for every new recruit. But trust me, the computer thing is just the tip of the iceberg of the myriad of things they have planned for newbies.

I think we have lost sight of what is important in keeping a strong force ready to fight and win. It takes both the new private to drive a Bradley and the senior sergeant to teach him how to do it.

If we continue on this trend of more recruitment than retention, are we going to have a senior sergeant around to lead, or are we just going to have a force full of over-confident and over-paid privates?

The choice is in the hands of the Department of Army. I will be anxiously awaiting the outcome.

Debate looms over tap or bottled water

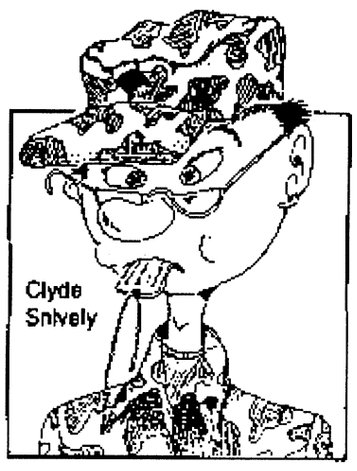
Clyde Snively
Bayonet columnist

commentary

At the risk of having my computer torched by people with a financial stake in bottled water, let me ask this question: "Why are you paying money for something you can get for free?"

Does bottled water have a certain taste? Is it lemon or currant flavored? Does it send bubbles up your nose when you drink it? Does it provide a high-energy boost to you as you sit at your desk, slaving away over the computer or as you ramp up for the last five miles or your first century ride? There's got to be something to it. Just look at the number of people wandering about with their precious bottles of water. Now if we lived in Florida where water has a tannic taste or on the Georgia coast where water has a sea weed taste I could understand this.

I could even understand your



spending money on something you can get for free if you lived where water pipes are soldered with lead and you've got young ones in the house. But why buy bottled water if you live and work on Fort Benning? Tests are constantly run on the water to make sure there are no heavy metals in it, or any other band members for that matter. Our water comes from the beautiful Upatoi Creek and is some of the best in the state. If it's fashionable to walk around with a bottle of "North Georgia's" finest or some Frenchy water, Aqua Vit, then go ahead and pay your $1 for the bottle and then refill it with Fort Benning tap water.

You'll get the same bennies — the water is clear, it's clean, and it's tasteless, yet every time you finish off a bottle and refill, you save yourself a buck. I don't know about you, but with high gas prices running rampant out there, something I have no control over, I'm going to get my water from the drinking fountain and save myself some money.

Also, there is no expiration date on my tap water (check your bottled water and see if there is an expiration date. Also check the label for nitrates.) I have no idea what a nitrate is but I know it can't be anything good. What is that ends in "trate?" A few that come quickly to mind are bitartrate, castrate, concentrate, frustrate, prostrate and verticillastrate. Nothing good there I can tell. And what do we do with nitrate? We use it in fertilizer, we use it to blow up things. So anyway, that was my opinion until Amy who can press 200 pounds and Mark who never stops talking claimed they could tell the difference. So out of deference to them, I invested $1.50 and bought two bottles of water from the PX downstairs, snitched a bottle of water that was being stored in our refrigerator, got some Infantry Hall hooah water out of the tap and challenged them to a taste test. Guess what. To a man (Mitch the investigative reporter also pitched in) they determined that the water in cup A (hooah water) was "poor," or "dreadful," while the water in B and C tasted about the same. The water in the D cups, which I snitched, was deemed to be "colder than the others."

So much for theory, but I'm still drinking free water.

letter

Reader responds to transmission articles

Last week one of our military customers brought us a copy of your paper from March 17th.

We read the article by Mitch Frazier about dishonest transmission shops, also the piece by Clyde Snively. We hear similar "horror stories" from many of our customers.

Pfc. Frazier needs to familiarize himself with the Better Business Bureau's procedures before blindly exonerating Mr. Davis' non-response to the bureau.

When a letter about a complaint is sent to a merchant regarding an incident, it clearly states that the business has 10 days to respond. If the bureau doesn't hear from the merchant in that time, he is sent TWO more letters. Therefore, either Mr. Davis can't read, or prefers to say anything to escape from unpleasant situations.

While there are bad apples in nearly every barrel, we'd like to address another side. Your paper maligns an entire division of the automotive after-market industry.

For instance, Generic Motor & Transmission has been serving locally over 11 years. We invite you to call the BBB, and to dig a little deeper than just listening to the recording — actually speak to a staff member.

Generic has tried to give the kind of service we would wish to receive, if we had to change places with the customer.

There have been times when an employee was out, or when a part was unavailable, that we've had to keep a vehicle a few days longer than the estimated completion time.

It's also true that a couple of tow truck drivers in town recommend us. Not because any of them have ever received a "kickback," but simply because folks like to steer friends and acquaintances to someone who will treat them like a Christian.

Remember: There are two sides to every story.

Jimmy Wood,
Partner, Generic Transmission

Soldiers should take pride in serving country

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

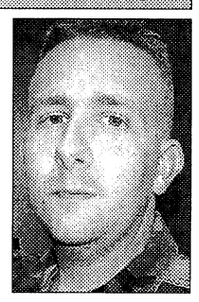
commentary

It seems like on any given day, I can always find at least one person who will complain about this or that on what they dislike about their jobs or the Army.

It's either they're worked too hard, not appreciated, not paid enough, etc. I'm the first to say I've complained too.

There have been those days when I wonder, "What am I doing here? Or, why did I sign up for this?"

Then there are those moments when I actually realize what I'm doing here. For me, I most always feel it, a sense of pride in myself and the military, when I'm somewhere and the national anthem is played. Then there was last Friday. I went out to cover a veterans' group visiting post. It was just another assignment I had to get done — at least at first. As I stood there, taking pictures and waiting to interview some of the veterans, it happened again. The retired first sergeant said something that struck deep to my heart. He said he was proud of each and every one of us who put on the green suit each day.



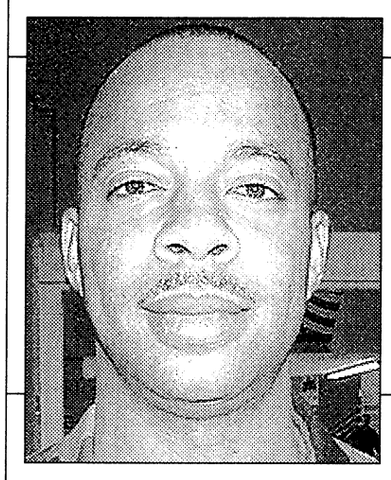
He wasn't there to pat his fellow members on the back for all of the sacrifices they made. This man who had seen battle so many times said he was proud of us for carrying on the tradition of the military. He said he was proud to see how we, today's Soldiers, take pride in the Army, our jobs and our country.

It gave me a deep, warm feeling being reminded that I'm a Soldier, not just a journalist. I sit at a desk each day, but I'm also here to protect our country and our way of life. It's sad that many of us don't realize that when we come into the grind everyday.

Pay is OK, but I don't think that's what it's ultimately all about. I hope that all Soldiers can realize that — we're here to carry on that tradition the first sergeant spoke of. There might be times when I feel like no one notices what I'm doing. But from now on I'll just take a moment to remember that first sergeant, and the fact that they do.

VARIOUS VOICES

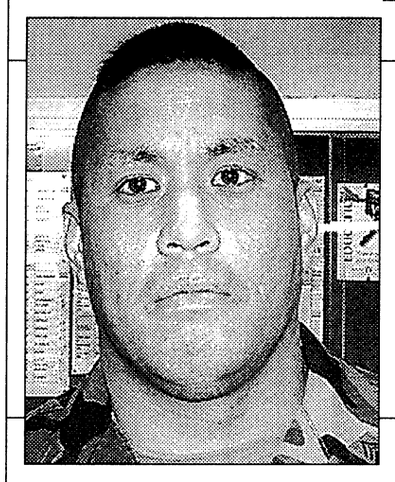
How do you feel about the Army giving incentives to new recruits?



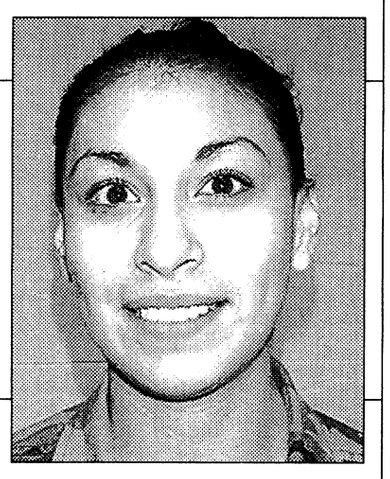
Sgt. 1st Class Jerry Beatty, 3-345 Training Support Battalion, Atlanta, Ga. — "I think the only way you are going to attract new recruits is to give them incentives. However, you also need incentives to keep those who are already in. I think they should balance it out."



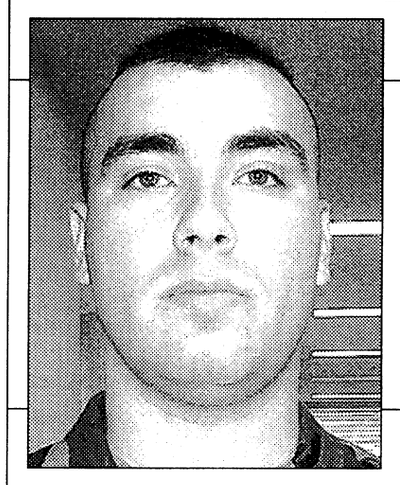
Pfc. Wanda Cintron, Headquarters Service Company, Infantry Training Brigade — "I would say it's better to give incentives to keep people in. Yes, it's nice to offer incentives for those who are just coming in, but it's also very important to take care of those already in."



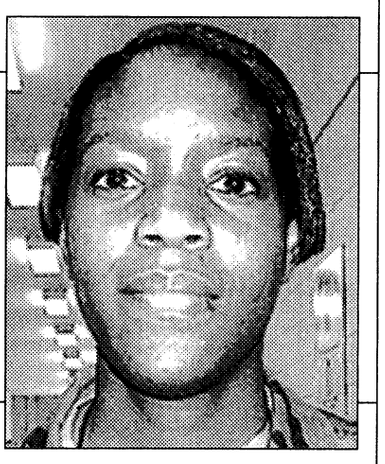
Master Sgt. Leroy Balag, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 75th Ranger Regiment— "I strongly disagree with that. They should pay more attention to the experienced Soldiers in the Army. There's a wealth of experience in the Army they aren't offering their time or energy to keep in."



Pfc. Cristyll Higgins, 608th Ordnance Company, 36th Engineer Group — "I think they should spend more money on keeping people in rather than all this money on people with no experience. All they have to do is keep people happy and it shouldn't be hard."



Spc. Carlton Queen Jr., Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion — "I don't think they should spend any money on recruits, rather invest it in re-enlistment bonuses."



Staff Sgt. Michelle LeMay, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I think the Soldiers who have been in awhile deserve incentive bonuses rather than trainees, because trainees aren't guaranteed to stay in."

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Visit gives vets, trainees time together

Korean War Veterans return to basic training

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

It was a meeting of past and present as Soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, hosted veterans from the 38th Infantry for a two-day visit last week.

During the visit, the 23 Korean War veterans spent two days with the Soldiers of 1st Bn, 38th Inf. Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade.

The visit culminated with a regimental change of authority ceremony March 31 in front of the battalion headquarters where retired 1st Sgt. Roy Oliver was named honorary sergeant major for the 38th Regiment.

Getting back to Fort Benning was a real pleasure, Oliver said.

"The visit has been outstanding. I've really enjoyed seeing the young recruits here and that the Army's being maintained at the highest standard," he said. "I've been very honored to be named the honorary sergeant major of this regiment. I've replaced a very good friend of mine who passed away last year, and I was honored to be his replacement."

During the ceremony, Oliver replaced retired Sgt. Maj. Bob Hammersmith who died last year.

Honorary Regimental Commander retired Col. Jim Hinton said he always enjoys the opportunity to visit with today's Soldiers.

"I like to visit as often as I can, especially if I can contribute something," Hinton said. "I love to talk to the young Soldiers. I think they were a little surprised to have a guy in civilian clothes come around who they didn't know had been in the service for 32 years and three wars. I really enjoyed talking to them."

Oliver told the cadre of the pride he feels in their work and shared a story with them to let the Soldiers know how much others think of them too.

"Back several years ago, I had a sign on the back of my van that said 'I survived the Korean War,'" he said. "There was a young Korean man who walked up behind me and asked if I had served in the war. I said, 'yes.'

"He shook my hand and thanked me for having the opportunity to be born in a free country. It really made me feel good," Oliver added. "It's all worthwhile. If you 'be all you can be' not only in the Army, but 'be all you can be' everywhere you go and you'll always be happy with yourself."

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> **—Lt. Col. Kenneth Strickland,**
> Commander, 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt.

Lt. Col. Kenneth Strickland, commander of 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt., said having the veterans visit re-emphasizes how great of a sacrifice the men made to his basic training Soldiers.

"We need to reinforce the heritage the Army has always held close. That is an appreciation for the veterans and what they've done in the past and the values that instills in those of us who are serving today," he said. "Any time you talk to veterans, the benefit you get from that, their experience and camaraderie, it really cannot be expounded upon. It's because of their sacrifices that we continue to do what we do — being Soldiers to the standard that we do."

1st Lt. Joshua Blair, C Co. executive officer, said he was glad he could help the veterans commemorate their history with the unit.

"These veterans frequently conduct reunions. They wanted to do something special this year to commemorate 50 years since the war," he said.

Blair added, this year the group wanted to have their reunion at C Company because most all of the servicemen served in the company during the war.

The visit provided an opportunity for the cadre and trainees to learn a little more about the men who served before them and the history of the company they now call home, Blair said.

"It was great to see the Rangers talking with a former Ranger, Soldiers from the same background sharing stories," he said. "Everyone was really impressed by what the veterans went through — things they probably will never have to go through — and were really respectful of that. It was great for us to be able to honor and pay tribute to our Soldiers from the Korean War."

The 38th Inf. Regt. was constituted and organized in 1917 at Syracuse, N.Y. during the military build up boom before World War I.

The regiment took part in World War I and World War II. Then when North Korea invaded South Korea, the 38th Infantry. with the 2nd Infantry Division again answered the call fighting through "The Gauntlet," at "The Punch Bowl," and on "Porkchop Hill."

In the cease fire that followed, the 38th Infantry stood guard and stayed ready in South Korea for 33 years.

In 1999, the 1st Bn., 38th Inf., welcomed the challenge of a new mission of training entry-level Soldiers.

Assistance: Available for battered families

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spouse and child abuse.

"Transitional Compensation has helped Family Advocacy Programs tremendously," said Becky Welch, program manager of Fort Benning's FAP. "It helps get spouses out of abusive situations, where before they felt there was no way out."

Gunn agrees and wants to get the word out about the compensation to encourage victims to step forward and report abuse. Often victims are hesitant to report the crime to commanders or post authorities because "it could mean their spouses will be put out of the Army, and there will be a loss of income," she said.

Monthly rates for transitional compensation are: spouses or ex-spouses, $881; children under 18 and living with a parent receiving TC, $222. Children who are in the care of a legal guardian, $373 for the first child; $538 for two children; $699 for three and $136 for each additional child.

"This is tax-free money that they do not have to claim," Gunn said.

During the time the dependents are entitled to TC, they are also allowed to keep their family member ID cards, commissary and exchange access and medical and dental care.

If the family is in on-post housing, they are allowed to remain in quarters for 30 days. Under special circumstances, they may request a waiver and extend, for example, if the children are close to completing the school year, Gunn said.

TC is received for a minimum of 12 months and a maximum of 36 months. The duration depends on the Soldier's ETS date, Gunn said.

The liaison encourages families to "spend wisely and save as much as possible," she said.

TC is forfeited if the dependent is an active participant in the abuse, or if the dependent cohabitates with or remarries the former service member.

Family members are not eligible for the assistance until the Soldier has been court-martialed or notified of the administrative separation.

The cause of the separation must be listed as domestic abuse in order for family members to get TC. When the reason cited is "for the good of the Army," the family cannot apply for or receive the compensation, according to the law.

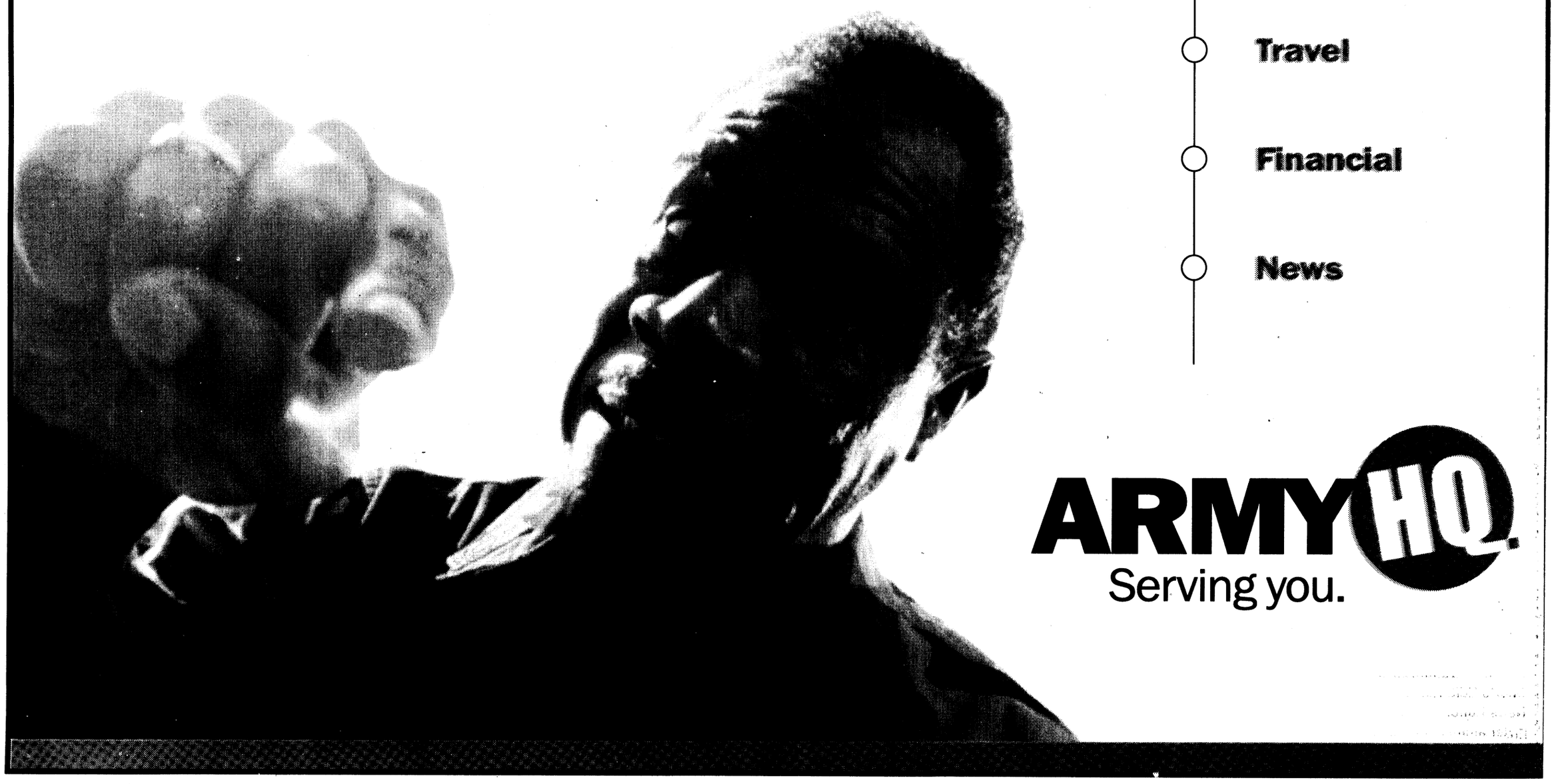
"A lot of commanders may not realize this," Welch said.

In some cases it can take up to two months before the family members receive the TC after the court-martial or separation has been approved, Gunn said.

In the meantime, the convening authority can waive a Soldier's pay reductions or forfeitures and award that money directly to the family members for up to six months.

Gunn often speaks to post organizations about the compensation, most recently at a victim awareness conference at Kelley Hill for commanders and chaplains.

For more information on TC, contact Gunn at 545-1633 or 545-2285, or Theresa Sanchez, victim advocate representative at FAP, at 545-7517.



Former NCO earns OCS officer accolade

Burke earns honor as 48th Patterson award recipient

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Nearly a year after graduating Officer Candidate School, 2nd Lt. Kevin Burke has claimed one of the schools top honors.

Burke is the 48th recipient of Judge Robert P. Patterson award, an annual award presented to the school's top Infantry officer graduate of both OCS and the Infantry Officer Basic Course.

Burke will be awarded the honor today at 11 a.m. in Infantry Hall's Marshall Auditorium.

The award was established in 1952 by friends of Patterson in honor of his extraordinary heroism in World War I.

His actions during the war earned him a Distinguished Service Cross for his daylight reconnaissance into enemy lines and destruction of numerous enemy outposts.

While covering his patrol's retreat, he dropped and feigned being killed in order to escape.

Patterson, a graduate of OCS, later went on to serve on the U.S. District Court and the Circuit Court of Appeals, the Secretary of War for President Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Secretary of War for President Harry S. Truman.

Patterson died in a fiery plane crash on Jan. 22, 1952 in Elizabeth, N.J.

Burke's service record mirrors the foundation of Patterson's as he too was an enlisted Infantryman before attending OCS.

Burke enlisted in the Army in Jan. 1992 and has served at Fort Bragg, N.C., and Fort Lewis, Wash.

He is currently assigned to D Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood Texas.

His awards include the Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters and the NCOES with a numeral 2, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Ribbon and Army Service Ribbon.

Ceremony: Honors graduates with induction

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including former senator Bob Dole.

To be eligible for the Hall of Fame, OCS graduates must have graduated from any active component OCS program; this is a recent change from past criteria.

Also, the nominees must have accomplished one of the following: attained the rank of colonel while on active duty or in a reserve component, awarded the Medal of Honor, been elected or appointed to an office of prominence in a national or state government, been recognized for outstanding civilian service or distinguished wartime service.

In addition to inducting members into the Hall of Fame, the Robert P. Patterson Memorial Award will also be presented during the ceremony.

2nd Lt. Kevin Burke is the 48th recipient of the award, which honors the outstanding OCS Infantry graduate of the previous year.

The award, named for Judge Robert P. Patterson, was instituted by friends of the former judge in 1952 upon his death. Patterson earned the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star and the Purple Heart during World War I and later served as Judge on the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and as Secretary of War during the Truman administration.

A reception at Wigle Hall will follow the Infantry Hall ceremony.

For a complete list of inductees, see below.

officer candidate school hall of fame inductees

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Col. Fahad Al-Suad was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation form Officer Candidate School Class 1-84.

He is currently a student at the U.S. Army War College.



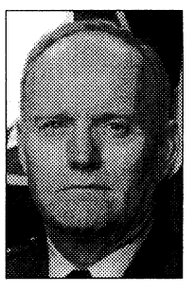
Maj. Gen. Joseph Wayne Arbuckle was commissioned an Ordnance officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 11-G-70 on April 17, 1970.

He is currently serving as the commanding general, Industrial Operations Command, Rock Island, Illinois.



Col. Daniel French Baker was commissioned a Military Intelligence officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 1-76 on Jan. 30, 1976.

He is currently serving as commander, 513th MI Brigade, Fort Gordon, Georgia.



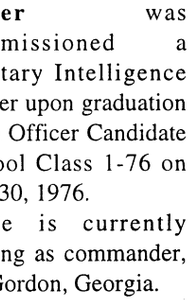
Maj. Gen. Craig Bambrough was commissioned a Field Artillery officer upon graduation from Fort Sill Officer Candidate School Class 67-9 in Sept. 19, 1967.

He is currently serving as deputy commanding general, U.S. Army Reserve Command, Fort McPherson, Georgia.



Col. Harold Bankirer was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 11-70 on May 15, 1970.

He is currently serving as the deputy director, Child Support Enforcement Program, State of Florida.



Col. Frederic Batchelor was cmmmissioned a Personnel officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-77 on Aug. 26, 1977.

He is currently attending the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania



Col. Charles M. Bechtel was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 37–67.

He is currently serving as the director of Logistics for the Pennsylvania Army National Guard since October 1999.

Chaplain Samuel J. Tilden Boone was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 2-74 on April 19, 1974.

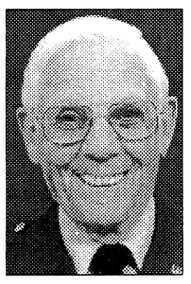
He is currently serving as the U.S. Army Garrison Chaplain, Headquarters U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.





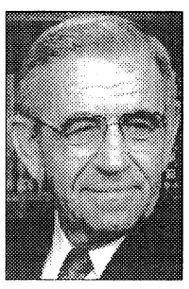
Col. John J. Braham IV was commissioned upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 1-73 on Jan. 16, 1973.

He is currently the inspector general, 96th U.S. Army regional Support Command, Salt Lake City, Utah.



Lt. Col. Lloyd Vernon Camp was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class18-49 on Dec. 19, 1949.

He is currently retired.



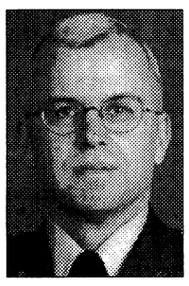
Lt. Col. Hilbert (Bert) H. Chole was commissioned an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 7-63 on Dec. 14, 1963.

He is currently manager of the III Armored Corps and Fort Hood, Texas, Close Combat Tactical Trainer Site.



Maj. Gen. George F. Close Jr. was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 67-8 on March 27, 1967.

He is currently serving as director, Joint Staff, J-7, Pentagon, Washington, DC.



Lt. Col. Stephen Coakley was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 7-63 on Dec. 14, 1963.

He is currently serving as the deputy chief of staff for Resource Management, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.



Col. William D. Colvin was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class (Reserve Component) 71-2 on Sept. 3, 1971.

He is currently assigned as director, Post Mobilization, Headquarters, State Area Command Pennsylvania Army National Guard.



Col. William E. Crock was commissioned a Quartermaster officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 29-70 on Oct. 16, 1970.

He is currently serving as commander, 475th Quartermaster GP, Farrell, Pennsylvania.



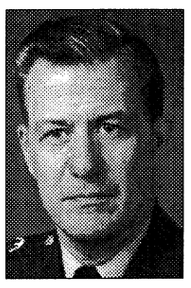
Col. Edward Daily, Jr. was commissioned a Field Artillery officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate Reserve Class 2-78 on Sept. 25, 1978.

He is currently serving as Reserve Force Advisor, and chief, Joint Training Branch, Joint Exercises and Training Division, Directorate for Operational Plans & Interoperability (J-7), Joint Staff.



Col. William J. Daly was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer's Candidate School Class AOCC 1-47 on April 2, 1947.

He is currently a practicing attorney, and a special referee in lawyer disciplinary proceedings.



Col. Gregory Darling was commissioned a Signal Corps officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 14-49 on Sept. 23, 1949.

He is currently self-employed.



Col. Edmund L. Davis was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 19-70 on Aug. 28, 1970.

He is currently serving as the preventive medicine staff officer, U.S. Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.



Brig. Gen Uzal W. Ent was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Fort Riley Officer Candidate School Class AOC 8-49 on March 4, 1949.

He is currently a free-lance writer.

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Col. Gerald E. Ferguson was commissioned as an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on April 20, 1976.

Lt. Gen. Tommy R. Franks was commissioned an Artillery officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on Feb. 14, 1967.

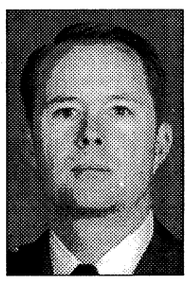


He is currently serving as commanding general, Third United States Army, United States Army Forces Central Command, Fort McPherson, Georgia.



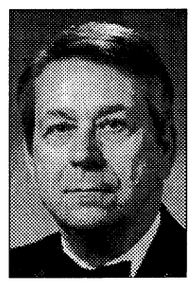
Col. Daniel H. French was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 7-76 in 1976.

He is currently serving as commander, 3 Brigade Combat Team, Fort Carson, Colorado.



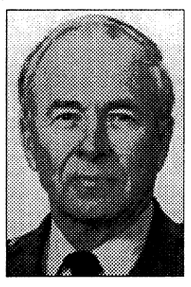
Col. Allen Frenzel was commissioned a Quartermaster officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-77 on Aug. 26, 1977.

He is currently serving as a faculty instructor at the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.



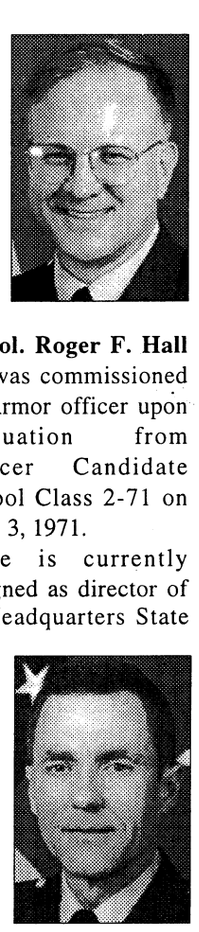
Col. James A. Fyock was commissioned a Field Artillery officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 11-49 on July 22, 1949.

He is currently serving as chairman and founder of Fyock & Associates, Winston-Salem, N.C.



Col. Jack Ray Garris was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 7-63.

He currently owns and operates a Poultry Farm.



Col. Larry P. Hall was commissioned a Military Intelligence officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 1-76 on Oct. 21, 1975.



Col. Roger F. Hall Jr. was commissioned an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 2-71 on Sept. 3, 1971.

He is currently assigned as director of Community Affairs, Headquarters State Area Command.

Brig. Gen. Wayne M. Hall was commissioned a Military Intelligence Officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School class 55-70 on Oct. 22, 1970.

He is retired.



Col. Alan R. Hammond was commissioned an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-72 on April 13, 1972.

His current assignment is project manager, Combined Arms Tactical Trainer, STRICOM, Orlando, Florida



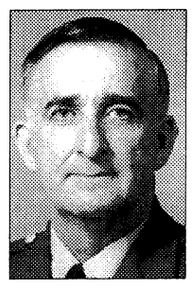
Maj. Gen. Robert A. Harding was commissioned an Engineer officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class C, 1st Officer Candidate Reserve on April 18, 1969.

He is currently serving as director for Operations, Defense Intelligence Agency, Arlington, Virginia.



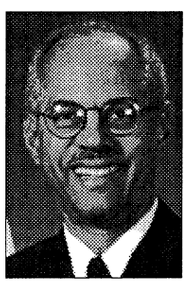
Col. Oran K. Henderson was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 145-43.

He is deceased.



Col. Joseph Hughes was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 1-66 on May 28, 1966.

He is currently serving as director of Logistics, North Carolina Army National Guard.



Capt. Robert H. Jackson III was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 59-67.

He is currently serving as director, Audit Follow-up and Liaison, Cost Management Division, Naval Inspector General, Washington D.C.



Col. George Kantor Jr. was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 55-67 on Sept. 25, 1967.

He is currently serving as deputy chief of staff, New York State Area Command, New York Army National Guard.

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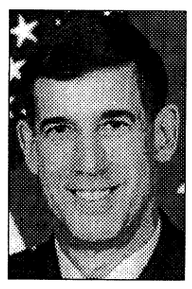
Col. Martin S. Kleiner was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 56-67 on Sept. 28, 1967.

He is currently working as director of Knowledge Engineering at Logicon Advanced Technology.



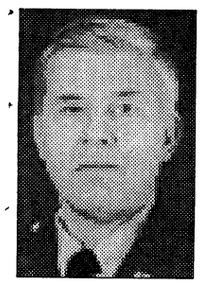
Col. Jerome B. Knuesel was commissioned an Adjutant General Corps officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 17-66 on Nov. 3, 1966.

He is currently serving as assistant chief of staff, Personnel 19th Theater Army Area Command, Des Moines, Iowa.



Brig. Gen. Thomas J. Konitzer was commissioned an Ordnance officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 2-67 on April 20, 1967.

He is currently employed at Westinghouse Safety Management Solutions.



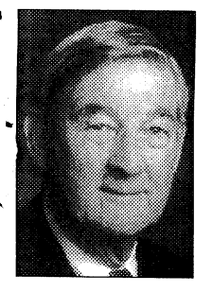
Col. Randall E. Krug was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on Sept. 1, 1970.

He is currently serving as chief, Army Training Division, National Guard Bureau, Washington, D.C.



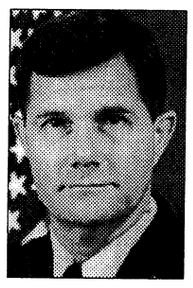
Col. William Frederick Kuba was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Special National Guard Officer Candidate Class 1-54 on Aug. 26, 1954.

He is currently retired.



William Robert Lamb was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School class number 53 on June 3, 1953.

He is currently serving as circuit court judge, senior status (retired), state of Mississippi.



Brig. Gen. Robert A. Lee was commissioned an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on July 29, 1968.

He is currently the President and Chief Executive Officer of Total Wellness, Inc., Paducah, Kentucky.

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Col. Phillip J. Lennert was commissioned an Ordnance officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-79 on May 11, 1979.

He is currently the director, Regional Coordinating Element, Fort McCoy, Wisconsin.



Lt. Gen. James M. Link was commissioned an Ordnance officer upon graduation from Ordnance Officer Candidate School on Dec. 7, 1967.

He is currently serving as deputy commanding general, U.S. Army Materiel Command, Alexandria, Virginia.



Col. Paul Little was commissioned an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate Reserve Class 2-72, 53rd Company, 5th Student Battalion on Aug 14, 1972.

He is currently serving as medical editor, Soldiers Radio and Television, Office of the Secretary of the Army, Washington, District of Columbia and associate professor of Family Medicine at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland.



Maj. Gen. Larry J. Lust was commissioned an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 503-70 on Sept. 4, 1970. .

He is currently serving as J-4 director of Logistics and Security Assistance, Headquarters, United States European Command, Stuttgart, Germany.



Col. James A. Mariska was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 9-67 on Feb. 8, 1967.

He is currently serving as investment manager, Invest Financial Corporation, Rocky Mountain Banks, Billings Montana.

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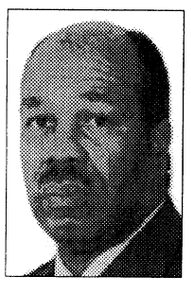
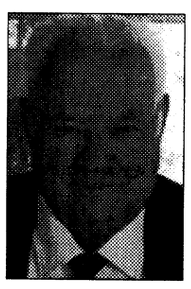
Maj. Jack A. Marshall was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer candidate School Class 3-41 on Dec. 12, 1941.

He is currently retired from Legal Practice and from former Banking Activities in Boston, Massachusetts.



Col. William Marshall was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 30-69 on Sept. 18, 1969.

He is currently serving as Command Surgeon for the 63 RSC, Los Alamitos.



Col. Theodore John Meiners was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 542 on Oct. 3, 1946.



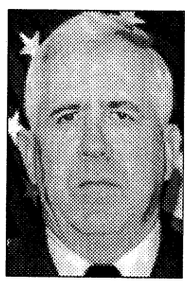
Col. Hans W. Mijocevic was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 5-70 on March 6, 1970.

He is currently serving as Senior US Army Reserve Advisor/ Seminar Instructor Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.



Maj. Gen. Mario F. Montero Jr. was commissioned a Transportation officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-067 on Jan. 26, 1967.

He is currently serving as assistant deputy chief of staff for Logistics, United States Army, Pentagon, Washington, DC.



Col. John H. Moorman was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 1-73 on Jan. 16, 1973.

He is currently the Director, Environmental Programs, State Military Department, Sacramento, California.

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Col. James F. Murphy was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 2-51 on Aug. 30, 1951.

He is currently a self-employed financial manager.

Maj. Gen. Robert Lee Nabors was commissioned a Signal officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 23-67 on Nov. 2, 1967.

He is currently serving as the commanding general of the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command and Fort Monmouth, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey.





Lt. Gen. Daniel J. Petrosky was commissioned an Army officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 20B-67 on May 29, 1976.

He is currently serving as the chief of staff , United Nations Command and Combined Forces Command/ United States Forces Korea and Commanding General, Eighth United States Army.



Brig. Gen. Collis N. Phillips was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on Oct. 30, 1969.

He is currently serving as commander, 65th United States Army Regional Support Command, Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico.



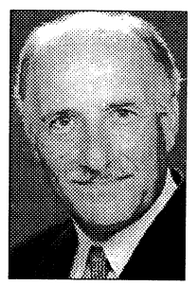
Col. Carroll F. Pollett was commissioned as a Signal Corps officer upon graduation from Officers Candidate School Class 1-7T on Oct. 19, 1976.

He is currently serving as commander, 3d Signal Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas.



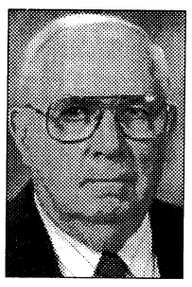
Col. Royce M. Powell, Jr. was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 52-12 on April 28, 1953.

He is currently retired.



Col. Forest L. (Mike) Ramsey was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on Jan. 29, 1968.

He is currently an independent consultant with The Conaway Group LLC.



Col. Alfred J. Reese. Jr. was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 542 on Oct. 3, 1946.

He is retired.



Col. Timothy John Sanken was commissioned an Engineer officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Reserve Component 2-72 on Aug. 14, 1972.

He is currently serving as commander, 175th Regiment, Minnesota Army National Guard, Camp Ripley, Minnesota.



Brig. Gen. John M. Schuster was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Reserve Component Class 1-68 on May 24, 1968.

He is currently assigned to the Deputy Commanding General and United States Army Reserve, Standby (Inactive).

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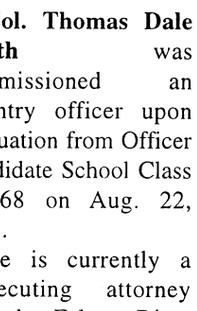
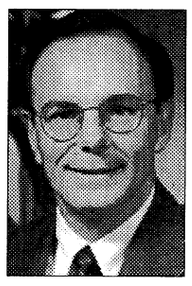
Col. Bernice E. Smith Jr. was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 81 on Oct. 12, 1942.

He is currently retired.



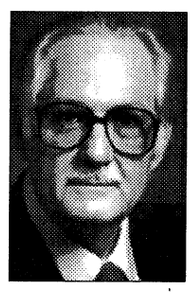
Col. Thomas Dale Smith was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 512-68 on Aug. 22, 1968.

He is currently a prosecuting attorney with the Felony Directorate of the State Attorney's Office of Pinellas County, Florida.



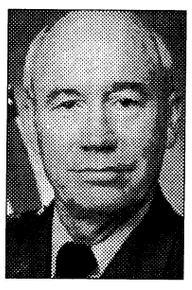
Col. Carmen J. Spencer was commissioned a Chemical officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-74 on Aug. 23, 1974.

He is currently serving as director, Chemical & Biological Defense Programs, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Pentagon, Washington D.C.



Lt. Col. Harold D. Steward was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3 on Dec. 12, 1941.

He is currently retired.



Col. Bobby H. Tapley was commissioned as an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 7-63 on Dec. 14, 1963.

He is currently retired.



Brig. Gen. Daniel B. Tauriello was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 49-53 on March 20, 1953.

He is currently retired.



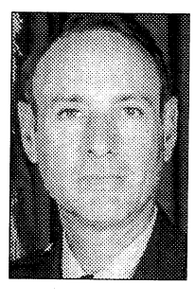
Col. Ronald David Taylor was Commissioned an Armor officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate Reserve Course 1-72 on May 1, 1972.

He is currently serving as director of Logistics, State Area Command-Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska.



Col. Lewis Hiram Thompson was commissioned a Military Intelligence officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 02-75 on March 6, 1975.

He is currently serving as commander of the Army's Strategic Counterintelligence Force, the 902nd Military Intelligence Group, Fort Meade, Maryland.



Brig.Gen. Bernard H. Thorn was commissioned a Signal Corps officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 20 on Dec. 5, 1952.

He is currently a retired Attorney.



Col. Francisco G. Tordillos was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-67 on Jan. 11, 1967.

He is currently serving as the Grants Administrator for King County Department of Transportation, Seattle, Washington

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Col. Herbert W. Uhalnd was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School on Sept. 11, 1945.

He is currently retired.

Col. DeLloyd Voorhees, Jr. was commissioned as an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 65-6 on Oct. 16, 1969.

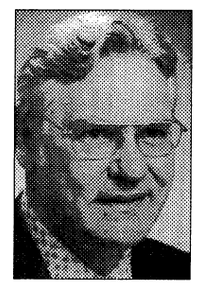
He currently serves as the vice president, Training for Jardon and Howard Technologies, Inc., Winter Park, Florida.





Col. Rose A. Walker was commissioned an Adjutant General officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-78 on Aug. 8, 1978.

She is currently the brigade commander, 1st Personnel Command, US Army Europe & 7th Army, Schwetzingen, Germany.



Dr. James D. Warn was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 3-43 on April 21, 1943.

He is currently employed as medical director and Physician at Barry County Health Unit.



Col. Joseph Upton Weaver, Jr. was commissioned a Medical Service Corps officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 58-2 on April 18, 1958.

He is retired as Site Project Administrator, Regional Training Site-Medical, Fort McCoy, Wisconsin.



Col. Irving R. Wendt was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 407-45 on Feb. 12, 1945.

He is currently retired.



Col. Richard Herschel White was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 14-67 on March 7, 1976.

He is currently employed by the National Linen Service

Lt. Vincent E. Wolf was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 147 on Jan. 3, 1943.

He is currently retired.

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Col. Gary W. Wright was commissioned an Engineer officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 19-71 on Sept. 14, 1071.

Col. Spencer Free Wurst was commissioned an Infantry officer upon graduation from Officer Candidate School Class 14-45 on May 31, 1945.

He is currently retired.

THE BAYONET CONGRATULATES THIS YEAR'S OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Officer Candidate Sharon McBride

Sgt. Reginold Tatum, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group, conducts a survey of the testing strip. The strip will serve as the site where experiments will be conducted to find out how to improve Fort Benning's tank trails.

Experimental asphalt could save post money

Officer Candidate Sharon McBride
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

Saving Fort Benning money, that's the idea behind an 36th Engineer Group experiment to improve tank trails here on post.

Using recycled, crushed asphalt and a chemical compound called Nutra-Bond Plus on a pre-approved testing strip, the engineers hope to figure out how to cut down on dust as well as upgrade the much used Fort Benning tank trail system.

Typically, the hundreds of miles of tank trails that weave throughout the training areas on post are in a constant need of upgrading, said 2nd Lt. Jowanna Day, 36th Engineer Group construction inspection officer.

However, because money is tight the trails aren't always in the most serviceable conditions, she said.

By grading over the deep-ruts and using combinations of recycled material, the engineers hope essentially to not only improve the trails, but to use a lot of the waste asphalt that takes up space in our landfills.

"By using the recycled, crushed asphalt, we are using basically a free material, that would ordinarily take up space on post," 1st Lt. Jennifer Retherford, 36th Engineer Group construction management officer, said. "It costs about $15 a ton to dispose of it in off-post land fills."

A 1,500 meter strip of tank trail located near Lae Field is where the testing site is located.

The strip, typical of most of the trails in Fort Benning's training areas, is made up of silt and clay, a mixture that erodes easily and produces a lot of dust in the summer.

The erosion and dust are problems that not only negatively impact the surrounding environment, but the Fort Benning community as well.

The 36th hopes that by testing different combinations and types of soil and asphalt at the site, that a cost effective solution will be found to combat the problems.

Besides experimenting with different combinations, the engineers will also use Nutra-Bond Plus.

Nutra-Bond Plus is a chemical compound that when applied on the tank trails will keep the dust down and the air cleaner.

"The test strip will be monitored over a one-month period," Day said. "Two complete sets of traffic flow testing will occur: once during dry conditions and once during wet conditions."

Results of the testing will be announced later in the summer.

84th Division commanders fill in at 1st Bn., 19th Inf.

1st Lt. Jacqueline Guthrie
84th Division (IT) Public Affairs Office

When the active Army sends out a call for help, the 84th Division (Institutional Training) answers.

The most recent call came from 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, at Sand Hill, who needed a battalion commander.

Lt. Cols. Michael Soja, commander of 2nd Battalion, 329th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade; and Harold Berloth, commander of 2nd Battalion, 333rd Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade, filled the need. Each served as the commander of 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment for three weeks in January and February.

The vacancy was a result of the active duty battalion commander, Lt. Col. Dennis Bundy's temporary transfer to brigade staff.

While training divisions have provided reserve drill sergeants to the brigade for nearly 20 years, this is the first time a reserve battalion commander ran the unit.

"It's been good that we have the relationship with the 84th. We can call on them when we need to," said Bundy.

"I (gave) them full responsibility of the unit while they were down here," Bundy said. Both commanders fulfilled the responsibility in an outstanding manner, he added. "I have full confidence in the 84th commanders."

"Being able to come down here and be a commander, that's quite a honor," said Soja. "You can't replace an opportunity like this."

His biggest challenge was finding his way around the installation.

"I've never been to Fort Benning," he said.

Serving as battalion commander was also a great opportunity to train for the upcoming battalion displacement, he said, referring to the summer training mission where all Soja's battalion staff officers, as well as staff officers from other 84th battalions, will step into their active duty counterparts job for two weeks.

There will be six battalion displacements, Bundy explained.

"The 84th battalion staff will come in and work side by side with their active duty counterpart.

"If the 84th Soldier outranks the active duty officer, they will be in charge of running the staff position, " he added.

The displacement emphasizes the chief of staff of the Army's philosophy of creating one team with all Army components, he said. •

"It's important for the 84th to be part of the total Army and we couldn't do our mission without them,"



Photos by Sally Shutt

Lt. Col. Michael Soja, commander of 2nd Battalion, 329th Infantry Regiment, recently filled in as commander for 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment.

he said.

Editor's note: *The 84th Division (IT), is headquartered in Milwaukee and has subordinate units and soldiers throughout the states of Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Iowa, and Indiana. As an institutional training division, the 84th currently performs a variety of missions in support of the Army school system, also known as TASS. Missions include providing basic combat training and infantry one station unit training to new soldiers and officer training to ROTC cadets. The division personnel also train active and reserve component service members in combat service, combat service support, health services and professional development courses.*

For more information about the 84th, visit www.84thdivision.com



Sgt. Michael Maddox

Ready to go

Airborne students go through a points performance drill before a jump. Soldiers use the drill to practice checking the parachute canopy and to gain canopy control during a jump. Airborne students go through three weeks of training before becoming Airborne qualified.

Infantry Officer Basic students provide swimming instruction to units

2nd Lt. Heyward Davis
2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

What do Ranger School, Special Forces Selection course, the Best Ranger Competition, Infantry Officers' Basic Course, and a day at the lake all have in common? Water.

A Soldier must be able to swim to do any of those, and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment is helping Soldiers learn how.

HHC, 2nd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., has a unique type of swimming instruction. The program began in July 1999 in response to the added graduation requirement that all IOBC lieutenants must be able to pass the Combat Water Survival Test in order to graduate.

The CWST consists of three events — the 15-meter swim in BDUs, boots, LCE and weapon, the three-meter drop and equipment removal.

The program focuses on teaching the lieutenants, and whoever else wishes to learn, how to pass all three phases of the CWST through a holistic approach. Instead of simply focusing on how to pass the test, the instructors also teach water confidence, breath control and some basics of fitness swimming.

Water confidence training can help Soldiers who may have had a traumatic experience with water when they were young and as a result are still afraid of the water.

Breath control is important both for water confidence and for passing the CWST.

Fitness swimming also helps the Soldier learn an alternative to the normal routine of physical training.

So far, 100 percent of those who have attended 15 or more lessons have passed.

> "The instruction may someday save someone's life."
>
> **— 2nd Lt. Joe Novak**
> Swimming instructor

But the instruction and the success don't stop there, nor are they limited to only the lieutenants preparing for IOBC and Ranger school.

The instructors have also helped other Soldiers prepare for and pass the swim test for the Special Forces selection course. In addition, several competitors for this year's Best Ranger Competition have improved their stroke technique and training techniques by attending the lessons. Other Soldiers have improved their times in triathlons by learning new techniques.

2nd Lt. Michael Dick is the man responsible for creating the program. He said he synthesized the program from several other swim programs around the country, to include Drown-Proofing from Georgia Tech and Basic Swim Instruction from the Department of Physical Education at the United States Military Academy.

One of the former instructors, 2nd Lt. James Gadoury, is also scuba qualified and added his knowledge (regarding water confidence and breath holding) to the program that he picked up from his scuba training.

According to one of the current instructor 2nd Lt. Joe Novak, who also instructed swimming in Atlanta, the instruction given to those who seek help with stroke technique can cost between $400-$500 for a weekend seminar.

Novak added that he thinks the lessons provided can't be beat.

"The swim instruction here is worth at least that amount because the instructors teach the same drills and techniques that are only found in only a few elite swim clinics around the world," he said. "However, there is no price associated with the benefit that the instruction may someday save someone's life."

Both Davis and Novak learned their techniques while swimming for the U.S. Military Academy.

Anyone who is interested in getting swim lessons can call Sgt. 1st Class Edwin Nieves at 545-8178.

Soldier charged in Columbus murder

Medic admits to shooting, pleads innocent to slaying

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

What began as a trip to a Columbus restaurant ended in gun fire and subsequently an arrest of a Fort Benning Soldier late last week.

Spc. Shem Omar Morgan, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 22, was arrested at 3:30 a.m. March 30 by military police at his barracks for his involvement in a south Columbus shooting the night before.

Morgan, who is accused of fatally shooting Jamal D. Miles, 21, of Columbus, is in the Muskogee County Jail awaiting trial.

The shooting stems from a previous dispute the two had at a local nightclub earlier in the week, said Columbus Police Maj. Ricky Boren.

While on his way to a fast-food restaurant in Columbus, Morgan said he saw a man who he thought he had argued with earlier in the week. Upon seeing the man, he instructed the driver of the vehicle he was a passenger in to follow the blue Pontiac Sunbird so he could talk to the driver he thought to be someone other than Miles.

The pursuit led Morgan to the man in front of a Pembrook Drive residence in south Columbus where he pulled beside Miles' vehicle. After a few words were exchanged, Morgan fired multiple shots from a .380 -caliber automatic pistol, killing Miles, Boren said.

Morgan pleaded innocent Friday in Recorder's Court to murder and possession of a firearm during commission of a crime, saying he shot Miles in self-defense after he grabbed for a weapon. No weapon was found on or near Miles by police at the scene.

Investigators have discovered, however, Miles was not the person who Morgan had a dispute with at the nightclub earlier in the week.

"This is a case of mistaken identity," Boren said. "Miles was just in the wrong place at the wrong time."

Morgan will continue to remain in the Muskogee County Jail until a bond amount is set by Superior Court.

FAST training proves successful in raising Soldiers GT scores

Soldiers improve math, reading scores allowing more options

Sgt. Lori Smith
Assistant editor

Functional Academics Skills Training classes are now open to Soldiers wanting to improve their general technical score.

Soldiers attend FAST classes to prepare for the Armed Forces Certification Test. This battery of tests determine a Soldier's scores in different functional areas including the GT.

"The AFCT is basically the same test as the ASVAB, the test taken prior to entry in the Army," said Tilden Robinson, FAST coordinator.

Soldiers may need to retake the AFCT in order to raise their GT score for various reasons, Robinson said. "The GT score indicates an ability to learn."

The GT score is used to determine eligibility for Military Occupational Specialities, entrance into flight school and Officer Candidate School or for re-enlistment purposes, said Elaine M. Livingston, chief of staff for education and training and education service officer.

The FAST program is the tool that Soldiers can use to attain higher scores.

"We try to teach them to think and reason through problems," said Robinson. "Our goal is for Soldiers to attain at least 10th-grade reading and math levels."

Students spend four hours a day reviewing math, reading and vocabulary. A small amount of grammar and spelling is also covered.

Periodic testing throughout the classes will be given to the Soldiers to monitor progress and a GT predictor test is given at the end of course.

The program has been quite successful.

"Around 95 percent of the Soldiers will raise their math scores by the end of the class," said Robinson.

He said the believes 50 percent of the students in his current class will achieve at least 10th-grade levels in math and reading.

And five out of 14 Soldiers who were enrolled in the last FAST class and took the AFCT earned a GT score of 110 or above on the last test, said Robinson. The three week FAST class program is open to all Soldiers.

Soldiers are encouraged to take the AFCT as soon as they are finished with the FAST class if they feel they are ready.

But, Robinson said, a Soldier may take AFCT only three times throughout their Army career.

FAST classes are held at Building 9004, Kelley Hill. For more information, call 544-3689.

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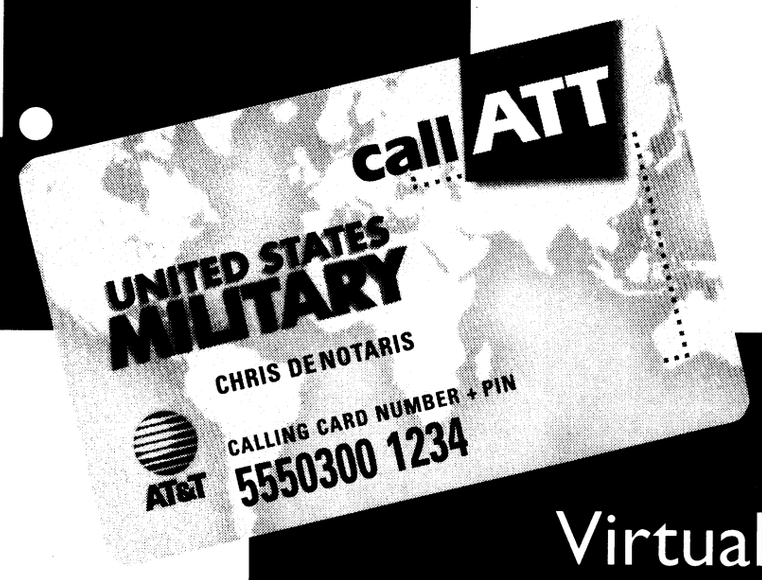

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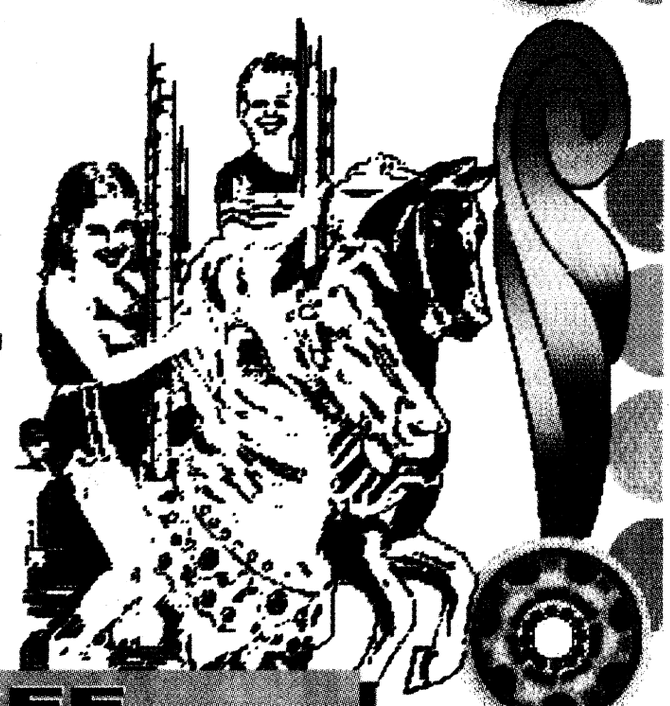

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Mime teaches expressive art at Faith

Students use body language to communicate

Bridgett Siter
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For a mime, Mary Ann Hart sure has a lot to say. As the resident artist at Faith Middle School this week, Hart extolled the benefits of the performing arts and encouraged students to — pardon the pun – think outside the box.

"I'm here to help these students understand the art of mime," Hart said. "But more importantly, I want to encourage them to open up, use their imaginations and be creative. I want them to develop an appreciation for each other's talents."

Hart, a professional mime and puppeteer from Atlanta, is this year's Artist in Residence, sponsored by the Faith parent-teacher organization and Young Audiences of Atlanta. She began miming more than 20 years ago in the late '70s when "miming was in its heyday." She has performed nationally and internationally in North Ireland. As a 15-year veteran of the Artist in Residency program, this is Hart's second visit to Faith.

"I was here about nine years ago. I enjoyed it then, but I think the students are more open, more receptive to the arts this time around," she said. "They're eager to learn and eager to share their talents."

Hart worked with students individually and in group workshops. She taught them the basic skills of illusion, such as imaginary tug-of-war, and the "mime in a box" routine. They also participated in role-playing games and character definition exercises.

> "Too few schools realize how the arts can enhance ... critical and creative thinking skills."
>
> **— Mary Ann Hart**
> Artist in residence, Faith Middle School

"The students have to learn to define the character they are portraying with their actions. They have to learn to focus on what they want to express, without words, and convey that to their audience," Hart said. "It's about movement and body language."

When she wasn't conducting workshops or performing for audiences, Hart met with students, teachers and parents to offer insight into the benefits of providing art programs in schools.

"Whether it's a funding issue or low test scores, more and more schools are doing away with their art programs or de-emphasizing them in favor of reading, writing and arithmetics. Too few schools realize how the arts can enhance these other areas and strengthen critical and creative thinking skills."

Art teacher Gloria Loar said that programs like Hart's also teach students teamwork and cooperation.

"We wanted Mary Ann to be this year's resident artist because she met all our criteria. She has a great personality. The kids really enjoy her," Loar said. "Plus miming reaches a majority of students in a way that other kinds of artists, such as painters or musicians, might not be able to do in a week's time. Besides the art of the mime itself, she's giving them valuable lessons on interacting as a team when they have to develop a group mime."

Students who participated in Hart's week-long workshops performed humorous mime sketches at Faith Family Night on Wednesday. Sixth-grader Kawaski Rutledge said he enjoyed the experience.

"It was pretty cool. Instead of talking, we had to express our feelings with our movements," Rutledge said. "Miming teaches you that you can show your emotions with your body language."

Hart said watching the students "sparkle" when they perform makes her week's work worthwhile.

"At this age, kids are becoming too inhibited. They get nervous when they're unsure how they should act. Girls tend to be more shy. Miming is an excellent outlet. You just never know who's going to come out of their shell."

Artist adds touch to Benning history

Post supporter's team up to make artistic dream reality

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Individuals going about their day at Fort Benning often see Al Reid's artistic touch. They just don't realize it.

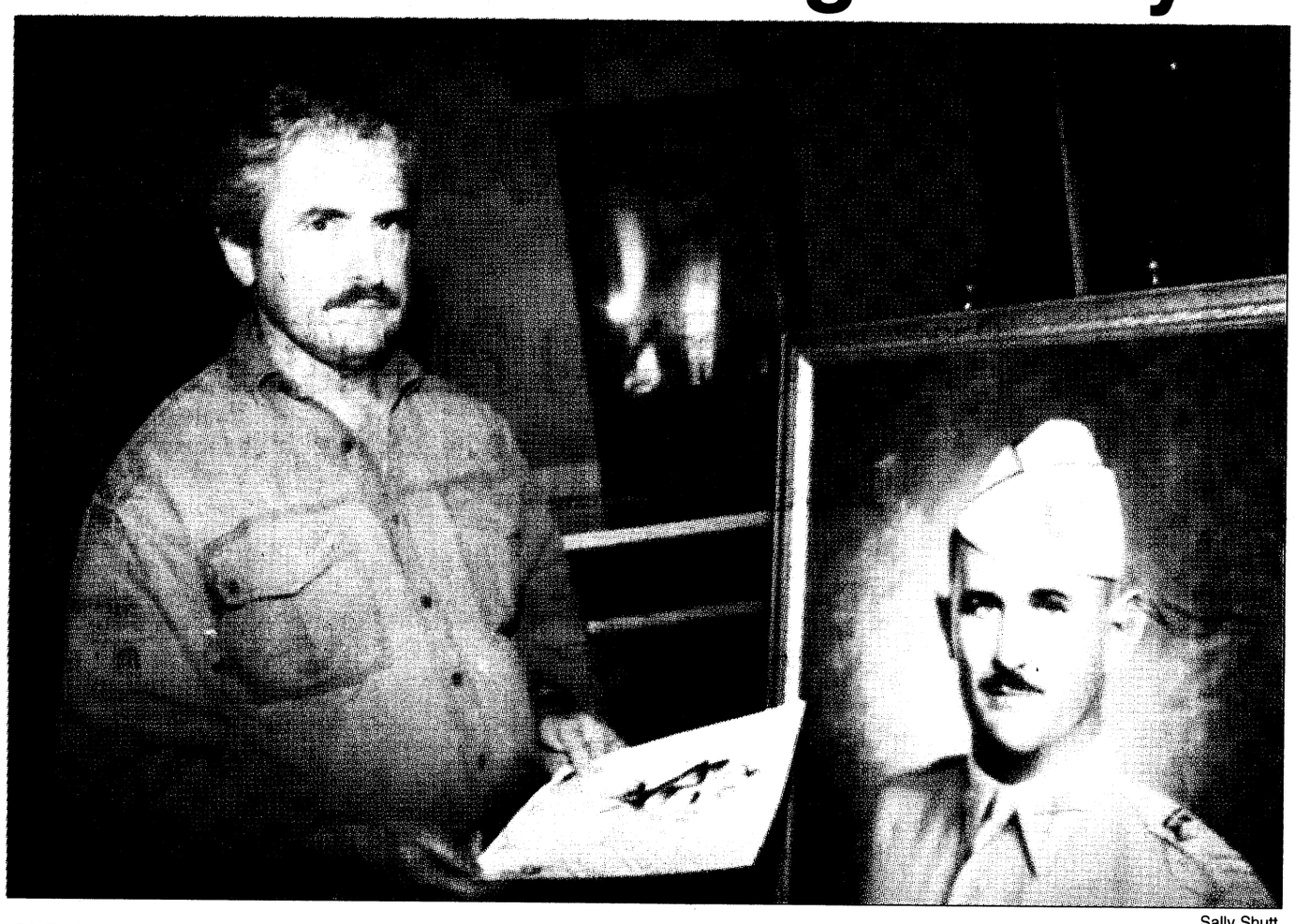
From posters in Infantry Hall heralding the history of 59 Infantry Regiments to lifesize paintings of U.S. Soldiers hanging in the National Infantry Museum, Reid's artistic talent is displayed all over the post.

Reid doesn't sign the work he does as a visual information specialist with the Training Support Center, Directorate of Operations and Training. So don't expect to find his name on the Riverwalk maps that will be posted on circular signs along the trail in the future or on the new coin he designed for the Commanding General to award to special honorees.

But you will find Reid's signature on the covers he has drawn for *Infantry Magazine* and on his most recent project, an oil portrait that will soon hang in the Infantry Museum of Frank Lumpkin Jr., a World War II veteran and financial supporter of the museum's programs.

Lumpkin donated the money to restore seven World War II buildings, including Gen. George S. Patton's headquarters and sleeping quarters, into a Company Street.

Reid has been friends with the museum's director, Frank Hanner, for 14 years, and wanted to do something special to honor Lumpkin's contribution to the museum. He spent 100 hours of his own time on the project.



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Al Reid poses with a portrait of Frank Lumpkin, Jr. that he painted for the Infantry Museum.

"I personally share Mr. Lumpkin's dream to preserve these old wooden buildings," Reid said.

Hanner provided the artist with a black and white photograph of Lumpkin as a captain during World War II.

"We are honored and pleased to receive this wonderful piece of artwork for our collection," Hanner said. "This is something to remind us of Mr. Lumpkin, his love for Fort Benning, and what he was kind enough to give to the post."

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Spring carnival opens Tuesday

Youth Services carnival offers fun for everyone

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

This year's Youth Services Spring Carnival will begin Tuesday and run through April 15 promising more fun and games at a new location.

Stewart-Watson Field, across from Infantry Hall, will be home to the third annual week-long event.

Because of the carnival's location, units are asked to avoid the area in the interest of safety, Chuck Walls, garrison manager, said.

The change in location is twofold: the vendor is bringing in more rides, which means more space is needed and the new youth sports complex is being built on the old location.

The vendor, Belle City Amusements, is bringing 25 to 30 rides and 15 to 20 game booths, Linda Laine, director of Youth Services, said.

The company also plans to introduce two new rides to Fort Benning — the Power Surge and the Titanic.

Laine said the Power Surge is an imported ride from Italy with the vendor boasting the portable model in the United States.

She also noted the Titanic is a type of slide ride.

Carnival-goes are welcomed to participate in this year's three separate wristband nights.

During the first night of the carnival, the wristband will cost $7 and is good from 5-10 p.m.

The two additional opportunities to purchase wristbands will be Thursday from 5-10 p.m. and April 15 from 1-6 p.m. However, the wristband price increases to $10 on both these days.

The carnival hours are 5-10 p.m. Tuesday through April 14 and 1-11 p.m. April 15.

Thanks to an extension of the post curfew, younger carnival-goers need not worry about staying out too late, Laine said.

Youth Services receives a percentage of the money the vendor makes on the carnival, Laine explained.

The carnival is open to the public.

For more information about the Youth Services Spring Carnival, call Youth Services at 545-3070.

Students travel globe during reading program

America Quest takes students on world tour

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

Jules Verne once said he could make it *Around the World in 80 Days*. Tuesday evening more than 100 Fort Benning students circled the globe in less than two hours — and made it back in time for dessert.

The students and their families visited eight foreign countries during Stowers Elementary School's International Reading Night. Participants traveled vicariously from one country to another by visiting "stations" where guest readers shared stories and souvenirs from Japan, Africa, Italy, Germany, Sweden, China, France and Mexico.

"Each station has a guest reader with ties to the country he or she is representing," said Julie Pelletier, Stowers media specialist, who organized the event. "They either lived there, visited there or their ancestry is there."

Fifth-grade teacher David Murrey displayed souvenirs he collected while serving as a missionary in Africa.

Decked in a French beret, assistant school superintendent Richard Skinner read *Beauty and the Beast* and talked about his experience as an educator in Europe.

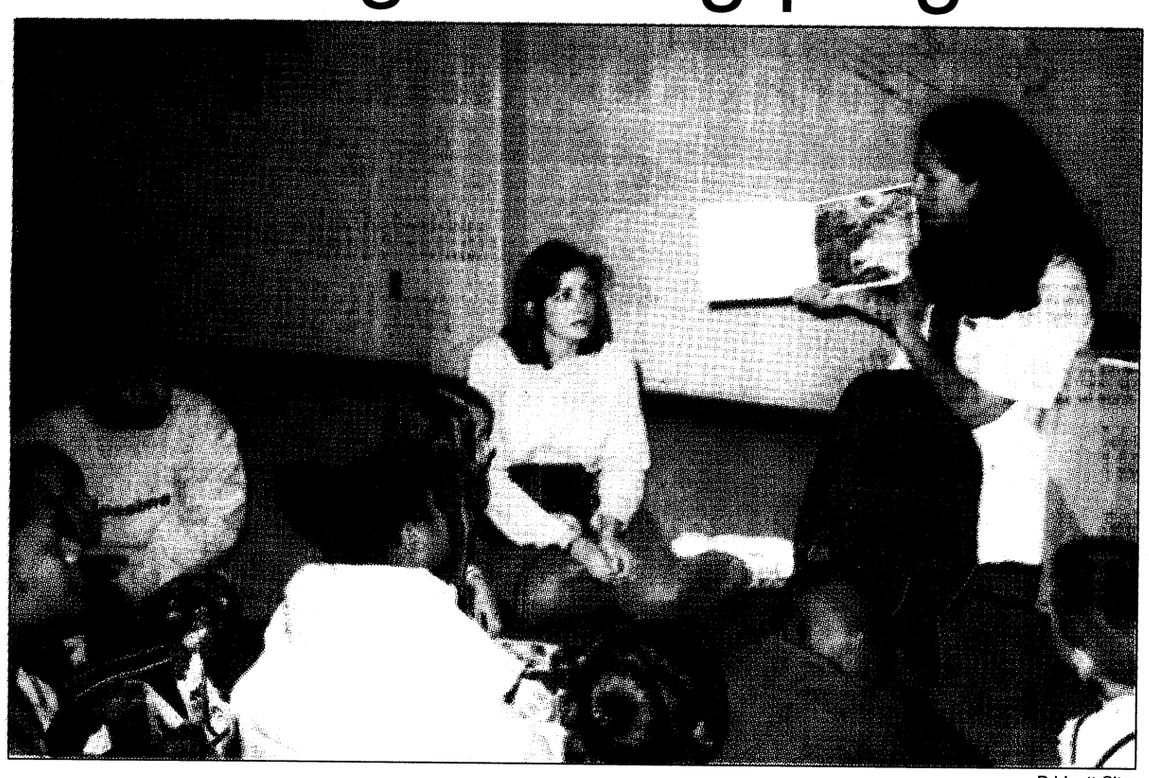
Kathy Einhorn, the curriculum director for Fort Benning Schools, represented the country of Sweden, where her grandparents were born.

"I made spritz cookies to share with my audiences because it was my grandmother's recipe," Einhorn said. "And I'm reading *Flicka, Ricka, Dicka* because it's what my grandmother and my mother used to read to me when I was this age."

Students received miniature soccer balls from school superintendent Dr. Dell McMullen who represented the country of Germany. Fourth-grader Danielle Marker said the German display was her favorite part of the evening.

"I liked hearing about all the different countries, but Germany was my favorite," she said. "I was born there, but I moved when I was about two years old so I don't remember much about it."

Teachers Bobbi Markham and Diana Hardenstein told their audiences about their recent visits to Japan and China, and Markham demonstrated the Japanese art of origami. PTO volunteer coordinator Christina Seamone read a book about Mexico, her native country.



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Stowers teacher Diana Hardenstein read *The Seven Chinese Brothers* to students and guests at International Reading Night.

Guest reader Brenda Castro distributed Italian cookies called pizzelle, and shared the souvenirs she collected during her three years in Italy.

"The kids were obviously excited to be here," Castro said. "It's important for them to realize that many cultures and nationalities are represented here. Tonight they're having fun and learning too."

Second-grade teacher Kris Clemons said the event benefited the students in two ways.

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Candidates share time with students

Bridgett Siter
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A group of OCS students made a "big" impression on Stowers Elementary School Tuesday. More than 80 candidates from the A Company, Class 2-00, played big brothers and sisters to the entire school.

In teams of two and three, the officer candidates visited every classroom and read humorous poetry and short stories. After visiting with the students they were treated to cookies and punch in the library.

"Every OCS class is required to perform some kind of community service," said senior officer candidate Alfred Boone, class president. "We decided unanimously to take part in the Big Brother-Big Sister program and read to elementary students."

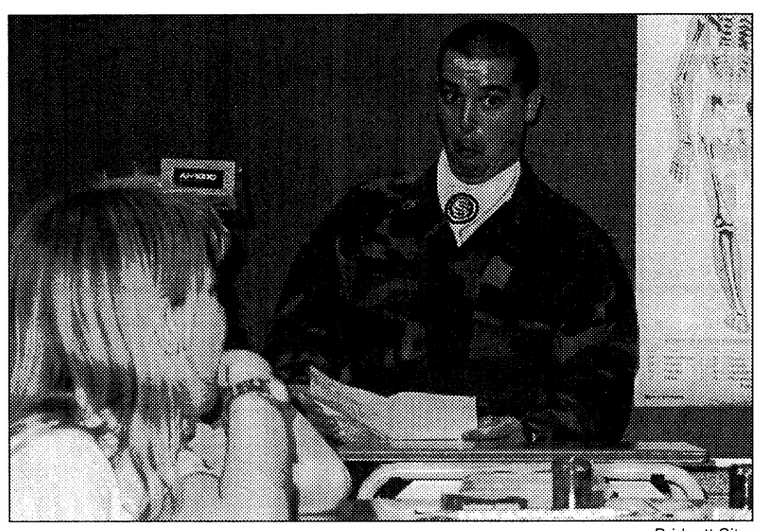
Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Columbus offers a "big for a day" program for people who want to volunteer on a one-time or occasional basis.

"They contacted me and said they wanted to be a part of the program," said Beth Dreyer, director for the program. "Perfect. We contacted Stowers and said we had all these volunteers who wanted to read. It all came together beautifully."

Principal Glenn Hughes thanked the candidates for "sharing their time with our nation's greatest resource — our children."

"Being a Big Brother or a Big Sister to a military child is an awesome responsibility. Who better to fill that role than a Soldier who understands the issues that these children face," Hughes said

Second-grader Matthew Riley said he enjoyed the readers because they were humorous and expressive.



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Officer Candidate Matthew Kopp narrates "Hungry Mungry" for Kris Clemons' second grade class.

"They read our class funny Shel Silverstein poems. You should have heard how funny they sounded when they read *Hungry Mungry*. They made faces," Riley said.

Senior Officer Candidate Richard Bailey said he enjoyed the experience as much as the students.

"It's just an awesome idea to work with kids. It was fun but it sure made me miss my own kids," Bailey said.

Advocacy makes difference in child abuse

Rebecca Welch
Family Advocacy Program

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. What is advocacy? When we speak up or write in support of a cause we believe in or in opposition to a policy or program, we are advocating or engaging in the practice of advocacy.

Anyone can be an advocate who is willing to challenge systems when they don't work, work for laws and policies when they do work, and be a voice for others, particularly those who can't speak for themselves.

Above all, advocacy is a frame of mind — not just a job title, occupation or role in life. Whether it involves a single individual or group, advocates see opportunities where others see obstacles.

A common tenet of most communities is the moral obligation to speak out and advocate for those who have difficulty speaking effectively for themselves. Among those who most need and deserve advocacy are children and families in need.

Advocacy is most effective when it is a collective effort through which people with conflicting values and goals try to overcome their differences and work together for common ends. Each part of the community has a role to play.

For further information on child abuse prevention, call 545-3344.

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Patrick Chauvey
Directorate of Public Works

Kudos and thanks to the units and activities that are making the effort to bring recyclable material directly to the Directorate of Public Works Material Recovery Facility as requested in the March 17 *Bayonet* article.

DPW is recruiting additional staff for the MRF and asks for everyone's continued support in the meanwhile. Please check future issues of *The Bayonet* for updates.

Families living off post are temporarily requested to stop bringing recyclables to the PX Recycle Collection Point until DPW has adequate manpower to keep the bins properly serviced. This will prevent overfilling of the bins.

Individuals may drop off recyclables at the MRF, Building 4000, in Harmony Church on Old Cusseta Road. Hours are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Everyone is encouraged to flatten all cans and plastic containers and leave the tops off all plastic food and beverage containers. The crews at the MRF appreciate all efforts to enable them to process materials more efficiently and quickly.

MRF personnel are available on site to direct units in proper disposal of all items.

Yard Waste recycling reminders: the warm weather and abundant rains have triggered a growing spurt. Grass and shrubs are shooting up, up and away.

The resulting superabundance of yard waste needs to be recycled. Grass clippings alone make up approximately 10 percent of Fort Benning's solid waste.

Georgia State law prohibits the disposal of yard waste in sanitary landfills. Please be sure to put leaves and grass clippings in clearly marked durable plastic or metal recycling containers that can be emptied directly into the yard waste collection vehicle. The container will be returned to the curb after it is emptied.

Paper yard waste bags, available through the Fort Benning DPW Self Help Shop, may also be used, but only for leaves and grass. Do not put limbs in either the bags or containers.

Small limbs may be tied in bundles and placed at the curb. Please do not put any yard waste in plastic bags. The contractor is not authorized to pick up plastic bags.

Another way to recycle grass clippings is to leave the clippings on the lawn and letting them break down naturally.

Leaving lawn clippings on the lawn is not only an ecologically sound alternative, but is economical as well. It can save a considerable amount in solid waste management costs for Fort Benning.

Frequent mowings enable clippings, which are 75 percent water, to dry up, break down and release nutrients to the soil.

Lawns stay greener and develop a deeper healthier root system. The need for mowing will vary with temperature, fertility, moisture and season.

If done correctly, this method will greatly reduce lawn raking and grass bagging. Use a mulching mower or mow more often with a non-mulching mower.

Mow at proper height, set mower height at 3 to 4 inches, and keep the mower blade sharp.

Do not remove more than one third of the grass' growth height at a time.

Mow when grass is dry. If the grass is still wet, the clumps of clippings that lie on the surface should be raked in. If allowed to stand, they will smother and kill the grass beneath.

Contact the DPW Solid Waste Program office at 544-6142 or 544-7187 if you have any problems or questions.

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Michelle Kavanagh
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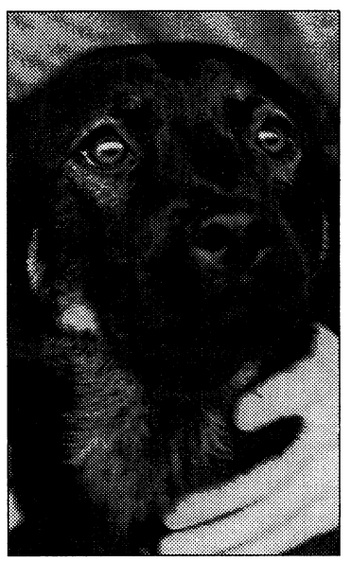

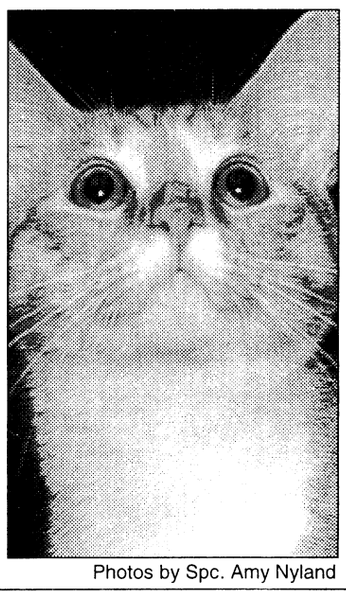

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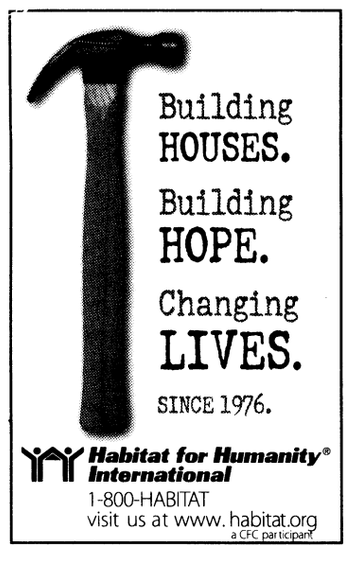

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Club adds touch to yearbook

Wanda Person
Wilson Elementary School

This year, the Wilson School yearbook, newly titled *The Trailblazer*, has been produced by students of the Photography Club.

The club, which consists of fourth- and fifth-grade students, was given the responsibility of creating the yearbook by principal, Phyllis Parker, when the club was founded earlier this year.

"I believe our students have the talents and skills necessary to create a top-notch memory book," Parker said. "They've done some great photography, which is displayed in the hallways, and I believe this is going to be one of our best yearbooks ever."

The students are proving Parker right. All of the photography in the yearbook, other than individual student pictures provided by Life Touch Photograph, has been produced by photo club members.

Student interest in the book has been tremendous. More than 140 yearbooks have been pre-ordered, and the club expects to sell all of the remaining yearbooks when they arrive. The 24-page yearbook will sell for $10.

The club also gave the yearbook its name, *The Trailblazer*. Josh Olive, president of the club, said the name was selected because "Trailblazers work on projects that are new and do things that other people haven't done before. One of the things I like about Wilson School is that kids get to do things that are important. Most people think that just adults do the most important things, but kids really can make a difference."

Club sponsor, Parker agreed early in the year that having students create the book was the only way to go.

"Our students need real-life situations to apply what they've learned," Parker said. "It was very rewarding to see how well the photos that the club members took turned out. We can't wait to get the book back from the publisher."



Wanda Person

Fifth-grade students Melissa Decker and Rhiannon Pegan work on the layout of the Wilson Elementary School yearbook.

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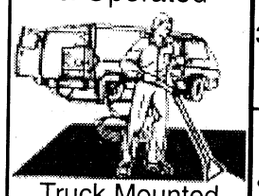

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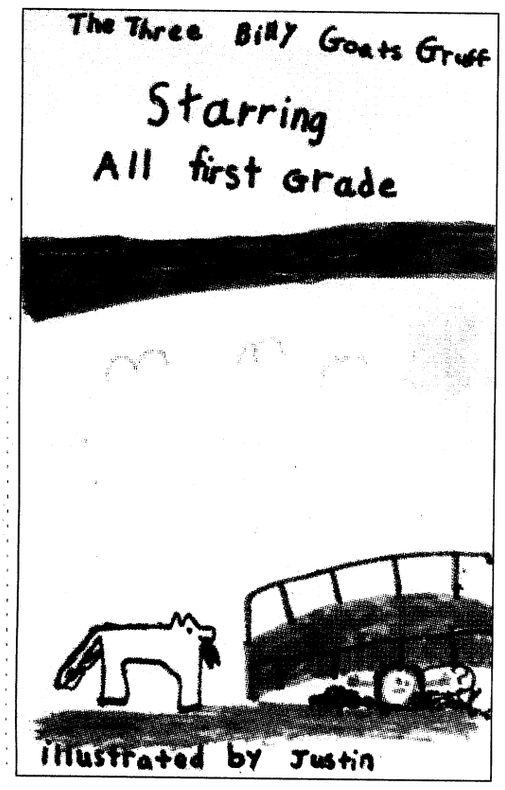

First-graders to perform

Wanda Person
Wilson Elementary School

First-grade students at Wilson School will become actors in a production of *The Three Billy Goats Gruff,* performed for parents and other visitors today.

Jennifer Ragan's class, working with Reading Recovery teacher Sara VanCleave, will perform onstage. Bonnie Cyfers' class will have responsibility for the costumes, props and the stage set. Carol Hare's class is creating invitations and programs and will serve as reporters interviewing characters and others who helped with the play.

The teachers decided to do the play because, "Many beginning readers focus all their attention on getting the words right and fail to enjoy the story. I hope our play will enable our students to make the transition from reading being just some words on a page to reading being a meaningful story filled with delightful characters and events," said VanCleave.

While Ragan's class will actually take the acting roles, the involvement of all first graders was very important in developing plans for the activity.

"The children in my reading group worked together to create the invitation and the program. This included creating pictures illustrating the play, summarizing information, and creating the body of the invitation and the program," Hare said.

"They were all very excited about it and even titled the play *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* — starring all of the first grade. There is a real sense of ownership among all of the first graders with this project," she said.

In addition to programs and invitations, first graders have also created props and the stage set. Cyfers' students have designed trees, shrubs, and the bridge to be crossed by the billy goats.

They have also made costumes for the main characters.



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Students go on adventure

Margaret Koger
Wilson Elementary School

The Anasazi Indians disappeared over 700 years ago and students at Wilson School are determined to find out why.

Unlocking this ancient mystery has been the focus of an online adventure learning project in which the school has been participating for the last month.

Sponsored in part by Life Touch Pictures, the America Quest project connects students from around the nation with scientists and archaeologists who have traveled to the mesas and canyons of the southwest.

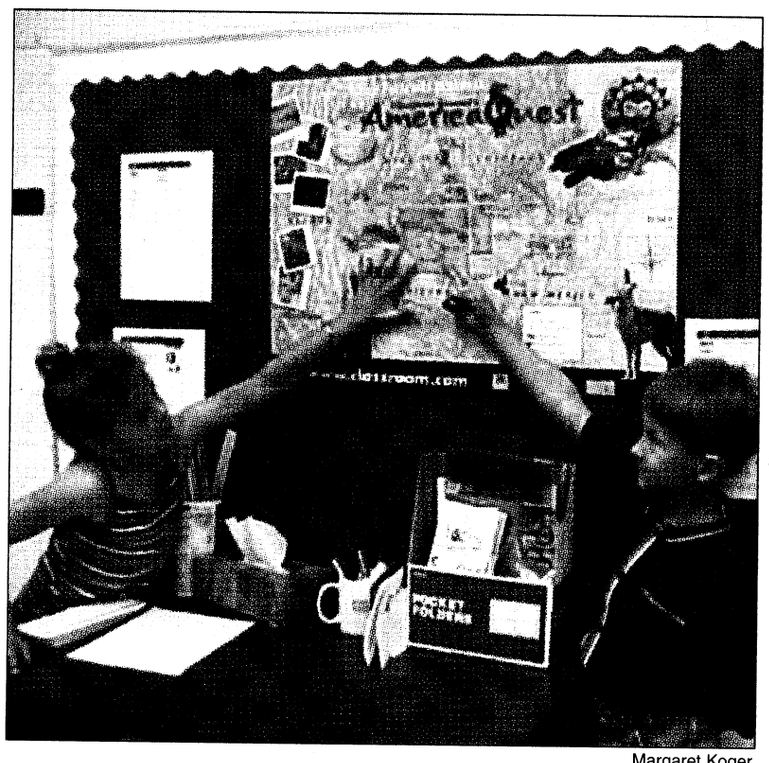
Through the internet, students are able to collaborate in the investigative experience as it unfolds.

Together with the expedition team, students search for clues regarding the Anasazi abandonment.

With the interactivity of the site, students are able to sharpen their navigational skills as they help the team chart their course.

At the same time, they are also able to contribute information to explorers and experts in the field.

From first to fifth grade, students have become immersed in the adventures of America Quest. Checking the team's daily updates, learning about the unique culture of the southwest, investigating animals native to the region, and gathering clues about the disappearance of the Anasazi have become a part of the daily routine.



Margaret Koger

Jazman Bailey and Chase Holbrook check out the map of the America Quest online adventure.

When the quest was officially over at the end of March, students hoped their role in the adventure will have helped to unlock the mystery.

Regardless, the students said the knowledge gained will be worth the time invested in the project.

Kids time travel at Wilson school

Margaret Koger
Wilson Elementary School

In what century was the toothbrush invented? When were mirrors made? Who was the man responsible for inventing the microscope?

These and other questions can be readily answered by Wilson School enrichment students in third through fifth grade. After completing an extensive project on the events, people, and inventions that shaped our last one thousand years, enrichment students have become expert time travelers.

The project required students to explore some of the most important happenings of the last millennium in order to gain a general knowledge of each century.

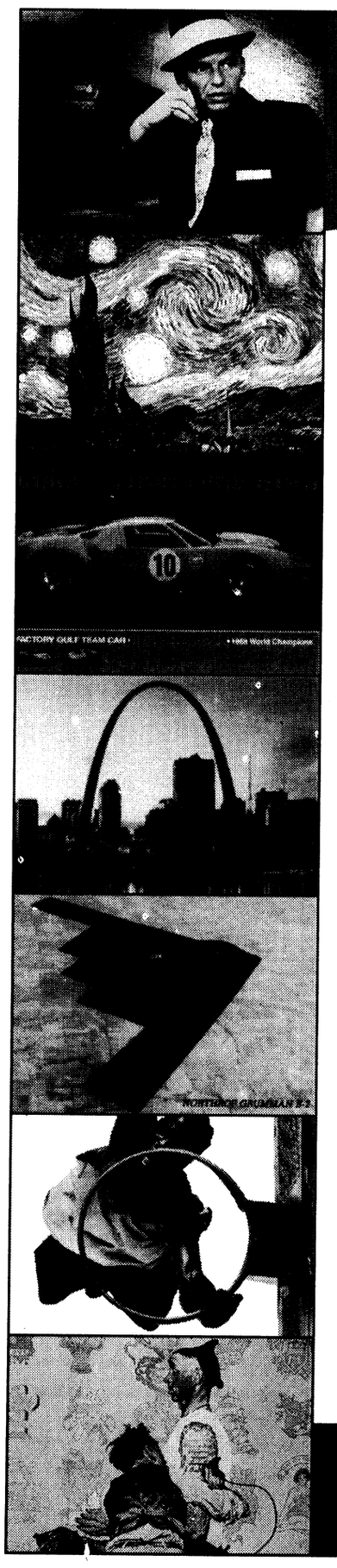
After this, students chose one century of interest to conduct more in-depth research.

Using the varied resources of the media center, students gathered information. However, the researching process was not always easy, and students found they had to explore numerous sources.

The effort has paid off. Students created phenomenal multimedia presentations that have been shared throughout the school. Using an In Focus digital scan converter, which projects what is on the computer monitor onto a large screen, students were able to stand before several classes of students at a time and confidently present their research findings.

Students enjoyed the process and especially the end products.

"I liked researching about different centuries and finding out what happened before I lived," said fifth-grader Rhiannon Pegan. "I think it was a good experience because I got to share what I learned."



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Capt. Richard Henry
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• The last day the taxpayer is in a combat zone, or

• The last day of any continuous qualified hospitalization for injury from service in the combat zone. Qualified hospitalization is hospitalization which resulted from an injury received while serving in the combat zone.

The deadline is also extended beyond the 180 days by the number of days that were left for the member to take action with the IRS when she entered the combat zone.

Armed forces members who serve in a combat zone or a qualified hazardous area may also exclude certain pay from their income. They do not have to receive the pay while in a combat zone, but it must be paid for service there or for a period during which they were hospitalized as a result of their service there. Two common examples of military pay that can be excluded are active duty pay earned in any month they served in a combat zone. A reenlistment bonus can also be excluded if the voluntary extension or reenlistment occurs in a month they served in a combat zone.

Presently there are two combat zones. Desert Storm beginning Jan. 17, 1991, and Allied Force beginning March 24, 1999.

Service in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Macedonia after Nov. 21, 1995 is a qualified hazardous duty area and the area designated as Operation Allied Force after March 24, 1999.

The following military service does not qualify as service in a combat zone:

• Presence in a combat zone while on leave from a duty station located outside the combat zone.

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Stop by Tax Center 2000 for more details. It's open in Infantry Hall, Classroom 1. The hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Junior Leadership Team works to resolve problems

Bridgett Siter
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The Junior Leadership Team at Dexter Elementary School is tackling the issues that face young students at Fort Benning schools.

From noise control in the cafeteria to the Terra Nova testing, the team works to resolve problems and make improvements in areas of concern to students and faculty.

"The idea for a student leadership team came about because research tells us that students are not typically involved in making the decisions that affect their daily school activities," said Vicki Rogers, principal. "Since our school building is being reconstructed, we felt this was a good time to also renew the spirit of what's taking place inside the school. We want all the stakeholders involved in this renewal — parents, children and staff."

The 13-member team consists of two representatives from each grade who were selected by their teachers. Members act as classroom liaisons, attending monthly sessions and reporting back to their classrooms about ideas and decisions discussed by the team.

Fifth-grader Kerri Bal said she enjoys her role as a member of the leadership team.

"It's fun and I like to go in front of the class and teach the other kids the things I've learned at the meetings."

Joyce Flatt, the education technologist, serves as chairperson for the Junior Leadership Team. She oversees meetings and helps the members develop a workable plan to solve problems facing Dexter students. The team is currently trying to find a way to reduce the noise level in the school cafeteria.

"We're teaching our student leaders a four-step problem-solving process. We work on one step at each meeting," Flatt said. "During our first meeting, we gathered information. The second step was to formulate a plan. We brainstormed ideas and carried them back to the classrooms to share with the other students. Ultimately we want everyone to have the opportunity to voice their opinion.

"When we've arrived at a decision as to the best way to reduce the noise level, we'll carry out our plan, and finally evaluate the results. Hopefully we'll learn from our mistakes and recognize our successes," she said.

Flatt said the team will follow this same strategy when evaluating the Terra Nova test results.

They will look for viable ways to increase scores in areas that need improvement. Members will discuss possible plans at the end of the school year and begin to implement the plan when students return to school in the fall.

Reading: Opens doors

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"This evening is about reading, and I can't stress the importance of that enough. Reading affects every area of our lives. But more importantly, it's about parent involvement," Clemons said. "It means a lot to these students and their teachers to see all these parents here supporting their childrens' educations.

"It tells the children they are really very important to their parents. It's all about putting children first," she added.

After visiting each country, students and their guests gathered in the school gymnasium to participate in multi-cultural games, such as quill, a French version of bowling, and bram ball, a German ball game.

The evening concluded with a dessert reception in the auditorium, where ice cream was served with an international flair.

"It's just ice cream in a cone," Pelletier laughed. "But I bet you didn't know it originated in Italy."

Artist: Shares works

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Had the museum gone off post and commissioned "this caliber of work," it would have cost thousands of dollars the museum doesn't have, Hanner said.

Reid never met Lumpkin who died March 21 at age 92. But the businessman and his family did see the portrait and were very happy with it, Hanner said.

Reid is sorry Lumpkin didn't have the chance to unveil the portrait on the third floor of the museum.

"But I hope we all can see his dream of a World War II Company Street become a reality," Reid said.

"All of us who spent much of our Army time in these old wooden buildings have fond memories of how hot they were in the summer and cold in the winter," he said.

It was the Army that brought Reid to Fort Benning in the 1960s. During his three-year tour he worked as a printer and graphic plate maker. When he left the Army, he returned to his native Chicago and studied fine art for two years. Since 1967 he has worked as a commercial artist.

"I never could get used to the Chicago weather and I always liked the climate down here," he said.

After working as an airbrush artist with advertising agencies and photo labs, he joined the Fort Benning work force in 1985.

"I love Fort Benning and the diversity of the work. One day I might be working on posters and weeks later I'm doing a military rendering or even painting," he said.

Technology is taking over the graphics field and Reid laments that time constraints make computers the tool of choice.

"When I started, it was all hands-on work. Now everything is mostly computer-generated," he said.

On his own time and in his studio behind the Columbus home he shares with his wife, Rhio, Reid enjoys painting. Several portraits hang in his Fort Benning office, including one of his son, Freddy. Reid plans to paint one of the couple's daughter, Kristen, whose adoption just became final two weeks ago.

Reid describes himself as a history buff who loves visiting the museum and encouraging others to do so.

"Today's Soldiers must soak up as much history as possible to put their careers in perspective," Reid said. "And they have a valuable resource in the National Infantry Museum."

community briefs

on post

ACAP hosts events — A small business seminar will be presented to Soldiers interested in starting their own business from 2 to 4 p.m. Thursday at the ACAP Center, Building 2634, in Soldier's Plaza.

WINPACK (plastics) will be recruiting for extrusion operators from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 20 at Building 2634.

Call ACAP at 545-2308 or 545-2309 for more information about these events.

Walden University hosts information session — Walden University will host an information session from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday in Infantry Hall classroom 32-B.

During the session, Walden representatives will present an overview of the university and the distance delivered graduate degree program it offers.

For more information, call 545-6114.

Volunteers wanted — The Nature Conservancy of Georgia is seeking a volunteer educator to present environmental awareness lessons to local schools.

Familiarity with the Fort Benning community is essential. Experience teaching or working with youths is highly desirable.

For more information, call 545-7549.

Enlisted Wives' Club meeting — The Enlisted Wives' Club will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the EWC club house in Building 80, on Yeager Avenue. Childcare is paid for during meeting times.

For more information, call Jeanne at 687-5175 or Winona at 687-8155.

AFTB offers evening classes — Army Family Team Building now offers evening classes to people who are unable to attend classes during the day. Level II will be offered 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays until Tuesday.

Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians are welcome to attend classes. Courses and materials are free. AFTB classes are held in Building 395 on Ingersoll Avenue on Main Post.

For more information call 545-5377.

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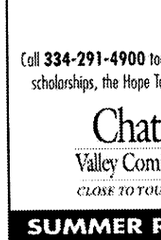

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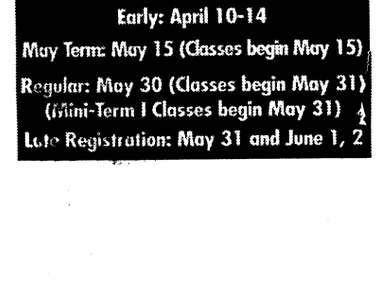

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Living Christian life brings enjoyment, fulfillment

Chaplain (Capt.) Norman Jones
2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment

reflections

There is a misconception Christians live dull and boring lives with stringent rules of "can't do this or can't do that." I think the false notion is that in order to have fun and joy, one has to go to a disco party, drink alcohol and live a loose life.

While there are moral and biblical guidelines that show us how we should live our lives, the truth is that committed and dedicated Christians experience joy and fulfillment in their lives.

God's joy is deep down inner feeling of peace, hope, contentment, stability and a sense of well being regardless of one's circumstances.

Christian joy comes from the Holy Spirit that dwells in us. The Scripture tells us the "Joy of the Lord is our strength." (Neh. 8:10)

So to experience God's joy is to experience strength from within — strength to press on in spite of the misfortunes that bombard us daily.

But how do we get the Joy of the Lord? We get joy from the Lord when we share fellowship together at church and pour our hearts out in worship, prayer, adoration and singing. When Christians get together, we normally share a common bond, a common interest and a common denominator (Jesus) and we can't help but experience joy, warm love, acceptance and encouragement.

We get joy from reading and meditating on God's Holy Word. God's Word gives us hope, encouragement, guidance, wisdom, strength and blessed assurance (Ps. 119, II Tim 3:16). If you are having a bad day, I suggest you pick up your Bible and start reading one of the Psalms, and I believe you will start feeling better.

The Psalms have a calming effect on our spirit. They soothe and refresh our souls.

We get joy in knowing that God is caring and forgiving and that he will never leave us or forsake us (Ps. 103, Rom. 8:31-39). These are key elements in any kind of relationship and without them joy is only a wish.

There is joy in knowing we have a blessed future awaiting us in heaven with Christ. There is joy in knowing when this life is over, we will fly away to a place of eternal rest where there will be no more sorrow, tears, pain, disappointment, hate, injustice, war and wickedness. We will fly away to a place where there is everlasting joy, tranquility, peace and bliss. There's a song that says, "When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be, when we all see Jesus, we will sing and shout the victory."

Thank God we have a joyous and glorious future. When I think about my future home in heaven, my few years on earth (Ps. 90:1-10) and the troubles I experience are pale, minuscule and insignificant in comparison to the future glory that lies ahead.

All of us want joy, peace and contentment, but not all of us go to the right source. Some of us try everything else but God.

His joy is free and readily available to anyone who wants it. You can experience His joy today by simply placing your faith and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Couples must overcome worry in marriage

Chap. (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center

I'd be worried if I didn't have anything to worry about. Sound familiar? Anxiety and worry are common sources of trouble in many marriages.

Problems can so overwhelm a person that they become so entwined in the problem that they leave little time to enjoy life. Even if only one spouse is the worrier, his or her worrying will have a negative effect on his or her partner.

Worry is destructive. But how can one break out of this destructive pattern? H. Norman Wright in his book, *Communication: Key to Your Marriage*, outlines some practical steps on overcoming worry. Let me share them here with you.

Don't try to face your troubles on your own. Turning to God is not a "cop out" when facing life's troubles. He alone is the one who can provide the best solution. Friends, counselors or a clergyperson can also be a great source of comfort and advice.



Rupel

Remember you have a choice of who "runs the ranch." You have the power to change your negative thoughts into positive ones. The apostle Paul said, "Whatsoever things are good, think on these things."

Concentrate on reality. Don't let your thoughts be filled with what might happen. Face your problems square in the face and ask for God's help and direction for the present situation.

Be honest with yourself and accept your problems. Evaluate the situation. Search for workable solutions, and when you have one put the solution into action. Once again, always include God in the decision.

Worrying about your problems will not make them go away. Taking responsibility paves the way for finding the right solution.

Think in terms of possible solutions. Together with your spouse, "brainstorm" ways of overcoming any problem you are facing. In this process it is so important to pray and ask God for guidance. Wright said, "Focus on the solution rather than on the problem."

Don't concentrate on the things that trouble you. While you cannot always avoid troubling situations you can stay away from areas that increase your anxiety or worry. There will always be differences of opinions in any marriage.

It is best to stay away from areas of personal opinion (i.e. politics) that lead to disagreement.

Accept what can't be changed. Make this prayer of Richard Niebauer's your own: "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference." Don't try to "fix" your spouse, rather try to accept and love him or her in the way you want to be loved. Will this guarantee success? No, but I can guarantee you failure if you do not.

Live one day at a time. Learn to enjoy your marriage today. Have fun with your spouse today. There are too many challenges today that require your attention for you to worry about what the future may hold.

Many couples at Fort Benning find it difficult not be overwhelmed by problems.

They are so worried about this and that, that they let the trials of this life rob them of the joy of marriage. For more information, call the 545-2050.

Easter Sunrise Service

This year's speaker:
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Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

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Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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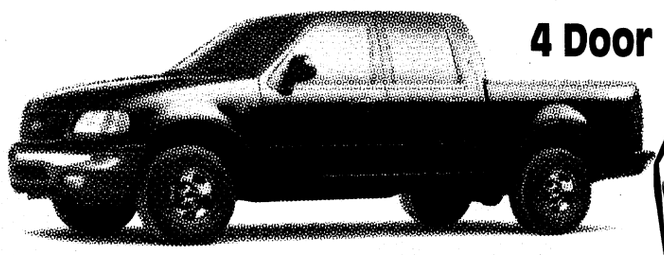

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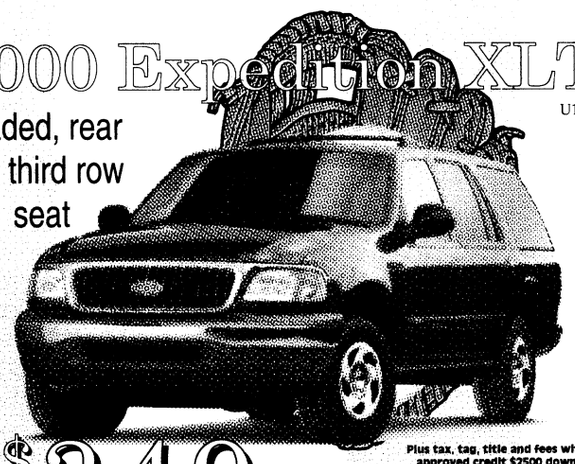

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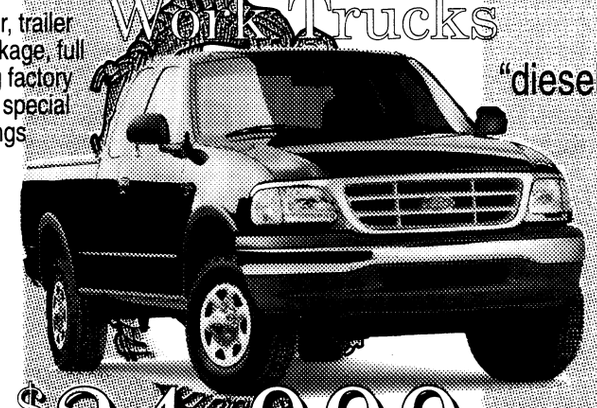

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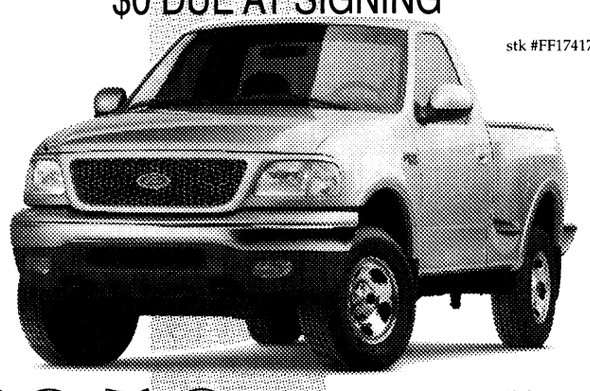

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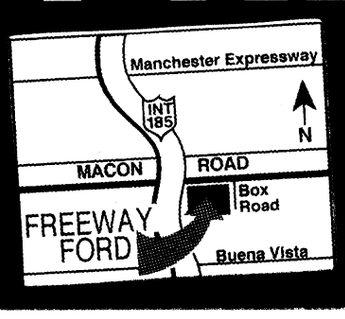

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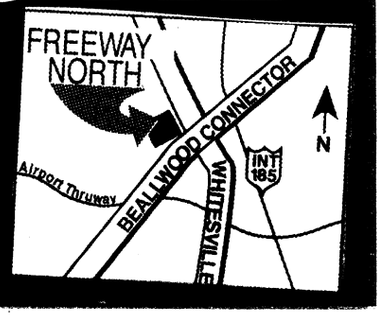

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SPORTS

Tigers, Cubs go to bat in YS baseball

Teams stay neck and neck during game

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

The Fort Benning Tigers were able to hold off the Cubs Saturday, 18-12, during Youth Services baseball action at Dexter Field.

The game began with both teams looking pretty good in the first inning. The Tigers scored 5 while the Cubs brought in 3.

One of those runs for the Cubs was thanks to a home run from Nick Simmons.

Simmons said he was a little nervous as he ran in the home run.

"I didn't think I would make it home before the catcher got the ball. I was worried that he would get me out because he was pretty good," he said.

The second inning was even closer as the teams battled it out. The Tigers scored 4 and the Cubs got 3.

It wasn't until the third inning that the Tigers began to pull away by scoring 3 runs off of a home run by Deandre Murphy went unanswered. The inning ended with 12-6 on the books.

It was an all out in the last inning of the game as both teams maxed out their runs scored at 6 each. But the clock ran out and the Tigers took the game, 18-12.

Danielle Secor, Cubs coach, said she thought the team could have caught up in the last inning if the league did not limit the number of runs.

Secor added, even though the team came up a little short, she was still proud of her team members for their hard work.

"They really rallied in the last inning," she said. "The whole team did a great job of working together."

Tigers Coach Troy Murphy said the team's hard work really paid off — keeping them on a 2-0 wining streak.

"It was a total team effort," he said. "We've been practicing twice a week, and we're just going to keep working on what we've been working on."

In the second game of the day, the Yankees were barely able to hold off the Eagles by a score of 13-12.

Marne hoopsters edge out ITB cadre in final minutes of playoff bout

10th Field Artillery moves closer to winning post champion title

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Although only six players for each team showed, many of the fans were on the edge of their seats as Service Company, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Brigade, managed to hold the 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry, Infantry Training Brigade team at bay for the last few minutes of Monday's post intramural basketball playoff game 58-56.

With a post season victory, 10th FA moved one step closer to the possibility of winning the title of post champion.

The game started with the teams trading baskets, neither team taking a commanding lead.

The whole first half was kept entirely within a five-point spread while both teams kept the fouls nearly out of the game.

Working the baseline to their advantage, 10th FA drove for a number of reverse lay-ups, while 50th Inf. used the fast break leading to unopposed lay-ups.

In a clean game, the first foul occurred a full 8 minutes into the game, where as many post games have a foul in the first minute of action.

The first half ended with the score tied at 30, and 10th FA forward, Larry McClelland, promised to turn up the heat and pull out the win.

Holding true to their promise, they did turn up the heat scoring 10 unanswered points, but too much heat can get you burned.

While trying to expand their lead by unsuccessfully attempting three-pointers, 50th Inf. began to chip away at 10th FA's defense while stealing the ball for several three-on-two drives that ended with an easy basket.

Taking the lead with five minutes remaining, 50th ITB held on to their 53 points while 10th FA loaded another round of high explosive action and re-gained the lead with only one minute remaining.

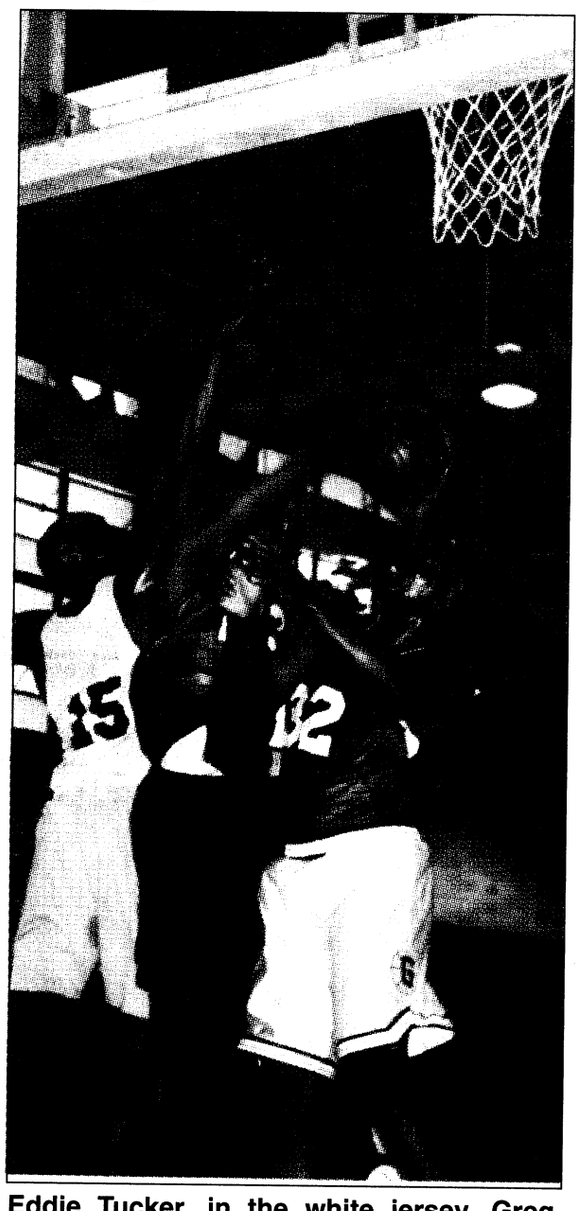
An untimely foul by the 10th FA brought Quanten Franklin, 50th Inf. guard to the line for a one-on-one attempt, with only seconds left on the clock.

Although unsuccessful in making the free-throw, 50th ITB re-took control of the ball and put up a last second desperation shot which did not fall as the game ending horn sounded.

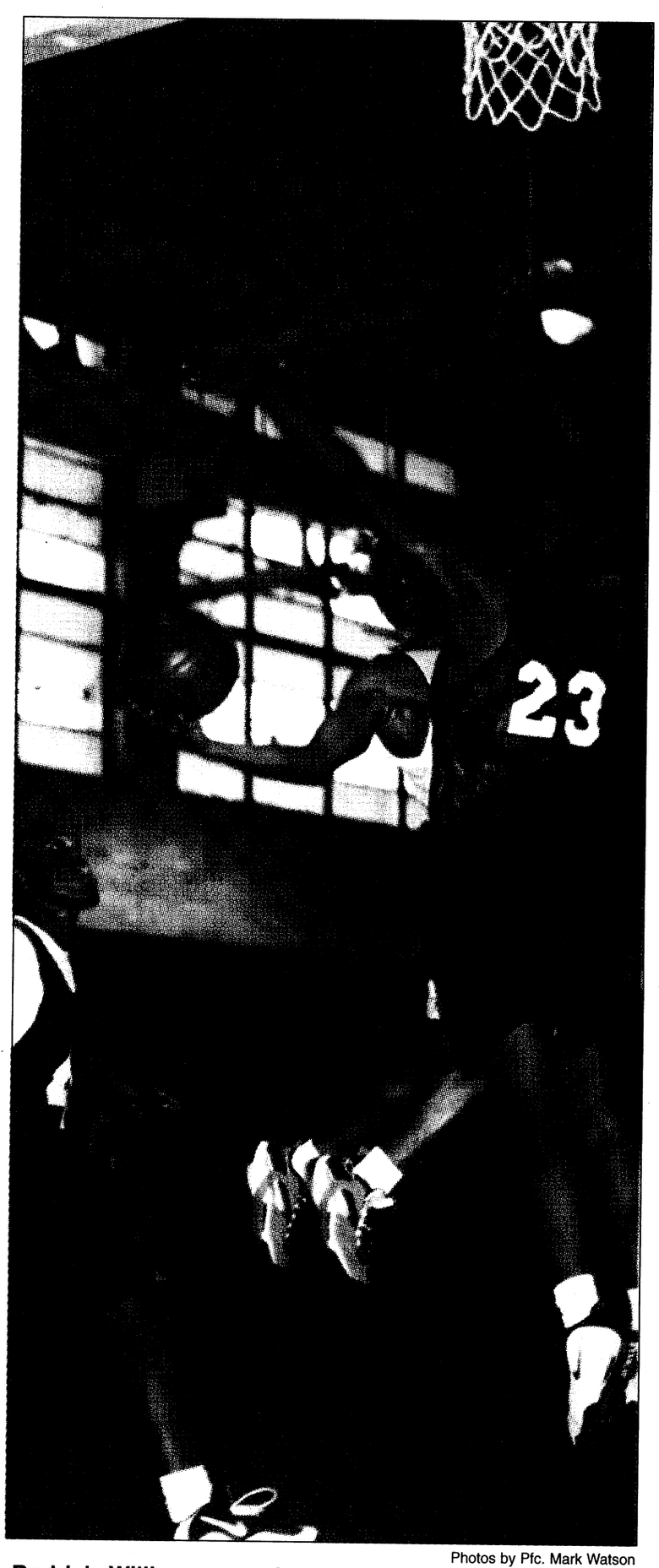
"We played real hard," said Johnny Hair, 50th Inf. coach. "We just turned over the ball too many times and couldn't make out free throws. We'll be out ... again and will play strong."

"It is a game of wit," said Walter Battle, a 10th FA guard. "We wanted it more. We were more intense and even though we are tired, we won it for the entire artillery."

The post championship game will tip-off Monday at 7 p.m. in the Briant Wells Field House. The consolation game will begin at 6 p.m.



Eddie Tucker, in the white jersey, Greg Norman and Dezzaris Pasley battle for the ball in the second half of hardwood action.



Photos by Pfc. Mark Watson

Rodrick Williams runs into the tough defense of Greg Norman in Monday's post intramural basketball action. Service Company, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Brigade, outlasted 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, 58-56.

Shooters compete in match

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

More than 40 shooters competed in the April International Defensive Pistol Association match Saturday at English Range.

In preparation for the up-coming night shoots, shooters faced new challenges at the daylight competition.

Using IDPA paper targets and steel knock-down targets, shooters needed to shoot two stages in a series of double taps and single shots.

The shooters were required to to double tap the five paper targets and knock over the steel targets. To throw a kink into things, one of the paper targets could not be shot at until a steel target was knocked down activating a swinger revealing the target.

A smart shooter would shoot a small steel knock-down target before activating the swinger, or they had the possibility of not having a clear shot at the steel, said Jim Graham, assistant manager of English Range. Still many shooters were fooled by the trick.

In the stock service category of the shoot, Randall Banks won first with Johnathan Moore and Ricky Phifer Sr. trailing close behind.

In the enhanced service class, Frank Russo shot for the win with Moore and Tony Wisyanski shooting for second and third place.

In the custom service class, Moore placed first with Jim Crissman and Jeff Richardson trailed behind.

In the service revolver, back-up automatic and back-up revolver classes, Bruce Robinson took the win with Morris Lewark and David Tutherow trailing in the service revolver class and James Fleeman placing second in the back-up automatic class.

For more information about upcoming matches, call the Rifle and Pistol Club at 689-3371.

Instructor's impact packs powerful punch

Former Ranger teaches martial arts to children

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer



Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

Felix Davila instructs 6-year-old Andrew Bogges.

In the world of martial arts, he is Fort Benning's equivalent to Mr. Miage. But when you are on his time there definitely isn't any "wax on, wax off " going on.

While Felix Davila isn't as small in stature as the karate wonder in the hit movie, he really isn't all that much bigger either. However, size has no bearing on the impact he has had on those he teaches, and it is apparent his influence packs quite a punch.

Davila's Tae Kwon Do teaching experience began eight years ago while serving at Fort Benning. He said he wanted to find a way to become more actively involved in his children's lives, so he decided to use his skills in Tae Kwon Do to teach the art to the community.

What started out as a class with five students quickly grew to more than 40, and it wasn't long before Davila was offered a contract from Youth Services. Now every week on Tuesday and Thursday nights, children and adults alike gather at YS to learn one of the oldest forms of martial arts from a teacher who is unlike any other.

For Davila, a 20-year-veteran of Tae Kwon Do and former Army Ranger, there is much more to the ancient art than just teaching kicks and punches. His students know a lesson with him is a work-out for the mind as well as the body.

"My main concern is to instill the values that this martial art has behind it," Davila said. "The five values I stress are courtesy, integrity, perseverance, self-control and indomitable spirit, which is a spirit no one can break."

Whereas the traditional approach to instructing a martial art is usually harder and straight forward, Davila said he considers himself a teacher and mentor first.

Doing good in school is a must, and periodically he makes the children bring in copies of their report cards to check up on their progress.

And while Davila teaches his students every level of the physical aspect of the sport, he said he emphasizes its use as strictly self-defense.

"One of the first things they learn is that just because they may have the physical ability to control someone or take someone down, that should not be the first approach rather the last resort," Davila said.

Recently, Davila got a special treat as he watched two of his students don the highest belt worn in Tae Kwon Do — the black belt. He said it was the first time since he's been teaching on Fort Benning that a student under the age of 18 was promoted to the level of black belt, let alone two.

He admitted that it is a great motivation for him to see his students reach that level. However, while it is

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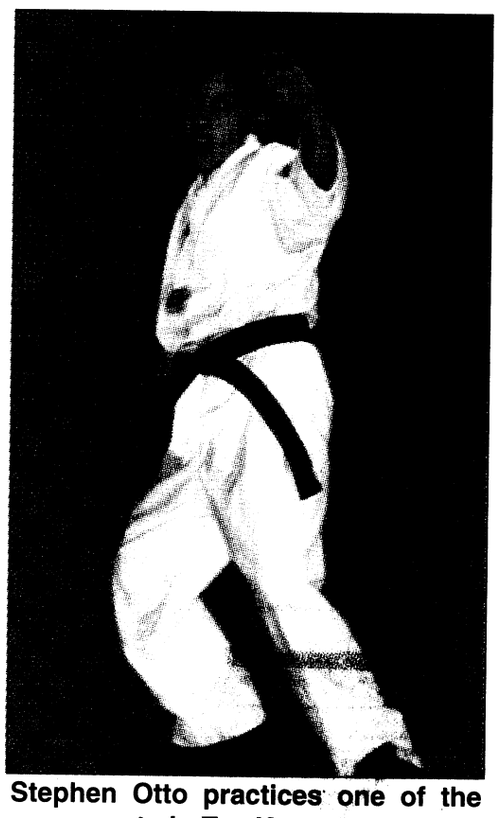

Stephen Otto practices one of the movements in Tae Kwon Do class.

Tae Kwon Do: Students get workout for mind, body in ancient art

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motivation for him to see his students succeed, his students and their parents give him much of the credit for their success.

Mechel Christy, mother of 11-year-old Justin Christy, one of the black belt recipients, said she is extremely impressed with Davila and his teaching methods.

She said he teaches the children morals along with confidence and discipline.

"He's wonderful with kids," Christy said. "I don't think my son would have been as interested in Tae Kwon Do if it hadn't been for him. He definitely played a part in Justin getting his black belt."

Justin, who has future goals of participating in the Junior Olympics, said Davila taught him to have more respect for others and also not to give up.

"He's a real nice teacher, he never yells at anyone and he's really fun to be around," the younger Christy said.

The other black belt recipient, 16-year-old Joe Cozart, said he considers Davila more like a friend and father figure than a teacher. He said Davila gave him the skills he needed and let him take it the rest of the way.

Working as a teacher at Youth Services is a nice break for Davila who works days as a martial arts instructor for area law enforcement. He said Tae Kwon Do keeps him not only in shape, but motivated and he hopes he will be practicing until he is 80 years old.

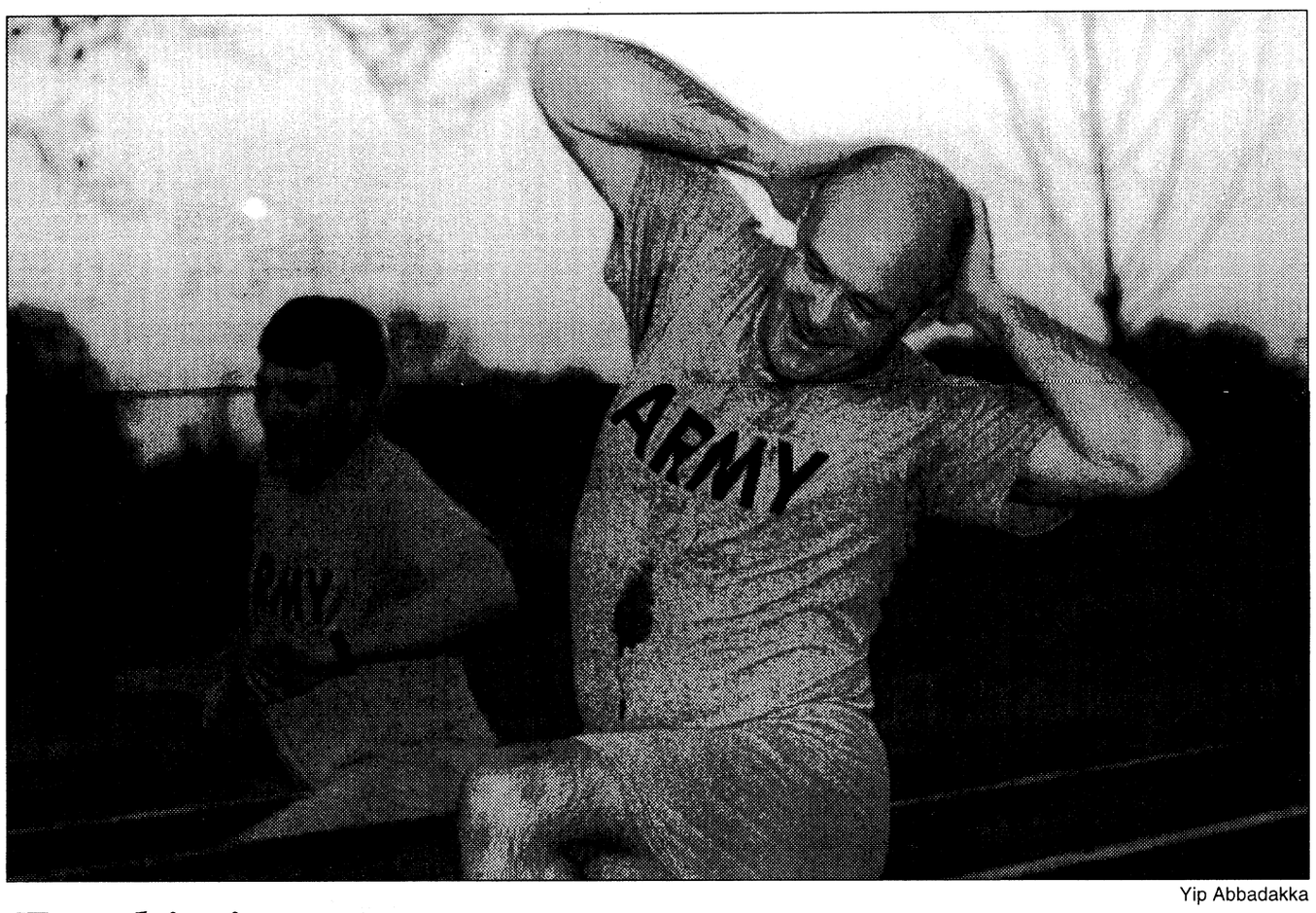
Davila encourages everyone to get involved in some form of martial art because of the level of fitness that comes from it.

"I stress that fitness needs to be added to family values," Davila said. "A well, fit family will always do better because they feel good about themselves, which keeps them more motivated to do things as a family."

Those who get involved in Tae Kwon Do almost always walk away with more than just the basic knowledge of the art, Davila said. Overall fitness and strength, confidence, discipline, respect, the ability to overcome obstacles, self-control, courtesy, integrity and perseverance are just a few.

"People who stick with this tend to stick with it for life," Davila said. "And that's why I like to push for this more than anything. I got into it as a child and left it for a while, but eventually I came right back for it."

Classes are Tuesday and Thursday with children beginning at 5:45 p.m. and adults starting at 6:45 p.m. Cost is $30 a month and everyone is welcome. For more information about the class or how to get involved, call 545-3070.



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Toughin it

Lt. Col. Gary Daniels, commander, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, and Capt. Dwight L. Pip negotiate the Toughnut Obstacle during the first Cycle-Cross competition hosted by the 1st Battalion, 507th Parachute Infantry Regiment. The event required participants to tackle the Main Post obstacle course, complete a run and included a bike event.

AMU shooters take home recent wins

Paula J. Randall-Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Shooters of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit have scored some major victories recently. The following results are some of their accomplishments:

• **Alabama Sectional, Pleasant Grove, Ala., March 24-26** —USAMU action shooter Maxient J. Michel was the overall winner out of 192 competitors in this International Practical Shooting Confederation match.

Julie A. Goloski was the Women's Winner.

• **Monthly Pistol Training Match, Fort Benning, March 25** — Service pistol shooter Gregory S. Wilson was the overall winner and took second place in the .22-Caliber and Center Fire Matches.

Adam E. Sokolowski won the .22-Caliber and Center Fire Matches in the Grand Aggregate.

Roger C. Jacobson finished third overall as well as third in the .22- and .45-Caliber and Center Fire Matches.

Jason A. Sargent won the .45-Caliber Match.

• **Dixie Match, Jacksonville, Fla., March 17-19** — Service pistol shooter Thomas A. Rose finished second in the Excellence in Competition Match out of 127 competitors; Jacobson was third and Sokolowski finished fourth.

The USAMU team of Jacobson, Rose, Sokolowski and Sargent won the Service Pistol Team Match and came in third overall in the Grand Aggregate.

• **Oak Ridge Monthly Match, Oak Ridge, Tenn., March 25** — Service rifle shooter Grant L. Singley was the winner of the match, followed by Lewis A. Tippie in second place and Tobie L. Tomlinson in third.

• **2000 Australian-Pacific Grand Prix, Queensland, Australia, March 11-18** — Shotgun shooter Shawn C. Dulohery won the Gold Medal in the Kemen Open Skeet Match March 18. He also took the Silver Medal in the Badge Skeet Match March 14 and the Bronze Medal in the Grand Prix Skeet Match March 16. Dulohery was also a member of the three-person USA Skeet Team that won the Gold Medal in the Skeet Team Event.

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Faith sets race — The 21st annual Faith Spring Race will be held Saturday starting at Faith Middle School.

The event will feature a one, two and five-mile race and has more than 10 age divisions. Awards will be presented to the top three open divisions (male and female) of the five and two mile races, and to the top five (male and female) open division winners of each one-mile race. Medals will be given to the top three male and female finishers of each group in each race.

Pre-registration for participants 14 and younger is $5 and $7 for those 15 and older. Registration the day of the race will be $6 for those 14 and younger and $8 for 15 and older.

Maps of race courses are available at the Faith Middle School Physical Education Department. For more information or entry forms, call 545-5524 or 545-7793.

USAIS holds golf scramble — The U.S. Army Infantry School is holding a four-person golf scramble open to Soldiers and their guests at 1 p.m. April 14 at the Follow Me Golf Course.

Deadline for sign-up is today.

For more information, call 545-5296.

NRMB sets traps — The Natural Resource Management Branch has set up traps in the wooded areas throughout the installation in an effort to eradicate the wild boar problem on post.

The traps are dangerous and people are asked to keep out of the areas where they are employed.

The traps are large, wooden boxes baited with corn.

For more information, call Pete Swiderek at 544-7077.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for summer basketball coaches. Anyone interested in coaching should stop by Youth Services, Building 1056 or call 545-3070.

Georgia Parks offers annual pass — Outdoor enthusiasts can save money at any of Georgia's 48 state parks this year by buying an annual ParkPass. The pass is $25 and provides unlimited access to Georgia State Parks without paying the $2-$4 daily parking fee.

For an additional $10, visitors can join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites," which offers not only the annual pass, but also discounts in Friends-operated gift shops, free historic site admission, one free round of golf, volunteer opportunities and a newsletter.

For more information about the ParkPass program, call (404) 657-9851 or visit www.gastateparks.org. To join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites," call (800) 864-7275.

Chik-fil-A tournament pays tribute to armed forces — The Chik-fil-A Charity Championship hosted by Nancy Lopez, Georgia's only LPGA Tour event, will pay a special tribute to the Armed Forces April 30.

Anyone with a military identification card may present it at the tournament gates for free admission. In addition, the first 1,000 general admission fans through the gates will receive a complimentary golf cap embroidered with the United States flag.

The tournament benefits WinShape Homes, a long term foster care organization for the handicapped.

For more information, call (770) 474-4653.

Mothers receive free admission — Moms will receive free admission to the nationwide championship on Mother's Day May 14 where they will see Senior PGA Tour players vie for a $1.45 million purse in the 10th annual Nationwide Championship.

The tournament runs May 8-14 at the Golf Club of Georgia in Alpharetta, Ga.

Individual tickets to the tournament are available for $20 to $25 while package deals are available for $175 to 2,000. The seven day tournament benefits Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

For more information, call (404) 303-0993.

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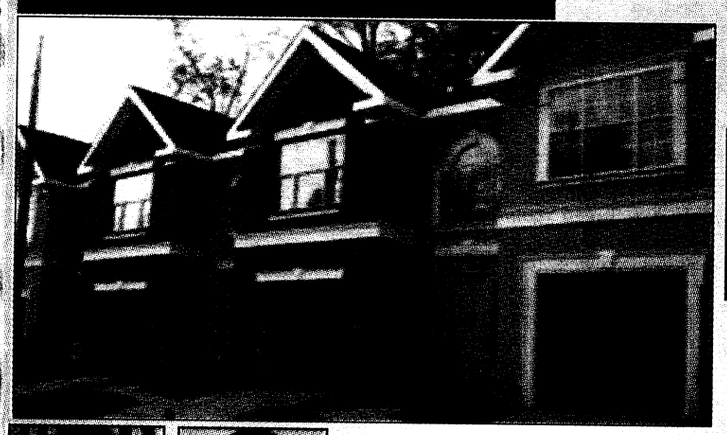



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79 Corvette L82 matching #'s, leather, Tilt, A/C, PWR everything, T-tops very clean, asking $8,700 OBO / Possible trade. 660-9263. after 5:00 p.m. or Lv msg. (F28)

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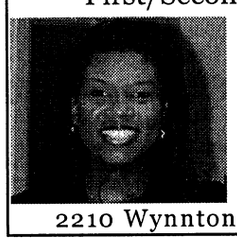
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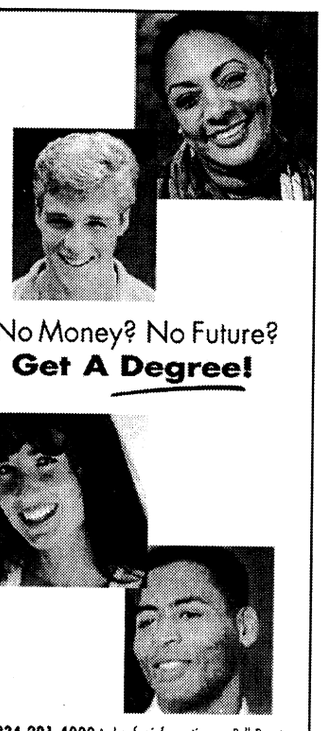

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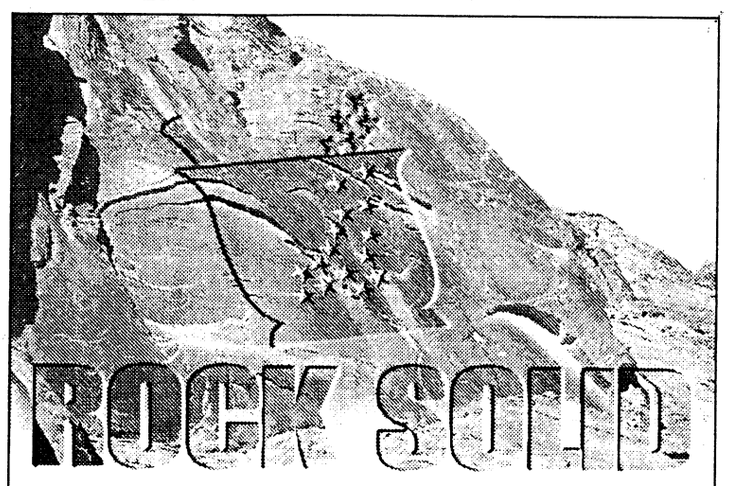

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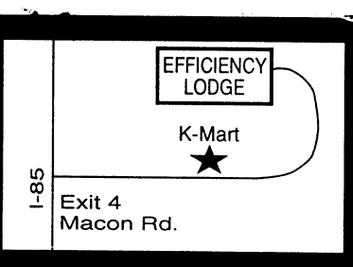

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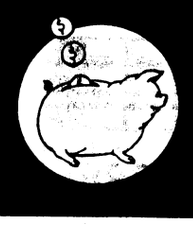

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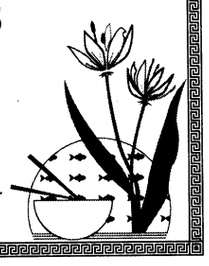

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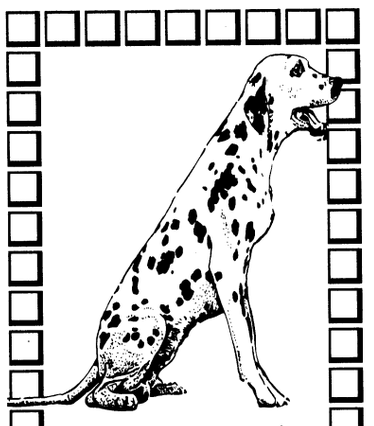

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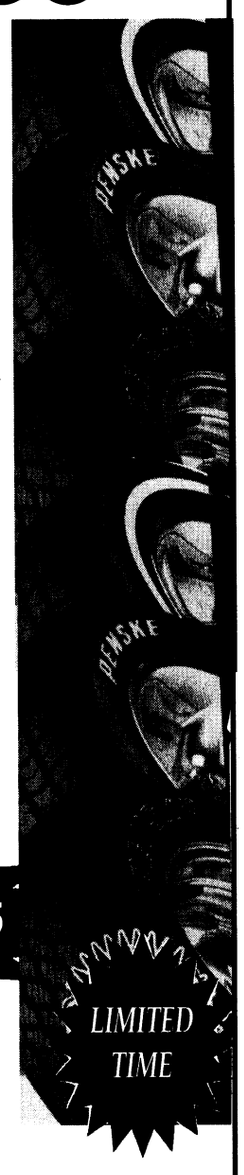

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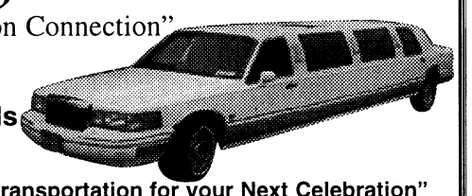

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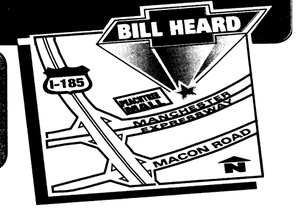

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Burning reduces risk of wildfire



Sally Shutt

Jack Greenlee puts out the remains of a prescribed burn fire on Sand Hill April 6.

Prescribed burns protect natural habitat of endangered bird

Sally Shutt
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Smoke Hill was a more appropriate name for Sand Hill April 6.

Forestry technicians from the Land Management Branch and red-cockaded woodpecker technicians from the Conservation Branch burned 169 acres that day in the areas around the Infantry Training and Basic Combat Training Brigades.

The fires were started around noon and burned out by 4 p.m.

The prescribed burning is part of the post's ongoing Forestry Management Program designed to reduce the risk of wildfires and improve the health of the forest for wildlife in general — and the habitat of the red-cockaded woodpecker, which is on the federal government's endangered species list, in particular.

Dressed in bright yellow fire-protective gear and carrying drip torches, 10 prescribed burners set the blazes and then watched as the brush burned quickly throughout the five wooded areas on the day's schedule.

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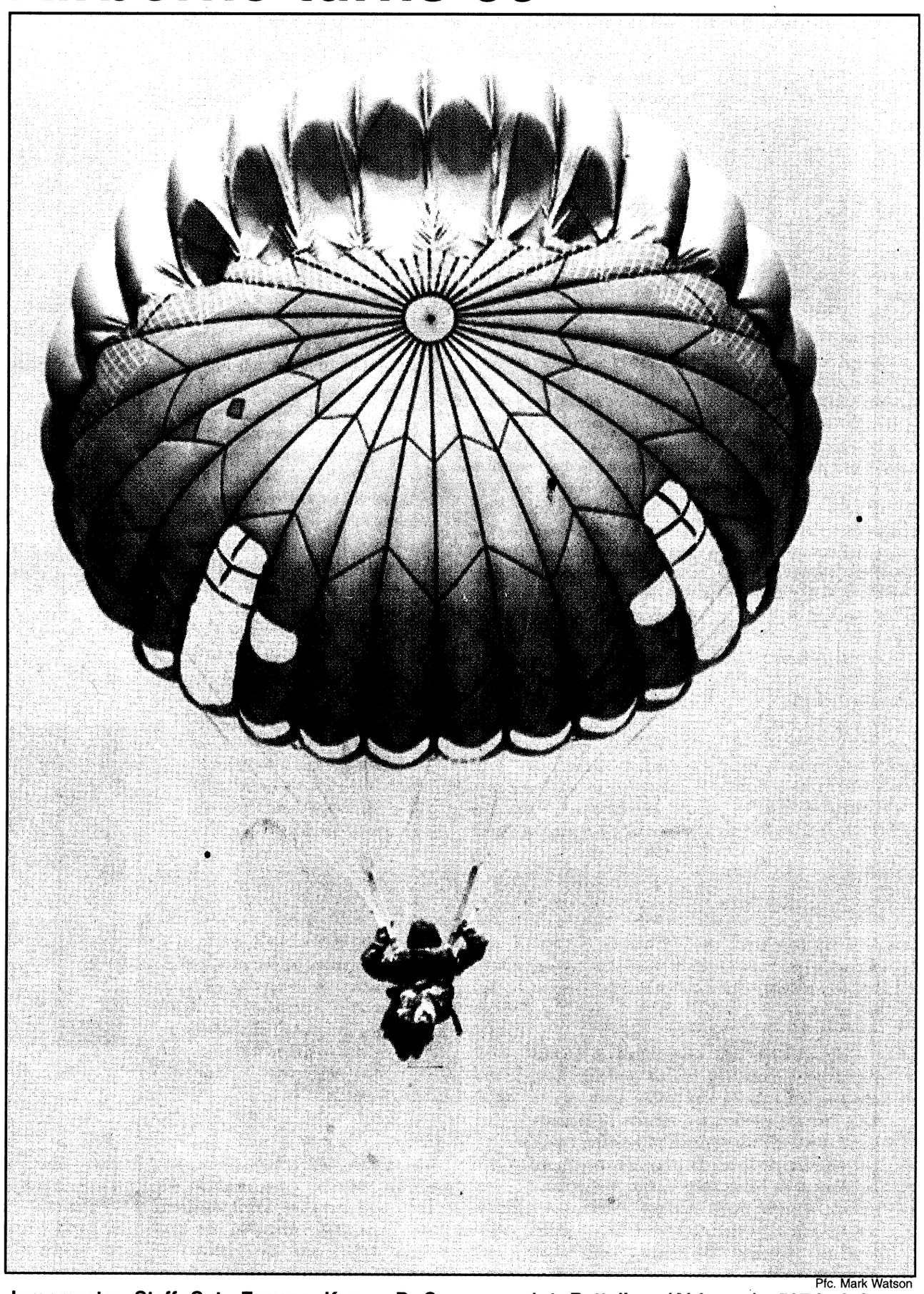
Airborne turns 60



Pfc. Mark Watson

Jumpmaster Staff Sgt. Eugene Kyser, D Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry Regiment, jumps onto Fryar Drop Zone Tuesday morning. The Airborne community is celebrating the 60th anniversary of the founding of the parachute training program at Fort Benning.

Past CGs return, talk new Army

Generals meet Tuesday, focus on modernization

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

It's been several years since the former commandants of the Infantry School convened to discuss pertinent issues in the military, more specifically the Infantry.

Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne decided to reinstate these conferences this month with the Former Commandant's Conference from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday in Infantry Hall, Room 642.

The meeting's topic will be Army transformation, which includes heavy modernization, light modernization and Brigade Combat Team initiatives, said Lt. Col. John D'Agostino, who put together the agenda for the leaders' conference.

The agenda includes morning briefings by different directorates of the Infantry School, followed by an open discussion with Le Moyne in the afternoon.

Le Moyne scheduled the Former Commandant's Conference before the Infantry Conference, which is June 12-15, said Lt. Col. Don Sando, deputy chief of staff. "To discuss ongoing projects and get feedback," he said.

"The former commandants have years and years of experience. It's always good to share ideas," said Sando.

The conference intends to update these former commanders on current programs as well as provide a means to discuss current issues. "We're not just telling them things, we're seeking their input and counsel," said Sando.

Gen. John Hendrix, Forces Command, will join nine retired post commanders at the conference.

Those joining Hendrix will include Gen. James Lindsay, Gen. John W. Foss, Lt. Gen. Orwin C. Talbott, Lt. Gen. Michael Spigelmire, Lt. Gen. Sam Wetzel, Lt. Gen. Carmen Cavezza, Maj. Gen. Ken Leuer, Maj. Gen. Jerry White and Maj. Gen. Carl Ernst.

Patients benefit from well-rounded residents

Residency Program helps Martin Army care for patients

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

There are 26 residents in Martin Army Community Hospital's Family Practice Residency Program, but don't expect to find them serving only on the first floor of the big white hospital.

While the residents do work and train in the first-floor family practice clinic, they also treat patients all over the hospital, serving a rotation in every specialty Martin Army offers — from the OB ward to the ER and the allergy clinic.

"If there's a specialty, they have a rotation in it," Maj. Karen O'Brien, the program's director, said.

"They are the front line of care for this hospital, but they always have someone supervising them," O'Brien said.

Maj. Sarita Mobley, a Columbus native, is in her third year of training and will graduate in June. Mobley served in the Army for six years as a medical service corps officer. She left the military to attend medical school at Morehouse College in Atlanta.

Many patients don't realize that family practice is a specialty, but Mobley said she never once questioned her choice.

"This is the best program. There is nothing that can compare to it," she said.

"I think military residency programs, particularly family practice ones, are unique in the sense that you get to see a large variety of patients," Mobley said.

Her next assignment will be as a staff physician in a family practice clinic at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

"I like continuity of care and managing a variety of patients, from older patients to young ones. I also like dealing with women's health issues.

"In family practice, we say we follow the patients from cradle to the grave," she said.

William F. Schafer has been a patient at Martin Army for almost 40 years and enrolled in the Family Practice Residency Clinic when it started in the early 1970s.

"My wife signed us up the first year," he said. Schafer and other patients over the age of 65 who receive Medicare cannot enroll in Tricare Prime; however, a number of older patients are allowed to be seen at the clinic on a space-available basis in

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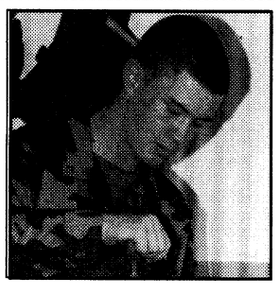

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Survival skills, tips help lost

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



When it finally dawned on me that the woods were getting thicker and the trail wasn't going to magically appear beneath my feet it didn't take long for that sinking panic feeling to set in.

It had been an hour since my hiking partner Nicki and I had seen a clearly marked trail and we were getting a bit anxious.

What was supposed to be a relaxing hike on one of the trails at Pine Mountain quickly turned into an important lesson on how tricky nature can be if you are not prepared.

I will admit I have no idea how we got off the trail in the first place, but we did. I guess it's just one of those great mysteries of life.

All I know is one minute we were walking along a clearly marked blue-blazed trail and the next we were dumbly staring into an abyss of trees wondering which way to go.

At first we were both nonchalant and very optimistic. We figured we weren't far from the trail and we would find it soon enough.

Then after 45 minutes of walking up, up, up, through cobwebs and thorny bushes and getting slapped in the face by branches, it occurred to us that we had no clue where we were or where we were going.

This is the part where I have to sacrifice my pride by admitting that I have no navigational or directional skills whatsoever. I usually find my way by looking for landmarks, but considering fast-food restaurants and department stores aren't exactly a mainstay in the middle of the woods, I was definitely out of luck.

So, I pretty much left it up to Nicki to get us out of there. She didn't like that too much and quickly reminded me that I was the one in the Army.

Nicki remained relatively calm most of the time. Not even losing her dog for a half an hour or the big black snake we saw phased her too much. It wasn't until she got caught in a gigantic spiderweb and expended most of her energy screaming and thrashing around that it finally got to her.

After being lost for an hour and a half my mind began to whirl with the possibility of being lost for days, even weeks. I imagined eating bugs and sucking on leaves to stay alive. All it did was scare me more and I promised myself that once we got out I would buy a compass and a survival guide.

Well obviously we did get out because I wrote this commentary on our unfortunate mishap. By some act of divine intervention we eventually found a trail and made our way back.

Now I am here singing from the choir. I advise anyone who decides to go out in the woods to be prepared. My first and foremost recommendation is a compass and matches. Those two things could ultimately save your life. Fire is the key to survival.

The people at Adventure Sports Online also recommend always taking an extra sweater or jacket and a pocket poncho or large garbage bag for rain gear.

Some other tips they offer for those who lose their way is to stay put because someone should come looking. If no one knows where you are then it is best to follow a stream or river — people most often live near water sources. They also advise to stay warm, comfortable, hydrated and findable.

While these tips may seem simple and obvious, you would be surprised how easily forgotten they are. Believe me I know first hand.

Juggling act puts strain on family time

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary



An artist took up residence at Faith Middle School last week. If you read last week's paper, you learned all about Mary Ann Hart, a professional mime, and her passion for the performing arts.

Watching her in action last week reminded me of my own childhood desire to perform. My art of choice was juggling. I used to watch the professional jugglers on the *Bozo the Clown* show. If you watch long enough it starts to look pretty easy. By the time the juggler had exited stage right, I was convinced I could do it myself.

Off I'd go to round up those little plastic bowling pins. I'd start by tossing one up in the air until I felt pretty comfortable. You know if you can't juggle one plastic bowling pin, you're headed nowhere under the big top. Feeling pretty confident, I'd add another. See, I knew I could do it.

Toss in pin number three. Oops. Try again. And again. And again. And — oh forget it. Gee, it really looked easy on television.

I'd put my dream on a shelf until Bozo invited another juggler to be his guest.

Things haven't changed all that much in the 30-something years since I failed as a performer. I'm still lousy at juggling. But I keep trying. And something always gets dropped, but it's no longer plastic toys that are hitting the floor.

I'm not all that different than moms and dads everywhere who are going through life juggling their most precious possessions, hoping nothing gets bruised in the attempt. I've even inflicted a few bruises myself. Like when I miss Thomas' ballgame because I'm across post at McKenzie's soccer game — ouch. Or when Jacob hits a double on Green Field, but I'm on Blue Field watching Brittney play soccer.

Perhaps I should have seen trouble ahead when we were in the thick of pre-season practices. Thomas would head for practice on his bike at 4:30 p.m. I would drop Brittney off at her practice at 5 o'clock, head across post to drop Jacob at 5:30 p.m., circle back to the soccer fields to drop McKenzie off at 6. By then it was time to return to pick up Brittney. Then Jacob. And so on. Throw in Wednesday night church and the occasional after-school activity and the picture starts to blur.

Whoever thought ball season could present so many conflicts for a family? I'm sure it was designed to play a strengthening role in the lives of kids and their families.

It's no surprise that middle school-age kids are dropping out of organized sports by the hundreds. My guess is that it may have something to do with the fact that they've been put in every seasonal sport going since they were old enough to wear cleats. And all too often Mom or Dad are not there to see them play, because Dad's *in the field* and Mom's watching over a younger sibling *on another field.* Who's there to pat them on the back when they do a good job, or give them a hug when they wish they could've done better? I'm sure this scenario isn't representative of all our Fort Benning families. I see so many of them juggling their lives successfully — poetry in motion. Performing art at its finest. But as for me and my house, I've learned my lesson.

My kids will be allowed to pick one sport each year. If they choose soccer, they can play a good pick-up game of baseball with the neighborhood kids when they have the desire. If they choose to play football, they can play soccer the following year.

I think unstructured time is important to the development of healthy children. That doesn't mean they'll veg in front of the TV. It means they'll have the chance to sit on the sidelines and cheer for their brother or sister. It means they'll have to use their imagination when there's nothing penciled on their schedule for the evening. It means they'll get to wear their inline skates again. Maybe Jacob will get to practice walking on his stilts. He used to enjoy that when he had more than 10 minutes between activities to devote to it.

Maybe Thomas will finally learn to ride that unicycle he got for Christmas two years ago.

Lots of maybes, but one thing is for sure, I'll have less stress and a lot more peace of mind. As a result, I'll be a better mother to my children.

Who knows, I might even join them in a game of basketball out on the driveway. Or maybe we'll gather up a few plastic bowling pins and form a family juggling act. We've had a lot of practice.

545-BOSS

Dial 545-BOSS is the commander's action line for Soldiers, family members and civilians to call when they have problems or complaints that can't be resolved elsewhere.

While it is not a substitute for the chain of command or for agencies established to provide assistance, the line offers another means of communication between Fort Benning's community and commanders.

The Bayonet features some of the calls that may benefit other members of the Fort Benning community.

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Call: Soldier said that post gyms do not allow children under 12 to use the gym and he feels this policy should be changed as long as the children are accompanied by a responsible adult.

Directorate of Community Activities Response: The Soldier was informed that children 12 years and under are allowed in adult gym facilities with an adult. However, the adult must be participating in the activity (basketball or racquetball) with the child. Children 12 years and under are not allowed in weight room areas because weight-bearing equipment is designed for adults.

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Call: Caller said since there is a post regulation prohibiting use of profanity and obscene language in any public area on the Fort Benning military reservation, this should also extend the use of such in housing areas. She said people living in quarters should not be allowed to bring their radios and stereos outside around small children playing loud music which is racist, sexist, obscene, vulgar or profane. She said this music carries labels prohibiting sale to minors and people should not be subjected to hearing this type of music that they don't even play in their own homes.

Garrison Commanders Office Response: USAIC Regulation 210-5, Aug. 6 1998, Chapter 4, Sec. III, para 4-5, states: "The use of obscene, vulgar or profane language in any public area on the Fort Benning military reservation is prohibited." Para 4-7 states: "Playing of radios and electronic sound devices ... which emits sound at a volume audible at a distance of 15 feet .... on any public street, public parking area or private driveway on the Fort Benning reservation is prohibited." The regulation also states that failure of residents of family quarters who fail to live in harmony with their neighbors and comply with policies will result in termination of quarters.

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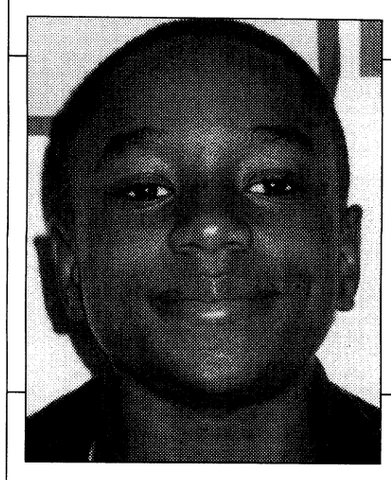
Call: The caller said school buses are speeding in their housing area at about 40 miles per hour and there are small children playing that are at risk. She said she has confronted one driver and has called the school. She said the driver slowed down for a while but has begun speeding again.

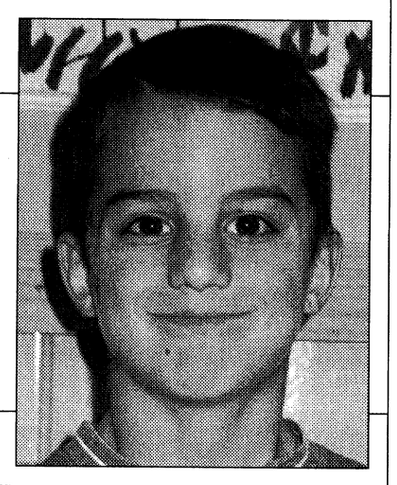
DPS Response: The caller was contacted and informed of enforcement efforts and results in her area with speeding school buses. She did indicate who the bus belonged to and promised to report back with a bus number. Law Enforcement Division will have traffic patrols out there earlier and she was assured that there is a zero tolerance for speeders on the installation.

VARIOUS VOICES

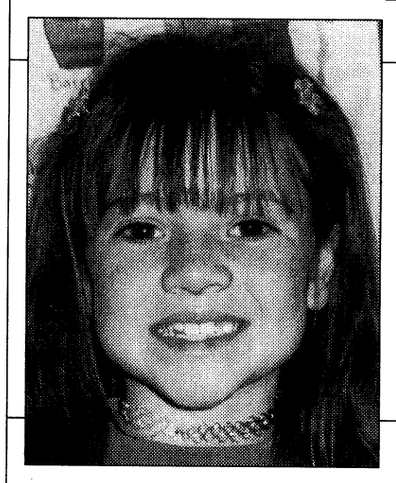
What are your plans for spring break?



Fifth-grader Dewayne Metcalf, Wilson Elementary — "I'm going to New York. My dad is from Brooklyn. We're going to see the Statue of Liberty and visit my grandma."



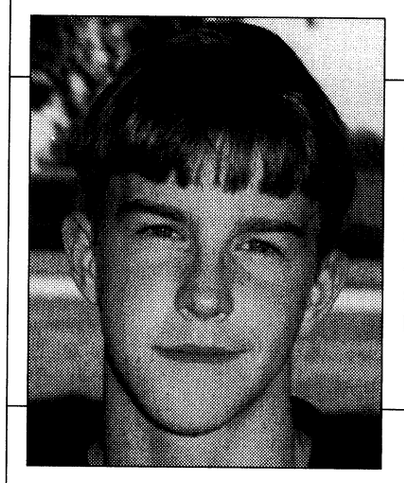
First-grader Todd Mueller, White Elementary — "My mom is taking me and my friend Jared to CNN in Atlanta to watch them make the news. Then we're going to the Coca-Cola Space Center. It's going to be really fun."



Third-grader Elysa Parks, McBride Elementary — "My birthday is on the 19th. My grandma is coming all the way down from Ohio to be with me on my birthday."



Fourth-grader Jerrice Martin, Stowers Elementary — "My plans are to go camping in Indiana for five days. I'm going to take a Harry Potter book to read on the trip."



Seventh-grader Ed Pipalski, Faith Middle School — "Everybody's sick at my house, so we'll probably just stay home and rest. I'll probably have to do some lawn work and some housework."



Anne Shaw, industrial arts teacher, Faith Middle School — "It's my parents' 50th anniversary, so my husband and I are taking them to Vienna, Austria. I've never even been overseas."

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Fire: Burns 169 acres on Sand Hill; protects woodpeckers

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Prescribed burns usually require fewer technicians, but with the large number of training sites and other "assets" — buildings and landscaping — at Sand Hill, the branch wanted more people available to keep the fires under control, said Tommy Hutcherson, one of three "burn bosses" during the day.

In January, Jack Greenlee, supervisory forester, met with operations officers from ITB and BCTB and coordinated the plan to burn about 450 acres during the spring and summer in the Sand Hill area. The officers provided training schedules and maps of training sites.

The weather and wind direction made April 6 a great day for a prescribed burn, and a decision was made by Greenlee early that morning to proceed as planned, Hutcherson said.

The brigades were contacted to verify their training schedules.

"We didn't want to smoke out the military, and we didn't want to smoke out Columbus," Hutcherson said. Westerly winds kept the smoke out of Columbus.

"We want to keep the smoke out of Columbus because it is such a smoke-sensitive area," Hutcherson said.

The winds cooperated by not shifting, and the Community Relations Office, which usually handles complaint calls from the local area, did not receive any about the smoke.

The Garrison Commander's office issued a safety alert in March about the smoke hazard resulting from the prescribed burns. Individuals with asthma, allergies, heart disease or women who are pregnant should avoid smoky areas and remain indoors as much as possible while smoke is present.

Prescribed burning is common on post from January through August, with between 25,000 and 30,000 acres burned each year. Areas throughout the post are burned on a three-year rotation, and all burning is done in accordance with prescribed weather parameters, Greenlee said.

Walking through a newly blackened wooded area beside Winder Clinic and the Sand Hill Post Office, Greenlee said, "In three weeks this will all be greened up and look like new."

Diamond-shaped signs with the endangered woodpecker's picture were posted on several trees in the burned section, designating a 200-foot buffer area around a woodpecker cluster of four cavities



and the surrounding area where the birds forage.

"The woodpeckers live in family groups," Michael Barron, wildlife biologist, Conservation Branch, said. Barron coordinates all red-cockaded woodpecker projects on post.

There are more than 300 clusters on Fort Benning, and only two types of military training are allowed in a cluster area — foot traffic and the firing of blank rounds, Barron said.

Each bird has its own cavity, and white bands are painted on the pine trees that have the holes, which are usually 2 inches in diameter.

Because it can take a bird up to a year to complete a cavity on its own, the environmentalists are giving them what Greenlee calls "government housing."

Artificial cavities are placed in



Photos by Sally Shutt

A prescribed burn protects the habitat of the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker.

trees, providing the birds with a ready-made home.

"We are creating new opportunities for the birds to colonize on their own," Barron said. So far, 16 "recruiting sites" have been installed — proving that BDU-wearing recruits aren't the only ones being sought to live on post.

In order for the bird to be removed from the endangered species list, 15 populations in the southeast must expand, Barron said, and Fort Benning has been designated as one of the "recovery populations." The goal is to increase from the more than 300 clusters already here to 450.

In the meantime, prescribed burning will continue to contribute to the effort.

This year, about 100 clusters are in areas where the burning will take place, Barron said.

Program: Helps doctors gain medical experience, knowledge

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order to give the doctors a wide-ranging patient base.

"We do provide care for some Medicare patients," O'Brien said. "In a lot of military facilities, these patients would all be forced to go downtown, but because we want our residents to have exposure to patients of all ages, some are allowed to be seen here."

Schafer interjected that he and his wife have supplemental insurance, in addition to Medicare.

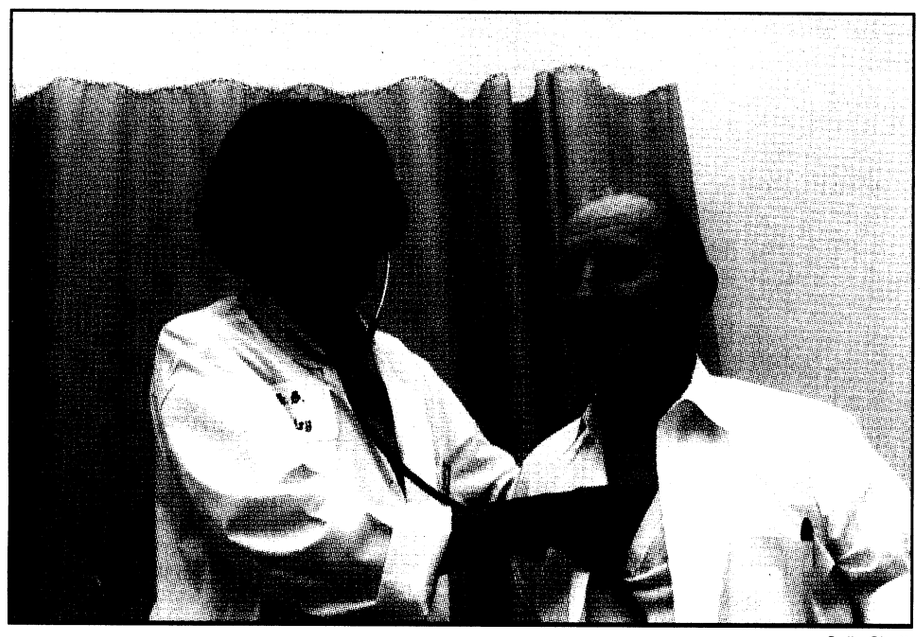
"We could go anywhere we wanted to for medical care, but we prefer to come here, because they are here. These doctors come here fresh from school with the latest medical training," he said.

Joyce Weekley and her husband, William, have been patients in the clinic since 1973, and she is thrilled with the care they have received from Capt. Mario Caycedo, a second-year resident.

"My husband doesn't like doctors, but Dr. Caycedo was able to convince him to undergo a physical," she said. "He even calls us at home and has developed a relationship with us."

Margie Anderson had not been to a doctor in 40 years. That was until she met Capt. Carlos Wise. He changed her mind.

Wise, a third-year resident, cared for Anderson's husband who suffered from heart failure.



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Maj. Sarita Mobley, a third-year resident, listens to William Schafer's heart during an exam at the Family Practice Clinic.

"He did everything he could to save him," Anderson said. "Dr. Wise is a wonderful doctor."

The Family Practice Residency Program was founded in 1972, the first of six established in the Army and the only residency program at Martin Army, O'Brien said.

As of 1999, there have been 199 graduates, all of whom have passed the American Board of Family Practice Certification Exam. O'Brien graduated from the program in 1996.

O'Brien is proud of the program and cites the fact that in October it received a five-year accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, which reviews all military and civilian residency programs in the country.

> "We could go anywhere we wanted for medical care, but we prefer to come here because they are here."
>
> **— William Schafer**
> Family Practice patient

"The average accreditation nationally is 3.6 years," she said. "Less than 5 percent of residencies get a five-year accreditation."

This is the third consecutive five-year accreditation for Martin Army's program.

"Which is pretty much unheard of," O'Brien said. The doctor gave much credit to Lt. Col. Jeffrey Rifkin, the previous residency director who helped the program prepare for the accreditation process and site visit last spring. He was killed in May 1999 in a car accident.

Nine physicians serve on the teaching staff. Half of the residents were trained at civilian medical schools; the other half at the Uniform Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md.

In order to graduate from the program, the residents must obtain medical licenses either from the state of Georgia or from the state listed as their home of record. Most residents already hold licenses in Georgia, O'Brien said.

In addition to the accreditation, Martin Army's program is also known as a top research program.

Last year the residents and teaching staff made five national presentations and were published four times. Already this year, they have made three presentations and been published once.

If attending classes, conducting research and treating patients weren't enough, the residents are also active in community service.

They conduct a tobacco education program in the Fort Benning Schools each fall, and throughout the year offer smoking cessation and advanced directives classes.

"These are all resident-run and were initiated by residents," O'Brien said.

For more information on the classes, call 544-3065.

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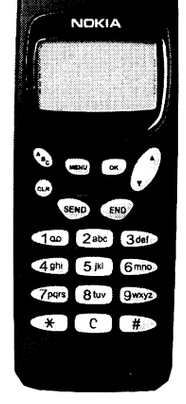

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MPs honor unsung hero

Conference room named after clerk

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Lt. Col. Donald Salo never met Leroy Johnson, who died unexpectedly at age 61 Nov. 29 — Salo's first day on the job as commander of the Military Police Activity and director of Public Safety.

"But I've heard about him every day since then," Salo said Friday morning during a ceremony honoring Johnson, a civilian blotter clerk for 10 years with the activity.

An overflow crowd attended the ceremony in the Directorate of Public Safety's newly renovated Johnson Conference Room — named for the man known around the MP station as "Mr. J."

"Mr. Johnson gave 10 years of his life to this organization. He was a role model and mentor to the Soldiers and civilians," Salo said.

Automation, or blotter clerks take written incident reports prepared by MPs; edit for spelling and grammar, then enter the information into the automated blotter system.

"Blotter clerks are our unsung heroes. They are people we count on to be here all the time," Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief of Law Enforcement, said.

"Mr. J. was a light to the Provost Marshal's office. The way he said things would just lift you up, and his passing created a void we haven't been able to fill."

"He was crusty on the outside, but he had a heart of gold," Maj. Samuel Mosteller, the executive officer for the MP activity, said.

Mosteller recalled how Johnson would voluntarily work shifts late at night so other clerks with small children could go home.

Over the years Johnson — a computer specialist who served 28 years in the Air Force, including a tour in Vietnam — trained Jonna LeBlanc, Becky Kilgore and other clerks on the Offense Reporting System, the automated blotter system used on post.

"He would make sure we were doing OK and keep us informed about rules and regulations," Kilgore said of the man credited with working out many of the "bugs" in the system.

"We miss him a lot. You can walk in and feel him not here. There's a part of the building that's missing," LeBlanc said.

Johnson's widow, Ernestine, and their two daughters, Teresa and Charlene, attended the ceremony.

"His job was his whole life," said daughter Maj. Teresa Johnson, a reservist with the 81st Regional Support Command, in Birmingham, Ala.

"He would be very proud and so honored that his co-workers thought so much of him," Charlene Johnson, an educator from Chicago, said of her father.

Their brother, Capt. Charles Johnson, was unable to attend the ceremony honoring his father because the Army officer is in special training at Quantico, Va., his mother said.

The conference room had not changed since Salo was a first lieutenant assigned to the MP activity back in the 1980s, and the commander wanted to dress up the room and have it reflect the whole DPS organization. He chose pictures to hang on the freshly painted walls that reflect the history of both the police and fire agencies on post. Representatives from branches of the directorate were on hand.

"Mr. Johnson dedicated his life to selfless service, and I think it is fitting that we dedicate this room to him," Salo said.

During the ceremony, Ernestine Johnson pinned an Army Achievement Medal on Spc. Keith Kuhn. He was given the medal for his work in refurbishing the room.



Sally Shutt

(Left to right) Spc. Keith Kuhn and Ernestine Johnson cut the ribbon to the new Johnson Conference room at the Directorate of Public Safety.

Officer Candidate School inducts first woman into Hall of Fame

Lessons learned from OCS instrumental for colonel's success

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

"That's cool."

Or at least that is how Col. Rose Walker said her two young children described her being the first woman inducted into the elite Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame.

While the induction Friday may only be "cool" to her 8- and 6-year-old sons, it marked a first for the school's honorary club as Walker earned her place as the first woman inducted into an elite group of who's who of OCS alumni.

"This is an honor," Walker said after the ceremony. "But there is nothing different about me from the rest of the inductees. A Soldier is a Soldier whether he is a man or a woman."

The now colonel said she first learned her lesson in gender equity in 1979 before graduating the school and has relied on that lesson ever since.

"We were on our way back from a field exercise, and all I could think about was being tired," she recalled. "It was hot, and I was surrounded by about 10 men in the back of a deuce and a half (truck).

"I looked at the Soldier next to me and hoping for sympathy, I said, 'I am tired of trying to be a man.' He replied, 'So am I.'"

While the lesson she learned came at a cost of humility for Walker, she said she believes it is what has brought her back to the school for the honor.

"I have never really had rank as a goal," she said. "I have just always treated people equal and with the respect that they deserve.

> "I've never had rank as a goal ... I guess that's the secret to my success."
>
> **— Col. Rose Walker**
> First woman inductee
> Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame

"I guess that is my secret to success," she said.

While her founding morals and lessons learned have guided the wife and mother of two this far in her career, she said she has no plans for what is to come in the future for her military career.

"I have some projects I would like to finish up in the next few months, but I am just tackling one project at a time," she said. "I guess you could say my only real long-term project is what I try to do on a daily basis and that is taking care of troops."

Walker, who is presently the brigade commander for 1st Personnel Command, U.S. Army Europe, will pave the way for additional female inductees into the school's elite honor club.

"The first class of females to graduate from OCS at Fort Benning was in '77," said Maj. Bill Ramsey, OCS executive officer and hall of fame project officer. "So (Walker) is the first of many distinguished female officers to be inducted into the hall of fame."

Walker's induction makes her part of special sect of OCS grads that includes 38 medal of honor recipients, five federal judges, more than 200 general officers, and former Sen. Bob Dole.

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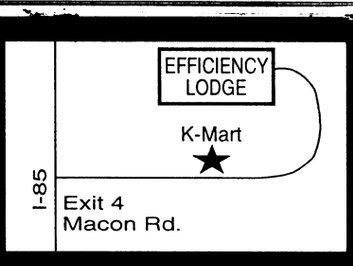

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Navy officer lends hand on Russ Pond project

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A Navy officer is working hand-in-hand with Fort Benning's 36th Engineer Group to add the finishing touches to the Russ Pond renovations before he has to "jump ship" and return to the Navy.

As a civil engineer in the designs management section of the 36th Engineer Group, Lt. Joe Zurzolo — Lt. Z to his friends —says "the Navy is telling me I've been away long enough."

Zurzolo is one of four officers from the Navy Civil Engineer Corp who have been assigned to Army and Air Force installations as a part of an exchange program designed to promote knowledge and cooperation among the services. The program began in 1996, and Zurzolo is the second Naval officer to work with the 36th engineers.

"There are different focuses in the various services, even in the engineering communities," Zurzolo said. "They all have different methods and different procedures. We can all benefit from understanding them.

"You never know when or where we'll be working side by side. With this exchange, we're able to integrate information, learn from each other, and work together a little better and faster."

As a registered professional engineer, Zurzolo's job is to design plans for various construction projects. Besides the second phase of the Russ Pond renovation, Zurzolo has also assisted in the Malone Range upgrades and repairs, and the construction of a medical clinic in Nicaragua during the 1998 Hurricane Mitch disaster relief campaign. He is currently working with the 18th Airborne Corps to design a C-17 contingency runway at Fort Campbell, Ky.

"The Navy has provided me such a depth of experience. I'm certain I've had significantly more experience than my peers who attended civilian schools and went into the engineering field," Zurzolo said. "In the Navy, and especially in this exchange program, I've had an enormous amount of training in the planning, supervising and execution of a large variety of projects."

Capt. Ken Law, who works with Zurzolo in the designs management section, said Zurzolo's Naval training has enhanced the 36th Engineer's program.

"When a Navy officer gets slotted as a civil engineer, that's all he does. It becomes his specialty," Law said. "So he knows his job extremely well. The bottom line is, he has brought a lot of expertise to the shop."

Zurzolo first entered the service as a Marine in 1985. He was commissioned with the Navy after graduating from the Naval Academy in 1992. After a tour as a construction officer in Puerto Rico, Zurzolo and his wife Karen moved to Columbus in October 1998.

"Marines, Navy, Army — all I've got to do is hit the Air Force and I'll have covered it all," Zurzolo joked.

Zurzolo said working with the Army engineers is different than he anticipated.

"The backgrounds of Army engineers are much more diverse than the Navy, where all civil engineer corps officers are either engineers or architects. That's not an iron-clad prerequisite in the Army," he said. "Here, where the focus is on construction and combat, we have several different college majors."

Zurzolo, an Ohio native, said he and his wife will miss Fort Benning and Columbus when his tour ends in October.

"We live in Columbus — what a great town. We've enjoyed it. We had season tickets to the Springer and we like to attend RedStixx games," he said. "We've really had a nice time here."



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Lt. Joe Zurzolo, a Navy Civil Engineer Corps officer, is working with the 36th Engineer Group.



2nd Lt. Steele McGonegal

An Infantry Officer Basic Course squad moves toward the objective during a recent Situational Tactical Exercise on Garnsey Range.

Basic students excel during tactical exercises

Former NCOs add experience to training

2nd Lt. Steele McGonegal
2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

The three classic commands of the Infantry — run, jump and kill — took on a more immediate meaning for the officers of Infantry Officer Basic Course Class 2-00 recently as they put them to use at Garnsey Range's Situational Tactical Exercise lanes.

The training included such tasks as "Knock Out a Bunker," "Breach a Mined Wire Obstacle" and "Secure a Foothold in a Trenchline." Each event involved individual, collective and leader tasks that were performed by squad members and the appointed squad leader.

For 2nd Lt. Mike Tang, the training was his first at Garnsey. The focus of "Actions on the Objective" versus the entire operations planning stood out as a benefit to Tang.

"The cadre were hands-off during the event," he said. "Allowing us the autonomy to make our own decisions and display our leadership abilities on the battlefield.

"We had a good time, mainly because we had a good team (squad) to work with," he added.

Tang's squad contains four lieutenants 30 years or older, each of whom were former staff sergeants. The STX allowed the experienced Soldiers to rehearse and perform some fairly common training.

2nd Lt. Jason Lewis, a recent graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, acted as squad leader for the event "Knock Out a Bunker." He said his team worked well together.

"The participation and integration of our international student, Capt. Mohammed El-Fiki of Egypt, demonstrated that while differences in the military structure and organization exist, swiftness and violence of action on the objective are key to all armies," said Lewis.

"The good thing was that they used doctrine as a base and allowed us to add technique to improve your understanding as a leader of a changing battlefield environment," added Staff Sgt. Robert Gully, cadre member. "You cannot predict what will happen in combat, but you can have a baseline of knowledge that allows for flexibility that is technique."

Gully knows about changing battlefield environments because prior to attending OCS, he participated in Operation Joint Forge and Endeavor. He is also Airborne, Air Assault, Ranger and Special Forces qualified, most recently with the 10th Special Forces Group.

Class 2-00 has a lot of experience to rely on between the seven Rangers, three Special Forces group members and more former NCO's than can be counted quickly. This has allowed for a superior pool of experience to solve each problem put to them.

Challenges fill officer course

OCS training covers multitude of Soldier skills

Officer Candidate Deandre L. Garner
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

If you have heard the beat of a bass drum rolling along the streets of main post near Infantry Hall it's the Officer Candidate School marching to classes.

Class 2-00 of A Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment (OCS), is nearing the end of the 14-week course, which is divided into three phases: Basic, Intermediate, and Senior phase.

Class 2-00 recently concluded its Basic phase recently with a field leadership exercise, day and night land navigation tests and an inspection by Capt. Ronnie Preston, A Company commander.

"They have worked through some tough challenges," said Preston. "This class has earned Intermediate Status."

Physical fitness is also paramount at OCS, and the program is very intense. For instance, in one day, in addition to regular PT, the class completed the Combat Water Survival Test and a Conditioning Obstacle Course.

The obstacle course was challenging, said Officer Candidate Calvin Simpson. "I really think it had to be a test of coordination and endurance. I was tired after going through the course a couple of times," he said.

As in most Army schools, there are always plenty of push-ups, flutter kicks, and running.

Previous OCS graduates 2nd Lt. Doug Taylor and 2nd Lt. Charles McGarry also introduced the class to combatives and an excruciating exercise known as the "sun god."

The class has experienced more than just physical challenges. Officer candidates are put in charge of the company with the student chain of command performing day-to-day operations.

The cadre are there to teach, assess, and counsel the student leaders.

"Everything at OCS is a training event," explained Capt. Eric Shwedo, senior TAC officer.

Officer candidates have had written examinations on Army operations, tactics, and military intelligence.

There is also a wide variety of other information and knowledge the candidates are responsible for on a daily basis, including a daily operation order information.

"It's a good idea to make people memorize things because it forces them to pay attention to details and not overlook the small things. As leaders, we need to not only pay attention to the big picture, but focus in on small individual tasks," said Officer Candidate David Sandoval.

The Basic Phase culminated with Field Leadership Exercise One and the land navigation practical exam at Yankee Road.

"That has got to be the most challenging course I've ever negotiated in my 16 years in the military," Simpson said.

The anxiety of walking in the woods in the dark posed a problem for some, but besides a few bumps and scratches, the class completed the course successfully.

While completing tasks required during the Officer Basic Course provides its own rewards, the candidates are now looking forward to the final reward — a gold bar.

Nutrient system could make changes to Soldiers' mealtime routine

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — U.S. combat troops may get part of their daily diet through their arms if a new concept works out.

Army Soldier Center researchers in Natick, Mass., are working on a transdermal nutrient delivery system — a skin patch similar in concept to nicotine and motion sickness patches. The new system could be a part of every combat service member's kit by 2025.

Gerald Darsch, joint project director for the DoD Combat Feeding Program at Natick, said the current developmental version is about the size of a conventional adhesive bandage and three to four times thicker. The final version will be encased in some polymer to be very flexible, he speculated.

"Service members probably won't even notice they have it on," he noted.

The patches would contain "micronutrient" reservoirs and microscopic "pumps" and "plumbing." The nutrients would augment or supplement a warfighter's diet during periods of high-intensity conflict. Officials see a use for the system to combat cold weather and high altitude stress, for instance.

"The idea is to keep the warfighter's cognitive and physical performance sharpened at the optimal level," Darsch said. "It could mean fewer dead or wounded U.S. service members."

Darsch said the system could incorporate various micronutrients.

Researchers, he said, are considering 65 to 70 chemicals that might be effective and safe.

Two candidates, for example, are tyrsone, which has been proven to help combat cold and high altitude stress, and glutathione, which could help reduce muscle fatigue and increase the ability of the liver and kidneys to filter out metabolic wastes.

"We have identified some that might be beneficial, but there still needs to be a lot of research done. What are the doses that we should administer? What are the lasting effects?" he asked. "We need to be sure before we start giving these to warfighters."

The system would dispense micronutrients when a self-contained near-infrared sensor determines the wearer needs them. The chemicals would be absorbed by osmosis through the skin.

Even using the transdermal patch, though, service members will still be hungry because the patches won't replace food.

"You can still eat even with the transdermal system," Darsch said. "Am I going to tell you that a Milky Way or a Snickers bar still won't find its way into the rucksack of a Soldier? Our service members are pretty bright. They'll take whatever pogey bait is necessary."

Darsch said researchers could probably add an appetite suppressant or something that will make the hypothalamus think the stomach is full.

He said the Army has spent just "thousands" on the concept. If accepted, he thinks a "50 percent solution" to the engineering of the transdermal patch system is possible by 2010.



U.S. Army illustrati

An artists rendering on what the transdermal nutrient delivery system may look like.

Helicopter battalion earns prestigious award for safety

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

FORT RUCKER, Ala. — The U.S. Army School of the Americas' Helicopter School Battalion (HSB) was awarded the Order of Daedalians, Lieutenant General Allen M. Burdett, Jr., Army Aviation Flight Safety Award during a ceremony held at the Soldier Service Center, March 20.

According to Lt. Col. Daniel Barreto, commander, HSB, the Daedalian trophy and award is presented annually to the Army aviation training unit judged by the commanding general of the Training and Doctrine Command to have the most effective aircraft accident prevention program. The award was first presented in 1970.

Since 1991, the mission of the Helicopter School Battalion has been to provide initial and advanced helicopter flight training in all phases and modes of flight, and to provide helicopter maintenance and maintenance management instruction to Latin American mechanics, logisticians, and aviators. All of the training conducted by the HSB is done in Spanish. Additionally, the HSB trains and assists Latin America in the development of doctrinally sound, cost effective, aviation standardization, safety, command and control and maintenance programs by means of non-flying courses. This training is especially important to the conduct of counternarcotics and disaster relief operations in Latin America

Barreto said that in Fiscal Year 1999, the instructors of the HSB taught 165 aviators from eight Latin American countries in 14 separate programs of Instruction. The students trained were not only from foreign armies and air forces, but also from national police forces and other agencies to include, for the first time, the Mexican Navy.

"The HSB has trained students from Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela," he said. "More than 1,800 students have graduated from the battalion's flight, maintenance, and safety courses."

Barreto added that during FY 99, the HSB accumulated 4,357 hours of flight in both the UH-1 and UH-60 helicopters, without a Class A, B, C, or D mishap.

He also said that since July 1992, the battalion has accumulated in excess of 26,500 accident free flight hours. Not only are the flight and on-duty records of the battalion exemplary, but so is its off-duty performance of no recordable Class C accidents resulting in loss of resources or duty time.

"The HSB has a truly extraordinary safety record in light of its unique and challenging mission," said Barreto. "Our safety record is based on both perceived and actual risk factors. The HSB must, because of its mission, contend with a host of real as well as potential risk factors in order to accomplish the goal of training foreign students in a foreign language. The manner in which this unit manages the risk has produced our extraordinary safety performance record."

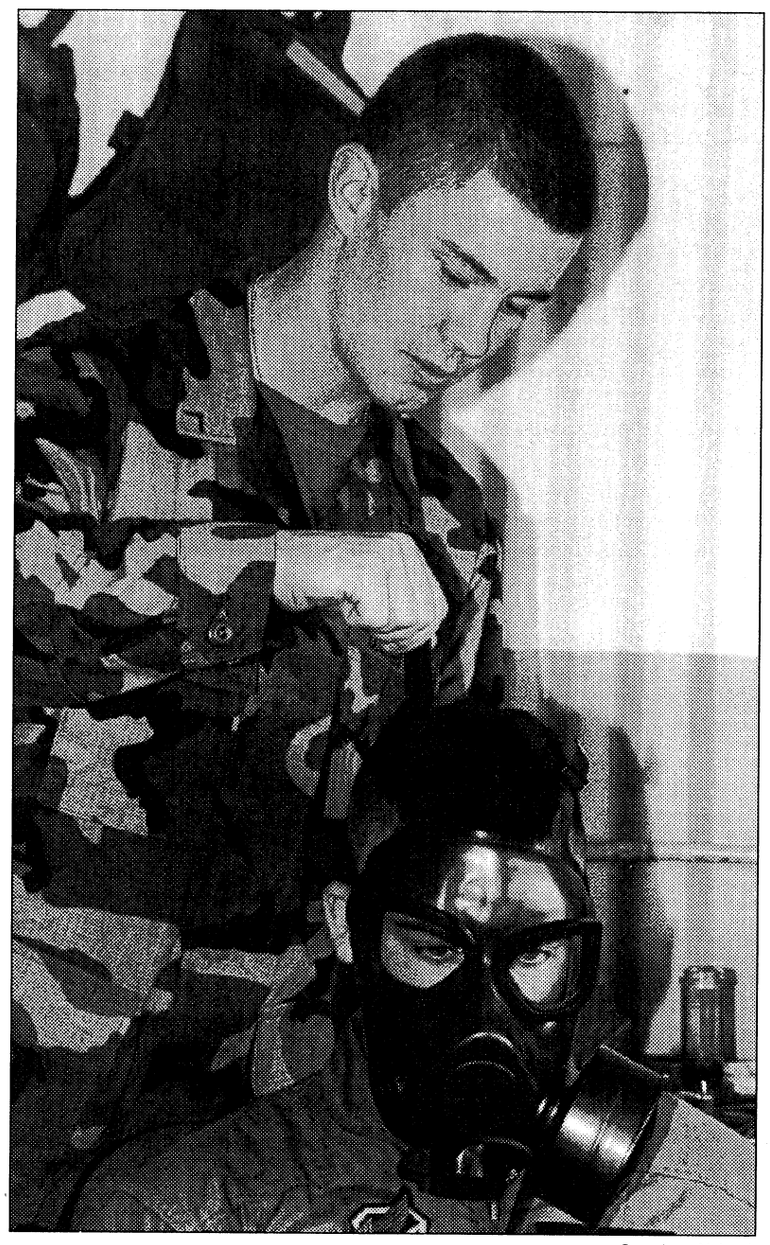
In addition to promoting the tenets of safety, Barreto said it was within their charter to share the knowledge, teach the principles of safety, and spread a high degree of safety consciousness throughout Latin America.

"For this reason, the HSB developed and implemented the first safety management course in Spanish," he said. "It provides our students with a foundation upon which they can build their respective safety programs within their countries."

The course covers subjects such as safety program management, duties and responsibilities of an aviation safety officer, accident prevention, human factors in aviation, and aircraft mishap investigation and reporting.

"We also provide safety assistance teams to our neighbor nations," said Barreto. "Subject matter experts and Mobile Training Teams are deployed to Latin America where they provide the host nation with on-site evaluations, training and recommendations to bolster their operational programs."

Maj. Gen. Anthony Jones, Commanding General, Fort Rucker, presented the prestigious award to Barreto and Chief Warrant Officer Tony Quinones, Battalion Safety Officer.



Spc. Amy Nyland

Pvt. Jason Taylor helps Spc. Jason Townsend fit one of the new M45 masks recently received by the 498th Medical Company, 36th Engineer Group.

498th Medical Co. tries new masks

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

When people think of gas masks, the word "comfortable" probably isn't the first thing that comes to mind.

However, for the Soldiers of the 498th Medical Company, 36th Engineer Group, a new and improved gas mask is now a reality.

Three weeks ago the company received 75 M45 masks that replace the M24, M43 Type II and the M49 aviator's mask. The M45 is the only authorized mask for aircrewman.

Just about the entire mask is different, said Pvt. Jason Taylor, NBC specialist for the 498th.

"The number one thing about the mask is its comfort," Taylor said. "That is probably it's greatest asset."

One of the biggest differences in the mask over the old one is the fact that aviators will no longer have to carry a bag that contains the canister. On the old masks the canister was carried in a shoulder bag with the hose running from the mask into the bag. On the new M45 masks the canister is located directly on the mask and can be switched from side to side.

"The mask is more universal," Taylor said. "In battle they aren't going to have to worry about the hose when they are running and jumping. It will make less baggage for them."

Taylor explained that the mask is available in five different sizes for a better fit. It is easier to maintain and understand at operator level. The mask is fully unit level maintenance and the hood is also much easier to install.

Although the Soldiers have not had ample time to try out the masks, Cpl. Carmen Combs said there are a number of little things she learned about the mask, which she thinks will make it much better.

One of these is that the inside of the mask is hypoallergenic so those who are allergic to rubber will now be able to wear the mask without discomfort.

There is a drinking attachment, something the old mask didn't have, which is extremely beneficial. There are also front and side voice mitters for phone conversations, improved mask vision and improved vision correction for Soldiers who need inserts.

All in all the mask is much more Soldier friendly and will be less trouble for the Soldiers in training and combat environments, Taylor said.

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Pvt. Christian Herring
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Award: Soldier of the Cycle
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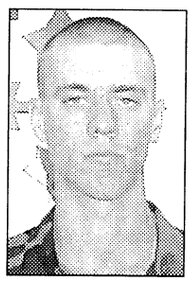

Herring

Staff Sgt. LaVander Wilkerson
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3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment
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Define your leadership style: I feel a great surge of being in charge, but I'm willing to be a team player to accomplish the mission with success and in a timely manner.
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Wilkerson

Troop levels in Saudi not to be cut back

Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia — U.S. troops will not reduce troop levels in the area, contrary to news reports.

The April 9 story quotes an anonymous U.S. military official saying that Defense Secretary William S. Cohen and Saudi Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan agreed to reduce troop levels at Prince Sultan Air Base.

"The story is complete hogwash," said Pentagon spokesman Ken Bacon. "We have no plans to reduce the number of airmen or planes at Prince Sultan Air Base, and the topic of reducing airmen in Saudi Arabia was not discussed between Secretary Cohen and Prince Sultan."

U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Wyche Fowler said there "has been no discussion whatsoever at any level about reduction of American soldiers." There are about 4,000 U.S. service members in Saudi Arabia.

During a news conference following meetings between the Prince and Cohen, Sultan said the U.S. troops are in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to conduct operations over Southern Iraq.

"These troops are doing their duties to keep the peace only, not to be aggressors," Prince Sultan said. Whatever is said more than that is not true."

Cohen and the prince said the discussions were fruitful. One part of the discussions centered on the Peninsula Shield forces of the six Gulf Cooperation Council — Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Oman.

All six GCC countries contribute to the force, but it is more a paper force than a real one. The forces only exercise together about once every two years. Prince Sultan suggested the United States join with Peninsula Shield forces to achieve more multilateral exercises.

The prince also commented on U.S.-Iranian relations. He said Saudi Arabia called for peace, and he hoped Iran would respond "with what is in its security interests. All steps taken by the United States toward this goal are welcome."

Cohen and the prince also discussed the Cooperative Defense Initiative, which seeks to tie the gulf states, Egypt and Jordan into an early-warning network to track missile threats. He said the United States thinks the initiative is an important program for the gulf because of the threat of chemical and biological agents in the region.

"There is no particular sense of timing to this issue," Cohen said. "We are talking about it because we have seen evidence that the spread of chemical and biological weapons continues."



DOT employee dies

U.S. Army Public Affairs Office

A Directorate of Operations and Training employee and member of the Alabama National Guard died while on active-duty training in Alabama.

Lt. Col. Paul E. Roberts, 44, of Columbus, died in Birmingham, Ala., Saturday.

Roberts was the team chief for the Infantry School's U.S. Army School of the America's oversight team.

"He evaluated the training at USARSA," said Ralph Hammond, chief of the Training Development Division, DOT.

Roberts wrote USAIC Regulation 10-5, which provides a comprehensive view of the relationship between the command and staff with USARSA, Hammond said. The regulation was directed by the commanding general to provide better oversight and support to USARSA.

"He started working for DOT in August and he did an outstanding job on the regulation," Hammond said. "His extensive military experience was a major asset to the job."

Before working at DOT, Roberts was a military history instructor for the Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate.

At the time of his death, Roberts was preparing to begin a program of studies at the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Penn.

Roberts is survived by his wife Beth; by three daughters: Melissa Mancini; Stephanie and Teresa Roberts; son, Paul Roberts Jr., and son-in-law Gregory Mancini.

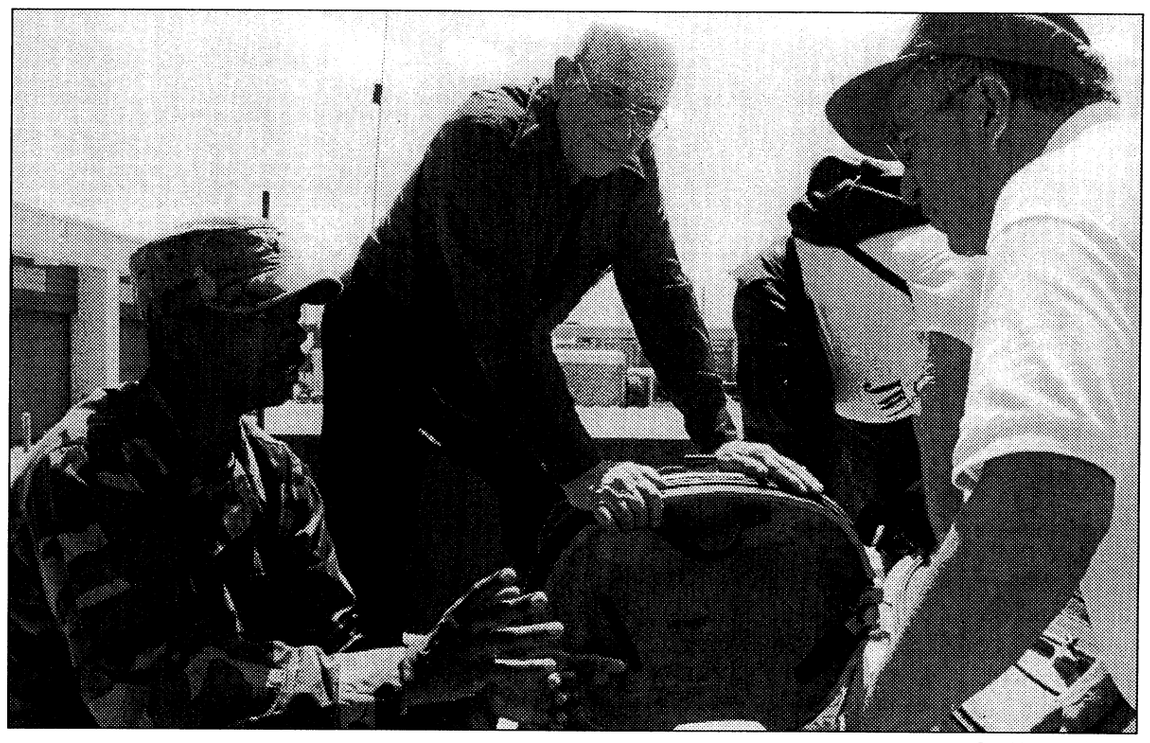
"Paul's compassion, his skill as an Army officer, and his humor will be greatly missed by all who knew him," Russ Eno, editor of the Infantry Magazine, said.

Funeral services were Thursday at Saint Anne Catholic Church and interment was at the Fort Benning Cemetery.

Korean War vets visit Kelley Hill

3rd Brigade hosts Soldiers of 73rd Tank Bn.

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor



Sgt. Michael Maddox

Spc. Eantize Barren explains his duties to veterans Curtis Banker and Joe Padilla.

"This thing has everything. Where's the sink? Where's the dining room set?"

This was one of many observations about the M-1A1 Abrams battle tank Soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, overheard from veterans of the 73rd Tank Battalion during their visit to the unit April 7.

Along with the comments, there were also plenty of questions for the Soldiers of the unit.

For a short time this allowed Pfc. Guy Hayes to serve as a subject matter expert instead of his normal role as a tank gunner.

He was surrounded by Korean War veterans during their visit commemorating 50 years since the conflict.

Questions about the tanks of today like, "How do you zero your weapon? How do you navigate? We used to use the evening stars." and "What's the top speed on this thing?" were coming fast and furious from the curious vets.

Hayes was also lucky enough to get a little advice from the tankers.

"Have you ever run your tank down Harmony Church Hill? You should try it sometime," said Curtis Banker, a 73rd Tank Bn. veteran.

Hayes said he was more than happy to talk about his knowledge of the combat vehicles with the veterans since he shares a common heritage with them.

"It's been real nice talking to them because they were here before us and know all about what we do," said Hayes. "Plus, they were all in Korea. They have a lot of interesting stories to share."

Some of the veterans like Robert Weisbrodt, a former sergeant first class from Cincinnati, said they were surprised to see how much the Army and the equipment had changed over the years.

"It's all together different. It's amazing how everything is. Compared to the equipment we had this is phenomenal," Weisbrodt said. "Everything is different. The post is different, the people are younger — it's really interesting to be here again."

Others said they enjoyed their visit to Fort Benning because it gives them a chance to visit with the young tankers of today's Army.

"I've met some real nice kids here," said Raymond McCaghren. "They're friendly and are glad to answer questions. I can tell the Army is really doing great."

Along with the visit to the motor pool, the veterans also shared a meal with the Soldiers and visited the Infantry Museum before leaving Fort Benning.

post briefs

DPW closes road

1st Infantry Brigade Loop will be closed from Sightseeing Road to Dixie Road from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. April 15-16 and April 29-30.

The road will be closed to remove unexploded ordnance.

Vehicle Registration Office closes

In keeping with the Army's policy for Thursday training, the Vehicle Registration Office will close at 1 p.m. on April 27 and every Thursday thereafter.

For more information, call 545-1195.

Police scholarships available

Georgia has received funding from the government for participation in the National Police Corps Program.

Participants are eligible to receive up to $7,500 for educational expenses provided they are willing to commit at least four years of service as a local law enforcement officer in a Georgia community.

For more information, call (912) 993-4629.

Post plans volunteer recognition

Fort Benning volunteers are invited to attend the Installation Commander's Volunteer Appreciation and Recognition Reception 4-6 p.m. April 25 in the Supper Club of the Officer's Club.

For more information, call 545-3062.

CID seeks criminals

The U.S. Criminal Investigation Command is offering rewards for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the following crimes:

• Larceny of assorted government tools from the Tool Room and Maintenance Personnel Cage of the 233 HET Motor Pool between March 16-21.

• Larceny of a government Dell 3200 Inspiron laptop computer, one GE hand held radio and one Erikson hand held radio from the transportation office between Dec. 29-30, 1999.

• Larceny of one portable John Deere gas operated power washer and one Millermatic portable electric welder from Building 4314 between March 1-3.

• Larceny of cash, jewelry and CDs from Quarters 660 Kandle Drive.

• Larceny of government Gateway computer, monitor and Hewlett Packard printer from the post chapel between Jan. 5-6.

• Larceny of two government Gateway computers from the mail room in Building 9076 between March 2-3.

• Larceny of a government Pentium computer from the administrative office in Building 9073 between Jan. 21-23.

• Larceny of Gateway computer, monitor, Canon printer, Xerox and APC power cord from the Conner Brothers construction site adjacent to 1st Division Road between Jan. 6-7.

Anyone with information is requested to call CID at 545-8916.

SF seeks volunteers

Special Forces wants professional enlisted and officer volunteers seeking their next challenge in the Army. Enlisted Soldiers E-3 - E-6 with a GT score of 100 or higher and commissioned officers in year group 1995-1998 can apply for training.

For more information, call 545-3079.

CSU offers criminal justice classes

Starting May 20 through July 28, Columbus State University, Criminal Justice Department, in conjunction with the Fort Benning office, will offer four criminal justice classes. Each of the classes will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Two will begin May 20, one graduate and one undergraduate. The remaining (graduate and undergraduate) will begin July 1 ending July 29.

For more information, call 689-8668 or 545-1085.

Flint plans outages

There will be scheduled power outages May 26. In each area the power should be out for only 30 minutes. The outages are planned for:

• 7-7:30 a.m. at Baltzell Avenue and Rainbow Avenue.

• 7:30-8 a.m. at the museum area.

• 8-8:30 a.m. at the golf course and Iron Triangle.

• 8:30-9 a.m. Wold Avenue, Ingersoll Avenue, Vibbert Avenue, Miler Loop, Austin Loop, the Officers Club and Quarters 1.

• 9-9:30 a.m. at Lumpkin Road, Blessing Street, Zukerman Street and the Perkins Street area between Edwards Avenue and Ingersol Avenue.

Program accepts nominations

The Ten Outstanding Young Americans Award Program are now accepting nominations of Soldiers and Department of the Army civilians between 21- and 39-years-old.

Nomination must be received by June 15.

For more information, call DSN 221-4764 or (703) 325-4764.

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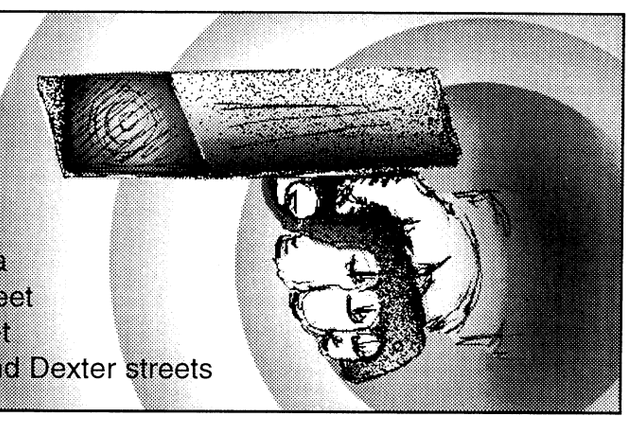

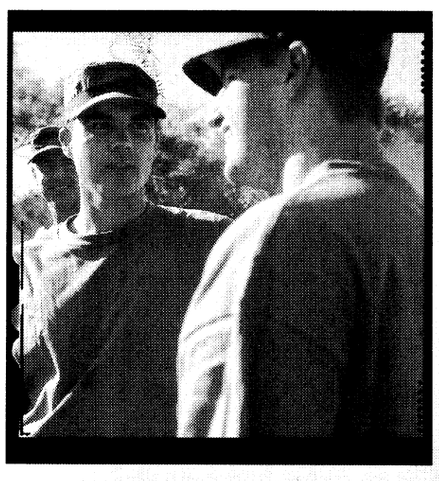

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Accident reminds Soldiers of safety

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

Not knowing the rules and regulations when it comes to owning and operating a gun can be a fatal mistake.

A recent incident involved a Soldier who found a gun and thought it wasn't loaded. While handling it, the gun went off and the Soldier was shot in the stomach.

Perhaps if he knew one of the cardinal rules in handling a gun, the circumstances would have been different.

"Always treat (the gun) as if it was loaded," said Regis P. Beighley, safety manager of the Infantry Branch Safety Office. Also, "Point it away from yourself and anyone else."

An assumption gun accidents mostly involve children is another mistake.

"(It could be) anyone who's not experienced and doesn't know how it works," Beighley said. Even if a visiting relative, a long-time gun owner, wants to handle your gun it still might not be a good idea. "All guns are not the same," he said.

Although a prime reason for gun accidents is improper storage, it is only one aspect of being a responsible gun owner and operator.

Fort Benning has its own set of weapons regulations to help ensure safe gun operation as well as responsible ownership among Soldiers and civilians.

"We require they obey the rules that contribute to the safety and security of everyone else on post," said Col. John Mitchell, Garrison commander. "We're committed to make this a place safe to work and live."

According to USAIC Garrison Regulation No. 210-5, section 9-5 part b:

• Privately owned small arms and ammunition of all personnel assigned to or TDY and quartered on Fort Benning, except those individuals living in family housing will be registered and stored in the arms room of their immediate organizational commander in accordance with AR190-11.

• Personnel living in family housing may retain privately owned weapons with a small amount of ammunition in their quarters after proper registration at the military police station. Personnel maintaining privately owned weapons in family housing are responsible for adequate security for these weapons.

To register a firearm on post, go to Building 2637 in Soldiers' Plaza for the necessary paperwork or call 545-3646 for more information. If a firearm is stolen it must be reported immediately to the military police at 545-5222.

Registration of the weapon "gives a sense of accountability to it. We think that's important," Mitchell said.

To store a weapon safely in a home, keep the firearm locked up, unloaded and out of sight.

"There's no safest place (to store a gun)," Beighley said. It's a matter of circumstances and people that determine the security of the chosen place. "You want to take as (many) precautions as you can," he said.

Weapons are banned from the barracks entirely.

"There's a limited area of lockable space," Mitchell said. "It's tougher for a Soldier to secure it."

According to section 9-5 Transporting weapons, parts b through c:

• All personnel assigned to or employed at (to include those personnel at Fort Benning in a TDY status) who desire to transport a privately owned weapon to and from hunting, sports shooting or other recognized function involving that weapon will ensure that the weapon is unloaded.

No weapon will be transported with a loaded magazine or clip affixed into the weapon. No weapon will be transported with a round in the chamber or any other projectile in a "ready to fire" configuration. Weapons will be transported in the trunk of vehicles, if so equipped. No weapon will be transported in glove compartments, under seats or any other concealed manner (except in the trunk of the vehicle).

Even if someone has a concealed weapon permit from Alabama, for example, it is not legal on a federal installation to carry a concealed weapon, Mitchell said.

For vehicles without a trunk, such as a pickup truck, an anchored storage unit like a tool box in the back is acceptable. Although gun racks look good, Beighley said, they're not the safest type of storage.

"If you're in an accident, the gun could easily fall off and you can get hurt," he said.

According to paragraph 9-7 Firing or discharging weapons, parts a and b:

• No weapon will be fired, discharged or used within the limits of garrison and cantonment areas.

• No weapon will be fired, discharged or used within 50 feet of a training area building, ammunition storage area, active airfield, posted 'no hunting' area, roadway or within 200 feet in the direction thereof.

The consequences for accidents and crimes involving weapons range in severity. This includes failing to transport a weapon properly. If the weapon is unregistered, it is far more serious an offense.

"(Punishment for Soldiers) range from a letter of reprimand to court-martial and the circumstances will dictate that," said Mitchell.

For civilian employees, however, sanctions range from official reprimands to loss of employment for DA employees Mitchell said.

Visitors with no official business, are also covered under the weapons regulations, he said. Visitors on post may be cited or banned from the installation.

In all cases, the circumstances surrounding the violation is considered in determining the action to be taken, he said.

"It is important to note all weapons involved in any violations will be confiscated by DoD or military police," Mitchell said.

One of the most important elements of preventing accidents with firearms is learning how to use a weapon safely and properly. There are several ways to learn about a personal firearm — aside from reading the issued instructions — such as taking a class or researching the specific make and model of gun.

The Infantry Branch Safety Office sponsors Hunter Training Class, which is sanctioned by the state of Georgia. Volunteers, who are expert hunters, teach the course with state provided curriculum, lesson plans and workbooks. The class is offered once a month from August through December.

Other preventative measures to take to avoid gun accidents include the following:

• Unload guns when not in use.

• Be sure barrel and action are clear of obstructions.

Weapon storage

• Register all privately owned weapons at the post TREO office, located in Building 2637.

• **DO NOT** bring weapon into TREO office when registering.

• Obtain written permission on registration form from unit commander to keep weapon in unit arms room.

Former CG keynotes conference

Gen. Hendrix will address students, AUSA diners

USAIC Public Affairs Office

The Former Commandants Conference is bringing Infantry experts to post to discuss the Army Transformation.

However, one former commandant will also be the guest speaker for several different occasions.

Forces Command Commanding General Gen. John W. Hendrix, who was Fort Benning's Commanding General from 1995 to 1996, is scheduled to present a professional development seminar to Infantry school students and speak at the Association of the U.S. Army spring general membership dinner.

Hendrix will speak to students in the Infantry Captains' Career Course, ANCOC, Officer Candidate School, Infantry Officer Basic Course and staff and faculty from 3-4:30 p.m. Monday in Marshall Auditorium, Infantry Hall.

He is also the guest speaker for the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the AUSA spring general membership meeting.

The dinner is at 6 p.m Tuesday in the Supper Club at the Officers' Club.

Tickets for the dinner and the meeting cost $11 and are available through unit sergeant major offices.

They may also be purchased from the AUSA office by check or credit card. For more information, call 689-3272.

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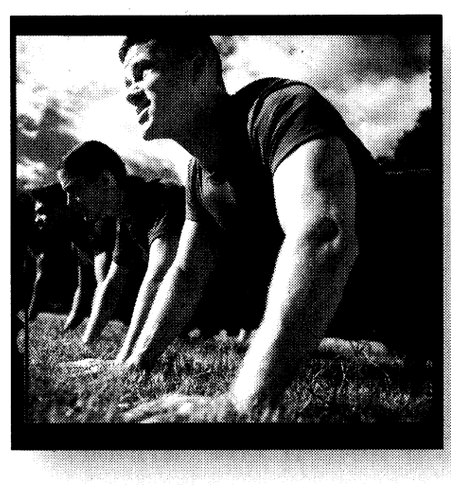

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SECTION B

Feathered friends get new riverfront homes

Groups work together on housing project as part of Earth Day

Sgt. Lori Smith
Assistant Editor

Bluebirds on Fort Benning now have 14 new houses to call home as a result of a joint Earth Day project by the Directorate of Public Works, Fort Benning schools and local youth groups.

The newly constructed bluebird houses were mounted April 7-8 by school children and DPW employees along the Riverwalk on Fort Benning.

The birdhouse project is the first of many improvements planned for Earth Day and the Riverwalk in years to come, said Linda Veenstra, environmental attorney at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, who was in charge of the project.

"We have a beautiful Riverwalk here," Veenstra said. "If we can put out more education and conveniences it will make it much more user friendly."

Children met at the Riverwalk to help DPW with the hammering.

"The kids were invited to come out today to see the location of their birdhouse," said Bob Larimore, chief of Land Management Branch, DPW. "This way when they come out to the Riverwalk, they can see the bluebirds sitting on top of their box."

Children were given birdhouse kits to construct and decorate as they wished, Larimore said. "They were only asked to identify their group with either a wood burner or writing on the box."

Kris Keske, a reading teacher at Loyd Elementary School had her reading class construct and decorate their school's birdhouse using a woodburning technique.

"We showed the school our birdhouse with our school's name on it and they felt great pride for doing something to help the bluebirds," said Keske. "They knew the story about how the bluebirds had lost many of their nesting areas and this was our way of helping the bluebirds."

"All these bluebirds are dying and I just wanted to help out," Chris Arbelle, a fifth-grader at Loyd Elementary School, said.

Arbelle said he helped decorate Loyd's birdhouse and feels like he put a little of himself into the project.

"It's a little of my own — I carved my name on it," he said.

The birdhouses were strategically placed along the Riverwalk beginning at the Welcome Center and ending near the Infantry Museum.

"I walked the two-mile stretch of the Riverwalk on Fort Benning looking for the best places as far as visibility and meeting their habitat requirements," Johnny Phillips a biological technician with DPW, said.

"Bluebirds like open areas," he said. "If they're in a dense area, they won't have a clear flight to their box. They are also territorial. The boxes can be no closer than 75 to 100 yards apart."

For these reasons, only 14 boxes were put up.

Bluebird populations have declined steadily over the years due to habitat loss, Larimore said.

"By constructing these birdhouses, bluebirds have a place to nest and reproduce," he said.

Bluebirds lack a strong bill to excavate a cavity for nesting, they depend on finding the used cavities of other birds or man-made houses.

"If bluebirds don't use these boxes, sparrows, fly catchers or other types of songbirds will use them," Phillips said. "Occasionally wasps will get in them but generally some type of wildlife will use them."

"But, just providing an artificial cavity for birds or other wildlife to use is a good management technique," Phillips added.

The 14 new houses are in addition to the 120 existing

See **PROJECT,** B-3

AAFES rewards students

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

If students are looking for an added incentive to bring home those A and B grades, the Army and Air Force Exchange is willing to give it to them.

A new program sponsored by AAFES called "You Made the Grade!" honors students of military members in grades 6-12 who have a B average or higher with free merchandise, discounts and drawings, said Gary Greene, general manager, Fort Benning PX.

All students need to do is come to the Main Mall PX and report to the store manager with a valid ID and report card.

They will then receive a coupon book with $55 worth of discounts and free products in various AAFES facilities, Greene said.

Not only that but students will also be able to enter in a drawing for thousands of dollars in savings bond.

He explained that each quarter AAFES will award three bonds totalling $10,000 based on a blind drawing.

"We are doing this to recognize and award student excellence," Greene said. "We have many patrons and we wanted to recognize our youth as part of the community, and what better way than supporting scholastic achievement."

Greene said the coupons are not just everyday coupons, rather they are targeted toward youth. Students will find discounts on Nike, Adidas, Tommy Hilfiger, Sony, Calvin Klein and more.

There are also free products available from such places as Burger King.

"We didn't put 50 cents off on laundry detergent or discounts on irons in these packages, we are targeting the youth and giving them what we think they want," Greene said.

The program is just now getting

See **GRADES,** B-3



Bridgett Siter

Erica Gibson pulls weeds in a flowerbed at the Fort Benning Pet Cemetery on 10th Mountain Division Road.

Students clean up Pet Cemetery

Local residents show respect for past pets by restoring graves

Bridgett Siter
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When Erica Gibson's miniature schnauzer Toby became terminally ill in October, the 12-year-old realized she would soon have to say good-bye to her companion of five years. The vet recommended that Toby be put to sleep, and Gibson's family began to consider where they would bury their beloved pet.

"We visited the Pet Cemetery on post. Erica was so upset by what she saw. It was overgrown and uncared for," said Erica's mother, Paula Gibson. "We called the vet clinic and they told us the cemetery was no longer used for burials because there is no one to care for it."

Eventually the Gibsons decided to bury Toby on the family's farm in North Carolina, but after returning to Fort Benning, Erica couldn't forget the neglected graves she had seen at the Pet Cemetery. In March, she again contacted the vet clinic, this time to request permission to clean the graveyard herself.

With supplies obtained at the self-help store, Erica and several of her classmates from the Faith Middle School Honor Society met April 2 to mow, rake, and trim the unkempt and overgrown grounds. It didn't take long to realize the magnitude of their task.

Many of the headstones and gravemarkers in the two-acre cemetery were obscured by weeds and ant beds. Vines had overtaken the stone marker that once graced the entrance to the cemetery where hundreds of dogs and cats have been laid to rest since the late 1950s.

"It was a much bigger job than we anticipated," Erica said. "So I decided to put flyers up all around the school and get help from anybody who wanted to volunteer."

More than a dozen volunteers showed up Sunday. They edged and raked and uncovered graves long hidden by overgrown grass. Occasionally they paused to read the endearing epitaphs dedicated to the animals that had once been members of Fort Benning.

See **KIDS** B-3

Housing office closes for move

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

It's moving day at the Family Housing Office.

Housing officials, who are more accustomed to assigning quarters than moving into them, will be the ones packing up and taking over new digs today.

So don't try to call or drop by the office. The phone lines will be disconnected and doors locked today while the office personnel move out of Olsen Hall and into Building 1836, the old railroad depot, on Mitchell Street.

The office will reopen at 8:30 a.m. Monday in its new location and all phone numbers will remain the same, Ron Smith, chief of family housing, said.

The vacated office space at Olsen Hall will be turned back over to the Billeting Office.

"We were taking up sleeping space," Smith said, referring to lodging for visiting personnel.

The depot, a historical building, has been refurbished.

"It's a historical building, so we had to maintain the historic features," Smith said. "We received approval from the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office for all work done."

At Olsen Hall, the different housing sections were spread out over two floors and with different exterior entrances. The move to the new location will help consolidate assignment clerks, inspectors and administrative personnel into one location, Smith said.

The Community Homefinding, Referral and Relocation Services office at Soldiers' Plaza will not be affected by the move.

The CHRRS office helps personnel who are inprocessing get placed on the family housing list and individuals seeking information about off-post housing.



Bridgett Siter

Students in Gloria Loar's sixth-grade art class pose with their finished quilt panel. The novice quilters worked two weeks to complete the quilt

Students work together on quilting project

Quilting project builds teamwork, friendship among Faith students

Bridgett Siter
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Twenty young students sit in a tight circle, hunched shoulder to shoulder over the large quilt that covers their laps. They giggle and gossip as they stitch, their needles flying nearly as fast as their mouths. Occasionally their instructor draws their attention back to the task before them and for a moment or two nothing can be heard but the gentle rustle of fabric.

Many students participated in quilting bees in the 19th century and even the early part of the 20th century. But a quilting bee is a rare sight at the turn of the 21st century.

Faith Middle School students from Gloria Loar's sixth-grade art class recently took part in a two-week quilting-bee reminiscent of sewing circles from days gone by.

Under the tutelage of Robin Schafer, a Faith volunteer and experienced quilter, and with the help of student teacher Patty Rigdon, the students spent two weeks, during and after school, quilting the 4.5- by 6-foot panel.

It depicts a river teeming with colorful fish, a sunny sky filled with birds and butterflies, and the words "Faith Falcons Soar Above a Clean Chattahoochee."

The quilt was completed Wednesday, just in time to submit it for the Chattahoochee River Quilt Contest, a project sponsored by Columbus Leadership 2000 to promote awareness and support of the Chattahoochee River. The contest was open to all schools, civic organizations, businesses and scout groups.

Faith's contribution was the first one accepted by project director Becky Champion, who visited the school on Thursday.

"This is spectacular. I just can't believe it. It looks professional to me," Champion said.

The students were obviously thrilled with Champion's praise of their project, but they were quick to admit their lack of expertise.

"Most of us had never even sewed before. When we started doing it, it was a lot more difficult than we imagined it would be," said 11-year-old Melissa Kahler.

Kahler's classmate Dinah Travis said she

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Darrell Odom
Directorate of Public Works

Southern pine beetle traps have been erected in the training areas of Fort Benning.

The Land Management Branch monitors SPB population trends annually in order to plan for control of the pest.

Hundreds of acres of pine forests are destroyed on Fort Benning every year by the devastating insects. Knowing up front what the population has in store allows planning for suppression activities and to minimize damages.

The SPB is one of the most destructive pests in the southern U.S.

The location and intensity of the infestations may vary from year to year, but this beetle remains a constant threat to pine forests.

The beetle will attack most pines, but its favorite hosts are the loblolly pine and the shortleaf pine, which are both major components of Fort Benning's forests.

In the late spring and early summer, beetle populations can grow very rapidly because conditions are right and many generations are produced each year. In colder months reproduction is slower because beetles disperse at this time.

It is important to detect problem populations early in the season before numbers and damages increase.

Early detection of SPB infestations gives foresters more time to prepare management programs.

The traps used to collect the beetles are called Lindgren Funnel Traps. These devices are cylindrical to depict the hole of a pine tree and are implanted with pheromones to attract and capture SPB along with clerid beetles, which prey on the SPBs.

The number of SPBs and clerid beetles captured are counted, the data is analyzed, and the information is used to predict the number of upcoming SPB infestations.

The Land Management Branch is currently collecting beetle data for a summer 2000 SPB forecast, so the traps are out.

If you happen to be out in the woods and see one of these strange looking contraptions, now you will have some idea of what it is.

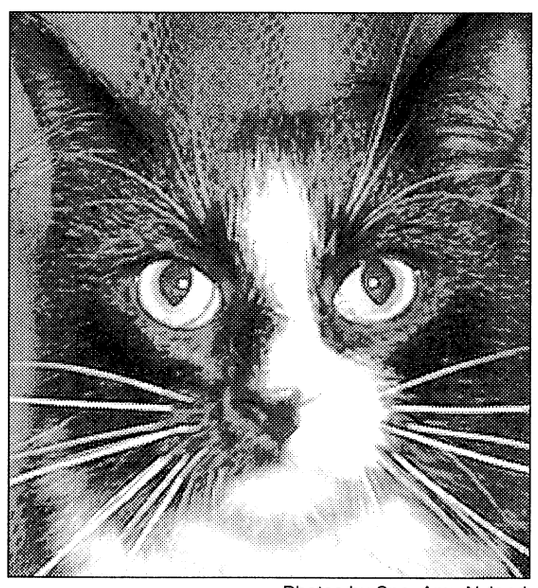
Flower shipment:

The Self Help Store is expecting a shipment of flowering plants for family housing Self Help cardholders for distribution Wednesday and Thursday. One flat will be issued to each household.

A final shipment of flowering plants is also expected for issue May 3.

For more information, call Self Help at 545-1121.





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Pets of the Week

A 4-month-old female shepherd mix and an adult domestic long-haired cat that is declawed and spayed are just a few of the animals available. Many more are in need of a good home.

For more information about these or any other pets ready to be adopted, call the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic at 545-4826.

Appreciation Week honors post volunteers

Jill Crider
Installation Volunteer Office

Fort Benning will join communities across the country to recognize the contributions of its volunteers during Volunteer Appreciation Week April 24-30.

This year's theme "Celebrate Volunteers!" sets the stage for the entire post to applaud the efforts of volunteers and plan special events and service projects to commemorate the annual week-long event.

Fort Benning volunteer organizations, agencies and unit family support groups are encouraged to use Volunteer Appreciation Week as an opportunity to thank people who make outstanding volunteer contributions throughout the year.

It is also a good time to remind residents about the importance of volunteering and making volunteer service a regular part of their lives.

To salute all Fort Benning volunteers, everyone is invited to attend the Commanding General's Recognition and Appreciation Reception from 4-6 p.m. April 25 in the Supper Club of the Officers' Club.

Volunteers of Excellence awards will be presented to 20 community individuals, one youth, one retiree, one family support group volunteer, one family support group and one overall organization. Activities are also planned throughout the continuing week.

The Installation Volunteer Coordinator, Volunteer Management Council and DCA sponsor Volunteer Appreciation Week.

"America was built on the spirit of volunteerism. Without the efforts of millions of volunteers who give their time to help others in their communities, our country would be a different place," said Robert K. Goodwin, president and CEO of the Points of Light Foundation.

Goodwin noted that volunteer community service is everyone's responsibility and each of us can make a difference.

"Saying 'I must do something' will always solve more problems than simply saying 'something must be done,'" he said.

President Richard Nixon established National Volunteer Week in 1974 as an annual celebration of volunteerism.

Every succeeding president has signed a presidential proclamation supporting the week and promoting volunteer efforts.

Recent surveys underscore the importance of citizen involvement. A 1999 Independent Sector survey found that more than 109 million adults now volunteer, contributing some 20 billion hours worth an estimated $225 billion. Closer to home, Fort Benning volunteers reported 171,478 volunteer hours worth more than $2.4 million (one hour multiplied by rate of $14.49).

In celebration of Volunteer Appreciation Week and those that already volunteer, the Installation Volunteer Coordinator encourages anyone who is not involved to get connected to the volunteer opportunities available on post.

To learn where volunteers are needed, call 545-3016 or stop by Building 359 on Ingersoll Avenue.

volunteer opportunities

Installation Volunteer Office

The following volunteer opportunities are available:

• The Family Life Center needs volunteer receptionists. For more information, call 545-1760.

• Youth Services needs soccer and baseball coaches.

For more information, call 545-3070.

• Red Cross needs a number of volunteers to head committees: station chair, MEDDAC hospitality, records, publicity and fundraising. For more information, call 545-5194.

• The Equal Opportunity Office needs volunteers to help with various Heritage Celebration activities. For more information, call 545-6665.

• Reading tutors and volunteers are needed to help support pre-school literacy programs. Days and times are flexible. For more information, call 644-0368 or 682-2180.

• ACS Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance office needs clerical volunteers; commitment and confidentiality are required! For more information, call 545-7571 or 545-4043.

• ACS Relocation Program is looking for extra hands to assemble Welcome Packets. Call Marsha Collins at 545-7517 or 545-4043.

• The Thrift Shop needs "Friday Volunteers" to help support their new operating hours. For more information, call Emily at 687-4830.

For more information about volunteering, call 545-3016.

Community members must take active role in preventing abuse

Rebecca Welch
Family Advocacy Program

More than three million children are reported abused or neglected each year and three children die each day as a result of maltreatment. Everyone in the community has a role to play in prevention.

Since 1993, when April was designated Child Abuse Prevention Month, communities across the country have used this month-long observance to increase awareness of child abuse and its prevention.

It is a time when individuals, schools, businesses, hospitals, religious organizations and social service agencies join forces in the battle against child abuse. Child maltreatment is one of society's oldest, most insidious problems.

Recognizing that everyone can participate in efforts to eliminate this serious threat to children, communities across the country are stepping forward to promote the message that child abuse can and must be prevented. The National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse offers the following suggestions about ways to help prevent child maltreatment in your community.

Help parents in your community

• Establish a parent support group.

Plan a regular time when parents can get together to talk about and find solutions to parenting challenges.

• If you know a parent under stress, offer him or her a break. Take care of the children for a while so the parent can relax.

• Organize a regular playgroup so children and parents can all benefit.

Respond when you see abuse in public

• Strike up a conversation with the adult to direct the parent's attention away from the child.

Say something comforting like "It looks like it's been a long day for both of you."

• Praise the child and parent at the first opportunity.

• Divert the child's attention (if misbehaving) by talking to the child.

Examine your own parenting practices

• Recognize that you are the most important person in your children's lives.

What you say to them and how you treat them determine how they feel about themselves.

Offer them honest praise at every opportunity

• When you're feeling troubled or lonely, and when pressures build up, don't lash out at your child.

Stop and take a deep breath. Remember you are the adult.

Close your eyes and pretend you're hearing what your child is about to hear.

• If you think you need help, you're not alone.

Being a parent isn't easy for anyone, and sometimes it's very hard.

Take the first step. Reach out for help.

Check your community's resources for a child abuse or crisis hotline, parenting group or family service agency.

• Report suspected abuse or neglect.

Protecting children requires everyone to report suspected abuse or neglect.

To report suspected maltreatment, call Social Work Service at 545-1661.

For more information on child abuse prevention, contact Theresa Sanchez, Family Advocacy Victim Advocate, at 545-3344.

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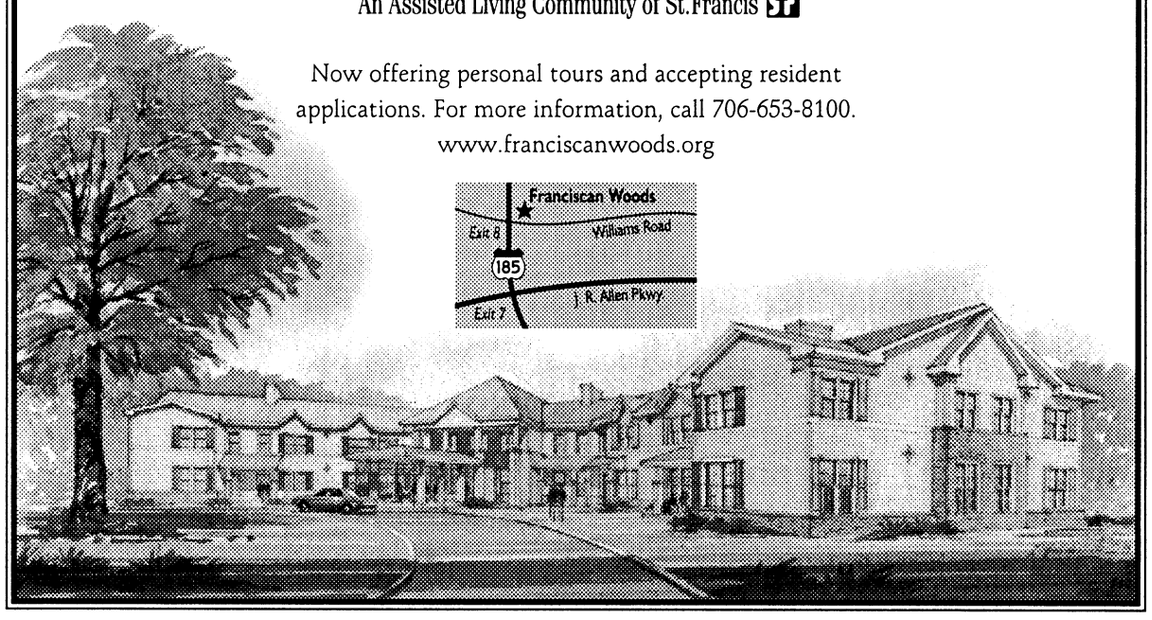
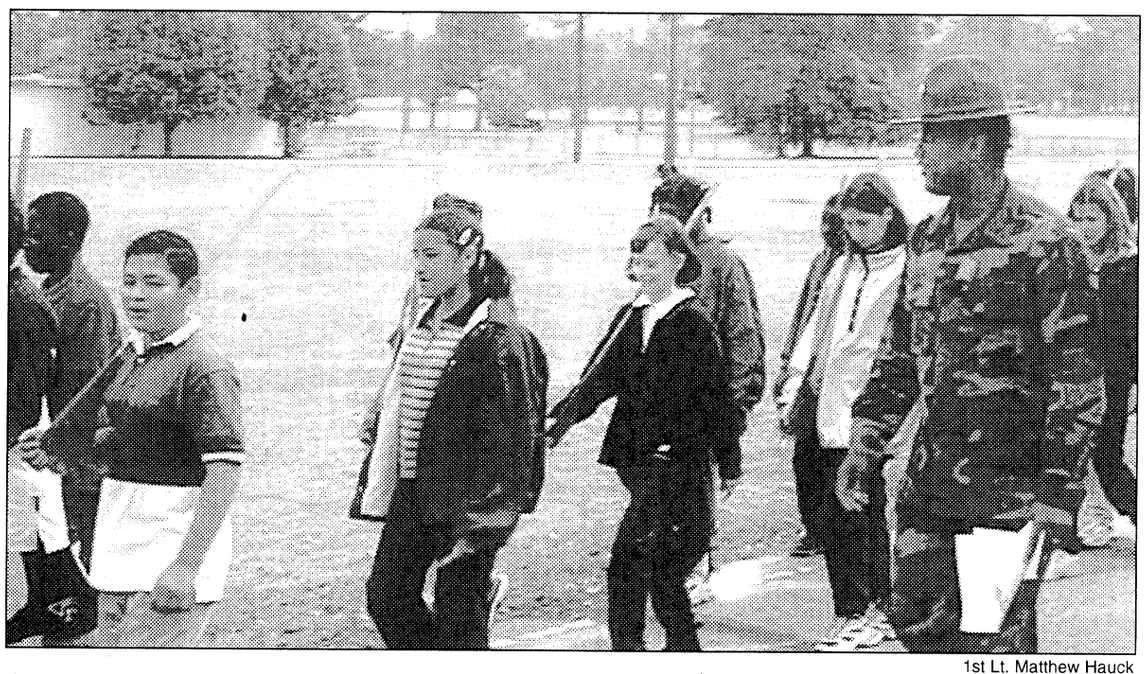


Drill sergeants teach students Soldiering

1st Lt. Matthew Hauck
2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry



1st Lt. Matthew Hauck

Sgt. 1st Class Victor Clark, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, keeps a watchful eye on "Soldiers" from White Elementary during marching instruction.

Approximately 100 students from ages 9 through 11 volunteered for training the morning of April 3.

The students from White Elementary School were preparing for a re-enactment of Pickett's Charge, a famous Civil War battle at Gettysburg.

Three drill sergeants from the Basic Combat Training Brigade trained with the students. The "new recruits" were lined up, and giggles were replaced by grimaces as the drill sergeants instructed them on the necessity of discipline.

"Keep your head and eyes straight forward," barked Sgt. 1st Class Victor Clark of D Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment.

After 40 minutes the students became proficient at facing movements, commands at attention, and finally, marching and singing cadence.

A few rowdy "Soldiers" were instructed to shape up, and performed a few "push-up" repetitions with Staff Sgt. Christopher Diaz.

The students were laughing more than doing the exercise, possibly because of the candy Pixie Sticks "gunpowder" they consumed when the drill sergeant wasn't looking.

The students seemed to prefer marching, especially shouting cadences.

"I enjoyed the opportunity to march with a big group of students," said Jessie Bennett. "Drill sergeant Echols was nice. He made us laugh."

The student "Soldiers" and drill sergeants walked away from the parade field with the mission accomplished and a few laughs along the way.

Diaz said he enjoyed his time with the students.

"The kids seemed to have a good time, and I found it inspirational," he said. "It is not often that I have the opportunity to interact with children and I found that I enjoyed working with them as more of a teacher than an instructor."

Evelyn Brahman organized the event and was keeping a sharp eye on the best "Soldiers" for the re-enactment in a couple weeks.

The 2nd Bn., 47th Inf., BCTB, plans to increase its role in the community, and is planning more events with White Elementary School.

births

Girls

Caitlin Lillamarie Dansereau — born March 21 to Abbie and Capt. Paul Dansereau.

Breonna Michelle Thomas — born March 22 to Pfc. Lasondria and Pfc. Maurice Thomas.

Tatyana Alejandra Alvarez-McDaniels — born March 22 to Spc. Alejandra Alvarez and Spc. Marvin McDaniels.

Sha'neece Anne Fowler — born March 23 to Michelle and Spc. Larry Fowler Jr.

Christina Elizabeth Delgado — born March 23 to Donna and Sgt. Steve Delgado.

Ariana Lizette Fuentes Negron — born March 24 to Leslie Fuentes and Spc. Richard Fuentes Colon.

Kearson Sydni Dakota Suggs — born March 24 to Dorothy and Staff Sgt. Ervin Suggs.

Emily Ann Binkley — born March 25 to Lizabeth and 2nd Lt. John Binkley.

Kayla Marisa Florestine Steele — born March 26 to Teneika and Capt. Dwayne Steele.

Angel Marie Merriweather — born March 26 to Nickoa and Spc. Antonio Merriweather.

Madison Christina Culbreth — born March 27 to Tracy and Staff Sgt. Frederick Culbreth.

Alyssa LeeAnn Aguirre — born March 27 to Christie and Spc. Lee Aguirre.

Carla Marie Velazquez — born March 29 to Diane and Sgt. 1st Class Juan Velazquez.

Boys

Chad Aaron Turpin — born March 21 to Kristy and Spc. William Turpin.

Xzavier Malik Baker — born March 22 to Pfc. Kasandra and Derrick Baker.

Quinlan Marcellos Webster — born March 27 to Frances and Spc. Laquinta Webster.

Dylan Edward Smith — born March 27 to Ada and Spc. Tracy Smith.

Nicolas Kyle Hurlbut — born March 27 to Kelly and Staff Sgt. Danny Hurlbut.

Jason Reed Taylor — born March 29 to Jennifer and Staff Sgt. Robert Taylor.

Eric Fisher Reed — born March 29 to Nancy and Staff Sgt. Brian Reed.

Kourt Neilen Clarke Jr. — born March 28 to Stephenie and 2nd Lt. Kourt Clarke.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

Grades: Save students money

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off the ground, but Greene said he expects it to be very successful with tremendous participation from area students.

The program will hopefully motivate kids toward doing better and achieving that A and B average, Greene said.

"We want our Army community to be above average," he said.

"We recognize excellent Soldiers, but we never recognize the children, and they are also achieving excellence in their mission," Greene added.

For more information about the "You Made the Grade!" program at the PX, call 689-8025 or 689-0385.

Project: Provides bird homes

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bluebird houses already being monitored on Fort Benning.

"All the houses are on a drivable route so we can easily monitor and repair them if necessary," Phillips said. "The bird houses will be checked annually to clean them out and see how successful they were."

"We had a great response from the schools and youth groups. We would have loved to put more up," he said.

Cub Scout Pack 51, Columbus 4-H Council, Loyd Elementary School, White Elementary School, Wilson Elementary School, Dexter Elementary School and Faith Middle School participated in the Earth Day project. Earth Day is April 28.

Kids: Take care of cemetery

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"There's so much history here. The headstones are fascinating to read," said Paula Gibson. "There are military police dogs buried here — one even killed in the line of duty. And there are so many family pets, obviously loved by families who have long since left the area. It's sad to see them neglected and forgotten."

After three hours of work, the cemetery began to show signs of improvement.

Fallen limbs and scattered debris were removed. Flowers were planted in the flowerbeds. The grass was trimmed and edged.

But the students and their parents agreed that the work of maintaining the pet cemetery would have to be an ongoing project or, again, it would fall in a state of disrepair.

"This is one of those projects that will require a couple of hours every few weeks," said Debbie Kniskern, a parent volunteer.

"It's not going to be all accomplished at once. We're hoping to adopt it as a continuing project."

Bill Bunt, chief of range, roads and grounds, Directorate of Public Works, said adopting the cemetery is an excellent idea.

"About six or seven years ago, a directive came down that said pet cemeteries could no longer be maintained by government forces," Bunt said.

"As far as I know it has been several years since a Scout group came in and cleaned it up. It definitely needs to be adopted," he added.

Kaye Kyle, family support assistant, said the cemetery is no longer open to the public because of space limitations.

"It is strictly for working dogs now," Kyle said. "Military families who lose a pet can dispose of the carcass at the sanitary land fill, or they can contact Vet Services to have their pet cremated. They can retain the ashes or disperse them in wooded areas on post."

Quilters: Learn essential skills

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enjoyed participating in the project because it was for a worthwhile cause.

"It was a good experience, but it was difficult. The letters were really hard to stitch," she said. "I had fun helping out for the school, but I don't think I'll be quilting again any time soon."

Faith's quilt panel and all other contest entries will be on display at the Riverfest April 28-30, where the winner will be announced.

The panels will then be housed at the Oxbow Meadows Environment Learning Center and will be available for loan to schools and civic organizations.

Champion said she hopes the display of the quilts will evoke the same kind of nostalgia that the quilting bee inspired.

"Ultimately, I would like to see the panels hanging between the light poles on the Riverwalk," she said. "Like wash hanging on a line, it should elicit good old memories of when the Chattahoochee River was clean."

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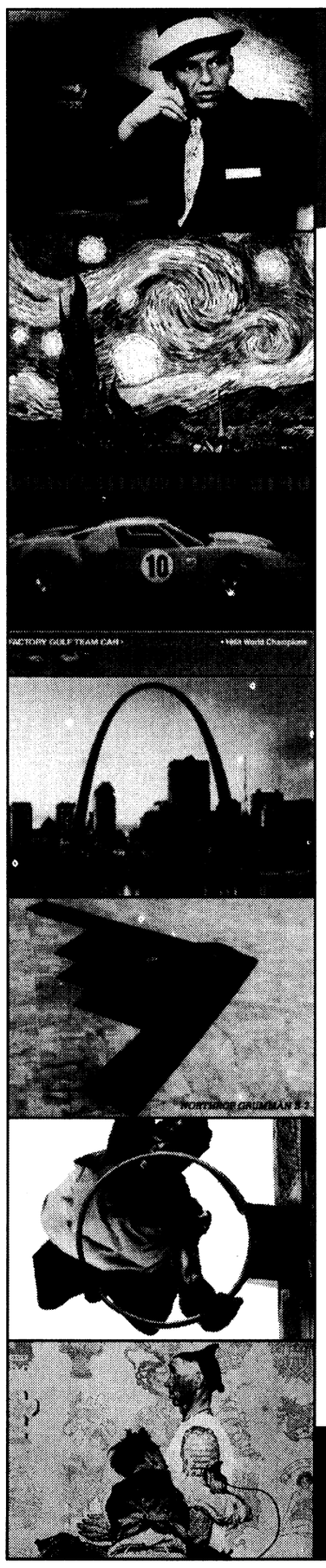
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Stowers students share stories

Stowers Elementary

My Most Embarrassing Moment

My most embarrassing moment was when I when I threw up in P.E. I was in the fourth grade last year. That day, I was so nauseated that I felt like I was spinning around in circles everywhere I went. I was so ill that I couldn't eat, not one single bite. When I got to school that day, my nose was running like a faucet and my cough was like a hammer banging against something.

After lunch we went to P.E. We had to play a game where we needed a partner and each of us had to grab one end of a jump rope and start running. My partner, Rashonda Perkins, and I began to run. After a while I got dizzy and when we stopped I threw up. Rashonda dropped the jump rope and ran to Mr. Weinbaum. Phyllicia and Alex's class were in P.E. with my class and when they saw me, everybody started to stare.

After that, Rashonda took me to the nurse and I was so embarrassed. When we were walking to the nurse I finally spoke to her. The first thing I said was, "I threw up in P.E., cool!" She started to giggle.

When the nurse called my mother, at the time everybody in my house was sick except for my dad and brother. My mom picked me up from school. When I got home, my sister was home also. She got picked up from school too. After a while my sister and I began telling each other why we came home and how high our temperatures were. When it was my turn, I told her how embarrassed I was and how it happened.

That was the most embarrassing moment for me.

— Schuyler Harding
Fifth grade

The Orphan Ant

In the cold winter, on a snowy morning, deep beneath the house on McKibben Court lies an orphan ant that lives with his cousin termites. Little does he know that his mother, father and his millions of brothers and sisters are in the back yard, two ant hills down.

Since he had millions of brothers and sisters, their names were numbers. His number was 2,897, but his cousins didn't always call him that. Instead they called him "wimp" or "Little Ant" and made smart remarks like, "Hey Little Ant, how's your little life going?" And they would walk off snickering their nasty snickers. That wasn't the only problem. The termites knew where his anthill was, but they never told him. So he decided to find out himself. The ant went into the house searching for a treasure, the greatest treasure of all — family. When he entered the kitchen, he saw a little boy, an ant's worst nightmare. They "torture" ants.

He ran as fast as his six legs could carry him behind a chair leg. Then ran to the next and the next until he was next to the door. He ran through the crack in the door. Finally, he was in the back yard. There he saw three ant hills. He went into the first anthill. When the queen saw him, she said, "Guards! Seize him!"

He ran out to the next one and when he saw those guards charging at him. He ran to the next one. In there he felt at home. He walked into the queen's lair and the queen said, "Is that you son?"

"Yes," he exclaimed and ran and hugged his mom.

— Kyle McKibben
Fifth grade

Attack of the Killer Tornado

The worst storm I have ever been in was a tornado. A tornado is like a tall spinning top that goes through a place and destroys it until there is nothing left. A tornado begins when the cold air and the warm air hit and it makes a spinning top that forms slowly until it hits the ground.

I am going to tell you about the tornado that hit Deloka, Ga. It all began when I was playing outside when my mom was hanging clothes on the clothesline to dry. She turned around and saw trees start to bend and crack like fireworks were going off. The breeze was starting to pick up and then my mom ran to me and we ran inside.

My baby brother was inside on the floor. My mom rushed for him and picked him up and we rushed down to the basement. I ran so fast my mom said, "You run so fast you are like Sonic." I giggled a little. At a time like this it's not a laughing matter. By the time we were safe we could hear the trees cracking and the wind blew like a huge fan.

I wanted my dad to be there but he was at work. I thought about him so it would be fine. We could see the wind dying down and then we thought it was safe to go back upstairs.

When it was over, our family went outside to check out what happened. There were trees cracked up and bent up. There were trees over the dog pen and one tree was almost over my dad's truck.

So the big tornado was over and it left a huge mess we had to clean up. When my dad got home, we started to cut all the trees that were demolished.

We cut them down with my dad's chainsaw. Then we had the backyard back to normal. We will never forget the attack of the killer tornado.

— Michael Gatien
Fifth grade



Photos by Margi Bertelsen

Nice work!

(Left) Jessica Vernardo, left, and Alex Bowter show off the end results from all of the hard work they put into the fiesta hats they made in Margi Bertelsen's art class at Stowers.

(Bottom) Bobby Wright, left, and Veronique Henry pose for a picture with their fiesta hats.

The class made the hats earlier in the year in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.



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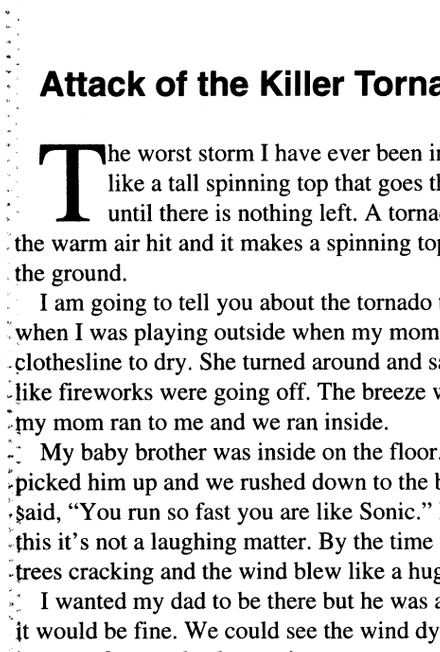

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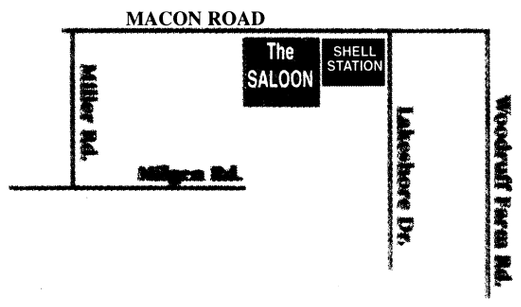

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reflections

Do we need Seder in our lives? You are looking at this heading and most of you are rightfully asking, "What does the word "Seder" mean?"

Change two letters in this Hebrew word "Seder" and you will get its English translation.

Change the first two letters from "se" to "or" and we get the word "order."

Passover, the Jewish holiday commemorating the Exodus from Egypt more than 3,300 years ago, has a universal message to people of all faiths.

One of the central themes of Passover is the Seder where we have a set order of prayers, stories and foods that bring to life the festival of Passover and make each participant feel as if "he himself left Egypt and was freed from slavery."

Matzohs, unleavened bread, are eaten to remind us of the type of bread our ancestors ate in their haste to leave Egypt. Bitter herbs remind us of the bitter times and "charoset" a mixture of chopped apples, wine and spices are a symbol of the mortar used to construct the pyramids.

A lamb's shank bone is placed on a special Seder plate to remind us of the Passover sacrifice. Some Jews even dress up in what they think was the type of clothing worn by their ancestors in that period.

By experiencing the Seder, Passover comes alive each year. It is not just a historical event recorded in books lying on the library shelf or on the web.

Personally, I just returned from a nine-month deployment in support of the peace-keeping force in Kosovo.

I spent the first four months in Kaiserlautern, Germany, and just recently returned from serving for five months as the Kosovo Forces NATO Chaplain.

By this time next year I will have forgotten many of the wonderful experiences there, but if I were to sit down every year and spend an evening recounting all that happened to me and wear my uniform and eat the foods I ate there, and sleep in a tent or trailer, then my memories of Kosovo would become real again.

I recommend that all of you make your religious celebrations come alive by getting more involved and trying to put yourselves at the event and time of that holiday. Establishing "Seder" or order and priorities in our religious and personal lives can only bring us closer to God and our families.

Judaism teaches us to relive God's miracles and make them part of our daily life. This is a lesson for men and women of all faiths.

chapel notes

Sunday School held — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Everyone is invited. There are classes for students from three years of age through adult.

Childcare for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Catholic Lenten Services take place — The Main Post Catholic Chapel will pray the Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m. in the chapel today, followed by a Bread and Soup Supper in the Infantry Center Chapel annex.

Catholics on Sand Hill will pray the Stations of the Cross at Regimental Chapel at 7 p.m.

Vacation Bible School needs volunteers — Vacation Bible School will be held at White Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. to noon June 19-23.

The theme this year is "In the Race with Jesus, Road Rally 2000." There will be classes for students from 4 years of age through junior high and middle school.

To volunteer, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4517.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday morning in Custer Terrace Chapel from 9:30-11:30 a.m. All ladies are invited to attend. Child childcare is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet — The junior high and middle school Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex from 6:30-8 p.m. The senior high group meets from 6:30-8 p.m. on Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel.

"I desire mercy and not sacrifice." — Hosea 6:6

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

Learning to parent takes time, effort

Chap. (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center

Remember learning how to ride a bike without training wheels?

Those were scary times. Scraped knees, broken spokes, crash landings in the nearest ditch, mom or dad running alongside of you to catch you if you fell.

Finally the day came, and you took off by yourself. What a feeling!

The wind whipped your face, and you delighted as everything flashed by you as you went flying down the street. Freedom! You were riding solo!

Parenting is a lot like riding a bike. The motion feels awkward at first, and it is so hard keeping your balance so that you don't fall over, but as you learn to concentrate and keep your balance, you relax and begin to enjoy the ride.

Riding a bike doesn't come naturally, and neither does parenting.



Rupel

Without a doubt, you don't feel confident until you have ridden down the road for several miles.

Like learning to ride a bike, parenting requires a lot of time, patience and effort.

But, once you learn, you never forget.

If you are a young parent who just started learning how to ride down the road of parenthood, take this to heart: hang on, keep peddling, keep your balance and enjoy the ride.

Need some help with your parenting? Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-2050 for more information.

Easter Sunrise Service

This year's speaker Chaplain (Col.) Richard Hartsell, post chaplain

7 a.m. April 23 at Doughboy Stadium

For more information, call 545-1452.

In case of inclement weather, the service will be in the Infantry Center Chapel annex

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Single soldiers and military families are welcomed with open arms at these area churches

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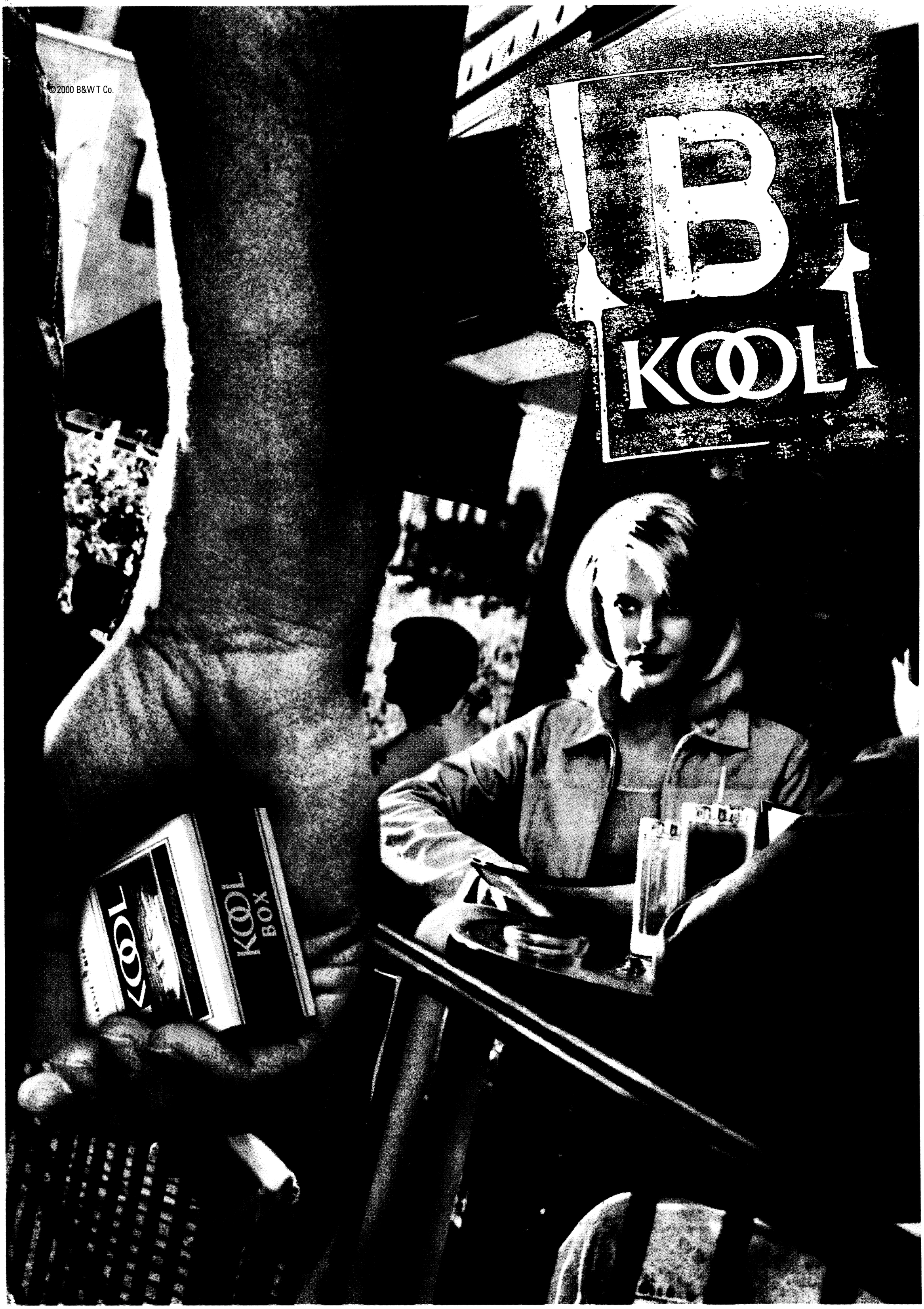

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Photos by Pfc. Amy Nyland

Children 8 and younger take off on "go" in the one-mile race category during the 21st annual Faith Race held Saturday at Faith Middle School.

Race draws more than 300

Young, old take part in annual Faith fun run

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

No matter big or small, young or old, in strollers, wheelchairs or on piggy back, runners took to the roads Saturday for the 21st annual Faith Race.

More than 300 participants from Fort Benning and the tri-community showed up for this year's event, racing in one-mile, two-mile and five-mile categories.

Apparent the race is a favorite among children, questions such as, "You mean we are really making a mile dad?" and "How do we know which way to go?" could be heard echoing down the row of small heads clustering at the one-mile starting point.

While the clouds played their games, threatening rain during the entire race, it wasn't until the five-mile runners got on their mark that the skies opened up and poured down.

However, even the threat of rain couldn't keep faithful returners and newcomers from showing up to compete.

For Noe Garcia, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, and his son and daughter, the race offered an opportunity to get out of the house and do something as a family.

Garcia admitted it was his 8-year-old son, Noe Jr., who persuaded the family to get involved.

"He has reached that age where he wants to run a lot, and he asked about the race, so I decided to bring him out," Garcia said.

The race is oriented towards the family and especially towards children, said Susan Emerson, race coordinator.

She said this is what makes it such a popular race.

"It's an opportunity for the whole family to participate," Emerson said. "There is a race distance for everyone, whether they are a good runner or a just beginner."

Honing her racing skills was 12-year-old LaTelia Brackens' motivation for coming out to the race.

"I want to become a better runner and of course practice makes perfect," Brackens said.

This year's race was made even more special by its dedication to the memory of Ron Gorday, who was the finish line coordinator for the Faith Race for many years, Emerson said. Gorday died last summer.

She also extended her thanks to volunteers from the Officer Wives Club, Falcon Parent Teacher Organization and the 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Brigade, for helping make the race safe and successful.

Listed below are this year's Faith race top three finishers in each age category.

One-mile race:

Overall female winners: Destiny James, 6:49; Jessica Kemp, 6:51; Lindsay Eidenberg, 7:05; Christino Vito, 7:18; Latelia Brackens, 7:37.

Overall male winners: Bradley Sullivan, 5:43; Brian Elder, 5:56; Sam Stephens, 5:58; Scott Hawkland, 6:18; Kyle Maresca, 6:20.

Ages 1-4 (female): Marena Prieto, 10:08; Devyn Holbrook, 11:15; Susan Stratton, 11:22.

Ages 1-4 (male): Trey Thorne 10:09; James Harris Jr., 10:39; Jatavius White, 12:35.

Ages 5-6 (female): Taylor Wakefield, 9:41; Bianca Garcia, 10:03; Sadie Sabatino, 10:46.

Ages 5-6 (male): Aaron Eck, 8:55; David William Jr., 8:56; Matthew Tharpe, 9:11.

Ages 7-8 (female): Courtney Wills, 8:57; Jessica Stuckey, 9:05; Hannah Merriweather, 9:06.

Ages 7-8 (male): Jeremy Swaim, 8:04; Matthew Durham, 8:12; Bradley Taylor, 8:14.

Ages 9-10 (female): Loraine Solis, 7:40; Breanne LaCamera, 7:45; Josalyne Tomczewski, 8:05.

Ages 9-10 (male): James Jordan, 6:23; Kelley Maresca, 6:37; Robert Stevens III, 7:01.

Ages 11-12 (female): Brittani Wills, 8:18; Latandaria Jackson, 8:24; Ashely Daniel, 8:25.

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Noe Garcia helps his daughter Bianca, 7, pin on her race number Saturday before the start of the one-mile race.

2nd Bn., 29th Inf., takes home post championship

Final minute scoring run crowns new post basketball champs

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Ending this year's post intramural basketball season was the championship game with A Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry, besting A Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry, 51-46.

In the fast-paced game both teams were evenly matched and the point span was kept within four points the entire game until the last minute of the game when 1st Bn. went on a 5-0 scoring run.

Patrick Smith, a 1st Bn. guard, was the first to put points on the board 30 seconds into the game.

Jimmie Walker, 2nd Bn. center, gave his team the first boost of the game answering Smith's basket.

Trading points throughout the first half, 1st Bn., managed to take the lead for the first time in the game after several fouls from 2nd Bn. which created scoring opportunities.

Playing tough defense but fouling frequently, the teams remained neck and neck until the last minute when 1st Bn. guard Joshua Craddolph was fouled as he went up for a shot.

Going to the line, Craddolph sunk both free-throws giving his team a two point lead. After a drive down court by 2nd Bn. he stole the ball and broke away for an easy lay-up.

As time ran out, 2nd Bn. center Jimmie Walker tossed a half-court prayer shot, but his pray went unanswered.

The score at the end of the first half was in favor of 1st Bn., 25-21.

As the second half began, Kleckey Pointer, a 2nd Bn. guard, showed what he was made of as he scored the first basket of the half.

A quick turnover from 1st Bn. and 2nd Bn. was on the board again, tying the game at 25. A number of steals and forced turnovers later, 1st Bn. was back in the lead and running over the defense of 2nd Bn.

"We need to take it to them. We can't hold them," shouted a 2nd Bn. player.

With that 2nd Bn. turned up the heat on both their offense and defense.

Using break-aways to their advantage, they made several successful full-court passes leading to points.

Holding their own 1st Bn. changed their action and began to take more outside shots and sinking them.

1st Bn. tied the game up once again and the game returned to trading baskets until only two minutes remained on the clock.

On a break-away drive, 2nd Bn. guard Brian Grant sunk the basket giving his team a two point lead.

Trying to sink one of their own, 1st Bn. was met by a crushing defense, and although they were able to put up several shots, none fell in for them.

As the one minute mark rolled by 2nd Bn. realized they were in the lead, and began to hold the ball and just pass it around without trying to score again.

Fouling on purpose, 1st Bn. gave Thuran Russell, a 2nd Bn. forward, the opportunity for a one-on-one chance. Although he was unable to sink the basket, teammate Walker was fouled and was able to make one of his free-throws giving his team a three point lead.

With one more possession of the ball and only 16 seconds remaining, 1st Bn. drove downcourt for their last attempt of the game. On a misplaced pass, the ball was stolen and fired to Grant, who took the game home sinking the easy basket as the game-ending horn sounded.

"We played a really good game," said Russell. "We were able to pick it up at the end and they tired out."

Agreeing his team was tired, 1st Bn. forward, Jeff Frye said they lost their focus.

"We played pretty good in the first half but played like we had no purpose in the second," he said. "It even seemed like we couldn't box them out."

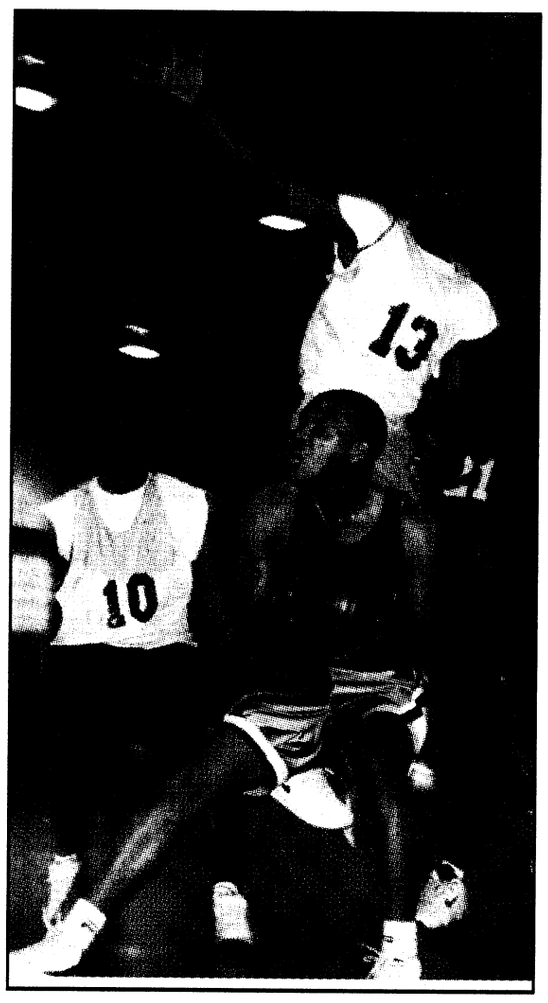
Worried for a while, Russell said one player in particular was destroying their game plan.

"Their Number 11 (Smith) was killing us," he said.

Smith, who made the game opening score, scored many of his team's points, drew several fouls and repeatedly stole the ball creating havoc on the 2nd Bn. defense.

He even drove through a three-man defense by himself leading to a basket.

However, when the game winning lay-up went in, Russell said he knew they won.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Buford Gigley gains control of the ball during Monday's championship game.

Hoopsters from 2nd Bn. ended their season with a 15-1 record.

"If it weren't for our rebounding, we would have been in a lot of trouble," he said.

Nursing a sore shoulder, Grant said they couldn't sink most of their shots, and it was their rebounding that saved them the game.

"We missed a lot of free-throws and other shots," he said. "It was a really good game, and a really long week."

Olympic selection-matches begin

AMU shoots for top spots in qualification

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit will host the first of two Olympic Selection Matches that will choose the U.S. Shooting Team to compete in the 2000 Olympic Games this September.

The first Olympic selection competition will be conducted Wednesday to May 5 at Hook and Phillips Ranges and the Pool International Shooting Complex on post. The second selection match is scheduled for June 21 to July 1 in Atlanta at the Tom Lowe Shooting Grounds, formerly called the Wolf Creek Olympic Shooting Center.

Shooters' scores from both matches will be added together and the top one, two or three shooters, depending on the discipline, will make the Olympic Team; there are 17 Olympic shooting disciplines.

The breakdown of the 29 slots on the 2000 U.S. Olympic Shooting Team is as follows: Women's three position free rifle has three quota slots; men's air pistol, men's free pistol, women's sport pistol, men's air rifle, women's air rifle, men's three position free rifle, men's free rifle prone, men's running target, men's trap, men's double trap and men's skeet have two quota slots each; women's air pistol, women's trap, women's double trap and women's skeet have one slot each; and no Olympic quota slots were earned for rapid fire pistol.

Forty USAMU Soldiers, including 11 former Olympians, will be competing against 500 of the country's top shooters for the 29 slots on the U.S. Olympic Shooting Team.

Out of the possible 31 Olympic slots the U.S. Team could have been given, 29 quota slots were awarded to the U.S. by American athletes winning them; nine Olympic quota slots were won by seven USAMU Soldiers.

Army shooters who won quota slots are: Thomas A. Tamas, prone rifle; Jason A. Parker and Staff Sgt. Kenneth A. Johnson, air rifle; Glenn A. Dubis and Johnson, three position rifle; Daryl L. Szarenski, air and free pistol; Armando R. Ayala, running target; and James T. Graves

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Take trip in time at Florence Marina

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

outdoor corner



After a blissful and beautiful day at Providence Canyon State Park, my friend Erin and I wanted to end the evening right by watching the sunset. It was already sinking low in the horizon and I knew I had no time to waste.

As we raced towards the blazing ball of orange I had no clue to where we were heading, all I knew was we had to make it there before the last of the sun said goodbye. After 15 minutes of aimless driving, to our surprise we found a spectacular lake with an array of pinks, reds and oranges dancing off its surface. We made it just in time to witness the dazzle of the sun's rays covering the water and the clouds.

The lake we stumbled upon was Walter F. George Lake located at Florence Marina State Park, and it provided one of the most amazing sunsets I have ever watched. While we didn't have the opportunity to check out the rest of the park that night, I vowed I would one day return.

So, when I got a call from one of the park's interpretive rangers a couple of weeks ago inviting me to come out and pay a visit, my answer was a swift and resounding "yes."

Florence Marina is about 40 minutes from Columbus and very easy to find. Once you get on Highway 280 South past Cusseta there are signs pointing you there the whole way.

Florence Marina State Park is a boat owner's paradise with boat launches, covered boat slips, docks and more. However, it is definitely not limited to boat owners.

The park offers 44 camp and RV hookup sites and a number of one and two bedroom cottages. The new two bedroom cottages are very large and include all the essentials, with an added bonus of a screened porch. The park also has tennis courts, an Olympic-size swimming pool, miniature golf course, deep-water fishing pier and fish cleaning stations.

However, it is at the Kirbo Interpretive Center where the adventure really begins. It was there I met Eric and Clay. Besides the usual park offerings, Florence Marina interpretive rangers give tours of nearby historical locations. These guys were going to be my guides in a trip through time.

The first place we went was a small fort in the middle of nowhere called Fort McCreary. Besides being able to climb into the old building I learned a lot about its history from Clay (the history buff) who had plenty to say about the fort and its significance. I found out that on occasion he offers re-enactments and black-powder demonstrations.

Our next stop was the site of ancient Indian mounds. The area where these mounds are located is closed to the public so basically your only ticket to seeing them is through a tour given by the rangers. I learned a lot during the tour about the Indians and their society, while also getting a little lesson in plants from Eric (the botany buff).

But, I have to admit my favorite part of the tour was the pond where I got a look at 10 young alligators. Considering my hero is Steve Irwin, better known as "that crazy crocodile hunter," I had to resist the urge to jump in and wrestle me some 'gators.

When we got back from the tours Eric and Clay risked life and limb by letting me partake in some good, old-fashioned fun with tomahawks and ancient arrow-throwing devices.

After narrowly escaping injury from my numerous misguided throws, both Clay and Eric had to say their goodbyes to get ready for the upcoming Easter egg hunt the park was holding. I was sad to see them go, but impressed at how much I learned in such a short time.

I really enjoyed my time at Florence Marina and have no doubt that others, especially families would feel the same. Throughout the year the park holds a number of annual special events such as an Astronomy Evening, Alligator Day and Christmas celebration.

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Sgt. Michael Maddox
Zach Chambers rounds third and heads for home during YS play.

Sluggers battle on field during YS baseball

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

It was a battle of the sluggers as the Tigers defeated the Eagles, 20-14, in coach-pitched baseball action Saturday afternoon at Dexter Field.

The day started off with rain, high winds and a chill in the air causing the first game to be canceled. It looked as if the Tigers and Eagles game would be canceled too when the weather cleared up.

The teams wasted no time in the first inning as the Eagles scored three runs, two of those off a triple by Mike Connors. The Tigers brought six runs scored off singles and doubles.

In the second, the Eagles were shut out while the Tigers scored 3 runs bringing the score to, 9-3, Tigers.

The Eagles run drought continued into the third inning. The Tigers began to turn up the heat scoring three runs off of a home run by Nick Cathell and later three more runs on a home run by William Buffin.

Going into the fourth with the score at 15-3, things looked grim for the Eagles. That didn't faze them a bit though as they started off the inning with a home run by B.J. Millsap and another home run that scored two runners by Connors. They also brought in two more runs before they were through this inning.

The Tigers answered back with two home runs in the fourth by Brandon Hayes and Deandre Murphy plus a single run. The fourth inning ended with 20-8 on the scorebook.

Time was running out when the Eagles pulled out all stops in the fifth inning. They started out strong as Tyler Straits hit a home run scoring three runners. The team added three more runs to bring the score to 20-14 before the game was called by the official.

It was a good game all of the way to the end, said Troy Murphy, Tigers coach.

"It was a real good game. We started out kind of slow, but picked up the pace in the end," he said.

Murphy said he thought both teams showed that they have the right stuff to play good baseball.

"They (Eagles) had a real good game offensive wise, and I think we played a good defensive game," Murphy said.

Eagles coach Mike Menendez said he was proud of his team.

"I thought the team did a great job of pulling together," he said. "As long as everyone on the team has fun and gets a chance to learn more about baseball, it's a good day."

Olympics: Compete

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skeet.

Fort Benning's Olympic Selection Matches begin with the Shotgun Trials. Wednesday is a training day and Men's and Women's Trap competition will be conducted Thursday to April 23. Men's and Women's Double Trap runs April 25-26 and Men's and Women's Skeet will be held April 28 to May 1.

The 10-Meter 30+30 Running Target matches will be April 27 to 30; this competition is for men only.

Competition in Women's Three Position Free Rifle is set for April 26 and 27 and the men will compete May 1-2. Men's Air Rifle competition runs April 26-27 and women's competition will be April 29-30. The Free Rifle Prone matches, for men only, will be conducted April 29-30.

Men's Rapid Fire Pistol competition takes place April 28-29 and Women's Sport Pistol competition will be May 1-2. Men will compete in the Air Pistol matches May 1-2 and the women will compete May 4-5. Male pistol shooters will compete in the Free Pistol trials May 4-5.

All competition starts at 9 a.m. except for the shotgun matches, which start at 10 a.m. The Olympic Selection Matches are open to the public.

The Olympics will be held Sept. 15 to Oct. 1. The Olympic Shooting Competition will take place Sept. 16 to 23 at the Sydney International Shooting Centre Park.

Racers: Finish

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Ages 11-12 (female): Brittani Wills, 8:18; Latandaria Jackson, 8:24; Ashely Daniel, 8:25.

Ages 11-12 (male): Dontrell Flethcher, 6:31; R.J. Arellano, 7:30; Adam Abrams, 7:33.

Ages 13-14 (female): Justine Dubois, 7:42; Rachel Lush, 8:43; Fallon Tiller, 8:45.

Ages 13-14 (male): Nathan Adkinson, 6:49; Leroy Coronado, 7:01.

Wheelchair event: 13-year-old Jessie Stroman, 11:02.

Two-mile race:

Overall female winners: Amy Maresca, 13:25; Mary Ferriter, 14:02; Jayne Bryan, 14:29.

Overall male winners: Joseph Fix, 10:55; Bobby Reyes, 11:06; Adam Pugh, 11:38.

Ages 1-12 (female): Sarah O'Neil, 16:14; Lindsay Eidenberg, 16:32; Kayla Wakefield, 16:35.

Ages 1-12 (male): Terrell Anthony, 13:42; Octavio Galindo, 14:07; Kelley Maresca, 14:17.

Ages 13-14 (female): Alisa Amos, 16:09; Latricia Rounds, 16:13; Pursia Williams, 18:36.

Ages 13-14 (male): Kelvin Moore, 13:15; Brian Elder, 13:34; Chris Rivera, 15:31.

Ages 15-16 (male): Luiz Diaz, 11:56.

Ages 17-19 (male): Jeff Yepez, 22:24.

Ages 20-24 (female): Melissa Tomas, 20:04.

Ages 20-24 (male): Brian Yepez, 17:36.

Ages 25-29 (male): Dan Mergs, 14:27; Mark Hammer, 15:44.

Ages 30-34 (female): Dana Neal, 17:34; Orlisa Woods, 19:16; Celia Contreras, 26:41.

Ages 30-34 (male): Chet Keeton, 13:06; John Cathell, 15:51; Fred Wintrich, 16:24.

Ages 35-39 (female): Missy Dugan, 15:55; Nancy Carlisle, 21:03; Diana Hardenstein, 24:04.

Ages 35-39 (male): Ben Neal, 20:45.

Ages 40-44 (female): Maryie Ferrter, 15:28; Debby Burnette, 19:17; Margi Bertelsen, 20:07.

Ages 40-44 (male): Mike Ferriter, 14:03.

Ages 45-49 (female): Edith Robinson, 22:12.

Ages 45-49 (male): Bruce Anderson, 17:10; James Burnette, 19:35.

Ages 50-54 (female): Charlene Boyette, 21:28; Melodine Martin, 26:37; Karen Noon, 26:42.

Ages 60-99 (male): Allan Taylor, 13:59; Dan Courtney, 20:56.

Five-mile race:

Overall female winners: Melissa Reyes, 38:35; Lisa Madler, 41:05; Darlene Hutcheson, 43:10.

Overall male winners: Michael Raymond, 29:22; Kevin McGurk; 30:35; Aboubacar Sissokho, 31:17.

Ages 1-12 (female): Jenna Hinkley, 53:26.

Ages 1-12 (male): Kyle Maresca, 37:57; Brian Coronado, 40:51; James Jordan, 40:52.

Ages 13-14 (female): Amy Maresca, 43:29; Dominique Doyle, 43:53.

Ages 13-14 (male): Michael Doud, 39:32.

Ages 15-16 (male): Bobby Reyes, 35:45.

Ages 17-19 (male): Robert Fix Jr. 33:39; Jason Sanchez, 37:50.

Ages 20-24 (male): Arnold Hammari, 35:46; Alan Akin, 53:57.

Ages 25-29 (female): Teresa Russo, 50:31.

Ages 25-29 (male): Matthew Kent, 32:13; Philip Sabatino, 36:22; Matthew Kopp, 39:19.

Ages 30-34 (female): Sherry Eifler, 44:30.

Ages 30-34 (male): Jose Solis, 33:19; Julio Sanchez, 39:33; Alfred Brooks, 40:59.

Ages 40-44 (female): Debbie Fix, 44:51; Janie Hutchings, 53:56; Catherine Cole, 54:38.

Ages 40-44 (male): Tom Minor, 31:42; Stanley Doyle, 33:38; Lawrence Sedillo, 44:12.

Ages 45-49 (female): Elisabeth Elder, 58:03.

Ages 45-49 (male): Tom Elder, 40:42; Dan Rivera-Lugo, 43:47; John Lincoln III, 44:38.

Ages 50-54 (female): Ezra Woods, 54:54.

Ages 50-54 (male): Cecil Cheves, 40:16; Joseph Akin, 40:56; Bill Hasley, 44:40.

Ages 55-59 (female): Jean Dyer, 1:05:55.

Ages 55-59 (male): Wayne Harbert, 39:40; Charles Lovelette, 43:17.

Ages 60-99 (female): Nancy Holbrooks, 55:26.

Ages 60-99 (male): Fred Dyer, 41:13; Albert Vancleave, 42:42; Rick Person, 45:44.

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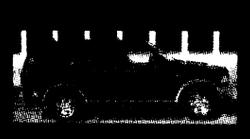

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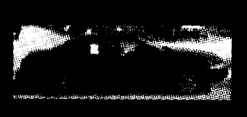

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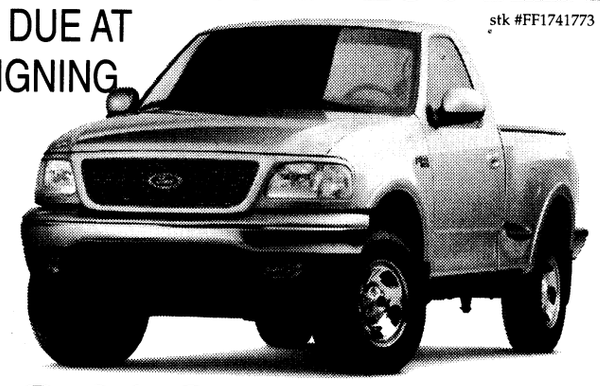

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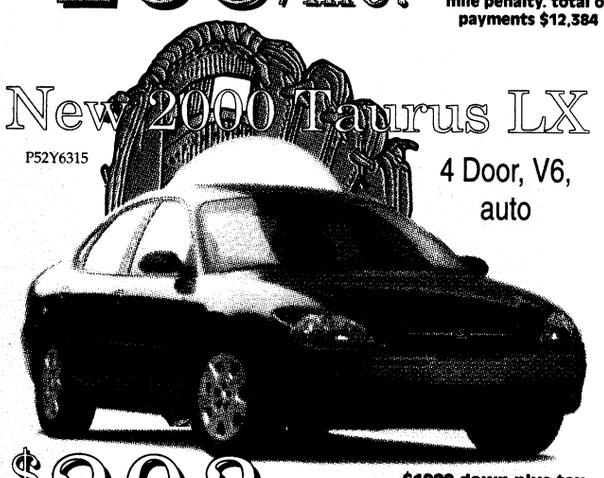

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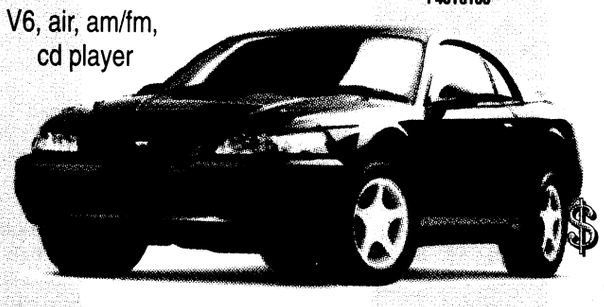

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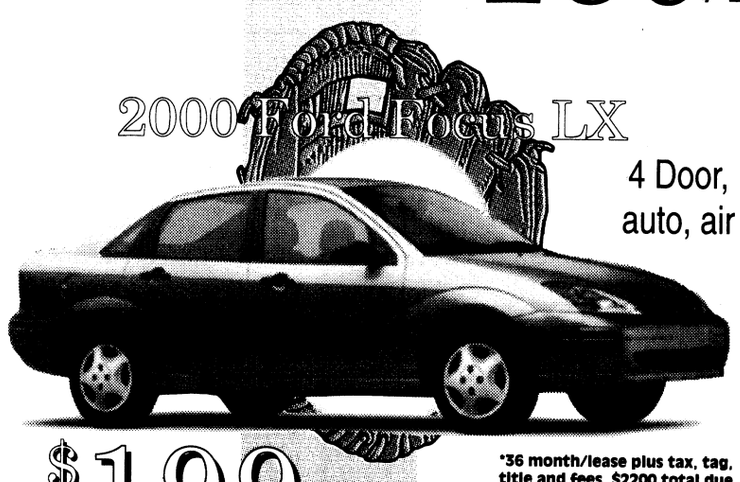

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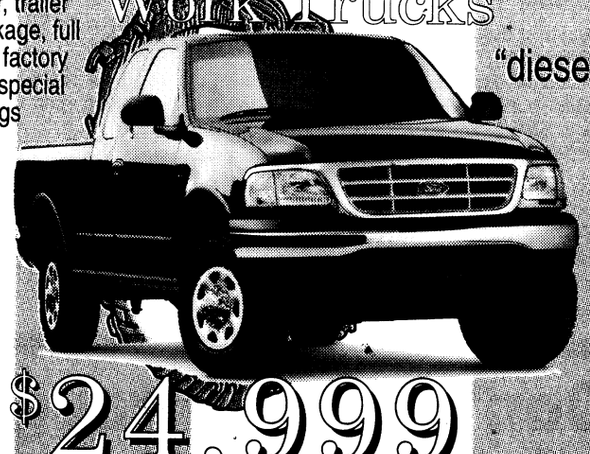

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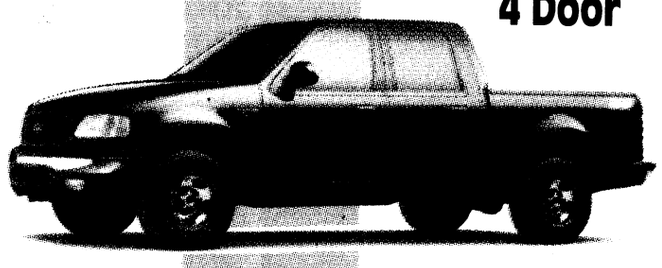

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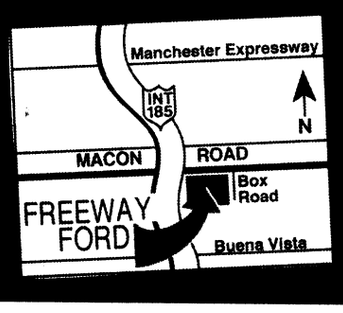

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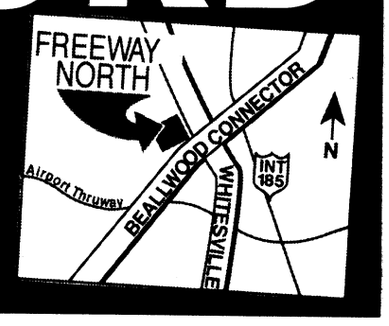

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79 Corvette L82 matching #'s, leather, Tilt, A/C, PWR everything, T-tops very clean, asking $8,700 OBO / Possible trade. 660-9263. after 5:00 p.m. or Lv msg. (F28)

84 Mercedes Benz 300, diesel, one owner, fully loaded, air, tape, car phone, sunroof, power seats. $4700. (F5)

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93 Jeep Wrangler-S 4.0L V6 Never Been Off Road CD w/ Sound Bar, 83500 mi $7900 neg. 687-2106 (F5)

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99 Chevy Tahoe LT. Had only five months, moving to Korea. Take over lease payment of $433.00 a month for 53 months. We'll pay transfer fee, over mileage fee, and you'll receive $200.00. Call 561-0635. (F5)

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95 Honda Magma deluxe 750, black and light blue saddlebags, pipes, jet kit, sprocket v fast 7k mi $4900. very clean, cover, oil change included. 568-3449 (F14)

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97 Dyna Superglide, exc condition, only 1,350 actual miles, too many extras to list, lots of chrome, extended 5 yr warranty, $14,500.OBO. 660-9263. (F28)

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Navy blue with cranberry-plaid pattern loveseat and sofa. $150. 687-8376 Cheryl. (F14)

Dining room set, exc. condition, table with leaf, 6 upholstered chairs, china hutch with glass front. $700. 563-0926. (F21)

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Hunter green recliner. good condition $85. Hunter green carpet for Indianhead Terrace living room. $30. Must sell PSCing 685-2089 (F14)

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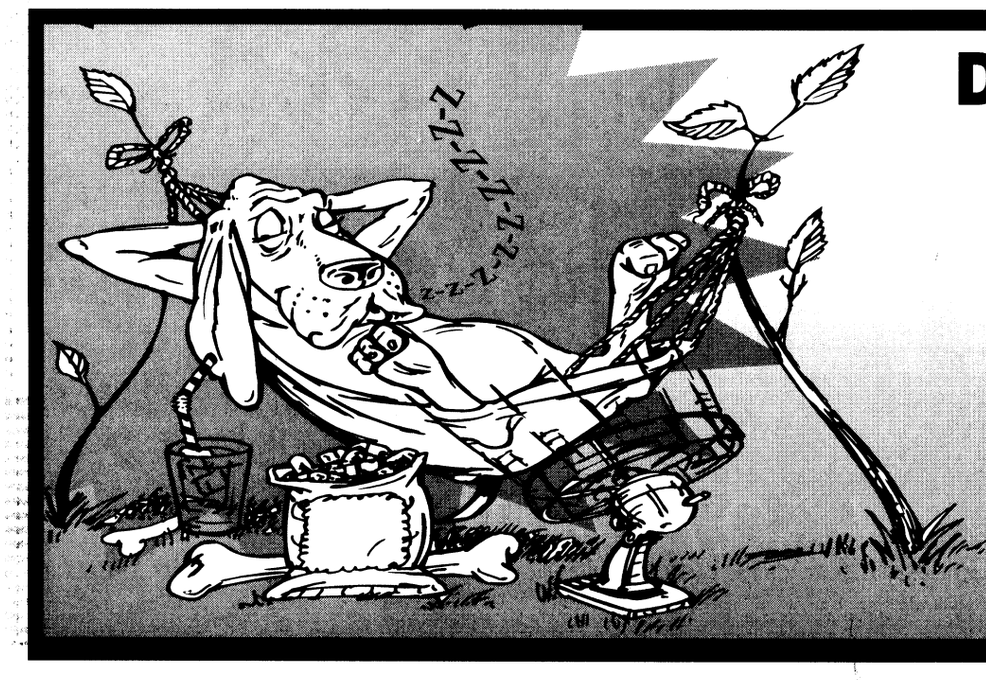

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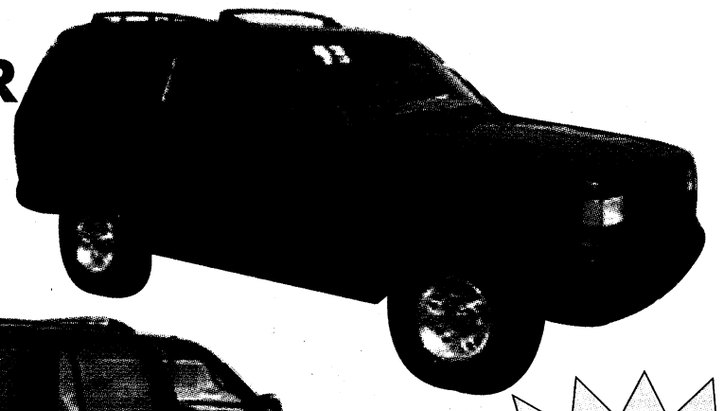

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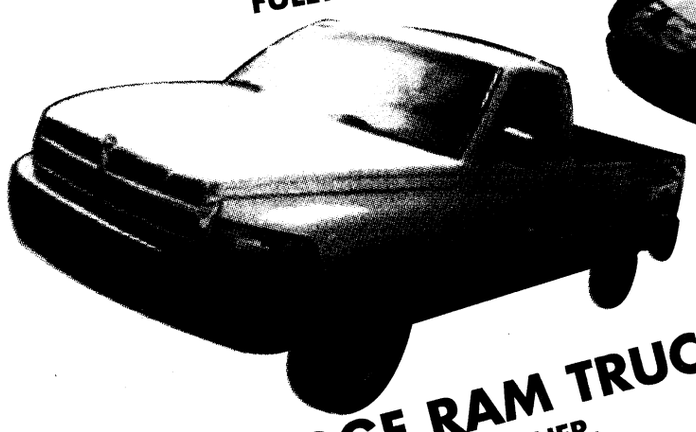

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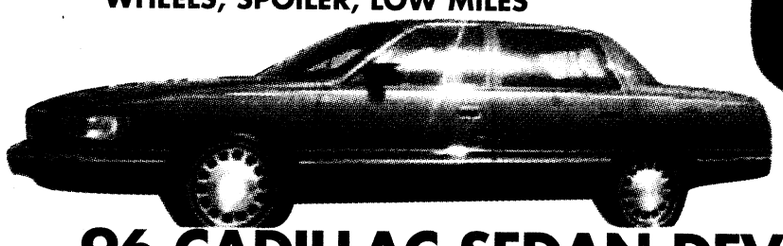

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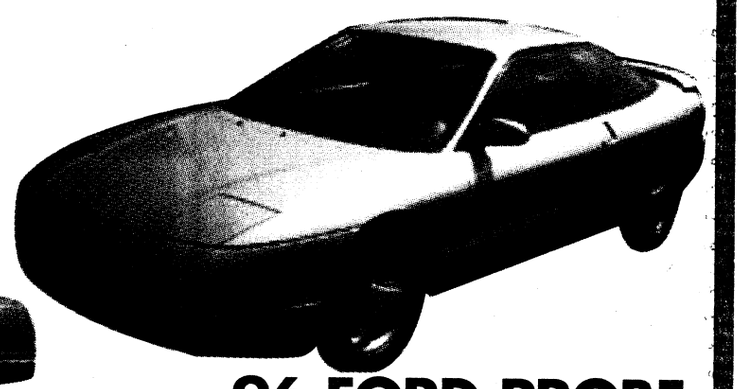

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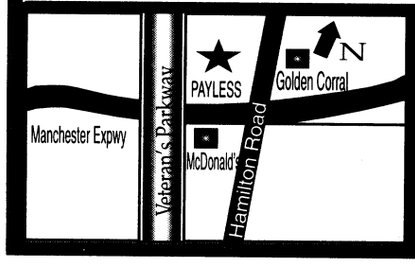

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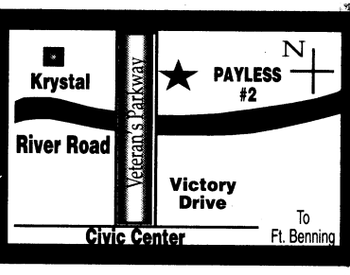

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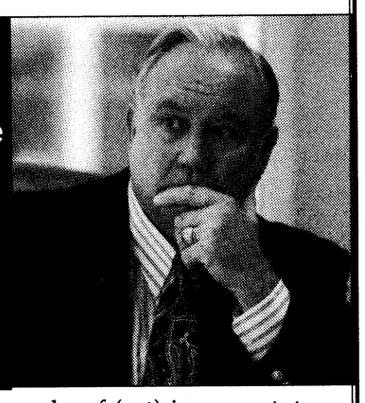

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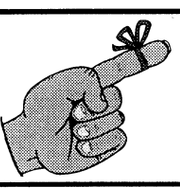

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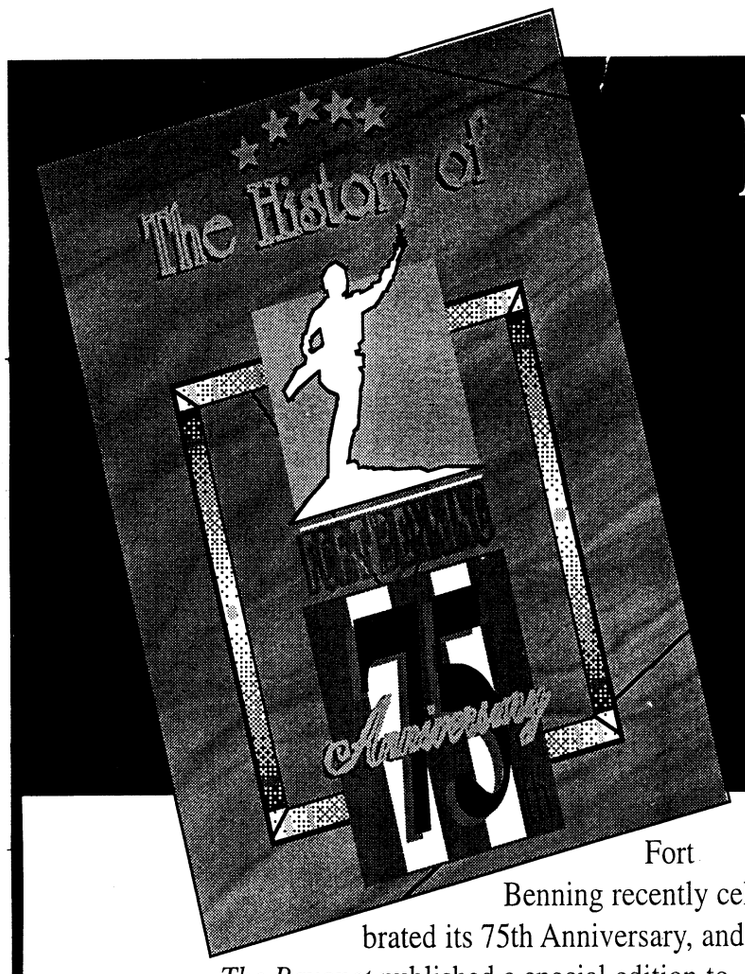

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Fort Benning recently celebrated its 75th Anniversary, and *The Bayonet* published a special edition to coincide with the celebration. Soon after the special edition of the paper was published, we began looking at the information about Fort Benning that we had collected and decided that it was simply too good to leave it just in newspaper form.

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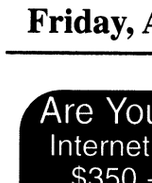

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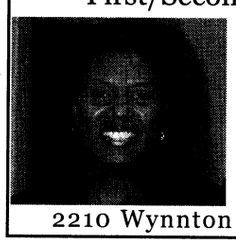

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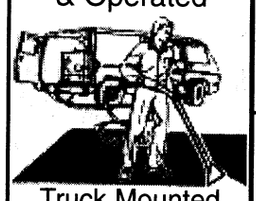

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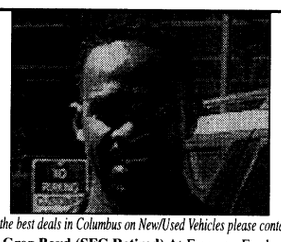

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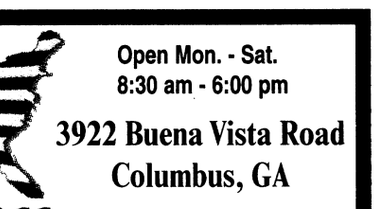

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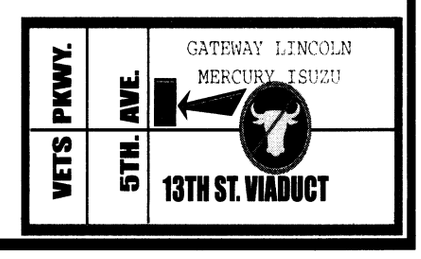

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A National lender has agreed to a pilot program that will extend a second or even third chance to those who have a job and a sincere desire to repair their reputations and have need of a new or slightly used car, truck or van either for their family or a business venture. These are prime, in demand vehicles, that are either repossessed, overaged or a terminated lease situation.

Bankers will be on hand at Bill Heard's main location at 3615 Manchester Expressway until the end of May. Best of all, cut rate financing will be offered to those whose credit would not normally meet such an arrangement at rates that banks usually reserve for their blue chip clients. Quoting Watts, "I can't imagine that anyone anywhere who has strained credit would want to miss this chance to become associated with such a reputable national lender at a rate generally set aside for only the affluent, and to seriously repair their credit standing.

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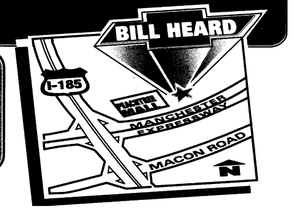

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Soldier risks life to save crew

Team leader earns Army's Soldier's Medal

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

In the night hours of May 4, 1999, an AH-64 Apache Helicopter crashed in Albania while on a training mission near the Bosnian border.

While in flight, something went tragically wrong on the fully armed helicopter causing it to invert and plummet to the ground below.

Following the formation of helicopters in which the doomed Apache was part of, was a specially equipped UH-60 Blackhawk that held a Downed Aircraft Rescue Team.

Staff Sgt. John Farlow, now assigned to A Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, was a team leader assigned to E Company, 51st Infantry, Forward Long Range Surveillance Detachment, at the time of the crash.

After receiving the message an aircraft was down, the rescue team went into action.

"We could see the crash site from about five kilometers out. (The helicopter) was on fire and there were a lot explosions going on," said Farlow. "All the rockets and ammunition on board were cooking off so there were secondary explosions."

Arriving on scene and not knowing the condition of the downed men, Farlow instructed the pilots to land, allowing the rescue team to walk to the crash instead of fast-roping which would have been hazardous to the crew.

"We landed about 200 meters short of the crash on top of a hill," he said. "There were fires all over, so I sent one man back for a fire extinguisher and dropped the rest of my crew off."

Allowing his team to provide cover fire should any hostiles move in, Farlow moved into the crash site alone and began to search the area.

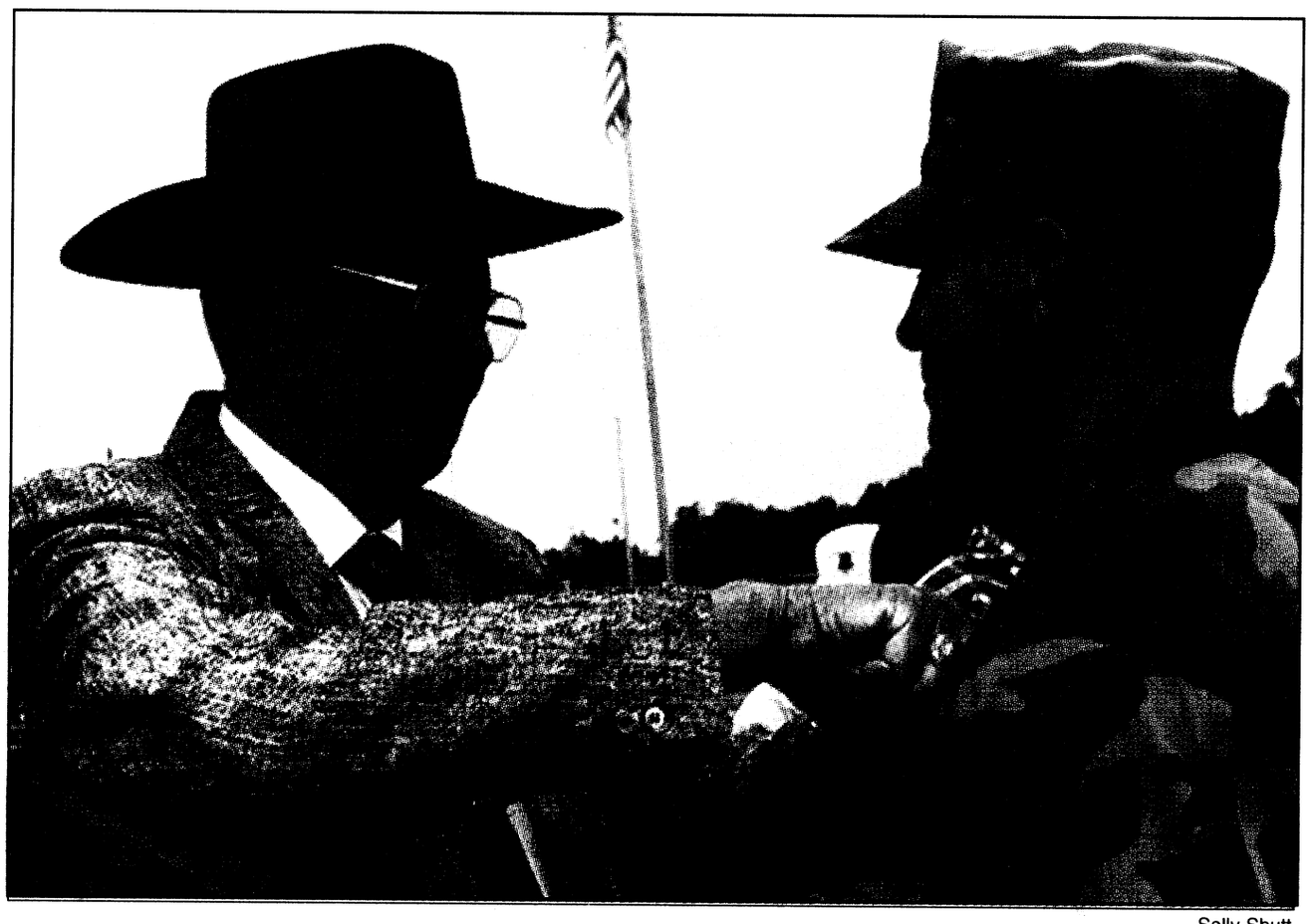
After searching the area, Farlow withdrew and linked up with a medic and went back into the crash site.

"We scanned the area just in case either pilot had been thrown clear of the wreck," Farlow said. "After more explosions, we were able to locate and identify one of the pilots."

Leaving the crash site once

See **RANGER**, A-5

Airborne honors paratroopers



Sally Shutt

Thad Selman, an original member of the Test Platoon, pins on the wings of a new Airborne graduate.

Past meets present at ceremony

Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff keynotes service

Sally Shutt
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The past met the future at Fort Benning April 13 as one of America's newest paratroopers looked into the eyes of an Airborne pioneer and saw tears of pride welling up behind his glasses.

Loyd McCullough, 87, an original member of the first parachute unit, the Test Platoon, pinned silver wings on the uniform of 1st Lt. Melissa Graham, 22, the youngest officer to graduate from the Airborne School's most recent class. It was part of the traditional pinning of the "Keeper of the Wings."

"He talked to me about what it meant to him to be Airborne and encouraged me to continue to work hard. His eyes became teary when he spoke to me," Graham said.

"It was a tremendous honor," said Graham, one of the first two women to graduate from Virginia Military Institute in 1999.

McCullough, of Beavercreek, Ohio, and 49 other test platoon members were the first men to train as U.S. paratroopers 60 years ago at Fort Benning. Their contributions to winning World War II and the courageous spirit they epitomized were celebrated during the annual Airborne Awards Festival held April 12-15 in Atlanta and Fort Benning.

A group of more than 350 veterans and their families from all over the country traveled in chartered buses from Atlanta April 13 to see a demonstration by the Command Parachute Exhibition Team, the Silver Wings; meet today's paratroopers and listen to Gen. Hugh Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Shelton delivered the keynote address during an afternoon memorial service at Airborne Walk. President Clinton's top military adviser, the four-star general noted that the symbols of the Airborne where all visible — the berets, boots, patches and plaques — but it was something hands can't touch, the Airborne spirit, he wished to recognize.

"We honor the legacy of those who forged the spirit of the Airborne," Shelton said.

"As most of you know or have experienced, once you've logged a number of jumps, the spirit may be all that you've got left. Even the best chute in the world can't effectively protect a paratrooper from some of the places the plane can drop you," Shelton said.

"Airborne. It's a single word that strikes fear in the heart of a potential adversary and that stands for all that is

See **AIRBORNE**, A-4

General speaks out on Army future

Hendrix addresses AUSA dinner

Karen Taylor
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Keynote speaker Gen. John Hendrix, Commanding General of U.S. Army Forces Command at Fort McPherson, left a lasting impression on the 159 attendants at the AUSA, Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter, Spring Membership Dinner Tuesday evening in the Supper Club of the Officers' Club.

His speech focused on leadership and what to expect from the Army of the future.

Commanding General, Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne introduced Hendrix at the AUSA dinner as "a Soldier who tells it like it is from the heart."

Hendrix began his speech by recognizing Fort Benning as an important training facility for Infantry Soldiers and leaders. "This is a national treasure, it is a treasure for the Army because of what we do here," he said.

This premised one of the focal points of his message regarding the Infantry and its future amid a changing world.

"There was a time 10 years ago where there was a clear focus and everyone knew what the mission was," he said. "That time doesn't exist anymore.

"We are here to fight these wars and defeat the enemy, but the enemy is not quite so clear anymore and contingency operations are here to stay," he said. "We must never lose sight that we must be trained and competent warriors."

Hendrix emphasized leadership and its integral role in creating a more efficient Army.

"We need great, positive, proud Soldiers who believe in their future and their contribution to the nation," he said.

"The way to achieve this is through positive leadership, which takes a positive attitude.

"A positive attitude is almost 100 percent effective (when leading Soldiers) and performance is 99 percent attitude," Hendrix said.

"There is a future for the Infantry that is bright," he said. This includes manpower and firepower.

"Our goal is to be able to respond faster and respond with combat power when it hits the ground.

See **HENDRIX**, A-5

Former CGs tackle new topics

Transformation tops talks for generals

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

Past Fort Benning commanders met Tuesday afternoon in Infantry Hall for the Former Commandants Conference organized by current Post Commander Maj. Gen. John LeMoyne.

The 10 commandants met with LeMoyne to discuss various topics on Army Transformation, to include heavy modernization, light modernization and brigade combat team initiative.

The conference was a good opportunity to get updated on where today's Infantry stands, said Lt. Gen. (retired) Orwin Talbott, commander from September 1969 to February 1973.

"Having spent 35 years on active duty, I feel very deeply about the Infantry. It's been good to get a feel for the people here and where they think the Infantry should be going," he said. "There were a lot of various aspects discussed. I thought it was very constructive and I think General LeMoyne would agree."

See **CONFERENCE**, A-5

Post sets Easter service

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

This year's post Easter Sunrise Service will begin at 7 a.m. Sunday at Doughboy Stadium on Main Post.

The Protestant-based service is a community-wide event and is open to the public.

This year's speaker will be Chaplain (Col.) Richard Hartsell, post chaplain.

Hartsell received his commission through the Army ROTC program at Louisiana State University in 1971.

Participants will be able to enjoy refreshments at the Infantry Center Chapel Annex following the service.

For more information, call 545-1452.

Other services open to the community will start at 7 a.m at the Infantry Training Brigade headquarters in front of the duck pond; the 2nd Brigade, 47th Infantry Regiment, and 3rd Brigade, 47th Infantry Regiment, will celebrate on Sand Hill's Pomeroy Field.

For more information regarding these services, call 544-9601.

Discipline vital to healthy child

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

A commentary is really nothing more than a glorified soap box. It's our chance as journalists to deviate from the practice of writing "just the facts." It's an opportunity to voice our opinions, and here at *the Bayonet* we are an opinionated bunch.

Sometimes we share our feelings about some rather innocuous subjects, like bottled water or loud music. And at other times we feel passionate about issues that affect our lives.

Such was the case last week when we were tossing around ideas for commentaries. Someone mentioned that April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, and before I put my brain in gear, my mouth had already pulled out of the driveway. When the smoke finally cleared, there I stood, inches above the others, my feet firmly planted on that soap box. My editor handed me a pen and said, "Write a commentary," which was really just a nice way of saying "Shut up and sit down."

So here I sit, having a very difficult time conveying exactly how I feel about child abuse and discipline. There is a big difference. It's safe to say we all cringe at the horror stories we read in the papers and hear in the news about the helpless little victims of abuse. No one is questioning the need to end these atrocities.



But my point, and I do have one, is that there are various kinds of child abuse — physical, mental, verbal and neglect — which comes in many forms. I'm going to stick my neck out and say that neglecting to discipline a child is a form of abuse.

I have a paddle hanging on my wall at home. It's kind of an heirloom. It was used on my husband's backside when he was a little boy — a lot. I'm told he was a real hellion. I'm not so sure that it had any redeeming effect on him, but it seems to keep my own children on the straight and narrow. I don't even have to apply it — I just remind them that it's there if I need it, and I seldom need it.

A few weeks ago an adult told one of my children that spanking is a form of child abuse. Now I'm aware that there is a school of thought that says spanking teaches children that physical violence is an acceptable way to express anger and frustration. I don't subscribe to that theory. "Time out" doesn't work, and the very mention of it is laughable to those of us who have tried it on a strong-willed youngster.

There is a fine line between paddling and abusing a child. I don't strike my children out of anger. And yes it really does hurt me more than it hurts them. I also talk to them, hug them, tell them I love them and pray for them every day. The Bible tells me that my children are gifts from God, and I am to "train them in the way they should go and when they are old they will not turn from it." I'll take that divine direction over all the passive-parenting advice in the world.

In the aftermath of the Columbine disaster, I was saddened and frustrated by the public outcry for more legislation, more school programs and more education. All the legislation in the world won't make up for lax parenting. I suspect a firm, loving, actively involved parent would have foreseen a problem and prevented many deaths.

So before I climb down from this soap box, let me say one more thing. My heirloom paddle has a scripture on it. It says "Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you punish him with a rod he will not die." Though we blanch at the word "rod" what it means, in essence, is love your children enough to discipline them. Don't be afraid to be strict. Don't be afraid to invade their space. You may save their lives. At the very least, you will raise a healthy, disciplined adult.

CG sends wishes of joyous Easter



For almost 225 years, Soldiers of America's Army have been standing tall in defense of the citizens of our nation. Often, as is the case this Easter, our Soldiers have had to be away from their families on important occasions while protecting the national interests on foreign shores and while providing assistance to the citizens of other nations.

Again this year, we have troops in Bosnia, Kosovo, Kuwait, Europe, Latin America and Korea keeping the peace and assisting our friends around the world.



Easter is the observation of the most important event of the Christian faith, the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. Though innocent, He was crucified for the guilty and He was later buried in a borrowed grave. On that first Easter morning, three days after the crucifixion, He arose from the grave to give testimony to the power of His sacrificial death and He soon ascended into heaven to reign in power with God, the Father.

May all of you who follow the risen Savior have a joyous Easter and a blessed year in service to our God and to the great nation with which we are all so blessed.

Maj. Gen. John LeMoyne
Commanding General

Thanks goes out to volunteers

One of our nation's, and certainly the military's, most valuable resources is its volunteers. During Volunteer Appreciation Week Monday through April 30, these dedicated men and women here at Fort Benning will be saluted for their efforts and their commitment to serve.

"Celebrate Volunteers!" is a most appropriate theme for this year's week-long event.

On behalf of the Fort Benning community, I want to say a special thank you to the many individuals who make a difference every day in our community and in the lives of our Soldiers, families and retirees. Army Family Team Building, Red Cross, Leadership Seminar, Parent Teacher Organizations, Scouts, Youth Services and the Chapel are just a few of the volunteer organizations we will be honoring at next week's Annual Volunteer Recognition and Appreciation Reception.

These volunteers devote more than 200,000 hours worth of time that is worth an estimated $2 million.

Volunteers make a difference in our community. They make our country a better place. I want to urge those of you who are not yet part of this special group to join. Volunteer opportunities are available to everyone, whether you want to give your time every week, once a month or once a year.

Volunteer with your family, in your Unit Family Readiness Group, in your housing area or our schools and chapels. Many of our Fort Benning programs offer opportunities that offer paid childcare and training for future employment. Every bit helps and every person is appreciated.

Again, let me say how much we recognize the importance of this commitment and the value of what our volunteers do here at Fort Benning. I salute each of you, congratulations and thank you.

Maj. Gen. John LeMoyne
Commanding General

letter

Our great post has no shortage of selfless volunteers. In fact, we value volunteerism so much that we make a special effort to recruit, train and employ volunteers in virtually every aspect of the "non-mission" side of the installation.

Literally hundreds of people, of every age and from every conceivable walk of life, work every day of the week, contributing their own time and energy to improving the quality of life at an installation that has earned the reputation for being the best installation in our Army.

Each quarter, several volunteers are recognized at the Commanding General's Excellence Breakfast and once a year, we make a concerted effort to thank this uncompensated work force for it's important contribution during a week of coordinated events, culminating in an awards ceremony.

What we don't have enough of is trash-pickers. That's right — trash-pickers. We've divided the whole installation into zones, with military units responsible for all the various highways and by-ways of this great post, areas they patrol daily, picking up the trash that seems to mysteriously emerge overnight.

These Soldiers, equipped with unit vehicles, reinforced by the Community Life NCOs, do their level best to capture every chewing gum wrapper and fast food container, styrofoam coffee cup or soda can that comes their way, but they just can't keep up. We even have civilian employees in the Directorate of Public Works, who spend precious hours operating our lone street sweeper or cruising the neighborhoods in trucks looking for fallen limbs to pick up — and they can't keep up.

All are worthy projects and each contributes to the improved appearance of Fort Benning, and in tangible ways, to the quality of life on this post, in ways we could not afford to finance under current budget constraints. For this selfless work, we are profoundly grateful.

But it's still not enough. We still have overflowing trash cans on Youth Activities sports fields — trash deposited there by the great kids and well-meaning parents who serve as spectators, coaches or officials. This is trash that could easily be bagged up and removed by the same parents, as they leave the field, and dropped in a dumpster or into their own trash can at home.

We still have dumpsters, placed across the post for specific types of trash or garbage, being filled to overflowing by folks who are either too lazy or too thoughtless to close the lids before leaving. The same process is repeated, only with a larger supply of distributable trash.

We even have people who toss trash out their car windows (as hard as this may be to imagine). And we have trash that's left as the "waste management technicians" do the weekly pickup around housing areas.

So what's the point of all this? The point is: let's change it. Let's pick up the trash, rather than walk by it, wondering why the post doesn't do a better job of cleaning up.

Most of us have to walk a little every day, either for exercise or even just moving from our parking lot to our place of work. What if we made a point of picking up trash that appears in our way? Better yet, what if we made a commitment to spend a little time each week, picking up trash in some place around where we work or live?

Whether it's in the treeline in our housing area, or in the hedges around our office building, or in the ditch behind our barracks or around the dumpster nearest to us — where ever we find "our own little eyesore," only 15 minutes a week devoted to this effort would make a noticeable difference in the condition of this great installation.

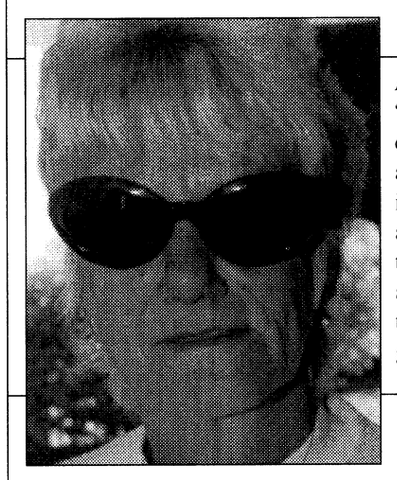
And because this is important to all of us on Fort Benning, we'd like to recognize those folks who are willing to make this little commitment to making our post a better place.

Join the Benning Police Corps! Put trash in its' place!

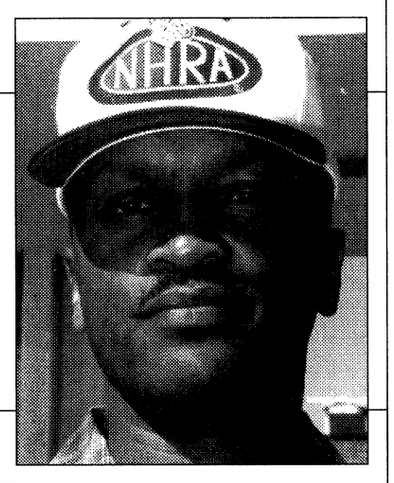
John Mitchell
Garrison Commander
Chief of "Police"

VARIOUS VOICES

Where is the line drawn between punishing and abusing a child.



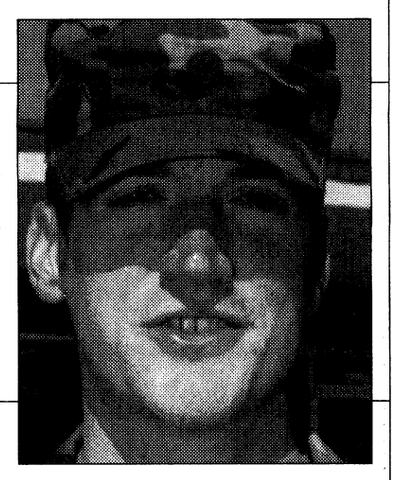
Anna Walton, Columbus — "The way I see it, spanking is a far cry from abuse. I'm not talking about leaving marks, but a little tap isn't going to do any harm. They are going overboard by taking away the right to spank. I know there is abuse going on, but it's getting to the point where parents cannot even get their child to mind."



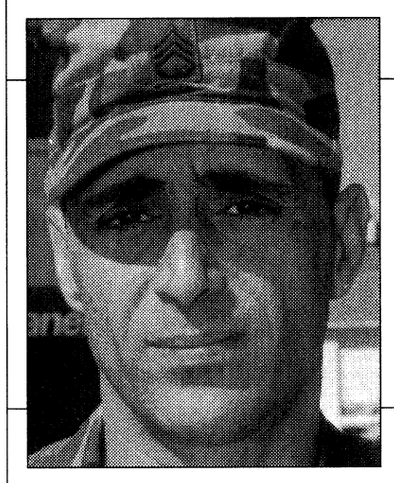
Retired Sgt. 1st Class Joshua Carrol, Columbus — "You don't have to slap a child or hit a child to get his attention — that is abuse. There are ways of disciplining children without hitting them. Besides spanking a child when you are mad isn't smart because you can end up going overboard."



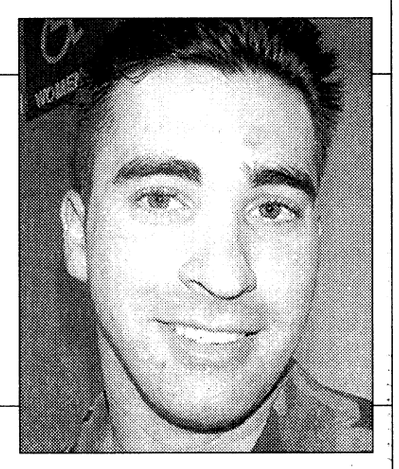
2nd Lt. LaWanda Law, 608th Ordnance Company, 36th Engineer Group — "Abuse is taking it to the extreme. It doesn't take a lot to show a child when they have done wrong. It's when you go overboard that it crosses into abuse."



Spc. William Hayes, 283rd Army Band, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I think that the line would be crossed when there is no longer a level of respect for the person receiving the discipline. As long as it's done in the best interest and it's not excessive."



Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt, U.S. Army School of the Americas — "I don't like the word punishment, I prefer tough love. It's where you have to set the guidelines of discipline without crossing the boundaries of harming your child."



Spc. John Parker, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "If you leave a mark on your children when you punish them, you have crossed the line. I think you can spank a child without hurting him to get the point across."

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AER campaign collects more than $200,000

Emergency fund wraps up, exceeds postwide goal

Pfc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Financial trouble can take even the best financial planner from riches to rags in a matter of hours. But thanks to Army Emergency Relief, Soldiers, retirees and family members traveling down the rocky road of money mishaps have a helping hand to hold.

AER assists Soldiers experiencing financial trouble courtesy of funds collected during an annual fund drive, and the most recent drive for Fort Benning wrapped up Tuesday.

The seven-week campaign collected more than $200,000 for the fund, a number organizers were aiming for from the March 1 collection campaign start.

"Setting a new record for AER donation is a direct reflection of the involvement of our great command sergeants major and their desire to take care of Soldiers and their families," said Col. John Latimer, chief of staff, U.S. Army Infantry Center.

Participation in the collection campaign came from those who are the potential benefactors of the fund — active-duty service members, retirees and family members, he said.

"The campaign is built upon the camaraderie of the Army family," said Al Deane, post AER officer. "It goes right along with our motto, 'Helping the Army take care of its own,' and that is exactly what AER is about."

AER provided nearly $800,000 in financial assistance to the Fort Benning community in 1999.

That help came in the form of grants and interest-free loans for Soldiers going on emergency leave, payment of utility bills, initial rent and deposit, major vehicle repairs, replacement of clothing after disasters and vehicle payment, Deane said.

Money from the fund also assists family members in undergraduate scholarships to local undergraduate institutions.

This year's collected funds will be forwarded to Headquarters AER in Alexandria, Va., and will be made available for use by Soldiers at installations worldwide.

Those needing assistance can contact Deane at the AER office located in Building 2624 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, by email at DeaneA@benning.army.mil or by calling him at 545-2536 or 545-4045.

Post gathers to honor top Soldier, NCO of quarter

RTB, 11th Regt. Soldiers earn top honors

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The post held an awards ceremony to recognize the most outstanding Non-Commissioned Officer and Soldier of Fort Benning at the Main NCO Club April 14.

For the first quarter of fiscal year 2000, the NCO of the Quarter was Staff Sgt. Gregg Smith, B Company, 6th Ranger Training Brigade, and the Soldier of the Quarter was Spc. Nichole McKenzie, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry.

"I won (NCO of the quarter) as the result of a lot of hard work and good leaders setting me up to succeed," said Smith.

Agreeing hard work was necessary, McKenzie also needed to track down some necessary items.

"I needed to acquire some equipment that wasn't issued to me like (Nuclear, Biological and Chemical) gear," she said. "I also did a lot of studying on the history of the post and the Army."

Studying for the different boards was a necessary task for Smith as he needed to review current regulations.

"I needed to read up on the current regulations and field manuals to see any changes that may have happened," he said. "I also got the chance to study a lot on material that was more unfamiliar than other material."

Appearing before three boards, McKenzie said, was the toughest part about being selected.

"The written exams and hands on stuff was easy for me, but facing the boards and having to spit out something at a moments notice was tough," she said.

With all the regiments sending their best NCOs and Soldiers to face the post board, McKenzie said, the competition was intense.

"It was a very tough competition," she said. "There was even one Soldier who just graduated from (Primary Leadership Development Course) and was the distinguished honor graduate."

Winning the awards, for some may not be a big deal, but both Smith and McKenzie were proud of their achievements.

"I am very pleased about winning," said Smith. "We don't have a lot of opportunities to prove our excellence, and this is one way to show that we are tracking."

"I am really glad about winning," McKenzie said. "I will have to keep studying for the Soldier of the Year award now but this will be a really good thing for my career progression."

Both Soldiers give credit to their leaders for their help.

"I am very proud of (McKenzie). She made me look good," said Staff Sgt. Michelle LeMay, HHC, 1st Bn., 11th Inf. "She works very hard and is dedicated. She did an outstanding job and it was well deserved.

"I always knew she could do it, and that she has the potential to be a great NCO."

"(Smith) is a great Soldier," said Capt. Joseph Kuchan, Smith's platoon leader. "He is always reliable and a joy to be around. He is a good instructor and a go-to guy."

NCO Academy makes move to classrooms of Infantry Hall

New location gives students computer access, modems

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The Non-Commissioned Officer Academy is in the process of moving from Building 880 to the classrooms of Infantry Hall.

The NCOA is moving into Infantry Hall to save the Army money.

Currently, two of the four schools, Advanced Non-Commissioned Officer Course and Drill Sergeant School, have already made their move into the classrooms of Infantry Hall.

The Primary Leadership Development Course and the Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course are to be moved after several more classrooms are remodeled.

"It is a slow process," said Command Sgt. Maj. George R. Monk, commandant of the NCOA. "Right now, the workers are finishing up one classroom that will be divided in two."

Agreeing that the process was a slow one, 1st Sgt. Stephen Tavares, deputy commandant, said the move will not be complete for at least a year due to the classroom remodeling.

"The classrooms are being made into the Classroom 21 model, which will have computers and modems for each student," Tavares said. "The new workstations will help the students a great deal."

"By moving, the students will be in a better learning environment," he said. "They will have access to computers and other technology that they did not have in Building 880."

"Also the repairs and improvements would have cost too much," said Monk. "So in the summer of 1999, Maj. Gen. Carl F. Ernst mandated the change of location."

The move began in December of 1999 with the NCOA cadre, staff and some students working on the move.

"So far we have saved the Army about $24,000 by using our own strength and issued vehicles."

Moving the NCOA one piece at a time into the entire west wing of the first and second floor, Monk said the move will continue to save money.

"Once over here, the students will be closer to the learning center, the PLDC students will be saved one hour of marching, and we will save money on busing the students to and from chow," said Monk.

Monk said he is ready for the move to be finished and is pleased with the progress of it.

"Overall I think it will be a good move," he said. "Fort Benning will continue to have top-notch Soldiers and the best resources to train them."

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Reserves boost visibility; offer bonuses, benefits

Officer Candidate Sharon McBride
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

In an effort to boost their visibility on post, the U.S. Army Reserves is now offering a lot of new benefits and bonuses to get people to join, as well as come off the Individual Ready Reserve list.

The IRR is a reserve list of literally thousands of Soldiers who don't drill with a unit on a regular basis, but whenever there is a need, for example like Desert Storm, they can be called upon to serve their country, Sgt. 1st Class William Pope, 81st Regional Support Command Retention NCO, said.

"A lot of people don't know that we have several Reserve units on Fort Benning," said Pope. "So when they PSCed here with their spouse for example, they chose to transfer into the IRR."

But instead of just being in the IRR, Soldiers can re-join a unit here on Fort Benning and earn extra money for drills and gain education benefits and bonuses.

"Education benefits include the Student Loan Repayment program," Pope said. "While monetary advantages include reenlistment bonuses, affiliation bonuses, and not to mention MOS skill training and reclassification training."

Also recent laws have been passed so that Reservists are eligible for Veterans Affairs home loans, access to dental care and shopping at the commissary and the Post Exchange.

Once an individual joins or re-joins a Reserve unit, they are responsible for training one weekend a month, two weeks out of the year, Pope said.

Reserve units on post include the 718th Engineer Company, the 2145th Garrison Support Unit, the 1207th U.S. Hospital, the 213th Legal Support office, the 802nd Quartermaster Company and the CONUS Replacement Center.

All these units include a variety of MOS' and job skills, said Pope. For those interested in learning more about Reserve units on post, a special Task Force has been set up in Building 15.

The Task Force operation hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. or for more information, call 544-7198 or 544-7112.

Airborne: Pay tribute to paratroopers past, present, future

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good and great about America," he said.

Shelton mentioned the courage of Alfred Rascon, the nation's most recent Medal of Honor recipient, who attended the ceremony. A retired captain, Rascon received the medal in February — 34 years after his heroic actions in Vietnam.

A medic with the 173rd Airborne Brigade (Separate), Rascon saved the lives of wounded men in his unit by covering them with his own wounded body and shielding them from exploding grenades on March 16, 1966.

After the memorial service, which also featured the 82nd Airborne Chorus, Shelton shook hands, smiled for photos and signed autographs before leaving post.

From Airborne Walk, the buses carried the festival attendees to Fryar Drop Zone to watch an Airborne operation and the graduation of the most recent jump school class, D Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry Regiment.

Rascon, who is now the Inspector General of the Selective Service, spoke to the graduates and their families at the drop zone.

"Look around and you will see silent heroes," he said.

Rascon and two of the surviving members of the test platoon, McCullough and Thad P. Selman, the mayor of Barwick, Ga., pinned wings on several graduates.

Although he received his wings in 1963, the day "seems like a blur to me," Rascon said.

McCullough enjoys returning to Fort Benning and has missed only one reunion in the last 22 years.

The weather cooperated during the day, and Don Lassen, editor of the *Static Line*, knew why.

"I think God is Airborne. When we left Atlanta, some of the people wanted to go back in to get their umbrellas. But I told them they wouldn't need one because it wasn't going to rain today," he said.

As the day ended and the buses prepared to leave Fryar Drop Zone headed back to Atlanta, Staff Sgt. Nancy Sellers, Fort Benning's Black Hat of the Year, commented that she wants to return as a retiree for the Airborne's 100th reunion in 2040. That's the year a time capsule buried in 1987 at the Airborne Walk by members of the test platoon will be opened.

"I will be 70 years old, and I'm going to be here when they dig up the time capsule. I want to know what's in there," she said.

Hendrix: Focuses on Army's future

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"We want to be able to get there and deter a war from occurring. If not successful in deterring then we can rapidly fight it," he said.

He projected eight to 10 years from now the existence of an Infantry unit consisting of a smaller force but one that's more lethal, more rapidly deployable and more tactically mobile than today.

"You're going to have an Army that's dramatically better.

"Our goal is to deploy a combat brigade in 30 hours, a division in 96 hours and five divisions in 30 days. We can do that. Those are worthwhile goals and they are achievable," he said.

"Your Army is becoming more relevant to the times. We need for you to have faith and confidence in where it's going."

During his two-day visit to Fort Benning, Hendrix also attended the Former Commandants' Conference and made it a point to speak to the students in leadership schools such as ANCOC, IOBC, OCS and ICCC.

"I wanted to talk to the leaders who are in classes, to talk to them about how I see the need for leadership in the army today," he said. "The bottom line is we have every reason to be proud of what we do."

"Today's Army is different than that of five or 10 years ago mainly because every generation comes along into society with different views.

"The world has also changed. A lot of where we are in the Army today has to do with that," he said.

Regarding these changes in the Army, Hendrix said, "It's a positive story."

Change and progress were some of the issues discussed at the Former Commandants' Conference that afternoon. The purpose of the conference was to "review progress of the Infantry and its role as a part of the larger Army — it's organization, it's equipment modernization program and it's training progress — and to offer our advice on those matters," he said.

Hendrix said one of the high points of the conference that brought a bit of nostalgia to the table was seeing retired Lt. Gen. Orwin Talbot who was the Commandant when he was a captain in the Advanced Course.

"It was fun. I felt good about the opportunity to input," Hendrix said.

"It was a wonderful dialogue back and forth, a wonderful experience," Le Moyne said.

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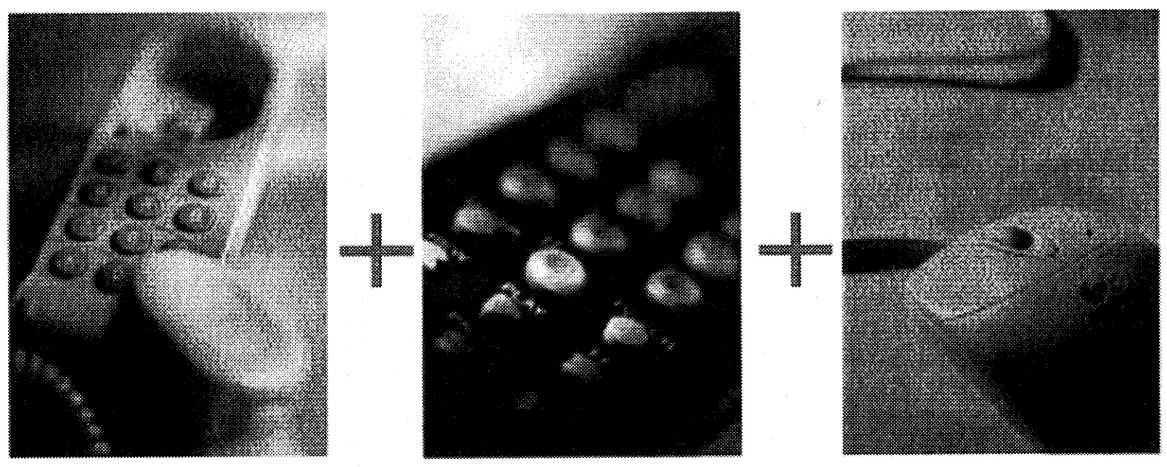

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Students receive honorary citizenship

Columbus mayor makes USARSA students welcome

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
USARSA Public Affairs Office

Demonstrating southern hospitality, Columbus Mayor Bobby Peters welcomed the 62 students attending the U.S. Army School of the Americas' Command and General Staff Officer Course by granting them honorary Columbus citizenship during a Government Center ceremony April 4.

"Anybody can welcome you into their community, but we really want them to feel it," said Peters. "And the way they're going to feel it is for us to show it."

Peters said the city of Columbus welcomes the military.

He said Columbus appreciates Fort Benning and USARSA and all the interaction that occurs between them.

"We're all in this together," he said. "We may speak different languages, but the way to break those language barriers is for us to get together and have these relationships and these events because we all have the same needs, same problems and same concerns all over the world."

Maj. Salvador Ibarra, of the Mexican army and student with the CGSOC, felt grateful with Peter's action.

"This is a pleasant goodwill gesture on behalf of the mayor," said Ibarra. "This shows us that he is interested in us being here and appreciates what we're doing here."

Ibarra added that as an honorary citizen he wants to share more of his culture with the community and hopes a lasting friendship will endure.

Other students felt that becoming honorary citizens will strengthen the bonds between them.

"This ties all the students together, both the U.S. and Latin Americans," said Maj. Michael Dempsey, also a student with the CGSOC. "This helps build cohesiveness."

Peters also commended the excellent work Col. Glenn Weidner, USARSA commandant, and the school does despite all the politics surrounding it.

"It is very difficult to carry out your mission when you have so many different eyes and ears and people pulling at you all the time," he said. "We try to make things easier for the school not more difficult here in Columbus."

For the past three years, Peters has granted honorary citizenships to the students attending USARSA's CGSOC.

The CGSOC is a 49-week course that educates and trains officers of all services for duty as field-grade commanders and as principal staff officers at brigade and division level in their armed forces. The course has been accredited by the Department of the Army as equivalent to the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College course, presented at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Ranger: Earns accolade for heroic actions in Albanian crash

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again, Farlow spent time searching the surrounding crash area for the other ejected pilot.

With Col. Jeffrey J. Schloesser, DART commander, arriving on the location, Farlow accompanied him back to the hill top helicopter crash site for his third trip back to the wreckage.

"I really didn't think about what was going on — I just acted," he said. I had been to one crash before, and I was a lot more scared at that one."

"The only time I got worried about doing (the rescue) was when some 33-millimeter rounds flew over my head," Farlow added. "But as far as thinking about it, I really didn't. I just felt that someone else would do the same thing for me."

At a ceremony Tuesday, he was awarded the Army's highest award for valor during peace.time — the Soldier's Medal.

Farlow was modest about receiving the high recognition.

"It is nice getting the award, but I don't know if it is for me," he said. "I think it should go to the guys who did their job. Mine was to get pilots out, and we didn't get pilots out."

Farlow joined A Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, only a few weeks ago, Lt. Col. Daniel B. Allyn, battalion commander, said his actions are a credit to the battalion, and said they are proud to have a hero in the ranks.

"He has tried to down-play his heroic action twice now," said Allyn. "First he asked his commander in Germany to present him the award as he boarded the plane to come here and most recently he asked for the award to be presented privately."

Lt. Col. Greg Rowes, Farlow's former commander, wrote comments Allyn read.

"Staff Sgt. Farlow was the best team leader in the company," Rowes said in his comments about Farlow's actions during the Albanian crash "He inspired others to do their best and garners the willing personal commitment from his men that delivers performance that exceeds even the highest unit expectations and potential. He is a truly inspiring leader."

Farlow is the type of Ranger who leads the way, Allyn said.

"Farlow is a man of honor and personal courage to demonstrate the exemplary strength of character which makes our regiment and Army the most respected institution in the World."

Conference: Returns new ideas from experienced leaders

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"It was also good to hear what the new concepts are for the organization of the Infantry and the necessity of avoiding bureaucratic piecemealing the combat strength from the companies and battalions," Talbott said. "They have a good organization now and they need to preserve it and fight for it regardless of the red pencil guys in Washington."

Talbott added, top on his mind was funding for the Infantry..

"My greatest concern was whether money problems were causing critical problems," he said. "I don't think they are as far as Fort Benning is concerned, but getting new equipment, getting the money — that will take years to solve."

Retired Gen. John Foss, commander from March 1984 to January 1986, said the conference provided the former commandants an opportunity to discuss their ideas on how to keep the Infantry in peak condition.

"We all love the Infantry and served a long time in the Infantry so we are all concerned that a lot of people think that Infantry tasks and roles can be done by technology now and in the future," he said. "Of course, we haven't found that technology yet so we really need to keep the strength of the Infantry.

"I think we had a lot of good discussions about that — how to make the Infantry stronger, making sure they are better equipped and that they get the things they need for the future," Foss said.

He added, that he also thinks funding is the key to achieving those goals.

"A big problem is that the budget doesn't support what we would like to do so that we can have changes come about as soon as we would like to see them," he said.

Business aside, Foss said he enjoys every chance to get back to Fort Benning.

"Fort Benning is the best post in the Army. Everybody knows that and coming back here reinforces that," he said. "There will always be a need for the Infantry and coming back here reinforces that."

Hearing about the future plans for the Infantry was a highlight of the conference, according to retired Gen. James Lindsay, commander from July 1983 to March 1984.

"I was most interested in hearing about the new brigade," he said. "I liked being brought up to speed and hearing about where we are going in the Infantry."

Lindsay added, he thought the conference was beneficial to all involved.

"It was great. I wish I had thought of having a conference when I was down here —- to have a conference like this before the Infantry Conference," he said.

LeMoyne will now bring the ideas discussed during the Former Commandant's Conference to the Infantry Conference to be held here June 13-15.

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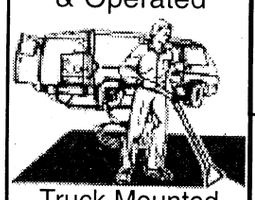

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Pvt. Wimmar Espinoza uses a tissue to wipe off his face after exiting the chamber.



Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

Staff Sgt. Scott Morgan, a drill sergeant for D Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, watches through the window as a private recites his social security number from inside the NBC chamber.

Standing before the door ....

Trainees face chamber of doom

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

Before entering the darkened chamber Soldiers of D Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, cheer, give the thumbs up and call out their respective platoon mascots with undeniable enthusiasm. Most are oblivious to what they are about to face.

Once inside the chamber it isn't long until coughing, gagging and painful grunts can be heard through the thick cement walls. Even the biggest and strongest cannot resist the urge to run.

By the time the door opens, the once enthusiastic Soldiers burst out, doubled over coughing, choking and burning.

They have just gotten their first real lesson in warfare and its painful effects. They just made a trip through the gas chamber.

While it may seem like the Soldiers had to endure some cruel and unusual form of punishment, they actually received the tools to save their lives in the event of a nuclear, chemical or biological attack, said Staff Sgt. Timothy Dryman, D Co. assistant operations NCO.

Dryman explained the biggest reason for going through the gas chamber is for the new Soldiers to gain confidence in their equipment and also to identify any problems they have with the equipment.

The chamber, which releases CS gas, similar to riot and tear gas used by police, gives the Soldiers a little taste of the effects of NBC without harming them. Some of these effects include watery nose and eyes and burning in the throat, eyes, nose and skin.

"I think it adds a lot more to the training for them to do the gas chamber, because it makes them aware of could happen without the equipment," Dryman said. "It really gives them confidence in their equipment and its effectiveness."

Staff Sgt. Scott Morgan, a drill sergeant with D Co. agreed with Dryman.

Morgan said he enjoys the realistic training, especially because it is one of the first things the Soldiers experience.

"When they go through the chamber they have a different outlook on NBC and what it is," Morgan said. "They take the classes, but don't really pay attention. It isn't until they go through the chamber that they really wake up and start focusing on what they are here for."

After emerging from the gas chamber red eyed and coughing, Pvt. Robert Sneed was fairly optimistic.

"It burns and it makes you cough, but it's the best cure for a cold," Sneed said.

He described the feeling to having someone rub onions in your eyes and having a horrendous sunburn, but said it is definitely a good lesson learned.

"If you are in the field and don't know how to use your equipment, you are a lost puppy and you will probably die," he said. "This gives you the tools you need to be on auto pilot, to do what you have to without thinking about it."

The NBC portion of training is usually confined to two days, Dryman said.

On the first day Soldiers learn the basics of their equipment and how to employ it. This includes taking the mask and mission oriented protective posture suit on and off and maintaining it. It is the second day where Soldiers cap off their lessons by making a go-through at the chamber. When they are done going through the chamber they receive more lessons pertaining to NBC such as reacting to chemical and nuclear attacks and how to decontaminate skin and equipment.

All of this training is extremely vital, because the threat of these kinds of attacks is very real, Dryman remarked. He also added that he doesn't think it is emphasized enough during the Soldiers training.

"Personally I think this training is very important given the fact that a lot of our enemies out there today have chemical capabilities," he said. "Regardless of MOS I think it's important for everyone to get this training, and know what to expect on the battlefield."



A Soldier dashes out of the gas chamber.

USARSA students mend wounds during real-life training

Mass casualty made real by moulaged victims, screams of pain

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

A blaring whistle followed by a powerful blast sent Sgts. Roxana Rujel and Aurora Reyes-Arcaya scrambling for cover.

Seconds later, painful shrieks bellowed from the distance causing the national police officers from Peru to rush towards the cries for help.

"Help me, please!" screamed a bleeding casualty. "I can't move!" yelled another one.

This situational training exercise conducted April 13, helped the 19 students from Peru, Bolivia and Mexico who are attending the U.S. Army School of the Americas' Medical-Assistance Course, function as medics under simulated tactical situations, said Staff Sgt. Edgardo LeGrand, an instructor from A Company, USARSA.

"This is a mass casualty exercise where the students must perform triage," said LeGrand. "They have to properly evaluate, treat and evacuate the patient while being under attack by the enemy."

LeGrand, a 15-year Army medic veteran, said triaging is not an easy thing to do under those conditions.

"The students have to immediately apply the DIME system — find the delay, immediate, minimal and expectant patient," he said. "They have to clear the airway, check for breathing and circulation. They only have 15 minutes to perform all the medical procedures."

1st Lt. Julio Cossio, a student with the Bolivian National Police, said the exercise was very realistic and reinforced his belief that medics are needed as members of his police force to support their operations.

"Our daily missions fighting the war against drug-trafficking becomes more and more difficult and dangerous," said Cossio, an 8-year veteran counter-narcotic officer.

"The imminent danger of harm exists each time we go out on a mission. Having a medic on these missions is crucial ... it's a priority for saving lives in case of confrontation. This exercise proves it to me."

One student performs rescue missions on land and at sea. "It is our job to act as paramedics for our country," said 1st Lt. Alejandro Romero of the Mexican Navy. "We serve as medics at sea and at land."

Romero said, he too is actively involved in fighting the war against drug-traffickers and that having a well-trained medic could be the difference between life and death when conducting "volatile" missions.

"It is of great importance to my country to have me learn these medical skills here at the School of the Americas," he said. "This course gives me the necessary skills to support our missions. It is well-taught and highly professional."

He especially liked the mass casualty exercise where the stressful environment forced the students to perform in a quasi-real manner.

"Although this was done as training here, my country and other countries in Latin America suffer from narco-terrorism," he said. "Scenes of mass casualties could become a reality for any one of us. That's why this course is so important."

Meanwhile, the realism of the training surfaced on the faces of Rujel and Reyes-Arcaya, who were feverishly triaging the screaming casualties.

"I've never experienced the adrenaline rush of seeing so many casualties at once and not knowing immediately who needs help the most," said Rujel fighting off the smoke while working on a casualty. "My first casualty had lost his hand — blood was squirting everywhere and he was screaming. I was very nervous. I had to take a deep breath and remind myself that this was a training scenario."

Her partner, Reyes-Arcaya felt the same way.

"It was very difficult at first," she said. "The victim's screams of pain made me nervous. I knew I had to control myself before I could control them. This was definitely an intense training scenario which helped me learn a lot about myself."



Sgt. Alberto Betancourt

Sgt. Aurora Reyes-Arcaya, a student in the U.S. Army School of the Americas Medical-Assistance Course, helps stabilize a casualty during a situational training exercise held April 13. The course develops medical skills required of military or police units.

The six-week course develops medical skills required of personnel serving in a military or police unit, said Legrand. In addition to the basic lifesaver measures, students gain basic knowledge of human anatomy, the treatment of complicated injuries, fluid replacement, splinting, suturing and much more.

"The students did well during this exercise," he said. "They were a little nervous at first with the realistic chaos accompanied by smoke and artillery simulation. The skills they learned during the course, which they applied today, will not only help them during their missions, but in any emergency situation. They will be prepared."

The students graduated yesterday during a ceremony inside the school's Pratt Hall.



Capt. Shawn Daniel

Snipers in the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment's Sniper Platoon participate in training recently.

Ranger sniper platoon shines

Rangers take wins, learn from USAMU

Capt. Shawn Daniel
3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment

Everyone wants to be a part of a winning team, and that theory was no more evident than at a ceremony to re-enlist five NCOs from the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment's Sniper Platoon.

These Ranger Snipers attribute their success to an unparalleled commitment from the chain of command, outstanding technical assistance from Fort Benning's Battle Lab and a great working relationship with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit.

The snipers' success and their extended commitment to service in the United States Army stands as every leader and individual Soldier's goal.

In July 1998, the 75th Ranger Regt. consolidated company snipers into a Sniper Platoon in Headquarters and Headquarters Company. The 75th Ranger Regt. conducted consolidated training for three weeks to ensure all of the platoons met the same initial standards and then released the platoons to start working for their respective battalions. Their proficiency and lethality has grown exponentially ever since.

The 3rd Ranger Battalion Sniper Platoon's first trial came at the Joint Readiness Training Center a mere five months after their consolidation.

With a lot of support and unlimited freedom to maneuver, the Sniper Platoon ended the rotation with 28 enemy kills and only two sniper casualties.

Their success greatly contributed to the Battalion's success as a whole and far exceeded the snipers' contributions during previous JRTC rotations.

Through the course of the Sniper Platoon's existence, they have won numerous sniper competitions.

While the below listed individual and team accomplishments are impressive, the most significant aspect of their victories is that fact that they used standard Army ammunition, weapons and optics, while their competitors often used top of the line commercial products from some of the best manufacturers in the world.

The Sniper Platoon will be the first to admit the Army Marksmanship Unit has greatly aided their progress over the years. From maintenance and fine tuning of rifles to their overall expertise in marksmanship and ammunition, the USAMU has provided invaluable assistance.

Training together regularly, the two units have developed an inseparable partnership that has resulted not only in countless trophies, but also in a deep mutual respect.

While proud of each and every accomplishment, the 3rd Ranger Bn. takes even greater pride in the improvement the NCOs have made in such an invaluable asset and most importantly in the retention of the outstanding NCOs for both the Ranger Regiment and the United States Army.

1st Place, Canadian Sniper Competition — Staff Sgt. Kevin Humphres, Sgt. Jason St. John.

1st Place, 10th Special Forces Group Sniper Competition — St. John, Sgt. Jared Van Aalst.

1st Place, 2nd Marine Division Sniper Competition — Van Aalst, Cpl. Robby Johnson.

1st Place Fort Benning Rifle Match (3 Times) — Sgt. 1st Class Lindsay Bunch.

1st Place, Fort Benning Rifle Match — Van Aalst.

1st Place, Fort Benning 500 yard Rifle Match — Johnson.

Additionally, the 3rd Bn. snipers have posted numerous Honor Graduates and Top Guns from the Fort Benning Sniper School, the Special Operations Target Interdiction Course and the Marine Scout Sniper School.

'Rock' gets off to roaring start at NTC

Pfc. Teresa Heist
3rd Infantry Division PAO

Soldiers from 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) "Rock of the Marne", got off to a roaring start at the National Training Center's equipment Draw Yard last week. Soldiers on Rotation 00-07 worked hard in the hot and dusty Fort Irwin environment to prepare vehicles for dispatch, a week long process that is the first step of NTC rotations.

Sgt. James Stone, 4th Battalion, 64th Armor, Fort Stewart, is experiencing his first time at NTC, although he said about 90 percent of his battalion have been to Kuwait and therefore are familiar with a desert environment.

Stone is responsible for drawing 13 Heavy Expandable Mobility Tactical Trucks and 13 cargo trucks used for ammunition. Entering the Draw Yard April 9, 19 vehicles were already drawn by the afternoon of April 11.

Many Soldiers in the Draw Yard were assisting ITT, the civilian counterpart responsible for maintaining vehicles. Stone explained that during the normal process, company commanders sign for vehicles that are inspected first. Problems are initially identified which releases accountability to the units. Due to the large task force of Rotation 00-07, Soldiers are assisting ITT in providing vehicle maintenance and repair.

Sometimes when vehicles are signed for, the ground underneath is contaminated with fuel or oil. When this happens, the unit is responsible for removing the contaminants. This is exactly what happened with 4th Bn., 64th Armor, which required the assistance of an environmental crew.

Sgt. Emil Santiago, a combat engineer with C Company, 317th Engineer Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, and his crew were assigned the job of containing and removing contaminated sand. According to Sangtiago, 4th Bn., 64th Armor maintained that the spill was already there, but since signoff had taken place, the unit assumed responsibility. Using dump trucks, back hoes and scoop loaders, the crew continued to remove sand until testing showed the sand is clean.

"If I can smell even a trace of fuel, we have to keep digging," said Santiago.

Sgt. Edgar Ford, signal support systems specialist, 4th Bn., 64th Armor, prepared a 577 armored personnel carrier for the field. Ford is attached to a scout unit and is responsible for communication. His job is setting up "retrans" stations that link communication between two points.

"The real trick is when we get out into the box," said Ford. "That's when we're going to do our stuff."

Once the vehicle is ready, the operator joins the convoy of assorted mechanized vehicles, waiting their turn to sign out before leaving the Draw Yard gates. The vehicles are then driven to the "hammer base," a staging area where they await their first mission at NTC.

4th RTB vies for expert badge

4th Ranger Training Battalion

"Gallantry will I show the world that I am a specially selected and well-trained Soldier."

The 4th Ranger Training Battalion did just that at the Expert Infantryman Badge test site. The 4th RTB had 10 of 15 candidates earn the coveted badge. That's a 67 percent pass rate.

The battalion has some impressive statistics in regards to EIB, said Capt. Carlton Paris, 4th RTB. Every line company is 100 percent EIB qualified, and has earned the EIB streamer. Headquarters Company's Merrill's Platoon currently has 33 out of 41 Soldiers assigned EIB qualified.

Training was the key to the Rangers' success.

The Rangers attended the EIB training prior to test week. Upon completion of a day's training, the Rangers would then identify tasks that they needed to improve upon and would work on them late into the night.

Through constant retraining, the Rangers executed the 40 tasks required to earn the EIB. The training was so effective, three of the Rangers passed with perfect scores.

When 1st Lt. Fred Cannan, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th RTB platoon leader, was asked about the significance of the Soldiers earning the EIB his reply was, "These Rangers were able to demonstrate their high degree of proficiency at combat critical skills. This proficiency is what will keep Soldiers alive to fight and win on the battlefield."

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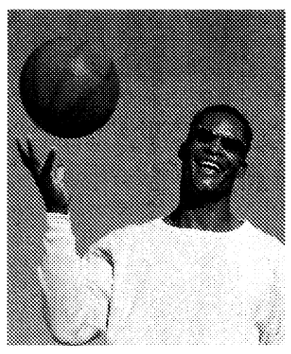

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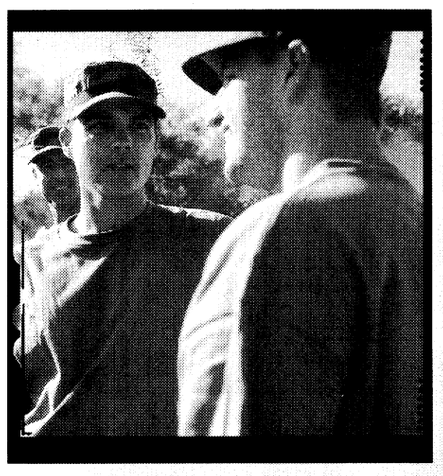

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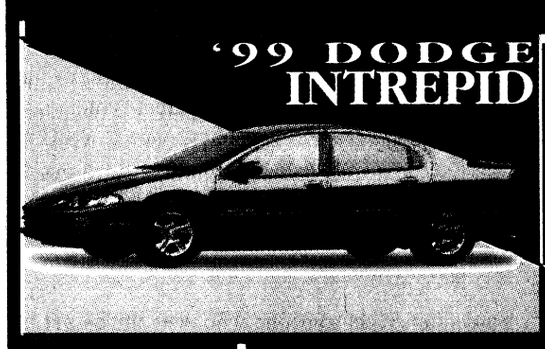

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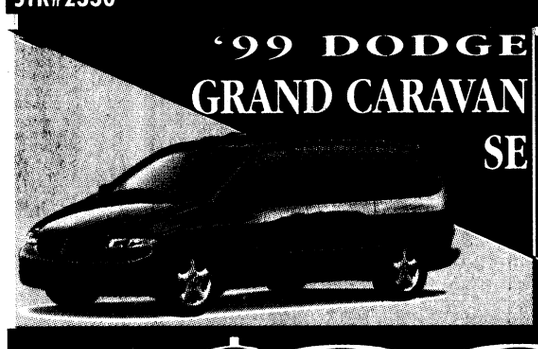

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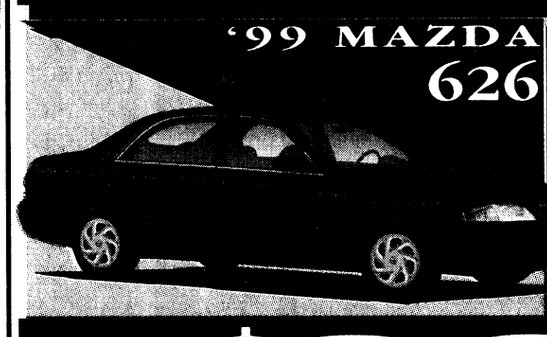

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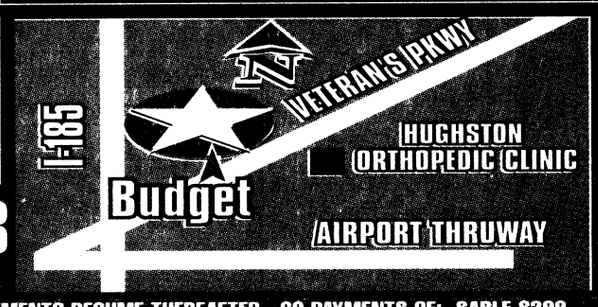

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Family member acts on Broadway

Acting skills land Soldier's daughter part in "Annie"

Bridgett Siter
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Most young girls dream of pursuing careers as models, singers, actresses or fashion designers. One Fort Benning fifth-grader has already added the first three to her resume. Eleven-year-old Nina Ducharme began singing, modeling and dancing more than six years ago while living in Hawaii.

"She was always singing, singing, singing, ever since she was old enough to walk. She showed so much interest and talent that we took her to various voice coaches and dance teachers, and one thing led to another," said Nina's dad, Sgt. 1st Class William Ducharme. "Nina's had more specialty schools than most Army Soldiers. If she wore a uniform, it would have a lot of patches on it."

At an age when most young starlets are vying for the lead in the school play, Nina's resume already reads like that of a seasoned actress.

While in Hawaii, she played an elf in "*Santa's Light Show*," performed in "*Damn Yankees*" and won the 1997 "*Kiddieoke Star Search*." She was also featured in commercials for Kentucky Fried Chicken and Computer City.

Nina's family moved to Fort Benning last year, and in July she began a 40-week national tour with the Broadway production of *Annie*. She played an orphan named Tessie, a role that showcased her acting, dancing and singing skills.

"It was a great experience — a lot of performing. Everybody says I should be a singer," she laughed. "But really I want to be a fashion designer or an inventor."

Nina and her mother, Bonita, were visiting friends in New York last July when they heard about the casting call for *Annie*. More than 100 girls tried out for the five orphan roles.

"It was really a fluke. They were actually getting ready to come home when Nina decided she'd like to audition. It was a whim," her dad said. "They came home right afterwards and we got a phone call a couple of days later saying the producers wanted Nina for the part of Tessie."

Accompanied by her mother, Nina returned to New York for several weeks of rehearsals before beginning the seven-month tour in September. Traveling primarily by bus, the cast performed more than 200 shows.

"My favorite part was seeing the beautiful theaters. They were very elaborate, with incredible architecture and detailing, like gold gilding and huge winding staircases," Nina said. "But I liked traveling everywhere too. We went from places like Boise, Idaho, to Mexico, and back to Illinois in one week. It was neat to see what it's like all over the country, to see what other kids see every day."

Along the way, Nina and her mother occasionally stole a few hours to play tourists. They visited Graceland and Planet Hollywood in Nashville, Tenn., and the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C. They went shopping in Mexico and attended a boat party in Charleston, S.C. Nina also participated in promotionals for the show by visiting public schools along the route.

"We had a lot of fun. Nina loves to travel, but the schedule was rigorous. It was a different city every day," her mother said. "She would have three hours every morning with the tutor, usually on the bus. We would pull into a hotel in time for supper, then get ready for the show, which didn't

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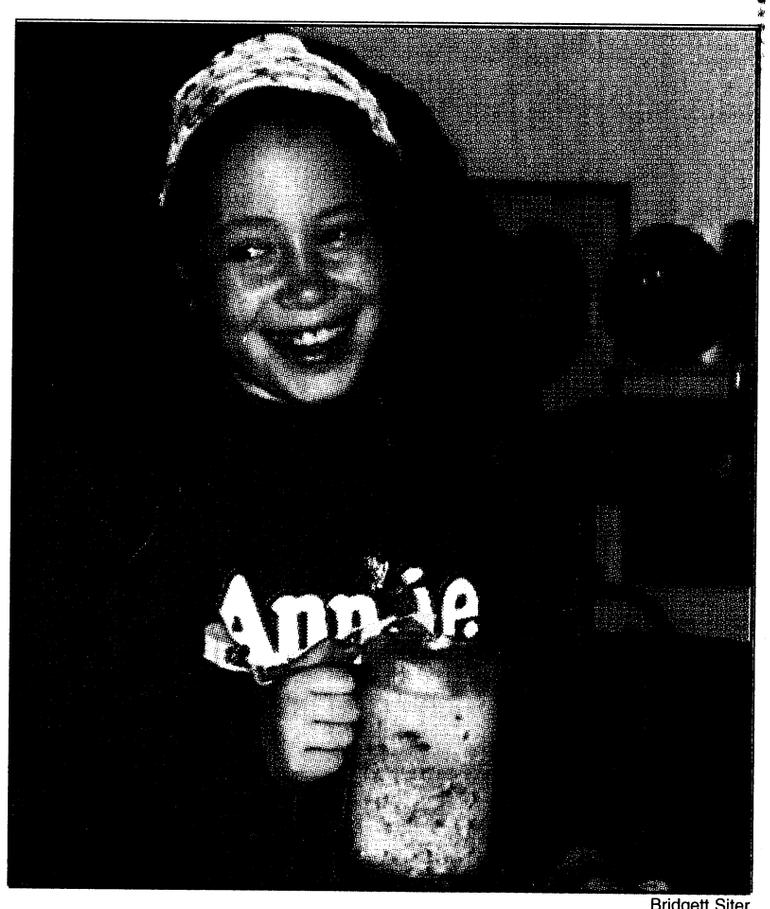

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Nina Ducharme, 11, recently portrayed the orphan Tessie in the Broadway production of *Annie*.

Slip 'n' slide



Lori Egan

From left, Moriah, 14, Megan, 6, and Adam McConnell, 12, enjoy a slippery trip during the Youth Services Spring Carnival. The carnival was held April 11-15.

Post-wide sale set for May 6

Bargains galore available during yard sale

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

The post-wide yard sale is the ultimate chance to cleanse the house of clutter or to find the bargain of a lifetime.

Catering to families who are about to PCS and yard-sale junkies, the post-wide yard sale 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 6 is a win-win situation.

"You know one person's trash is another one's treasure," said Jodie Bowers, president of the mayor's association that sponsors the yard sale.

There are two post-wide yard sales per year, one in the spring and one in the fall because those are the prime times to prepare for PCS. Most families try to schedule moves during the children's summer break.

"In the summer, everyone goes from post to post," said Chuck Walls, garrison manager. "As a result, a lot of people are packing up and divesting themselves. It's a great opportunity to get rid of stuff they don't want to hall off to their next duty station.

"We've been doing this the last three years and (the yard sales) have been very successful," he said. "We encourage participation. The more people out there, the more people will come." The post-wide yard sale attracts people from the Fort Benning and Columbus areas.

In order to participate, just set up the yard at 8 that morning, Walls said.

You can put a "yard sale" sign on the road or on the main thoroughfare with the address to publicize it, Bowers said.

"The only thing we require is that after the sale ends you go and get your sign."

For yard-sale regulars, this event is heaven. "It's one big huge yard sale," Bowers said. "It's better than going out every Saturday."

Bowers admits that although she has held her own yard sale during the event, she enjoys shopping. "I got lots of Christmas presents," she said. "You find almost everything."

One of her proudest finds was a Tom Clancy book. "Paying a buck for a Tom Clancy hardback is a bargain," she said.

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Giraffes sighted at Dexter school

Dexter Elementary kids learn valuable lessons from five-month project

Bridgett Siter
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Many Fort Benning teachers felt like zoo keepers during the week preceding spring break, when students began acting more like caged animals than humans. Still, even the teachers at Dexter Elementary were surprised when third-grade students reported seeing giraffes roaming the school grounds April 13.

The students were graduates of the "Giraffe Project," a national program designed to encourage young children to recognize heroes, or "human giraffes," among their peers and in their community.

"A giraffe has a big heart. It weighs about 25 pounds. And it's always sticking it's neck out. That's how it warns the other animals when there's danger on the horizon," said project director Tammy Hinkley. "This program teaches our kids to look for these qualities in the people they call heroes — people who have big hearts and are always sticking their necks out for others."

Thursday's graduation marked the conclusion of the five-month project. In November parent volunteers began teaching the giraffe curriculum once a week in Terri Bond's and Stephanie Hagalin's third-grade classrooms. The students read about and researched heroes like Abraham Lincoln and Harriet Tubman. Then they wrote essays about the personal heroes in their lives.

"I learned a hero is someone who does things out of the kindness of their heart, for no reward," said 9-year-old Devon Humphries. "I've learned new ways to be kind, and how a human giraffe can impact people's lives in a powerful way."

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Fort Benning family finds bundles of joy on highway

Homes found for eight new family members

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

Two weekends ago while driving home to Fort Benning from southern Georgia, Renee and Nathan Gray were blessed with eight tiny bundles of joy. Since then their lives have been in a bit of disarray.

While the story seems reminiscent of Bobbi McCaughey and her amazing septuplets, there is one major difference — the Gray's bundles of joy are of the furry persuasion.

When Renee said she saw what looked like a teddy bear on the edge of the road she urged her husband to pull over. There on its side lay a box, and when Renee opened it she found a cluster of puppy eyes staring back at her.

The eight puppies which the Grays believed to be a lab and shepherd mix were scared, dehydrated and malnourished. Without thinking they loaded the pups up and brought them home.

Renee admitted that her first reaction was that of amazement. She said she was stunned that someone could leave a boxful of defenseless animals on the side of the road. Then it hit her that she had eight dogs to take care of and she wondered what she was going to do.

After bathing the fluff balls that night, the Grays gave them food and water and that's when they realized just how bad off the animals were.

"We fed them and they fought for the food and water, but after that they just laid down, they weren't acting like puppies."

Renee worried about the pups and even feared they may have had parvo, but once the neighborhood kids came around and handled them, she said they started to come out of their shell.

"When the neighbors started handling them they began to play around and act like puppies again. I think the human contact did them good. They have come a long way."

Of course, acting like puppies again came at the expense of a good night's rest. Renee said each night she and Nathan had to get up every two or three hours to feed the pups and change their paper.

After all the work of getting the energetic hounds back into tip top shape, the next step was to find them good homes.

Because the Grays are getting ready to PCS to Germany they knew they had to kick it into high gear.

Immediately they took pictures of the adorable pooches and circulated it on the internet.

They even made a trip to Atlanta where five of the puppies found new homes.

After more than a week of looking and hoping, the Grays said a fond farewell to the last puppy on Wednesday.

Even after all the work, Nathan who just finished the Bradley Leaders Course, said he grew fond of the puppies.

"I had no problems with them," he said. "I was telling her (Renee) that if we had a bigger place and we weren't moving we'd probably keep one."

Renee said it is her love of animals that kept her from taking the easy way out and just dropping them at a shelter.

"You want them to have a good home, not just a home," she said.

"I get it (love of animals) from my mom. She has eight or nine acres in Jackson, (Ga.) and if there's a stray, the neighbors are calling her. She has 15 dogs, along with horses and cats. If it's stray and it comes to her house it has an open invitation. We're just big animal lovers."

Now the Gray's are able to PCS knowing they helped save the lives of eight adorable creatures.

Even after sleepless nights and all the hard work, Renee said she doesn't regret her choice. She is just glad she was able to get to them in time.



Spc. Amy Nyland

Renee and Connor Gray play with some of the puppies the family found during a recent trip.

Work with sitters to prevent child abuse

Rebecca Welch
Family Advocacy Program

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month.

To help prevent child abuse, here are a few tips on what parents should expect from child care providers:

• Ongoing communication, open access to the home or center and frequent updates on your child's progress.

• Loving care, responsiveness, stimulation and attention to building your child's self-esteem.

• A safe and healthy environment.

• Honesty. Caregivers should share information about problems or accidents. They should pay income taxes and meet all legal requirements.

• Acceptance of your wishes on matters such as discipline, seat belt and car usage, TV watching, food, toilet training and smoking.

• Advance notice of changes, such as in hours or costs. You should have between a month and six weeks notice if a caregiver can no longer care for your child.

• Support for your family. Caregivers should not be critical of your family's lifestyle or values and should not be involved in family disputes.

They should respect your religious beliefs and cultural background.

• Acceptance of you as the most important person in your child's life. Advice should be offered in a non-critical way.

• Assurance that everyone in contact with your child is trustworthy, properly trained and continuously supervised. This includes caregivers' friends and relatives, custodial help, transportation workers and visitors.

• No surprises. Your childcare provider shouldn't suddenly announce that her teen-age daughter will be watching your children three afternoons per week, nor should a favorite day-care teacher disappear without explanation.

Here are also some tips on what providers should expect from parents:

• Open communication. You should clearly explain your wishes and provide information on problems, on changes at home and about your child's routine, activities and preferences.

• Agreement on terms and arrangements (fees, hours, etc.) in writing.

• Honesty and trust. Show your trust by asking questions and not jumping to conclusions when you have a concern.

• Advance notice. Provide a month to six weeks notice of changes in your childcare plans.

• Consistency. Pick up your child on time and follow through on agreements. If you are to supply diapers or other items, bring them before they are needed.

• Healthy children. Agree in advance about when you can and cannot bring a sick child.

• Payment on time. Your caregiver provides for his or her family with this income.

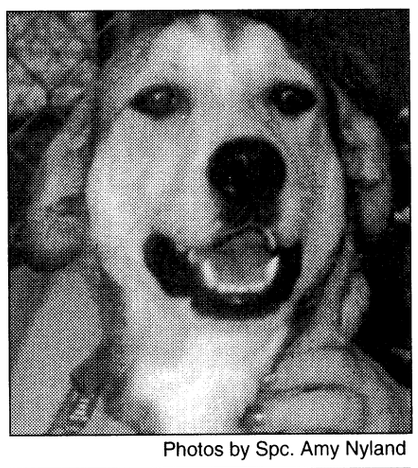
• Respect your caregiver as a professional. Taking care of children is his or her profession and a demanding job.

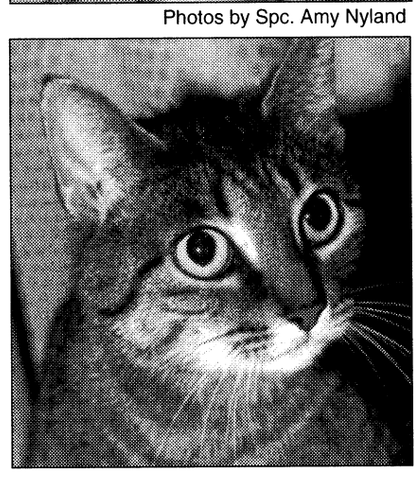
Value your caregiver because he or she is an important person in your child's life.

• Understanding and support for your child's feelings toward his or her caregiver. A child who spends hours with a caregiver should love that person, but this person should not diminish how your child feels about you.

• No surprises. Caregivers don't like surprises any more than parents do. Caregivers should know ahead of time about changes in your childcare needs and about your concerns.

For more information on child abuse prevention, call Family Advocacy at 545-3344.





Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

Pets of the Week

A 6-month-old female dalmatian mix with current vaccinations and an adult domestic short-haired tabby cat are just a few of the animals available. Many more are in need of a good home.

For more information about these or any other pets ready to be adopted, call the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic at 545-4826.

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Patrick Chauvey
Directorate of Public Works

The U.S. Army and Fort Benning will observe Earth Day Saturday. This special day has been celebrated worldwide for almost three decades.

It is an opportunity for all of us to ponder what Mother Earth has done for humanity and think of ways to show our appreciation and gratitude. The fast and furious pace of modern life leaves most of us with too little time and occasions to appreciate the wonders of our natural surroundings.

One of the purposes of Earth Day is to promote environmental awareness, along with certain aspects of conservation, pollution prevention, and environmental management.

This year, as in the past, the Environmental Management Division of the Directorate of Public Works has had the lead in sponsoring the events associated with Earth Day. In an effort to expand the benefits provided by this opportunity, EMD decided to spread the various Earth Day related activities over most of this month.

The program kicked-off with a birdhouse project April 7-8. The project consisted of assembling and decorating wooden birdhouse kits provided by EMD and installing them along the Fort Benning Riverwalk. This project received ample participation from the Fort Benning School System, Youth Activities as well as local Boys and Girls Scouts and is considered a success.

During the week of April 16, the showcase window in the Infantry Hall main lobby was decorated by EMD with displays relating to the spirit of Earth Day. This year, a special emphasis was given to a nature interpretation trail to be added to the Fort Benning Riverwalk.

This is EMD's latest ambition. The majority of this project will be funded and constructed by various volunteer organizations. Its design is already available for review. Any on-post organization interested in participating is encouraged to contact EMD. This is also a perfect opportunity for Eagle Scout projects.

Also a special program will be held in conjunction with Earth Day and Arbor Day at McBride School on April 28.

Every year, Earth Day is also an opportunity to recognize Fort Benning individuals or organizations that have made a contribution to the quality of Fort Benning's environment, by either performing their duties in an exceptional manner or by accomplishing an exceptional task. The winners are selected by a team of EMD program managers who have first-hand knowledge of the individual's performance and accomplishments.

This year's recipients are:

• Dan Hudson and Curtis Williams, DPW employees, for outstanding performance of duties in the management, operation and maintenance of the Fort Benning water treatment plant, sewage treatment plants, and related distribution and collection systems.

• Andy Carroll, DOL employee, for outstanding performance of duties in the management of the Aviation Division hazardous and toxic materials and waste programs.

• Russell Goodwin, DPW employee, for inventiveness in the system design and realization of a hazardous waste fluorescent bulbs accumulation points.

• Lorraine Thomley, MEDDAC employee, for outstanding performance of duties in the management of MACH hazardous and toxic materials and waste programs.

• Staff Sgt. Hughes, special assignment DCA, for exceptional involvement in post beautification projects and nuisance wildlife population control.

• Bob Osbourne, DCA employee, for outstanding performance of duties in the management of all DCA Division's hazardous and toxic materials and waste programs.

• Sgt. 1st Class Brian Finch, RTB, for outstanding performance of duties in the management of the Brigade's hazardous and toxic materials and waste programs.

This year, as an innovation to the traditional recognition program, the Garrison Commander has directed EMD to select various Fort Benning organizations for possible nomination as candidates to the 8th Annual Community Awards Program sponsored by the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission.

All entries must be received by KCBC by Thursday. Winners will be announced at an award luncheon on May 11.

The following Organizations were selected:

• 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Battalion (OCS), for postwide community service projects, in the Beautification Award category.

• 63rd Engineer Company for the upgrade of Russ Pond, in the Community Improvement Award category.

• 29th Infantry Regiment for Post policing in the Litter Prevention and Cleanup Award category.

• Directorate of Community Activities Recreation Division for the new Uchee Creek pier in the Community Improvement Award category.

• McBride Elementary School for woodlands education projects in the Community Improvement Award category.

[redacted] wish the best of luck to these well deserving organizations. They will be recognized along with the other Earth Day Recognition Award winners for their outstanding environmental stewardship.



Club protects environment

Vicki Rogers
Dexter Elementary School

On any given day, you may see children from one of Dexter's three environmental clubs as they go around campus picking up litter, watering plants, posting ecology signs or planting various gardens.

For the past three years, Dexter students have prepared raised gardens and flower beds in our courtyard area. Their efforts earned them the prestigious Gateway Schools Award from the Keep Columbus Beautiful Commission during the 1998 and 1999 school year.

The clubs are currently building a school-yard habitat, which will be dedicated on Earth Day. This habitat will be home for frogs, toads, earthworms, goldfish and butterflies. This particular project is being implemented by the e-Club.

The e-Club is Dexter's environmental club for kindergartners and first graders. They learn the importance of protecting the earth and conserving our limited natural resources.

This active group meets weekly to recycle newspaper and plastic, and to do litter patrols. The e-Club was established in 1994 for the purpose of raising students' awareness of positive environmental stewardship.

Third graders at Dexter are part of an club called Earth Watchers. This club was established in 1998 to raise the environmental awareness of third and fourth graders.

The main objective of Earth Watchers is to help the students realize that they can each make a difference. The club motto is "Caring begins with personal responsibility."

Earth Watchers conducted a pop-top collection and recycling contest throughout the school to benefit the Ronald McDonald House.

Dexter fifth grade students are members of the GreenThumbs. These students help care for our campus green house.

They grow and plant flowers for use in landscaping and beautification projects. They also plan and implement our Gateways School projects.

Each year, The GreenThumbs take an active role in the Help the Hooch River clean-up. Since GreenThumbs are the oldest environmentally aware students in our school, they take a leadership role when working with younger schoolmates.

At Dexter our campus beautification plan is an ongoing project. It takes the dedication of all three environmental clubs. The real fulfillment can be seen in the faces of these students as they follow Dexter's motto, "Working together towards tomorrow!"



Courtesy photo

Students from Dexter Elementary School created a quilt titled "Happiness on the Chattahoochee" in celebration of Earth Day.

Fifth-graders perform musical

Vicki Rogers
Dexter Elementary School

"I would do it again and again and again!" exclaimed fifth grader Brian Watts about the recent *Strawman's Jubilee*, "The audience loved it!"

Strawman's Jubilee, Dexter's fifth grade musical production was written and directed by performing arts teacher Cy Dietrich.

The plot centers around two scarecrows, Scat and Shooby, who are searching for a new way to chase birds from their garden using psychology.

The musical is filled with lively songs and dances to include *This is a New Generation*, an original song created by Dietrich, to explain the arrival of psychology in Scat and Shooby's bird chasing.

Sittin' in the Moonlight was created to slow the pace and change the mood of the moonlight party.

The dances in the musical were creative and the jokes were funny, said John Lusk, "I liked the fact that I was performing with my friends."

And what did these kids learn about their production? "A lot," said Quenten Almeida, as he described how the scenery must be moved and the characters dressed and ready to go on stage.

"I learned that it takes hard work and dedication," he said.

Patrick Herold agreed.

"I learned to project my voice to make it loud enough to be heard in the back of the audience, and I learned that if you mess up, you just keep going and the crowd will never know," he said.

GreenThumbs complete projects

Vicki Rogers
Dexter Elementary School

What do you do on Great American Clean-up Day? GreenThumb environmentalist, Meggan Bond said, you could construct and put up birdhouses along the post's Riverwalk.

Materials for birdhouses were supplied by DPW to the clubs, and students assembled and decorated their houses.

This project is part of Fort Benning's Earth Day 2000 celebration.

The birdhouses were installed April 8 as part of the Great American Clean-up activities. Making the birdhouses gave all of the students a great feeling of pride.

"I feel really good about helping to create habitats for birds," said Bond. We decorated the birdhouses and learned the necessary requirements to ensure birds will use the new birdhouses."

But their work didn't stop with birdhouses. Students from these environmental clubs also participated in a campus clean-up as well.

"I am so excited about the work of these clubs," said GreenThumb's club sponsor Linda Turner. "These opportunities help our young people realize that their efforts really do make a difference."

Dexter students make quilt as tribute to beauty of nature

Vicki Rogers
Dexter Elementary School

Students from Dexter Elementary School recently completed a quilt that promotes environmental conservation.

This quilt was truly a work of cooperation and love. It incorporates the artwork of several grade levels of students.

The fish in the river were drawn and hand colored by third graders onto regular construction paper and then scanned into the computer.

Then they were printed out onto transfer paper and ironed onto the tie-dyed river.

The colors the students used blended in marvelously with the dye to make the colored fish look like real fish in a river.

The flowers were made by first-graders. They drev heart-shaped flowers onto material and colored then with markers.

Then the backs were covered with sticky material an ironed onto the brown fabric, which represents the bank of the Chattahoochee River.

The smiling trees along the background were sponge painted by kindergartners who drew in the smiling faces

They also stamped on the leaves and happy-face turtles, frogs and butterflies.

We chose the title "Happiness On the Chattahoochee because of our focus on helping the earth and th Chattahoochee River stay happy and healthy.

We owe a special "Thank you!" to Ann Horn, one o Dexter's dedicated kindergarten teachers.

Without her creativity and expertise, we could neve have made this quilt.

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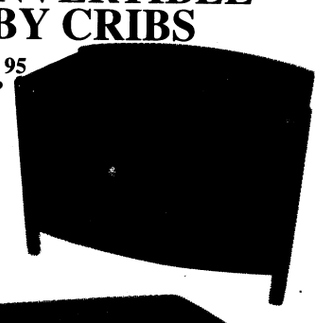

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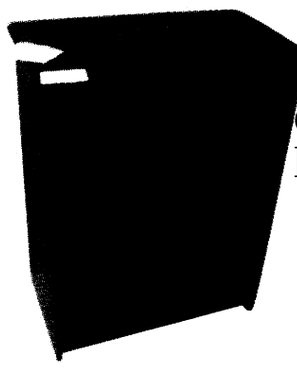

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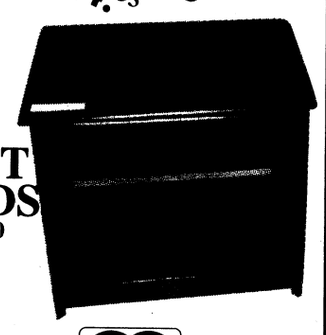

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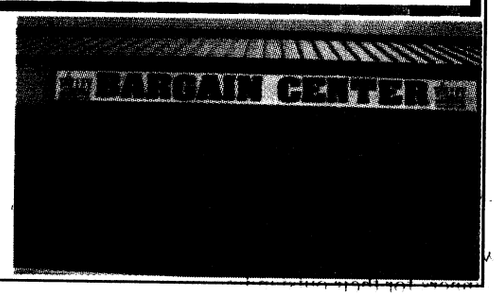

births

Girls

Kishuna Lorraine Johnson — born March 29 to Dianne and Pfc. Ralph Johnson Jr.

Isabella Elise Lamboy — born March 30 to Miriam and Sgt. 1st Class Edward Lamboy.

Brianna Taylor Shell — born April 1 to Shirley and Sgt. Brandon Shell.

Audrey Marian Mosher — born April 2 to Kelly and Sgt. Dewane Mosher.

Alexis Alena Zamora — born April 2 to Leticia and Staff Sgt. Rolando Zamora.

Dakota Rianne Palmer — Born April 4 to Audrey and Spc. Cody Palmer.

Dalanie Lynn Wilkins — born April 5 to Amedria and Spc. Danail Wilkins.

Boys

Michael Andrew Vazquez — born March 31 to Dolka and Staff Sgt. Richard Vazquez.

Jared Paul Eugene Slater — born March 31 to Kristina and Spc. Herbert Slater Jr.

Gavin Andrew Tietjen Smith — born March 31 to Keri and Spc. Andrew Smith.

Christopher James Schultz — born April 1 to Sarah and Spc. Lonnie Schultz.

Slade Tyler Love — born April 1 to Cynthia and Staff Sgt. Jackie Love.

Joshua Joseph Solich — born April 3 to Traci and Capt. Aaron Solich.

Jacob John Tobey — born April 3 to Sarah and 1st Lt. Patrick Tobey.

Tristan Lee Colley — born April 4 to Deena and Sgt. Lee Colley.

Chad Ryan Kelly — born April 5 to Sherre and Chief Warrant Officer Thaddous Kelly.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

Ducharme: Achieves dreams

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end until 11 every night."

Despite the grueling schedule, Nina was able to maintain good grades at Stowers Elementary, where faculty and students made sure she was kept abreast of their current studies.

"I had performed at school last year, so they knew this was something I wanted to do. Mr. Hughes (Glenn Hughes, principal) and Mr. Murrey (David Murrey, teacher) were so supportive. They sent my school work to me and I worked with a tutor every day. Mr. Murrey kept a folder in the classroom for me and when he was passing out work, my friends would say 'Don't forget to put one in there for Nina.'"

After returning home in March, Nina said she decided it was time to "take a break and get back to the business of being a kid again." Though her parents allowed her to make that choice, they both supported her decision.

"I realized that we take so many things for granted, like sitting in your favorite chair and watching your favorite TV show and being together as a family," Bonita said. "It got to the point where we were ready to take our lives off hold."

Her father's biggest concern was Nina's adjustment to a regular school environment.

"I was a little worried about how the other students would react to Nina when she returned," she said. "In Hawaii where she appeared in commercials, the other kids wanted to talk about that a lot."

"It took the focus off the school work," Ducharme said. "It hasn't been like that at all. It's like she never left. No one makes a big deal out of it."

In fact, it appears that even Nina makes "no big deal" out of her Broadway experience.

"It was a wonderful experience, but it was also a hard task. I cried some. I especially missed my best friend and my dad. There's no place like home."

Sale: Offers shoppers' paradise

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One thing that this breed of bargain hunters is known for is haggling for the lowest possible price. "Oh yeah, haggling is good," Bowers said.

"People come out for the thrill of the bargain," Walls said. "It's one of the fun parts about yard sales."

There are a wide variety of items that show up for sale at an event such as this one from clothing to bicycles.

But a few items remain on the "most wanted" lists of shoppers.

"Toys and tools are big sellers," said Walls. "I know from experience that they snap them up quick."

"Fisher Price and Little Tike are really big," Bower said.

Furniture, televisions and microwaves are sought after and for many families starting out, finding these items for cheap, "It's like a godsend," Walls said.

When the sale ends at 2 p.m. and not all is gone from the yard, the Thrift Store on post, 229 Ingersoll Ave., will gladly accept those unsold items as donations. Bring items to the back of the store to the donation room from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Project: Gives to ARK projects

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Participants in the program are required to complete one service project before receiving their diplomas. Dexter students voted unanimously to sell donuts to raise funds for their favorite "giraffe." During Thursday's ceremony they presented music teacher Cy Dietrich with a check for more than $400.

"They decided they wanted the money to go to Mr. Dietrich to replenish the ARK (acts of random kindness) funds. They recognize Mr. Dietrich as a human giraffe because he started the ARK project and he's always doing so much for the school and for others," Hinkley said.

Dietrich said the ARK project is yet another way students can recognize the kindness of others and learn to reach out to people in need. The ARK donated nearly $13,000 to North Carolina flood victims last fall.

Baby wipe warmer recalled

Prince Lionheart product recalled after reports of electrical shocks

Consumer Product Safety Commission

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Advance Thermo Control, of Hong Kong, is voluntarily recalling 152,000 baby wipe warmers distributed by Prince Lionheart, of Santa Maria, Calif.

A wipe warmer is an electric appliance that warms baby wipes.

Cracks in the interior tub of these wipe warmers can allow water to contact the electrical components. This can then result in consumers receiving an electric shock.

Prince Lionheart has received four reports of electric shocks when consumers touched the wipes in the warmers with cracked tubs.

This recall involves Prince Lionheart Baby Wipe Warmers with style number 0224 and date codes between 9803 and 9901 with cracked tubs. The style number and date code are written on the bottom of the units.

The wipe warmers are white plastic boxes that are 9 inches long, 6 inches wide and 4.75 inches high. "Prince Lionheart" is written on the lid of the warmers.

An orange light is located on the front of the warmers to indicate when it is on. "Santa Maria, Ca., USA" and "Made in China" are written on the bottom of the units.

Toy, department and baby specialty stores, including Toys "R" Us and Burlington Coat Factory, and mail order catalogs, sold these wipe warmers nationwide from February 1998 through December 1999 for about $25.

Consumers should immediately unplug the warmers, remove the wipes, and check to see if the interior tub is cracked.

If so, stop using the warmer immediately, and call ATC for information on receiving a free replacement unit.

If the tub of the wipe warmer is not cracked, the unit is not part of the recall, and consumers can continue to use the appliance.

For more information, contact ATC at (888) 843-8718 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday.

community briefs

on post

Job Fair — The AUSA Job Fair is May 18 in Infantry Hall from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians and their family members are welcome to attend.

Interested personnel should bring 20 copies of their resume for possible on-site interviews.

For more details or help preparing a resume, contact the Army Career and Alumni Program, Transition Assistance Office at 545-2308.

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings provide support — The Fort Benning Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at 7 p.m. every Monday, Thursday and Saturday.

Meetings are conducted in the basement of the Directorate of Community Activities, Building 241, next to the National Infantry Museum. Individuals interested in attending meetings can use the rear entrance to the building.

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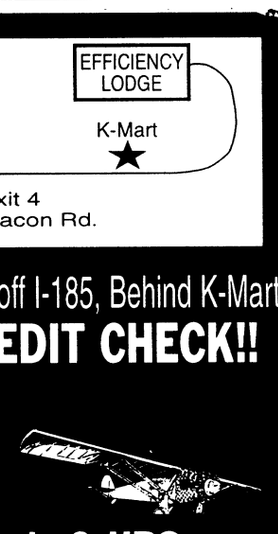

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Easter provides time to overcome defeat of sin

Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Neufeld
203rd Forward Support Battalion

reflections

When I was a child, I looked forward to late Saturday afternoons. I would come in from play at dusk and sit down in front of the television to watch what was then my favorite television program, The Wide World of Sports.

Each week I would join the host Jim McKay and span the globe in search of the greatest sporting events. One week we would visit Kitzbuehl, Austria for the running of the Hahnenkann downhill; the next it would be New York City and the Melrose Games, the world's premier indoor track meet.

The images in my memory are vivid and unforgettable, from a young Cassius Clay defeating Sonny Liston to take the heavyweight title of the world, to an aging Al Oerter winning his fourth Olympic trial in a row on his way to the discuss the Gold in Mexico City in 1968.

One image stands out above the rest and it does not capture "the thrill of victory." It is a young Yugoslav ski jumper who takes a nonscheduled right turn before going airborne, only to stop by bouncing off of many hard objects.

This was the "agony of defeat" and it was shown both at the beginning and the end of each show for more than a decade. I am told that this is one of the most remembered sports images of all time.

But why would this be remembered? I believe that this is so easily called to mind because it speaks so powerfully to our own situation.

Born to know the true freedom that comes from an intimate relationship with the living God, we have veered off the true path, harmed ourselves horribly and are unable to get back on the right track. Surely we have all tasted the agony of defeat.

There is good news however and it is proclaimed powerfully through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ which we celebrate this week.

Good Friday and Easter Sunday together constitute the holiest time of the year in the Christian calendar because they call to mind the very essence of the Christian message.

The Gospel of John tells us that "God so loved the world."

Such love was expressed, not merely through word, but through the powerful deeds of God in Christ. Jesus Christ went to the cross, experiencing what for all appearances was the ultimate defeat.

However, His death was, and is victory to us. He brought our sinfulness, weakness and brokenness to the cross only to destroy their power forever. Not only that, he crushed the very symbol of our defeat, death itself, when He rose early on that Easter.

This is a time of great celebration for Christians the world over.

We who have known the defeat of sin and the resulting alienation from God, now joyfully proclaim the ultimate victory which is ours in Christ who died and rose, all for love of us.

Easter Sunrise Service

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Good Friday Services

5:30 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Liturgy of the Passion (in Spanish)
7 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Liturgy of the Passion (in English)
7 p.m.	Regimental Chapel, Good Friday Liturgy

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

Holy Saturday Services

7 p.m.	Regimental Chapel, Easter Vigil Service
8 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Easter Vigil Service

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

Avoid money pits with teamwork

Chap. (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center



Rupel

Gary and Amanda were pursuing the American dream of owning their own home. They found their dream house and although it was a little more than they could afford, they decided to go ahead. Besides, Amanda could always go back to work.

They soon discovered buying a home also meant having to furnish it. It was so easy to buy now and pay later. Too easy. Before long, they found themselves in deep debt.

Gary had to take on a second job to help pay off their mounting bills and Amanda took to working overtime.

Then the unexpected happened, Amanda found herself pregnant. Their first child was born and Amanda wanted to stay home and raise their newborn daughter but finances would not allow her to.

Having a child and paying for its care is expensive. There was never enough money and soon Gary and Amanda found themselves arguing almost every day over money.

The American dream was quickly becoming a nightmare for this couple. They were caught in a money trap and could not get out.

This story is far too familiar with a couple I work with. In fact, money is the number one issue couples argue about.

In his book, *Romancing the Home*, Ed Young wrote, "The Bible says more about money than it does about heaven or hell combined, and amazingly relevant principles regarding money management, stewardship and budgeting."

When we begin to realize that whatever we own is not ours but in truth belongs to God then I believe we can start the road to financial responsibility.

God expects us to be good stewards of what He provides to us.

We need to learn that there is a difference between a want and a need.

While Gary and Amanda needed a place to live, they let their want take precedence over their need. The result, financial problems which in turn produced other problems.

John Wesley said, "Make all you can! Save all you can! Give all you can!"

Couples can meet these three admonitions if they make a budget they can live with.

Quoting Ed Young again, "Drawing up a budget can teach couples a great deal about how they view money, and requires them to establish financial goals at the outset."

Budgeting also helps couples discern between needs, wants and desires.

Most couples get themselves into trouble when they put wants and desires ahead of needs.

You may want a BMW, but need a Tercel. Learn to know the difference.

God expects us to be good stewards of what He has given us. Do not fall into the trap of putting your wants ahead of your needs. Be faithful to use wisely what God has given you.

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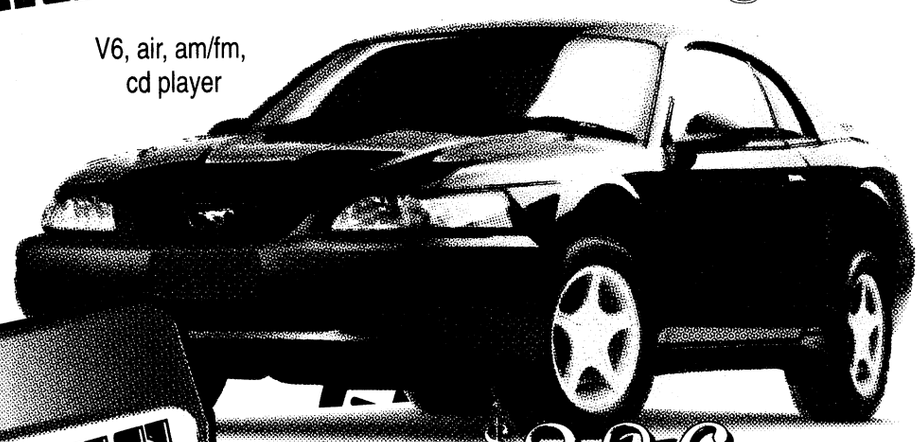

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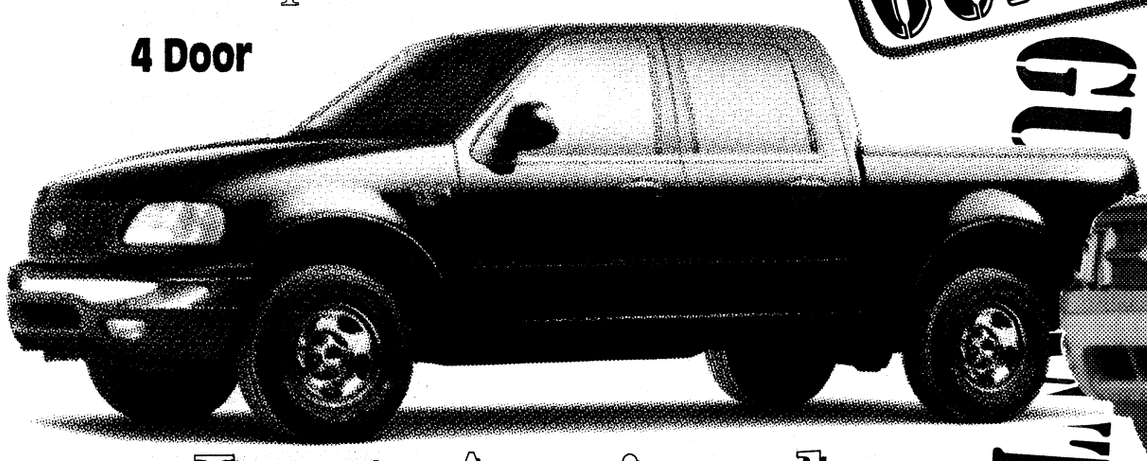

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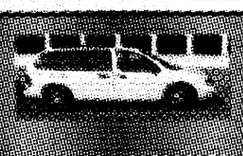

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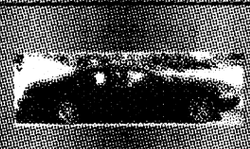

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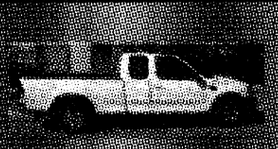

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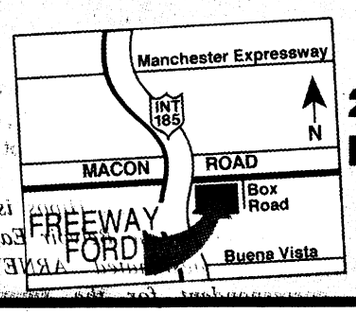

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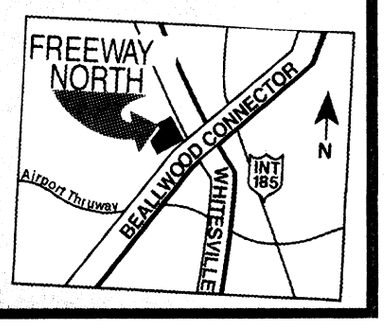

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SPORTS

Soldiers team dominates championship

Army triumphs over other services in 6-0 victory

Master Sgt. Mike Briggs
American Forces Press Service

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — The Army women's basketball team won all six of its games in dominating style to capture the Women's Armed Forces Basketball Championship April 11 for the ninth year in a row.

A strong rebounding game and swarming defense propelled the Soldiers to the championship with an average margin of victory of 35 points per game over the Air Force, Marine Corps and Navy competition.

The Marines posted a 4-2 mark to finish second, the Air Force was third with a 2-4 record and the Navy ended the double round-robin tournament fourth at 0-6.

"The key to our success is we never relax," said Sgt. Sylvia Williams, Army center. "I don't care if we have a 20- or 30-point lead. We never relax." The six-year Army player from Fort Hood, Texas, credited her coach, Master Sgt. Johnnie Pickett, for preparing the Army women.

"We worked really hard before we got here," Williams said. "We have a real tough trial camp. We try to schedule our team against teams that are better than us, and it prepares us for play at this level."

Pickett, from Fort Hood, said he has no problems keeping his players focused during the armed forces rivalry.

"We understand that we're representing 495,000 Soldiers in the Army, so it's easy to stay motivated when you think about that," said Pickett, who has been the Army head coach for 10 years.

The Army women have dominated the interservice basketball competition since its inception in 1978 with titles in 21 of the 23 previous championships.

Five players were picked for the championship all-star team. Williams was selected as center; 1st Lt. Carrie Wood from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo., and Army Reserve Pfc. Evetta Crawford-Herring of Texas were picked as forwards; and 2nd Lt. Kallie Quinn from Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D., and Cpl. Teri Jones from Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, Ariz., were named guards.

The all-stars, minus Wood, and eight others selected for the armed forces team traveled April 12 to compete in a national pro-am tournament in Florida. Rounding out the squad were Capt. Kim Kawamoto of Fort Meade, Md.; Sgt. Sharon Lyons and Spc. Coretta Chenault, both of Fort Hooc Spc. Carolyn Conkleton of Fort Jackso S.C.; Spc. Felicia Griffin of Fort Bennin Ga.; Pfc. Akilah Rone from Kaiserslaute Germany; Senior Airman Kerri Wilburn c Moron Air Base, Spain; and Marine Corp Staff Sgt. Carlotta Moore of Camp Butle Japan.

Coaches were Pickett and Tech Sgt. Angi McCullough of Robins Air Force Base, Ga

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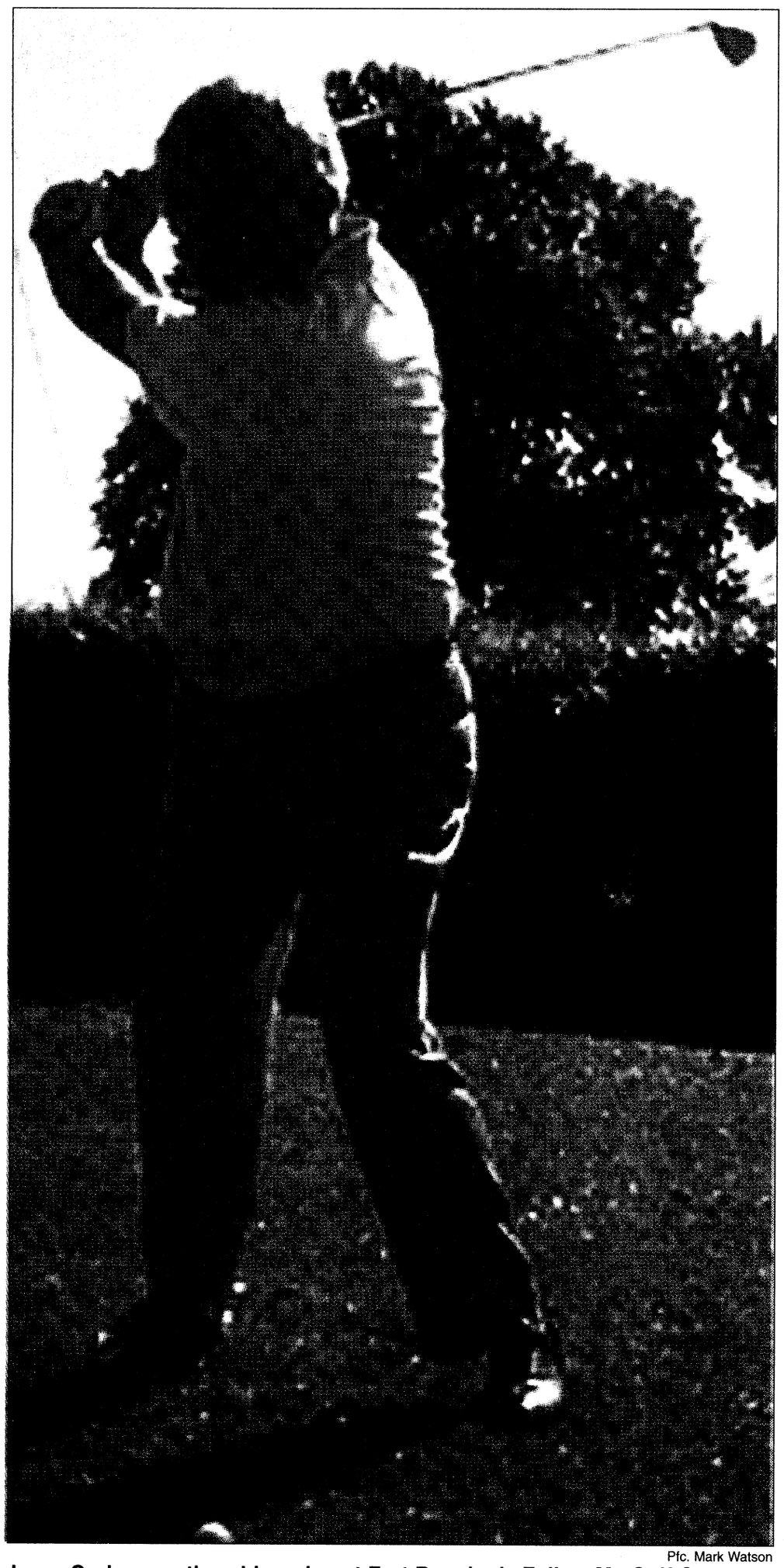
Golf Course welcomes new pro



Pfc. Mark Watson
Larry Cruise practices his swing at Fort Benning's Follow Me Golf Course.

PGA member arrives, hopes to promote golfing

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The Follow Me Golf Course has a new golf professional with more than three decades of golf experience to help golfers with the game.

Teeing off for the first time in 1967, Larry Cruise has been a Professional Golf Association member since 1987. Most recently, he comes from Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., where he was the director of golf. He plans to bring his golfing knowledge here now that he is in charge of golf operations.

"I hope to promote golf here and re-establish customer relations," Cruise said.

Although Cruise has been here for a little more than one month, people are pleased with his work.

"He's great. The customers seem to really like him," said Roger Garrity, general manager of the golf course. "He has come up with new marketing techniques and the shop is stocked better." He also patrols the course on the weekends and keeps the play flowing freely.

Cruise began as the golf pro on March 16 and hopes to get more people involved in the game. Soldiers and civilians alike have the opportunity to play on Fort Benning's Pineside and Lakeside courses with 36 holes of play and attend clinics to help them with their game.

"On April 22 and 29, there will be beginner clinics held, which teach swing and golf etiquette," Cruise said. "We give lessons to individuals and groups. We also give a no-cost clinic to units that come out."

"On April 22, the clinic will be for active-duty Soldiers," said Garrity.

When Fort Benning's schools let out, the golf course will also be giving summer golf lessons to youths. To get more people involved in the game of golf, the course is also sponsoring a day of free golfing once a month for all active duty Soldiers on Fort Benning.

"We are getting comments from the members who like what (Cruise) is doing," said Garrity. "The requests for lessons have even risen since he arrived, and I am very pleased with his work."

Cruise invites everyone to come out to the course and give the game a try.

"(The golf course) is a great place where Soldiers can come and play, and it is an activity everyone can participate in," said Cruise. "Golf is a game that you don't have to be good at to have fun."

Army boxer gets second chance at 2000 Olympics

Tim Hipps
Fort Belvoir Eagle

Staff Sgt. Olanda Anderson's Olympic dream was resurrected April 14 when USA Boxing officials released 178-pound Olympic hopeful Michael Simms from Team USA for disciplinary reasons.

Simms' dismissal reopened the ring for Anderson, who won the 178-pound championship at the U.S. Olympic Boxing Team Trials Feb. 9-13 at Tampa, Fla.

Two weeks later, Simms twice defeated Anderson in a 24-hour span during the U.S. Olympic Box-offs at the Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Conn., where Simms stole Anderson's 178-pound spot on the 2000 U.S. Olympic Boxing Team.

Simms was released from Team USA last week for repeatedly missing curfew and failing to obey coach Tom Mustin's instructions during training camp at Colorado Springs, Colo., and at the America's qualifier in Tampa March 27-April 1.

Simms already was on probation with USA Boxing for his behavior during training camp at Colorado Springs in preparation for the 1999 World Championships at Houston, Texas.

An eight-man USA Boxing board voted April 11 to remove him from the team.

Anderson got the official word on Friday after Simms was allowed time to appeal the decision, which he did not.

"I feel for Simms," said Anderson, who never showed any compassion for his arch rival in the ring. "But now I have a chance to redeem myself. I thought it was over for me, as far as amateur boxing and the Olympics.

"I was just moving on with my life and I got the call (about Simms). I was out of boxing shape, but I was excited. I said, 'Yeah, I'll give it another try.'"

Anderson departed from the Arco Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif., near San Diego, on April 16 for a Central America Olympic Qualifying Tournament at Tijuana, Mexico.

There he must reach the final bout of his weight class to earn a trip to Sydney, Australia, to represent Team USA and the U.S. Army in the 2000 Summer Olympic Games.

As an alternate, Anderson's disposition wasn't the greatest in training camp as Simms' sparring partner.

But he found new resolve upon learning that he would get another shot at boxing Down Under.

"I have a chance to redeem myself — to show my stuff again," said Anderson, who readily admits that he didn't exhibit his best stuff during his nightmarish weekend in Connecticut. "Now I have a chance to go to the Olympics."

At the Foxwoods, Anderson lost 11-7 to Simms on Friday.

He then tossed and turnec throughout the night, crying instead of sleeping before their crucia rematch on Saturday afternoon which Simms won, 12-5.

"I was tired — mentally tired,' Anderson said after that crushing setback "I just didn't have anything left to win it. Maybe it wasn' meant for me to win it."

The Infantryman was ready tc hang it up and go back to his military job.

But the Sumter, S.C., native took 10 days of leave from the Army, got refocused, then reported to the U.S. Olympic Training Center as Simms' alternate.

USA Boxing officials said the 29-year-old Anderson appeared ready to rumble when he left for Tijuana.

His first fight Tuesday against Colombia's 178-pound amateur champion.

The top two finishers in each weight class advance to the Summer Games.

Anderson said he planned to take on the match like it was any other.

"I'm going to approach it like this is a regular bout," said Anderson, who conceded that Simms won their battle of psychological warfare at the box-offs. "At the box-offs, I let Simms get to me. If I can stay the way I am right now, I'll be all right going to the Olympics.

"I'm not going to let it stress me out anymore. Even if I go to Olympics, I'm going to stay like this. It's just another fight. That's my new attitude.

"All I have to do there is just box, let my hands go," he said of the tournament in Mexico. "That's all I need to do. I've got the experience. I've got all the tools. I just have to start applying them.

"Ain't no excuses. I'm looking to qualify and get it out of the way."

Anderson, who felt he let the Army down at Connecticut, doesn't want anyone second-guessing USA Boxing's decision to release Simms.

"If I don't get a medal, people will always say 'What if Simms had gone?'" Anderson said. "Now, I've got to go qualify and concentrate on getting a medal at the Olympics — a gold medal, preferably."

And he believes the entire U.S. Army is on his side.

"I was bad in camp a little bit, and I had to check myself," the Army World Class Athlete revealed. "Your character does come into play. So does your integrity. All that comes into play, and I've changed all that stuff," he said.

"I sat down and talked to coach and I talked to the other coaches here and they all said: 'We wanted you.'

"Character means a lot. I always thought I had a good upbringing, but the Army helps out with a lot of that."

(Editor's note: Tim Hipps is a staff writer for the Belvoir Eagle and the designated ARNEWS correspondent for the summer Olympics.)

PE teacher retires after 38 years at Faith Middle School

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

With the 21st annual Faith Race behind her, race coordinator Susan Emerson is already looking forward to next year's run. Though she's competed in more than 800 road races and marathons, Emerson has never run in the Faith Race.

"I've been the director since it first began. That never left enough time to run in it," Emerson said. "I may never be as fast as I used to be, but at least I'll be able to participate now. Running has always been a big love of mine."

Emerson is retiring in June after 38 years of teaching physical education at Faith Middle School. Though currently nursing a hip injury, she hopes she'll soon be able to devote more time to running again.

"It's suffering from overuse, probably from bowling," she laughed. "Running might have aggravated it, but it didn't cause it. I'll never blame running."

Although Emerson credits former PE teacher Dalton Oliver with the idea for the Faith Race, she has been the driving force behind the highly successful event since it's maiden run in 1979. She wonders now who will "grab the baton and run with it" after her retirement.

"I don't know who will do it next year. It concerns me but I feel that if it's meant to continue, it will," she said. "I've put in so much time and energy, and I've enjoyed it. But I've reached the point in time where I need a change. It's hard to admit to myself that it's time to step down and let someone else take over. Physically, I don't have as much to offer as I once did."

Emerson speaks and moves with a youthfulness that belies her words. When she's not walking in marathons — she recently completed the Disney and Los Vegas half-marathons — she can be found on the tennis court or running

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Adventure to Chewacla for fun

Pvt. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

outdoor corner



I don't think I could ever explain the feeling of exhilaration I get when I'm biking. Flying down a path laden with gged rocks, stumps and crevices, the wind hipping through my hair and the possibility iat at any moment I could be sent catapulting ver my handle bars is pure joy.

I must admit that before my first experiences ith mountain biking, I could never understand ow some of my friends were so into the sport.

To me the thought of biking always brought ack memories of my pre-car days when if I eeded to get somewhere my mom would emind me that I had a perfectly fine bike to take ie there. But because my friends are fairly ound-minded people, I decided to trust them nd try out mountain biking for myself.

After I got my first taste I didn't question ieir fascination one bit — I guess you can say I vas been bitten by the mountain-bike bug.

Lately, I am always on the look-out for places airly close to ride. That looking brought me to a ooklet for Chewacla State Park in Auburn, Ala. was delighted to see that the park featured a nountain bike trail.

Chewacla is located off of exit 51 on nterstate 85 South about 35 minutes from Columbus. Just like almost every other state ark it has the usual camp grounds, cabins for rent, playgrounds and plenty of picnic areas and pavilions.

However, what impressed me most about the park was it's trail system. There are at least six different loop and regular hiking trails that take anywhere from 20 minutes to an hour to complete. There is also the mountain bike trail that at times links up with a few of the hiking trails.

Although I didn't spend an extensive amount of time at the park I was able to try out portions of a couple of the trails.

One of the trails I decided to traverse by bike brought me to a tumultuous hill that taught me the finer art of braking. When I finally rolled to the bottom of the hill I said a little thank-you to God for allowing me to escape injury and another thank-you to the incredibly smart person who invented bike brakes.

It was at the bottom that I noticed the unmistakable sound of rushing water. I got off my bike and came upon Chewacla Falls, which connects to Chewacla Lake. I guess this is where I should mention that the park also offers a lakefront beach area with swimming, fishing and boating.

The falls captivated me and I couldn't resist hiking around the rocks down to the water's edge.

Deciding to check more of the area out I hopped back onto my bike only to encounter almost impassable areas of the trail (at least for the bike). I ended up walking my bike back to the upper pavilion where I found a rock trail on another side that provided lots of climbing fun.

Once I finished my rock adventure I wanted to do some more riding. I ended up finding a trail that crossed at the base of the bridge. The trail was moderately difficult, but much more passable than the other. It went for about one to two miles before it came to an abrupt halt. I had fun on this trail, dodging rocks and branches and maneuvering my way over fallen trees. Certain areas were covered in thick wet sand that was almost impossible to ride through. Needless to say my legs got a workout.

While I was impressed with the beautiful scenery and extensive trails, I wasn't too keen on how well the park marked the trails. There are virtually no signs and all you have to go by is a map you get when you enter the park. In fact, half of the time I wasn't even sure if I was on the designated mountain biking trail.

Of course, that won't deter me from going back. Anyone who wants a change of scenery or change of state should think about going out. The park is open daily from 8 a.m. until sundown. There is a $1 per person fee.

Teacher: Looks forward to future races

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rack. She works with the Columbus Track Club and coaches he Faith Jogging Club.

"I've always been an outdoor person — sports-minded, athletically inclined. My father worked in forestry and he always encouraged my love of outdoors," Emerson said. "But at that time there was no place for women in the field of forestry, so I decided to be a teacher like my mother. Teaching PE allowed me to still be outdoors and stay athletic."

Emerson, a Mobile, Ala., native, moved to Columbus in 1962 when a friend told her about the PE position at Faith. At that time, Faith was located in the current NCO academy and housed fifth through eighth grades.

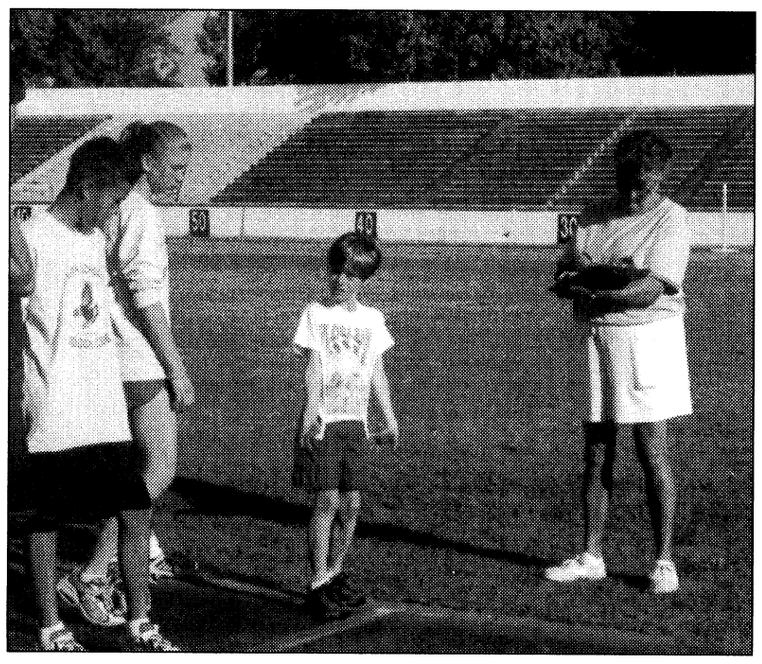
"A lot has changed over the years. Education just seems to be a continuous cycle. Ideas and methods come and go and come back again," she said. "The biggest difference between now and then is the lack of discipline in our schools. That's not unique to our area. In fact, it's much worse in other areas. But I think TV has a lot to do with it. It influences the way kids act and feel too much."

Despite the trend toward a "more permissive atmosphere in today's school," Emerson said middle-schoolers are still "incredible to work with."

"They shock me with their language. They shock me with what they wear. But they are always different, always forgiving, always fun. I wouldn't have lasted 38 years if I didn't enjoy it."

Co-workers say Faith students and staff will miss Emerson's dedication and professionalism.

"I've worked with Susan for 18 years. She was here when I got here," said PE teacher Jimmy Cochran. "It's going to be tough without her. Personally I don't know how I will deal with her leaving — I guess it won't fully hit me until I walk through those doors and she's not here. We're going to miss her."



Bridget Siter

Susan Emerson works with the jogging club.

Emerson and her husband Jack, himself a retired teacher, will vacation in Florida this summer and a trip to New England in the fall.

"I'll probably do some volunteer work, too — something low-stress," she said. "And I'm looking forward to getting out and working in the yard. And of course I'll get back into running."

Sports briefs

Golf tournament scheduled — The Fort Benning Law Day Golf Tournament has been scheduled for May 5 at the Follow Me Golf Course.

The Four Ball Scramble will be held on the Pineside Course.

There will be prizes for the winning team, most accurate drive and closest to the pin.

Entry fees are $24 for staff sergeant and below, and $28 for sergeants 1st class and higher as well as civilians.

For more information, call Capt. Norm Pearson at 545-2175.

Kelley Hill holds tourney — There will be a three round chess tournament at noon April 29 in the Kelley Hill Recreation Center. Game in 75 minutes. The entry fee is $4.

There are three sections: USCF rated open, USCF rated Scholastic and Unrated for those not USCF members. Trophy for Scholastic and prizes for other two winners. For more information, call Riley Lane at 687-6483.

Bowling Center hosts tournament — The Main Post Bowling Center will host an Elimination Scratch Tournament. The purpose of this Scratch, no handicap tournament is to select men and women teams to represent Fort Benning in a TRADOC Tournament, which will be held at Fort Benning.

USAIC softball tourney coming up — The U.S. Army Infantry Center will hold its Spring Softball Tournament April 28-30.

Registration deadline is Monday. There will be an organizational meeting at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Audie Murphy Fitness Center.

For more information, call Fred Woods at 545-1940 or 545-4592.

Georgia Parks offers annual pass — Outdoor enthusiasts can save money at any of Georgia's 48 state parks this year by buying an Annual ParkPass.

The pass is $25 and provides unlimited access to Georgia State Parks without paying the $2-$4 daily parking fee.

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For more information about the ParkPass program, call (404) 657-9851 or visit www.gastateparks.org. To join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites" call (800) 864-7275.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for summer basketball coaches.

Anyone interested in coaching should stop by Youth Services, Building 1056 or call 545-3070.

Chik-fil-A tournament pays tribute to armed forces — The Chik-fil-A Charity Championship hosted by Nancy Lopez, Georgia's only LPGA Tour event, will pay a special tribute to the Armed Forces April 30.

Anyone with a military identification card may present it at the tournament gates for free admission.

In addition, the first 1,000 general admission fans through the gates will receive a complimentary golf cap embroidered with the U.S. flag. The tournament benefits WinShape Homes, a long-term foster care organization for the handicapped.

For more information, call (770) 474-4653.

for the record

In the April 14 edition of the *Bayonet,* the Faith Race article left out the names and times for overall winners of the 8 and under one-mile event. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Overall female results: Chrissy Helmick, 8:13; Kelley Thorne, 8:35; Breanna McGee, 8:47; Diandra Doyle, 8:57 and Ari Hires, 8:57.

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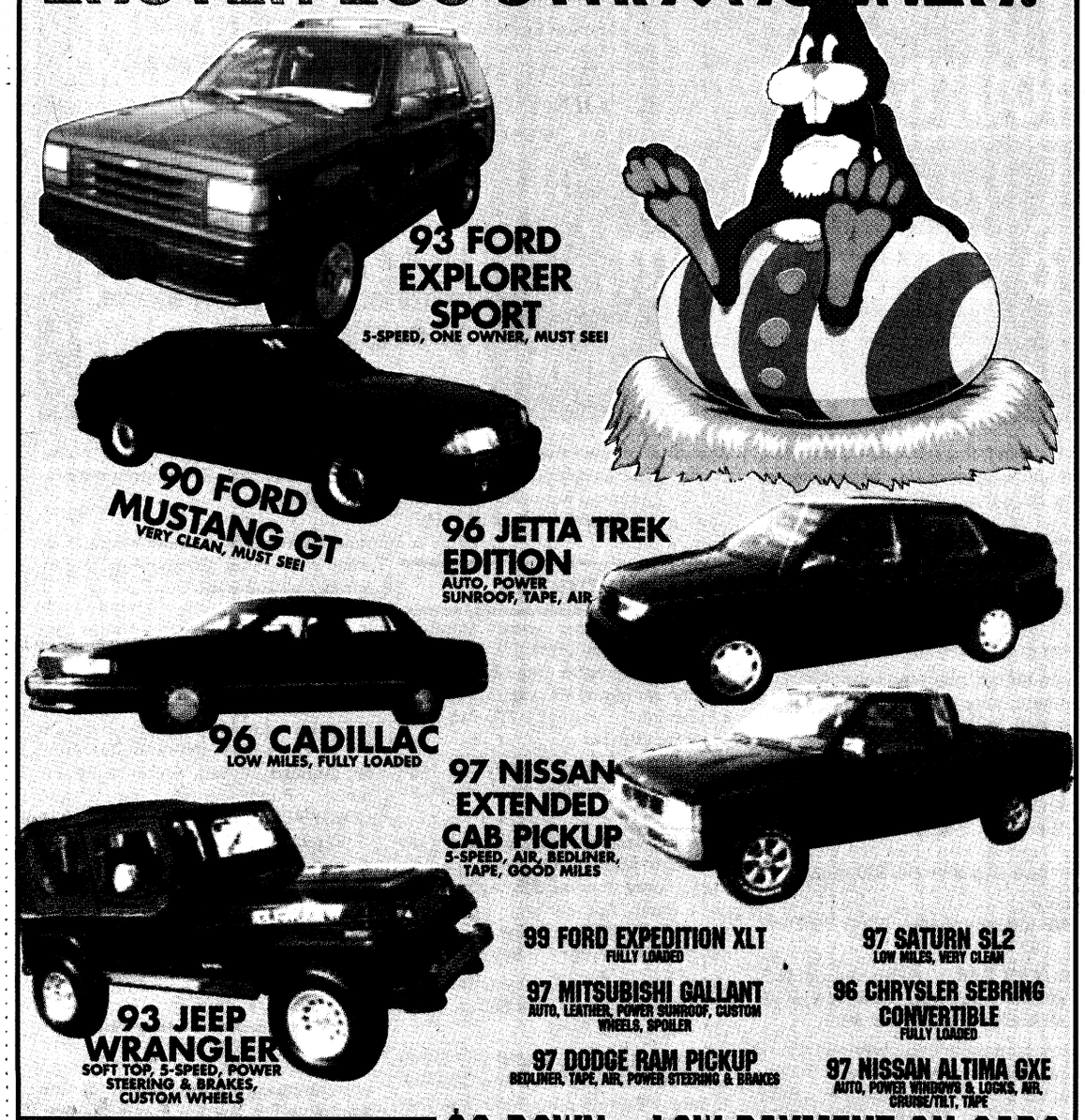

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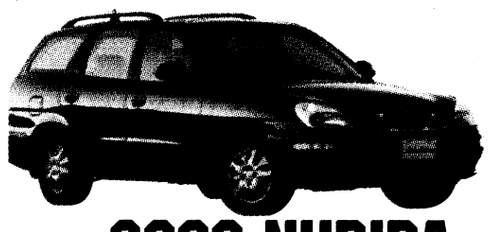

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25A Doane Loop. Bouton Heights. 8-?. Two family ETS and PCS moving sale. Baby items and other misc. items (F21)

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864-A Arrowhead Rd. PCSing Sale. Saturday 8-2pm. Household items and Boys clothes 0-4T. (F21)

307 A Stewart St., Ft Benning, next to soccer field. PCS Yard Sale, Main Post, Kids toys, clothes & shoes. 682-0616. (F21)

717 Squires Lane, Custer Terrace, Moving Sale, lots of household items and kids cloths 3 to 6T. Some furniture. 830-100. (F21).

56 A Doane Loop. Garage sale from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. PCSing. Clothes and furniture. (F21)

49 - A Doane Loop. Saturday 4/22 8 - ?. Adult/kids clothes and many other misc. items. (F21)

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Dining room set, exc. condition, table with leaf, 6 upholstered chairs, china hutch with glass front. $700. 563-0926. (F21)

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Sofa & Love Seat excellent condition $400, 2 Wingback Chairs w/seating bench $200, Antique RCA Victrola $450, Antique Mahogany Sofa Table $175, Curtis Mathis 27" Mahogany Console TV $100. 687-7713. (F21)

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Found pets

Beautiful chow/rotweiler mix near Uchee creek campground. 6-8 months old, can be seen at Kennel on Main Post. Goes up for adoption on April 8th. (F21)

Miscellaneous

Racing collectable show! Monthly!! April 22 and May 20 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fayetteville log cabin. One block south of Courthouse at hwy 54 and 85. For more inforamtion call 1-770-719-2069 evenings. (P21)

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Home for sale by Owner-Moore's Forrest. Brick, 4BR, 2BA, 2056 sq ft. GR, w/FP, DR, eat in kitchen, master suite w/jacuzzi, landscaped yard w/sprinkler, 323-0554. (F21)

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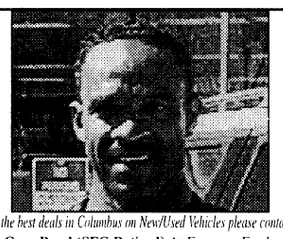

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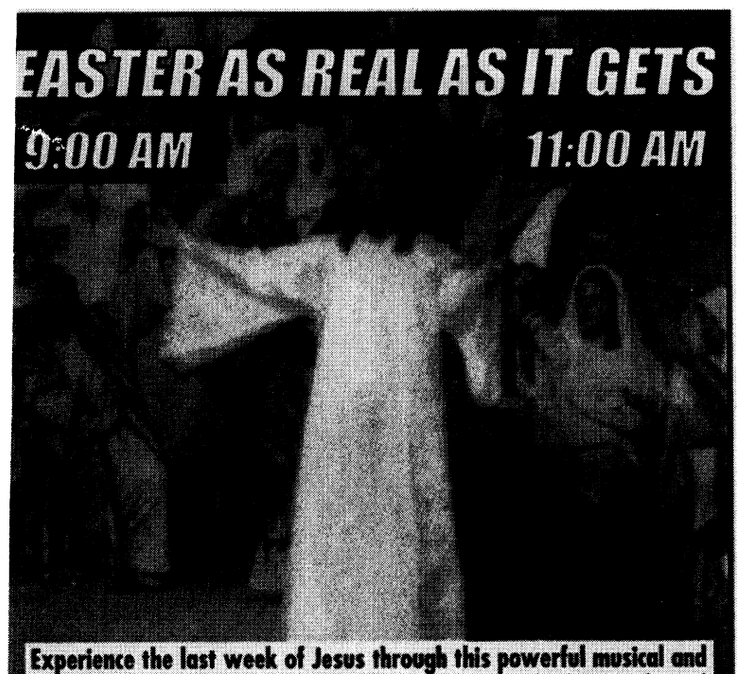

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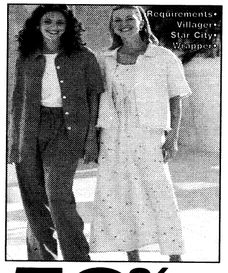

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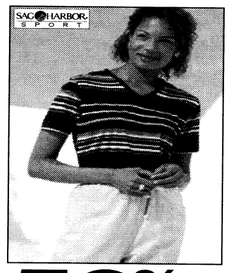

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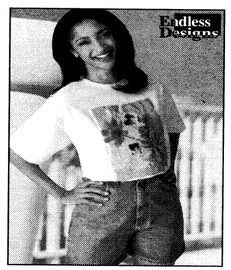

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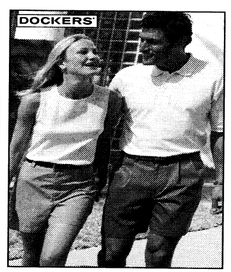

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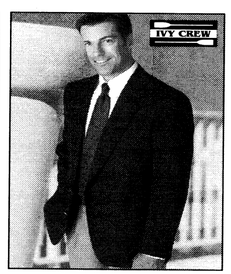

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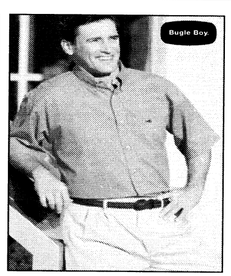

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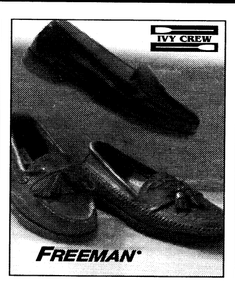

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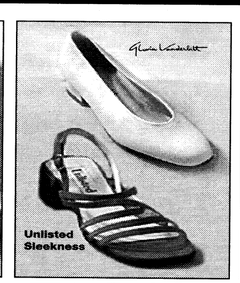

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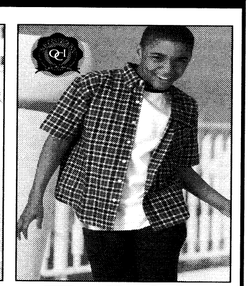

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Dockers® Classic Fit No-Wrinkle Khakis	SALE 29.99

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Levi's® Red Tab™ denim shorts for kids	SALE 16.99
Men's and ladies' selected sandals	SALE 19.99
Ladies' Keds® RTW casual shoes	SALE 17.99

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'88 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCAB
Loaded, one owner, two-tone!
$2,200 CASH
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Jim Stallings

'90 BUICK LESABRE
4 door, elderly driven,pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise, garaged!
$685 CASH
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Don Sirard

'87 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP
5 speed, air, mint!
$585 CASH
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Call or See Jim Stallings

'94 ACURA LEGEND
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'92 HONDA CIVIC
4 dr, auto, air, power win/locks!
$2,625
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'96 FORD F-150 LARIAT PICKUP
Leather, auto, air, pwr win/lock, cd, lots of road miles but mint! - **$6,500**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

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Auto, air, cassette, 2 local family owned!
$1,000 CASH
Call or See Chad Jones

'95 HONDA ACCORD
4 door, pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise, sunroof,loaded, one owner!
$7,900
Call or See Shawn Kale

'90 NISSAN MAXIMA
4 dr, pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise, one owner!
$3,000
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'93 NISSAN ALTIMA
4 door, pwr win/lock, leather, sunroof!
$3,800 CASH
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'88 CHEVY SILVERADO
Auto, air, pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise, looks like a '98!
$3,885 CASH
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'97 CHEVY LUMINA LS
4 door, pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise! - **$5,900**
Call or See Grant Humphries

'96 FORD EXPLORER XLT
4 door, pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise, one owner!
$7,950
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call or See Josh Marx

'95 JEEP WRANGLER
4x4, gorgeous one owner! - **$5,885**
Call or See David Holt

'92 FORD EXPLORER XLT
4 door, leather, pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise, beautiful two tone jade and tan!
$3,885
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call or See Josh Marx

'93 CHEVY CONVERSION VAN FULL-SIZE EXPLORER VAN
Raised roof, loaded! - **$4,885**
Call or See Brown Brady

'93 CHEVY BLAZER
4 dr, pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise! - **$4,250**
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Josh Marx

'88 CHEVY BLAZER
4 door, beautiful one owner, pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise!
$1,500 CASH
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Jim Stallings

'92 HONDA PRELUDE
Black, air, pwr win/lock, tilt/cruise, one lady owner!
$4,000
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'90 TOYOTA COROLLA
4 dr, auto, air, pwr win/locks, cassette!
$2,975
Call or See Aaron Dixon

'91 TOYOTA PICKUP
5 speed, cold air, bedliner! - **$3,150**
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'93 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCAB
Pwr win/lock, low miles, auto, air, two tone, garage kept!
$5,885
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Call or See Jimmy Peters

'92 FORD F-150 XL P/U
Red, auto, air, power! - **$3,995**
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'94 NISSAN QUEST minivan
7 pass, auto, air, pwr win/locks.
$2,985
WE FINANCE
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'91 FORD F-150 XLT 4X4 P/U
air, auto, one owner! - **$3,950**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'97 FORD RANGER XLT
Auto, air, cassette - **$5,900**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'94 CHEVY CORSICA
4 dr. High gas mileage, family car! Auto, air, pwr win/locks. - **$1,995**
WE FINANCE
Call or See Jeff Holt
Call or See Brian Hebebrand

'95 HYUNDAI ACCENT
4 dr, 50 mpg! Auto, air, one owner!
$2,000 CASH or $49 dn / $49 mo
72 mo, 9.9% APR, +TT&T
Call or See Jim Stallings

'98 FORD TAURUS GL
4 dr, auto, v-6, loaded, air, cass, tilt/cruise - **$7,900**
Call or See Mr. Peters

'95 CHEVY C1500 EX CAB
4x4, auto, v-8, tilt/cruise, loaded, cass - **$7,995**
Call or See Mr. Stallings

'98 FORD ESCORT
4 dr, auto, pwr steering/brakes, air, cass - **$6,000**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'92 CHEVY S-10 BLAZER
auto, v-6, alloy wheels, air, cass - **$3,850**
Call or See Mr. Harthun

'87 MAZDA 626 LX
4 Door, power win/locks, one lady driver owner, you'll never see another like it - **$2550**
Call or See Darral Porter

'93 FORD F150 XLT P/U
Auto, air, Pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise. One Owner
$5,985
Call or See Mike Morales
Call or See Earl Sharp

'94 NISSAN SENTRA
Pwr win, auto, air, lady driven-**$3,800**
Call or See Chris Melton

'93 FORD AEROSTAR
7 Passenger, mini-van, loaded - **$2,000**
Call or See Chris Melton

'86 NISSAN STANZA
Station wagon, auto, air, power-
$1000

94 CHEVY ASTRO VAN
8 Pass, loaded - **$4,700**
95 DODGE CARAVAN
Loaded, 7 pass, must see!
$6,900
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'93 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP
Automatic, air - **$3950**
Call or See Jeff Holt

'87 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER
Mini van, captain chairs, auto, air, pwr window/locks - **$1200 CASH**
Call or See Travis Stinson

'97 FORD RANGER XLT
5 Speed, air - **$6,500**
Call or See Jim Stallings

'96 GMC SONOMA
Air, power, cd player -**$6,350**
Call or See Jeff Holt

'96 FORD RANGER XLT
Auto, air, cassette - **$5,900**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'95 TOYOTA TACOMA
5-speed, air, one owner - **$5950**
Call or See Mr. Harthun

'95 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP
One owner - **$4,000**
Call or See Jeff Holt

'94 DODGE DAKOTA PICKUP
5 Speed, air, cassette - **$4,250**
Call or See Mr. Harthun

'92 CHEVY CAMARO
One owner! Nice - **$3,300**
Call or See Jeff Holt

'96 FORD MUSTANG CPE
Pwr win\locks, tilt/cruise. Loaded!
$3,985
Call or See Dan Sirard
Call or See Darren Galloway

'95 MITSUBISHI MIRAGE
4 dr, auto, air, one owner.
$2,985
OR
$63 dn / $63 mo
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Don Sirard
72 mo, 9.9 APR + TT&T

'94 HONDA CIVIC LX
4 dr,pwr win/locks, one owner,
$4,985
Call or See Jim Peters

'86 HONDA ACCORD LX
Pwr window/locks, tilt/cruise -
$1685
Call or See Jim Stallings

'97 FORD RANGER XLT
Loaded one owner, auto, air, low miles, power win/locks **$7,995**
Call or See Jim Stallings

'92 TOYOTA CAMRY LE
Must see!
- $3,650
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'93 FORD EXPLORER XLT
4 door, power, tilt/cruise! - **$4,900**
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Jim Stallings

'96 TOYOTA TACOMA P/U
Air, bedliner, cassette, garage kept!
$5,450
WE FINANCE
Call or See Mike Morales
Call or See Jim Stallings

'93 CHEVY S-10
power, one owner, auto, air!
$3,200
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Jim Stallings

'92 HONDA PRELUDE
Auto, air, pwr window/locks -
$4985
Call or See Travis Stinson

'94 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER
7 pass, mini-van, power, cassette!
$3,500
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Jim Stallings

'90 MAZDA MX-6
Gorgeous black, low miles, loaded!
- $2450
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'93 MAZDA PROTEGE
4 dr,auto, air, Pwr win/locks. Lady Driven - **$2985**
WE FINANCE
Call or See Earl Sharp
Call or See Calvin James

'95 TOYOTA CAMRY
4 door, loaded, pwr win/locks, power, lady driven -
$5,950
Call or See Jeff Holt

'94 SATURN SCI
Black, pwr window/locks, tilt/cruise- **$4,850**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'92 MAZDA MPV
Captain's chairs, loaded, power windows/locks -
$2,985
Call or See Jim Stallings

'96 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE
Gorgeous sports machine, 50k miles, auto, air -
$7,900
Call or See Jim Stallings

'94 NISSAN SENTRA
4 door, power, air, cassette, great car
$2,200
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Travis Stinson

'92 MITSUBISHI MIRAGE
4 door, auto, air, pwr window/locks -
$2475
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'91 FORD ESCORT
4 door, red, auto, air, sunroof - **$575**
Call or See Roger Thompson
Call or See Jim Stallings

'95 MAZDA 626 LX
4 dr, pwr win/locks, cd, auto,air- **$5,900**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'96 HONDA CIVIC
4 dr, auto, air, pwr win/locks. Mint Condition- **$6,450**
WE FINANCE
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call or See Chad Jones

'98 CHEVY METRO
4 dr, auto, air power!
10 K Miles!
$5985
Call or See Brown Brady
Call or See Brian Heberbrand

'95 FORD RANGER XLT PICKUP
Air, power, stereo, elderly man's truck - **$3,985**
Call or See Tim Shelly
Call or See M. Sirard

'94 CHEVY CAVALIER
4 dr, auto, air, solid!
$1,995 / $0 down
Call or See Darral Porter
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'96 DODGE RAM PICKUP
Auto, air, longbed work truck, nice! - **$5,985**
Call or See Travis Stinson
Call or See Mr. Blackwell

'95 HYUNDAI SONATA
4 door, auto, air, power, stereo, one owner, garage kept
- **$3,985**
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'94 MAZDA MX-3
Auto, air, all power, one owner!
-$3,950
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call or See Darrell Porter

'97 FORD ESCORT
4 door, pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise
- **$2,985**
Call or See Ed Miller
Call or See Calvin James

'94 CHEVY BLAZER LS
4 dr, one owner, pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise-
$3,985
Call or See Earl Sharp
Call or See Ed Miller

'98 HONDA CIVIC
4dr pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise, cd/cassette
- **$7,985**
Call or See Earl Sharp
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'94 DODGE RAM 250 3/4 TON LARAMIE SLE
Pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise, nice! -
$5,985
Call or See Mr. Harthun

'94 HONDA CIVIC LX
Luxury small car, pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise, low miles
- **$4,375**
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'95 CHEVY TRACKER CONVERTIBLE
4x4, auto, air, cassette, 40k miles!-
$4,985
Call or See Jerry McLendon

'97 PONTIAC GRAND AM
4 door, low miles, pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise, one owner!-
$6,985
Call or See Earl Sharp

'95 FORD RANGER XLT PICKUP
Air, power, stereo, elderly man's truck -
$3,985
Call or See M. Sirard

'96 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP
Cass, 5 speed, air, adult driven.
$3,250 / FIRST TIME BUYERS OK CREDIT
Call or SeeJ immy Peters
Call orSee Bentley Mixon

'94 FORD TAURUS
4 door, red, auto, air, pwr win/locks -
$4,500
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'89 FORD TAURUS
4 door, silver, pwr win/locks, tilt/cruise
- **$1,500**
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'92 ISUZU RODEO SUV
Auto, air, Pwr win/locks, One Owner. Black!
$3,985
WE FINANCE
Call or See Mike Morales
Call orSee Earl Sharp

'88 FORD FESTIVA
4 dr, auto, air, 50 MPG, solid!
$950 CASH
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call orSee Earl Sharp

INTEGRA GS
Blue 4door, CD, pwr win/locks -
$3,500
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'89 FORD F-250 SUPERCAB
Auto, air, big engine, auto -
$3,400
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'85 FORD RANGER
Regular cab, one owner - **$2,050**
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'84 FORD BRONCO II
2 door, 4x4, loaded, mint -
$1,375
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'92 MAZDA MPV
Mini-van, power windows/locks -
$1,900
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'89 JEEP CHEROKEE
4 door, blue, loaded, mint! -
$3,600
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'84 VW RABBIT
Good gas mileage - **$995**
Call or See Darral Porter

'93 CHEVY LUMINA
4 door, blue, pwr win/locks -
$2,500
Call or See Darral Porter
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'97 CHEVY MONTE CARLO LS
Showroom New, power windows, power locks, tilt/cruise -
$7,900
Cail or See Chris Melton

'94 CHEVY SILVERADO SPORTSIDE PICKUP
Black, one owner, power windows, power locks -
$7,750
Call or See Chris Melton

'90 CHEVY CAMARO
Auto, air, power windows, power locks, lady driven!
- $2,985
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call orSee Grant Humphrey

'93 CHEVY BLAZER
4 door, v-6, auto, power locks, power windows, loaded!
- $3,875
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call orSee Don Sirard

'93 LEXUS
4 door, two-tone, leather, sunroof -
$8,900
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'97 MERCURY VILLAGER MINI-VAN
8 passenger, power windows, power locks, gorgeous
-$6,985
Call or See Darren Galloway
Call orSee Mr. Stolpa

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4 door, auto, air, power! one owner!
-$1,950
Call or See Jim Stallings

'92 BUICK PARK AVENUE
4 door, one owner, loaded! - **$2,995**
Call or See Brown Brady
Call orSee Earl Sharp

'92 ISUZU TROOPER 4X4
Loaded, one owner, S.U.V., power windows, power locks, tilt/cruise

-$4,950
Call or See Earl Sharp
Call orSee Grant Humphrey

'97 DODGE
4 door, auto, air, cassette
-$2,985
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call orSee Jim Stallings

'95 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP
5 speed, air, one owner!
-$4,550
Call or See Mr. Stolpa
Call orSee Grant Humphrey

'95 CHEVY CHEYENNE 1500 SERIES PICKUP
V-6, auto, air, mint!
-$7,450
Call or See Earl Sharp
Call orSee Jim Stallings

'95 DODGE LARAMIE PICKUP
Sport package, auto, air, power windows, power locks
-$8,985
Call or See Earl Sharp
Call orSee Grant Humphrey

'97 CHEVY MONTE CARLO COUPE
Beautiful jade metallic, power windows, power locks, tilt/cruise, lady driven
-$7,985
Call or See Brown Brady
Call orSee Josh Marx

'90 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE
4 door broghm, loaded, lady driven, mint **-$2,450**
Call or See Travis Stinson
Call orSee Darral Porter

'93 FORD EXPLORER XLT
4 door, power windows, power locks, tilt/cruise, one owner **-$3,985**
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call orSee Jim Stallings

'91 CADILLAC SEDAN DEVILLE
4 door, power windows, power locks, tilt/cruise, power seats, leather, preacher's car! **-$2,985**
Call or See Jim Stallings
Call orSee Travis Stinson

'95 HYUNDAI SONATA
4 door, auto, air -
$1,550
Call or See Jimmy Peters
Call orSee Don Sirard

'86 NISSAN STANZA
Station wagon, auto, air, power-
$1000 CASH

94 CHEVY ASTRO VAN
8 Pass, loaded - **$4,700**
95 DODGE CARAVAN
Loaded, 7 pass, must see!
$6,900
Call or See Jimmy Peters

'86 HONDA ACCORD LX
Pwr window/locks, tilt/cruise -
$1685

Bank Agrees To Loans For Individuals With Bad Credit!

Columbus, GA. Milton Watts, Chief loan officer at Bill Heard Chevrolet, has exciting news for responsible people who, because of unfortunate circumstances, have had to resolve overburdened indebtedness through alternative means. Including Chapter 7 or Chapter 13 Bankruptcies, one or more voluntary or involuntary repossessions, Charge-offs, credit counseling and partial payment situations.

A National lender has agreed to a pilot program that will extend a second or even third chance to those who have a job and a sincere desire to repair their reputations and have need of a new or slightly used car, truck or van either for their family or a business venture.

These are prime, in demand vehicles, that are either repossessed, overaged or a terminated lease situation.

Bankers will be on hand at Bill Heard's main location at 3615 Manchester Expressway until the end of March. Best of all, cut rate financing will be offered to those whose credit would not normally meet such an arrangement at rates that banks usually reserve for their blue chip clients. Quoting Watts, "I can't imagine that anyone anywhere who has strained credit would want to miss this chance to become associated with such a reputable national lender at a rate generally set aside for only the affluent, and to seriously repair their credit standing.

Kevin Thompson, Representing the dealership, has arranged for special low payments and even deferred payments for those on budget and needing a delay in payment start up because of the cash crunch at the holiday season.

In some cases these payments are ridiculously low. When pressed for an example, Thompson replied, "Well, here is a '95 Elantra 4 door #HS002. With $1 down payment to validate the transaction, your payments to be taken on would be $55 for 60 months at only 9.9% APR with a credit approval process that can take as little as 20 minutes. An incredibly low sale price of only $1,995. Adding only tax, tag, title and WRA make this payment arrangement possible. "Or, if a truck is your thing, then here is a '96 Toyota Tacoma #HS003. Again the $1 down to validate the deal and start making payments on a new bank contract of just $111.89 for 72 months at the same low 9.9% APR with credit approval that may be arranged while you wait. Again, the low monthly payment is possible because of the $5997 sale price adding only tax, tag and title.

"Good people who have had Repossessions, Bankruptcies, charge-offs have limited time to rebuild credit!"

This offer is for you even if you have been recently turned down for auto credit or were unable to afford payments on a better vehicle.

Hundreds of new Chevys including Silverados, Tahoes, Venture Vans, Blazers, Malibus and Impalas are included in this offer. Along with acres of used Chevys, Fords, Hondas, Jeeps, Acuras and Nissans.

Shop as a cash buyer by getting pre-approval and actually find out how much the bank will advance you by calling Mr. Thompson or his assistant Mr. Stallings at 322-8888 OR 1-800-868-1585, 9am to 9pm.

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(800) 868-1585

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Group continues school protest

Protesters may face jail time for Friday's rally

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Three SOA Watch protesters were apprehended by military police Friday afternoon after illegally entering post and staging a paint-splattering demonstration on the steps of the U.S. Army School of the Americas.

The demonstration was aimed at commemorating the murder of a Roman-Catholic bishop who the anti-school activist group contends was killed by a graduate of the school.

One of the activists, Steve Jacobs, Columbia, Mo., dressed in black clerical garb and lay as if dead in front of the entrance to the school in commemoration of the murder.

Two other protesters, Chrissy Kirchoefer, 22, and Maureen Doyle, 47, both of Columbia, Mo., wore black shrouds and white death masks as they knelt on either side of Jacobs.

The demonstration lasted only 10 minutes, police said, as the demonstrators were surrounded by school officials and Department of Defense police.

Col. Glenn R. Weidner, commandant of the school, invited the trio into the school during the short-lived protest to get an up-close look at what really goes on at the school, but he said the protesters declined and opted to continue with their "street theater."

"The three weren't serious about learning what we do here," he said. "If they wanted to be here, they could have just come to the front door and gotten an inside look at what we do.

"But they chose to do things their way," he said.

Doing things their way may land the three in federal prison for up to six months and fines of up to $5,000 as they face charges of destruction of government property, disorderly conduct and criminal trespassing.

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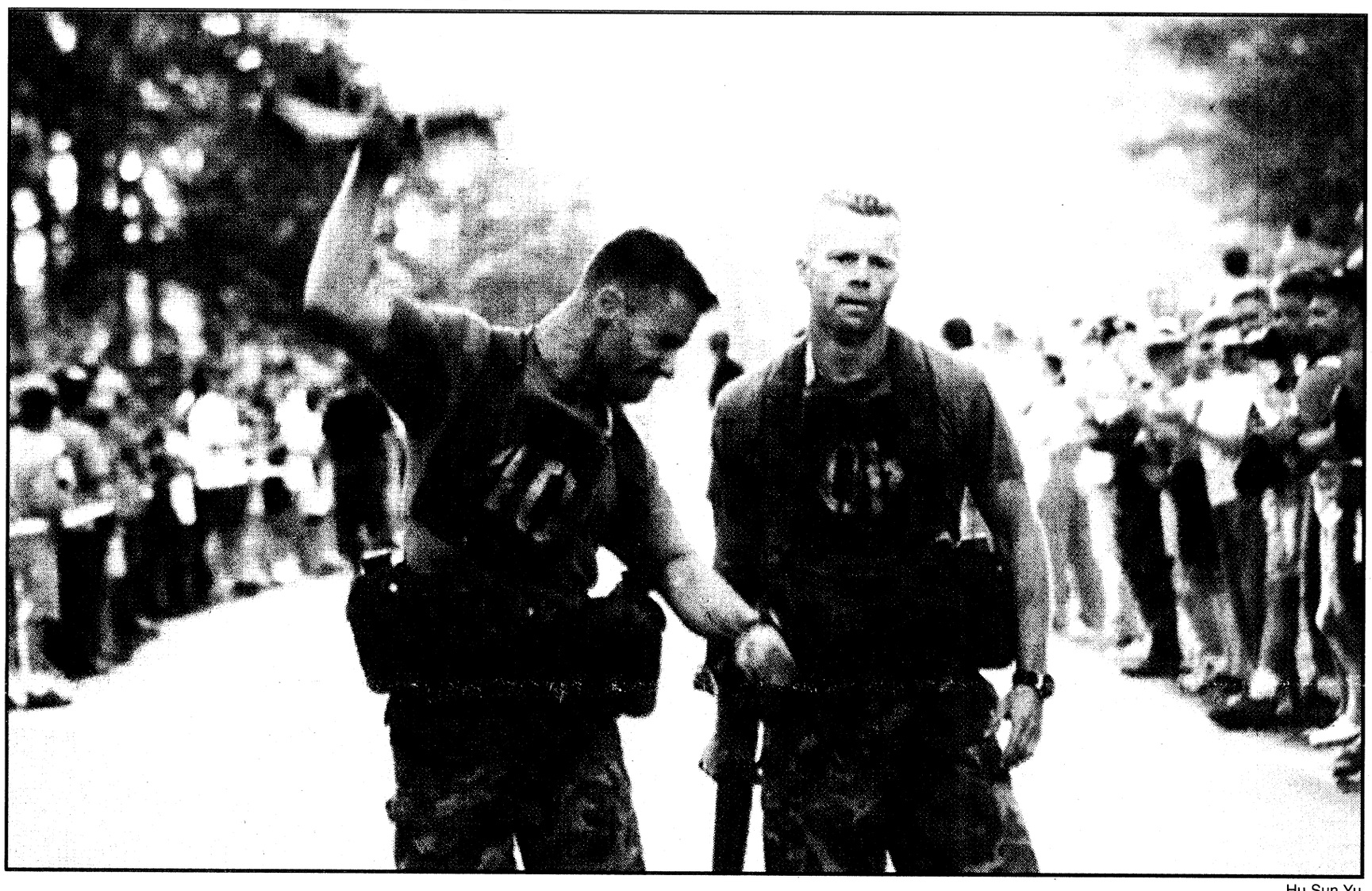


Hu Sun Yu

2nd Lt. Marc Messerschmitt thrusts his weapon above his head in celebration after finishing the two-mile buddy run and winning this year's Best Ranger competition with the help of his partner 2nd Lt. Rick Ahern. For complete coverage of the competition and what it takes to become a Ranger, see Ranger 2000 located in this week's edition.

Post prepares to make land swap

Planners ready to trade 2,200 acres with Columbus

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Fort Benning officials welcomed representatives from six American Indian nations to post April 26 for a day-long conference designed to help smooth the way for the eventual transfer of land between the city of Columbus and the post.

"Our goal was to open a clear line of communication with the Native American tribes," Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander, said.

"I believe we were very successful. We made great progress in opening a dialogue with them."

The American Indians voiced concern about the protection of more than 60 archaeological sites identified on the land the post will turn over to the city.

The land exchange proposal calls for the post to deed 2,200 acres, the North Tract, east of Schatulga Road to the city in return for 2,156 acres, the South Tract, in Chattahoochee County. Negotiations for the deal started more than a decade ago.

The city plans to use the land they acquire for parks and recreation and industrial development; the post will use its acquisition for training.

The American Indians were invited to the post as part of a consultation process mandated by federal law.

All federal agencies are required to consult with American Indian tribes on a government-to-government basis when issues affecting their cultural heritage are involved. Each tribe is recognized as a sovereign nation.

"The main issue for them revolves around the preservation of their tribal heritage. These were the lands on which their ancestors lived hundreds of years ago," Mitchell said.

The meeting in Infantry Hall included Columbus city officials and representatives from the six sovereign nations: Thlopthlocco Tribal Town of Oklahoma, Alabama-Quassarte Tribal Town, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma, the Seminole Tribe of Florida,

See **TRADE**, A-4

Bargain hunters have chance for big finds

Postwide yard sale welcomes buyers

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

While shoppers count their last pennies in anticipation, sellers stock their carports with unwanted items in preparation for tomorrow's main event — the postwide yard sale.

Although it begins at 8 a.m., many bargain hunters will leave their homes well before then to be at the "right" place by start time.

"We usually head out a little before 8 a.m.," said Nancy Carlisle, vice mayor of East Main Post and third-year shopper at the postwide yard sale.

The prime shopping hours are between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. even though the sale doesn't end until 2 p.m., she said. "That's when the rush seems to be."

Carlisle is an avid yard-sale shopper who especially enjoys this one on post. "I have been looking forward to this for three months," she said.

Even her daughter likes to get in on the action. "She brings her allowance money," Carlisle said. "She's been saving for about a month."

A serious bargain hunter, Carlisle approaches her shopping spree around the post with a strategy. "We start at the Iron Triangle and work our way out from there," she said.

Carlisle's group of shoppers usually stop when they're either out of energy or money.

The postwide yard sale is offered twice a year: spring and fall. From a buyer's standpoint, Carlisle said the spring tends to be better than the fall because "people like to get rid of stuff before they move rather than after." Families tend to move during the summer time, which makes spring a perfect time to unload excess household goods.

For Molly Ramsey, resident of East Main Post and first-time seller at the postwide yard sale, she wants to get a head start in lightening the load for the next move.

"We're leaving in one year, so I can do this again in the fall if I have to," she said.

She also plans to unload stuff that's gone unused for years. "I'm hoping to get rid of 20 years of accumulation. We're cleaning out a lot of closets as far as clothing and toys and things like that.

"We'll have an eclectic collection (of items for sale)," she said.

Ramsey, who witnessed a great deal of people come through her neighborhood last year, anticipates at least the same turnout.

"There were a lot of cars and a lot of people," she said. "We are really looking forward to it."

In order to participate in the sale, just set up the yard by 8 a.m.

To publicize each sale, put a sign at the end of the road or on a main thoroughfare. Mayors request at the conclusion of the sale all signs are taken down.

If items are not sold, the Thrift Shop on post, 229 Ingersoll Ave., will accept them as donations from 2 to 4 p.m. that day. Bring items to the donation room in the back.

Resolution success brings joy

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

commentary



I have done something incredibly remarkable this year. Something that will amaze and stupefy 10 maybe 15 people.

After years and years and years of making and breaking New Year's resolutions, I have finally made one and kept it.

Yes, you heard me right; for more than four months I have abstained from drinking soda, a pretty amazing feat if I do say so myself. Now I know many people may feel inclined to oooh and ahhh and touch me as I pass by, but I must ask anyone who gets a sudden impulse to control themselves.

I will admit I was once your average resolution roller who dished out a laundry list of things I "swore" I was either going, or not going, to do. I think my earlier record for keeping a New Year's resolution was a week and two days, and even then I was thrilled.

I would love to tell everyone my recipe for success but the truth is I just don't know. Maybe after years of flexing my will power muscle, it finally is strong enough to resist temptation. But, if that was the case, I could have resisted stuffing my face with that delicious red velvet cake yesterday.

In my opinion, New Year's resolutions are a waste of time. Basically they are just a way for people to makes themselves feel better after the rigors of the holiday season. My theory is that by promising to lose 10 pounds or not swear as much we can trick our brains into forgetting for a moment that our $5,000 credit card bill will be arriving any day. By making resolutions we are able to focus on trying not to break them, rather than what we can break when the bill does arrive.

I guess once the bills arrive our brains are forced to accept the reality. Most people I know who make resolutions are only able to keep them for a week or two. Notice that bills usually arrive a week or two into the new year. Coincidence? I think not.

So once the bills come, we automatically feel miserable and no longer need the promise of keeping a resolution to keep our spirits up.

I don't know why this year was different for me — I still had bills to pay and I managed to keep my resolution. Maybe it's best not to over analyze a good thing. Instead, in honor of my success, I've decided to help other people by compiling a short list of things people can do to help keep their resolutions. Here are just a few:

• Attach small electrical devices to your entire body and every time you feel the urge to break your resolution, send a couple hundred volts of electricity searing through your body.

• Convince yourself that if you don't keep your resolution your mother- in-law will move in with you permanently.

• Move to another state so the bills cannot find you.

I hope these have been helpful and next year may you enjoy the same success that I have.

Ranger baby makes grand entrance

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary



Jacob Earl Nesbitt knows the secret to making a grand entrance. Timing is everything. My mom used to say it's always best to arrive just after all the festivities begin. That's exactly what "Big Jake" did.

Weighing in at 10 pounds, 6 ounces, Jacob made his grand entrance April 28, just a week past his due date and right after the "festivities" began at the 18th annual David E. Grange Best Ranger Competition.

Four miles into the opening run, Officer Candidate Mike Nesbitt received the call he'd been expecting. Wife Cheryl was in labor with baby number three, a boy this time, who was anxiously awaited by his two big sisters, Claire and Brittney.

Cheryl and Mike and his teammate, Officer Candidate R.J. Casey, had already discussed the possibility of labor putting an end to Mike's first and R.J.'s second attempt at the title.

There was never any doubt that Mike would walk, or as it turned out, run away from the competition to be at Cheryl's side during labor. I believe his exact words were, "This (family) comes first. This is what's really important. There's God, family and then all this stuff."

A former Sgt. 1st Class, Nesbitt proved himself to be a first-class Soldier and a top-notch dad. It would have been easy to justify missing Jake's birth for the sake of the competition. No one would really have faulted him. Lots of Soldiers miss the births of their children. It's a job hazard. And of course he had a partner to consider. They had trained together for months.

Which brings me to the unheralded hero in our story. Casey had competed before. His first teammate suffered heatstroke, disqualifying them both from competition. Surely Casey entered this year's contest with his teeth gritted and his heels dug in the sand.

And again this year he walked away with "nothing but a T-shirt." He couldn't claim a trophy or a baby!

Casey exemplifies everything a Ranger stands for. He did the right thing when there was nothing in it for him except the certain knowledge that he had done just that. I nominate him for the role of best supporting character in this drama. He not only supported his teammate's decision to join his wife at the hospital, but he also went along for the ride.



Sally Shutt

Proud papa Officer Candidate Mike Nesbitt holds Jacob with his Best Ranger partner OC R.J. Casey.

And what a ride it was! No, he didn't get his hands on a trophy, but he got to wrap his arms around a 10-pound gift from the Ranger God.

Someday when Jake is old enough to understand, Cheryl will tell him the story of his birth. And when he goes to bed at night and says his prayers, he'll thank the God of the Rangers — the God of moms and dads and babies and buddies — for the Best Ranger Dad in the whole world and his Ranger buddy, too. And he'll end his prayer with a hooah.

SJA picks Law Day essay winner

As an African-American youth I can deeply identify with the importance and impact of diversity on America.

In the past, I have talked with older relatives of how their childhood was tremendously different from my own. They have described to me the hardships, tribulations, and the derisive society that they, and many others, had to overcome to get where they are, but it is because they live in a democracy that they were able to do so. For if they had not lived in a democracy, their lives and mine would have been drastically different.

Therefore, I come to the conclusion that evidently diversity and democracy go hand and hand.

It is because of our democracy that we as the people who govern over it are able to change, get rid of, and make laws. Such laws that rule against discrimination against anyone because of handicap, age, illness, color, or any moronic excuse someone could come up with to condemn anyone and keep them from doing as they like, are laws that we as a people, not as separate groups, have put into existence.

It is also because of diversity that we are able to work together as a people to change ignorant and intolerable rules, that would let another human enslave another, or let an employer deny someone a job because of handicap, even though that handicap may not interfere with that person's ability to complete a job to a more than satisfactory level.

America's maxim for the Army is "Be All You Can Be." Because of this, our nation's people have a voice in what goes on. They're able to live this saying out everyday as they speak, protest, petition and vote against those that care to differ.

The people of America say it every time they go to school or work with someone different from them or don't exclude someone because they may have the unfortunate circumstance of being burdened to a wheelchair because of birth defects, that they appreciate and recognize the power of diversity and democracy. We as the people cry out the importance of diversity as we celebrate the different cultures and backgrounds that surround and simultaneously affect our lives.

As a military child, I recognize and realize diversity and democracy in a much brighter light. In that light I see the strongest evidence of democracy and diversity when I think about an unfortunate circumstance of this country going to war.

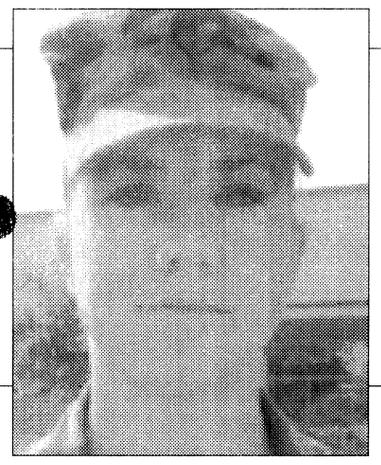
My dad and many people of many different races, backgrounds, and nationalities will be there on foreign battlefields fighting for our way of life so that we will continue to practice and cherish the thousands of rights and opportunities that are available to us because we live in a democracy. As stated before, democracy and diversity work hand in hand.

— Sherrelle Harrell
Eighth grade

Editor's note: *Each year the Law Day fund conducts an Art and Essay contest for school students on Fort Benning. This year's theme was "Celebrate your Freedom: Speak up for Democracy and Diversity." Seventh-grader Ashley Maignan took second and seventh-grader Anthony Ermi took third in the essay contest. Fifth-graders Likea Price took first, Sara Reffner, second and Shamika Rose, third in the art portion of the contest.*

VARIOUS VOICES

What was your New Year's resolution, and have you been able to keep it?



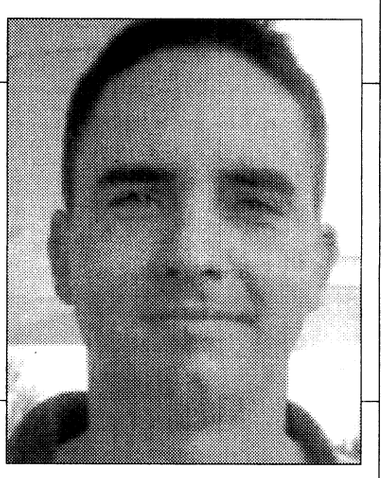
Spc. Misty Heward, U.S. Army Medical Department Activity— "My New Year's resolution was to get used to the idea of going to Korea. So far I have kept my resolution, but when I actually start clearing it might be a different story."



Pvt. Mike Schriefer, D Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry Regiment — "My New Year's resolution was to quit smoking, but I wasn't able to keep it."



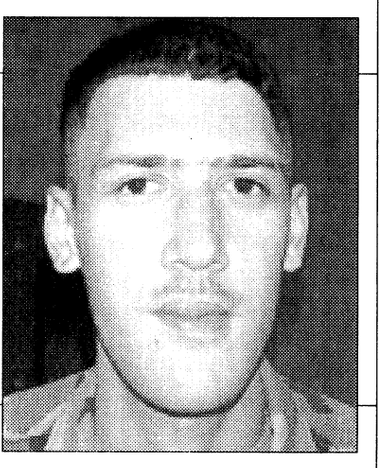
Veronica Lewis, family member — "I found out I was pregnant and I said regardless of my pregnancy, I'm going to continue to work, and I am working now. So, yes, I did keep my resolution."



Capt. Derrell Humphries, 14th Field Hospital, 36th Engineer Group — "My resolution was to spend more time with my family and except for the next two days when I'm going to Fort Bragg, (N.C.) I have been able to keep it."



Tara Erickson, family member — "My resolution was to spend more time with my son, and yes, I have kept it."



Spc. William Gonzalez, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "My resolution was to make more money and I kept it because I just got promoted last week."

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Wildlife biologists band, track endangered birds

Red-cockaded woodpeckers get ID tags

Sally Shutt
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Three Fort Benning newborns received identification bands Wednesday morning. But unlike the ones worn by infants at Martin Army Community Hospital, these will be worn for life.

Wildlife biologists from the Conservation Branch of the Directorate of Public Works are banding red-cockaded woodpecker nestlings this spring in an effort to track the population of the endangered bird. Adult birds are banded in the fall. The nesting season runs from April through July.

"In April we start looking for their nests. Once we identify a nest, we count the number of eggs and check back in a week to see if they hatched," Jonathan Neufeldt, a wildlife biological technician, said.

Neufeldt, using a ladder, climbed about 26 feet up a longleaf pine to a cavity. The cluster was adjacent to a range at the Malone Complex where Soldiers were firing small arms.

Using a special tool with a nylon noose, Neufeldt pulled the nestlings, who were about a week old, from the cavity and carried them down the ladder to weigh and band them.

The birds each weighed about 32 grams.

Each nestling receives two sets of bands. Those on the right leg are color-coded identifying its specific family cluster; those on the left leg number that individual bird.

The goal is to band 25 percent of the active population.

"Each bird is banded uniquely," said Michael Barron, red-cockaded woodpecker coordinator, Conservation Branch. The post's red-cockaded woodpecker technicians use spotting scopes throughout the year to track the birds.

"We can identify a bird without having to recapture it," he said.

The mother lays one to five eggs in the breeding male's roost cavity. The eggs are incubated about 11 days. About 26 days after hatching, the young birds leave the nest.

Females usually disperse in the fall and winter, but males either stick with the family group or fly away to find their own territory.

In order for the bird to be removed from the endangered species list, 15 populations in the southeast must expand, and Fort Benning is one of four Army posts recognized as a "recovery population." The others are Fort Bragg, N.C.; Fort Polk, La.; and Fort Stewart, Ga.

Fort Benning's goal is to increase from 158 effective breeding pairs to 250, Barron said.

"We still have a ways to go," he said, citing statistics that show that during the last four years the number has increased from 121 to the 158 pairs today. "Realistically, it could take 20 to 30 years," he said.

Banding the birds is essential to the monitoring. "We want to be able to prove to the Fish and Wildlife Service that we have met recovery," Barron said.

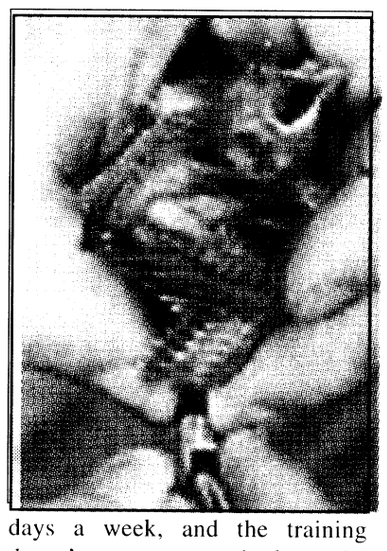
The birds prefer to forage in mature longleaf pine stands. The birds live in family groups, or clusters, with one breeding pair and one or more adult offspring, usually male, serving as helpers. A cluster usually has four cavity trees in various stages of completion.

"They are little engineers," Barron said. "They are always constructing new cavities." It can take the woodpecker up to a year to complete a cavity.

Two white bands are painted on trees that have red-cockaded woodpecker cavities. A 200-foot buffer surrounding the cluster is labeled with single white bands and diamond-shaped signs.

These markings alert Soldiers they have entered an endangered species site."We take steps to make sure troops know what their responsibilities are to the environment and that they adhere to all national, state and Army regulations designed to protect it," Barron said.

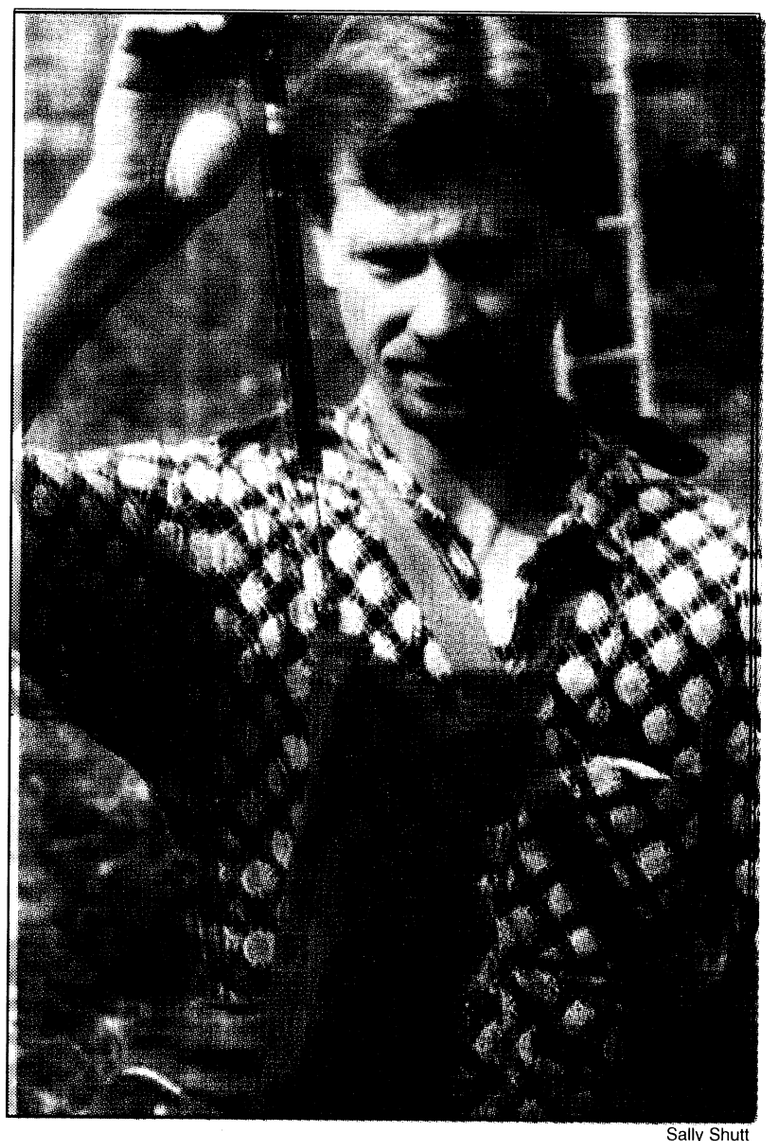
The range adjacent to the nestling's tree is used four to seven days a week, and the training doesn't seem to bother the woodpeckers, said Skip Caldwell, range specialist with the Directorate of Operations and Training.



"They co-exist quite well with training there. They hatch their eggs and raise their young and the guys are just firing away," he said.

That situation is unique to that cluster, Barron said. "That was an established range and the birds are reproducing without any negative effects, so we have more flexibility there." In other areas of post, regulations apply concerning troop movement, vehicular traffic and firing of weapons in a cluster.

Interest in the birds is high. Barron will take several McBride Elementary students and their teacher out today to watch nestlings being banded.



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Jonathan Neufeldt weighs a baby red-cockaded woodpecker Wednesday morning after banding the bird.

Letter carriers hope to 'Stamp Out Hunger' in national effort

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

When you make a trip to your mailbox you might want to think about leaving more than just mail for the your letter carrier to pick up.

In an effort to "Stamp Out Hunger" the National Association of Letter Carriers is holding their eighth annual food drive.

Fort Benning residents are asked to place non-perishable food items and canned goods on or underneath their mailbox by 9 a.m. May 13 for the carriers to pick up.

The food items that are collected will be given to the Army Community Service Emergency Food Locker, said Al Deane, Emergency Food Locker supervisor.

Deane said the letter carriers will make their rounds and deposit the food with an ACS representative at the Custer Road fire station. It will then be taken to the food locker. Representatives will be available at the fire station from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Deane said it is very important for residents to contribute because this is a way for them to help their own.

"We have Soldiers and families that because of various reasons are unable to provide food for their family, and ACS' Emergency Food Locker stands ready to help those individuals," Deane said.

Jerry Hooks, an 18-year veteran letter carrier and effort volunteer said people on Fort Benning may not be aware that everything that is collected on Fort Benning will go to help the Soldiers of Fort Benning.

Even if a Soldier lives off post they may still be assisted by the drive. Of course, the opposite holds true for those who live off post and would like to contribute. He said all they need to do is leave the food at a mailbox and it will be collected.

Columbus and other neighboring cities are also participating in the drive, but everything that is collected goes to the city's prospective food banks.

"I believe most folks who live in quarters are compassionate enough to know there is a need among their fellow Soldiers and are willing to give on that day to help those people," Hooks said. "It's all about Fort Benning helping Fort Benning."

Last year around 6,000 to 8,000 pounds of food were collected on Fort Benning.

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Soldiers compete to be called best instructor

Fort Benning's top teachers receive awards at ceremony April 26

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

Three Soldiers were honored at an awards ceremony April 26 and were recognized as the top instructors Fort Benning has to offer.

During the ceremony, the most outstanding officer, Senior NCO and Junior NCO instructors were rewarded for their efforts that went above the rest of the teaching community.

Receiving the title of Officer Instructor of the Quarter was Capt. Jack O'Savage, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate.

Leading the field for Senior NCO Instructor of the Quarter was Sgt. 1st Class William Walker, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, Bradley Instructors Course, and the top Junior NCO Instructor of the Quarter was Sgt. Ron Hudson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt.

"It is nice to be recognized for our hard work," Walker said. "Really, it is great to be rewarded for doing what we are supposed to do."

Agreeing that the recognition was nice, O'Savage said he received satisfaction when he received the title.

"I was really satisfied about winning," O'Savage said. "A lot of hard work paid off."

Also happy about receiving one of the awards, Hudson said he was very proud of earning the title.

Although some people may call the instructors overachievers, Walker said he feels that he just does his job.

"I feel that we make a huge impact on the Army, and it is important we do our job," he said.

The three instructors each received the Army Achievement Medal along with other rewards. Their hard work is recognized, said Col. Robert Hoidahl, deputy assistant commandant. Teaching is just part of their work.

"Pitching the class is just the tip of the iceberg," he said. "The preparing and planning of the classes is a big part of teaching."

West Point football coach tours posts, finds what motivates players on field

Todd Berry makes trek to several posts throughout Army

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

To find out what makes his players tick, West Point head football coach Todd Berry is touring several posts across the nation.

Fort Benning was chosen as the first installation on Berry's list of tour sites.

His tour began Monday as he observed the Best Ranger Competition award ceremony. Berry also met with members of the chain of command.

He said he was really inspired by motivation levels of the Soldiers during the Best Ranger Award Ceremony.

"Just from hearing about what these gentleman have just gone through — it's a pretty amazing feat," he said. "I like being around people who are committed to excellence, who aspire to do really great things. These men are the epitome of that."


Berry

Berry said he hopes to get a better understanding of what Soldiers go through when they are in the field instead of on it through his visits.

"It's for me to get educated on the Army," he said. "I think that it's important that I have a full appreciation for what goes on.

"When I have to go into a young man's home, I have to be able to explain what the Army is all about to his parents," Berry said. "From a recruiting standpoint and to better understand the current players on the team, I feel I need to be better educated and this is a great opportunity to do that."

Berry said his interest in the military began when he was in ROTC in high school.

"I've always had a strong interest in it," he said. "My father was in the Army and I have some background so I can appreciate it."

Since arriving at West Point in December from his previous coaching position at Illinois State University, Berry said he can already see some differences in the future Soldiers from his past players.

"There are certainly a lot of nuances about West Point," he said. "The young people coming out of there are just incredible, and the support that is there for them is unlike any other place that I've been."

He added the team has been busy during their first practice session.

"We just finished our spring practice Sunday. We had a good practice," Berry said. "There were a lot of transitions for the young people because we're changing our offensive and defensive systems so dramatically.

"But I'm looking forward to this next fall and maybe being a little more dynamic than what's happened in the past," he said.

During his tour of installations, Berry also visited Fort Sill, Okla., Wednesday, and tours Scholfield Barracks, Hawaii, today.

For those interested in getting Berry's thoughts on what he observes on his tour, he will chronicle his experiences with daily entries on the Army Athletics official web site at www.usma.edu/athletics.

Protesters: Vow to return to post, school

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The protest Friday marked the second time this year protesters ventured onto post, and a press release from the group said it won't be the last.

The group vowed to return to post monthly to show their disdain for the school they have named the "School of the Assassins."

Weidner said the demonstrations aren't going to change how the school conducts business.

"We are going to continue to train and improve the professionalism of Latin American Soldiers," he said. "We are teaching peace and cooperation and that is what we will continue to do."

Trade: Talks ongoing

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the Chickasaw Nation, and the Poarch Band of Creek Indians.

The city covered the travel and lodging expenses for the tribal representatives.

Letters, along with drafts of the land exchange documents, were mailed to the tribes asking for their input.

The purpose of last week's conference was to discuss the tribes' concerns and how the land exchange proposal could be adjusted to meet their approval, Linda Veenstra, an environmental attorney with Fort Benning's Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, said.

In coordinating the meeting, Fort Benning officials had to be conscious of tribal culture, Veenstra said.

"A consultation is a dialogue, whether that is by letter, phone call, meeting or other form of informal contact," she said.

"The Army culture is used to conducting business by letter and documentation, and that is how we would usually start off discussion about a project," Veenstra said.

"What we are hearing from the tribes is the Native American culture prefers a face-to-face meeting."

The main issues covered during the seven-hour meeting included bridging the gap between federal and state protection of the cultural and sacred sites on the North tract.

A time table was set up allowing representatives from the tribes to review the archaeological reports conducted by a consulting firm hired by the city and to conduct their own site visits to the North Tract.

The next consultation meeting is scheduled for early August.

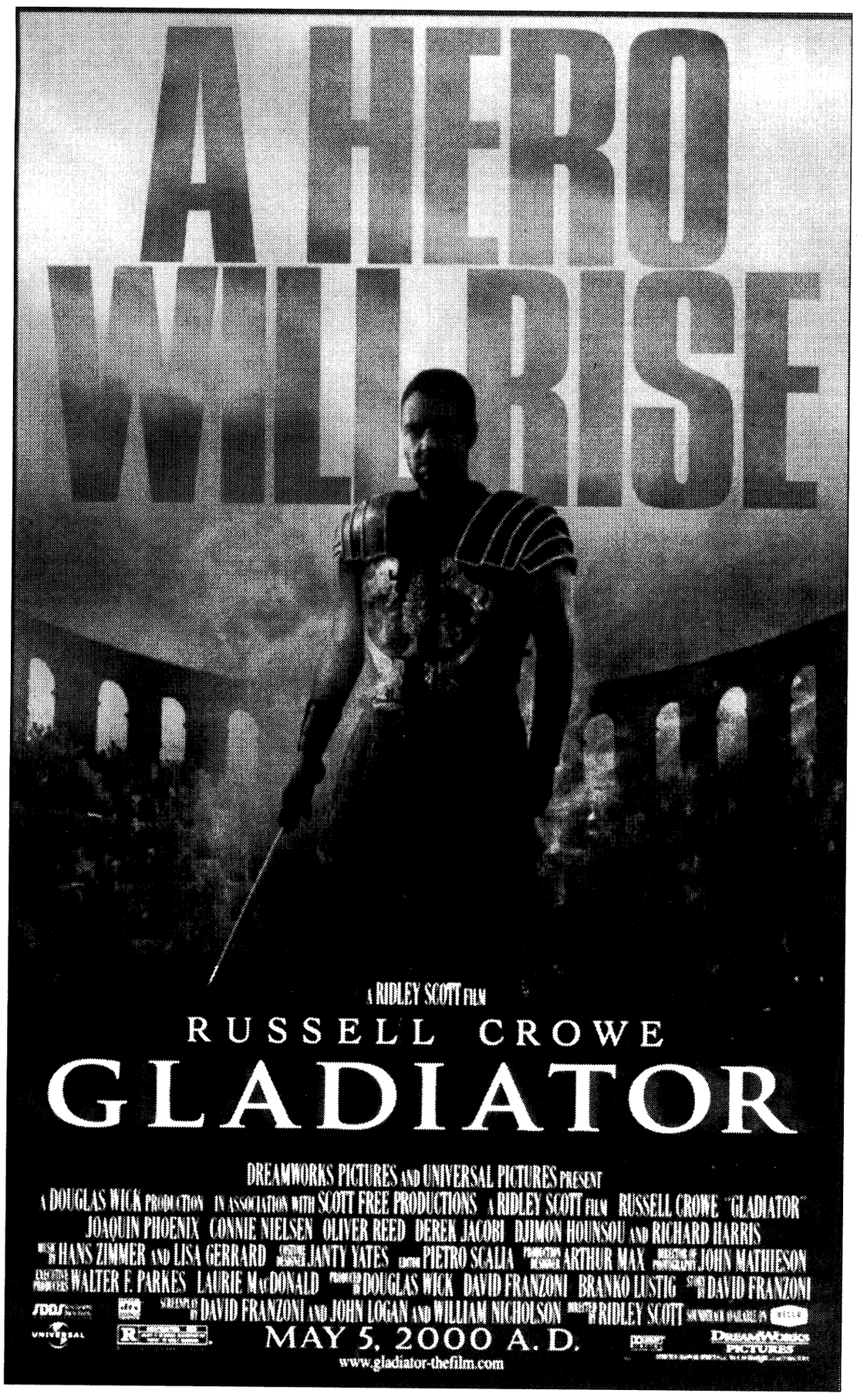
The post hopes to establish a long-term relationship and dialogue with the American Indians that will continue past the land transfer because there may be other areas of development on the post — such as construction of buildings or ranges — that may require consultation with the tribes, Mitchell said.

Along those lines, the Directorate of Public Works plans to offer a class in the future to all interested personnel on Native American culture and consultation issues, said Dr. Chris Hamilton, Fort Benning's cultural resource manager and coordinator for Native American affairs.

"We want to have as sensitive and knowledgeable relationship as possible," he said.

Veenstra agreed.

"It would be beneficial for personnel at Fort Benning to get a better understanding of the Native American culture. We hope to have a good relationship with the tribes for a long time," she said.



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Soldiers spend day remembering Holocaust

Post EO sponsors trip for Soldiers, civilians to Holocaust Memorial

Sally Shutt
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A group of Fort Benning Soldiers and civilians spent Tuesday remembering one of the worst periods in the world's history, the Holocaust, and listening to firsthand accounts from two men who are making sure others never forget.

The post's Equal Opportunity Office sponsored a trip for 43 active-duty Soldiers and nine civilians to the Holocaust Memorial and the William Brennan Jewish Heritage Museum in Atlanta.

The trip coincided with Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, on Tuesday.

"I will always cherish this day in my heart," Maria O'Malley, a civilian who works at the U.S. Army School of the Americas, said after the trip.

"My desire is that everyone, at one time or another, would visit one of the Holocaust museums."

The group's first stop was the memorial in Greenwood Cemetery honoring the six million Holocaust victims. Benjamin Kirsch, the memorial's architect , spoke to the gathering.

"He told us the story of how the memorial was built, and the meaning he put into it and what it all represents," Sgt. 1st Class Sylvia Contreras, Fort Benning Equal Opportunity Office, said.

Contreras was especially moved when Kirsch revealed how he and four other family members escaped from Europe and made their way eventually to the United States. He also shared the horror of discovering that his mother, father, brother and sister had died in a concentration camp.

The group then visited the museum where they viewed the exhibit "Absence of Humanity, The Holocaust Years," and listened to Dr. Morton Waitzman share his experiences as a 19-year-old corporal assigned to the 29th Infantry Regiment in 1945.

Waitzman, a radio operator, recalled freeing prisoners from a concentration camp in Germany.

"We liberated mostly the dead, and others who were almost dead," he told the group.

Deborah Cannon, the Equal Employment Officer for the Department of Defense School System at Fort Benning, will never forget Waitzman's story of U.S. Soldiers giving their rations to the starving Jews who were held there.

"No one had told them what to expect, and they were not prepared for what they would see. They didn't know not to feed them, and many died after that," she said.

For Cannon, the trip was "a stark reminder of why history must be told and studied and why all races should work together so atrocities will not be repeated," she said.

A community Holocaust memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Monday in the Patrick Theater at the Columbus Museum on Wynnton Road.

The Shoah Foundation's Academy Award-winning documentary *The Last Days* will be shown. The event, sponsored by Temple Israel's Rabbi Alfred L. Goodman Memorial Fund, is free to the public. The Shoah Foundation, established by Steven Spielberg, chronicles the accounts of survivors and others. Parents are reminded that the film footage is inappropriate for small children. For more information on the service call Temple Israel at 323-1617.

Anyone interested in supporting the efforts of the foundation can call (818) 777-4673 or write P.O. Box 3168, Los Angeles, Calif., 90078.

post briefs

Engineer meeting discusses software

The May meeting of the Fort Benning-Columbus Post of the Society of American Military Engineers will begin at 11:30 a.m. May 18 at the 36th Engineer Group Warrior Dining Facility at Building 2889.

The guest speaker will be Annamarie Herman of Metric Constructors with a program on their construction software.

For more information, call 545-1082.

Vehicle Registration Office closes

The Vehicle Registration Office will close at 1 p.m. Thursdays. The change is in concert with remaining offices of the In/Out Processing Center and should not cause any upheaval.

Special Forces visits post

The 1st Special Forces Operational Detachment, DELTA Unit will visit Fort Benning to answer questions, make presentations and accept applications. The team will be at Infantry Hall from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. May 1-5.

For more information call Sgt. 1st Class Irizarry at 545-8771.

Police scholarships available

Georgia has received funding from the government for participation in the National Police Corps Program.

Participants are eligible to receive up to $7,500 for educational expenses provided they are willing to commit at least four years of service as a local law enforcement officer in a Georgia community.

For more information, call (912) 993-4629.

TSU offers classes

Troy State University offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during non-traditional hours and dates.

Units have the flexibility to schedule classes during times, dates and locations of their choice.

For more information, call 685-9555.

CID seeks information

The U.S. Criminal Investigation Command is offering rewards for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the following crimes:

• larceny of one pair of Mid Range speakers, two tweeters and 50 record albums from the Main NCO Club between March 12-April 5.

• larceny of five laptop computers from Building 2815 between April 9-10.

• a Dewalt miter saw, two Porter Cable circular saws, a Dewalt power drill and a Porter Cable reciprocating tiger saw from the storage connex of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group storage connex, between March 12-28.

Anyone with information is requested to call CID, at 545-8916.

SF seeks volunteers

Special Forces wants professional enlisted and officer volunteers seeking their next challenge in the Army.

Enlisted Soldiers E-3 - E-6 with a GT score of 100 or higher and commissioned officers in year group 1995-1998 can apply for training.

For more information, call 545-3079.

CSU offers criminal justice classes

Starting May 20 through July 28, Columbus State University, Criminal Justice Department, in conjunction with the Fort Benning office, will offer four criminal justice classes.

Each of the classes will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Two will begin May 20, one graduate and one undergraduate. The remaining (graduate and undergraduate) will begin July 1 ending July 29.

For more information, call 689-8668 or 545-1085.

Flint plans outages

There will be scheduled power outages May 26. In each area the power should be out for only 30 minutes.

The outages are planned for:

• 7 to 7:30 a.m. at Baltzell Avenue and Rainbow Avenue.

• 7:30 to 8 a.m. at the museum area.

• 8 to 8:30 a.m. at the golf course and Iron Triangle.

• 8:30 to 9 a.m. Wold Avenue, Ingersoll Avenue, Vibbert Avenue, Miler Loop, Austin Loop, the Officers Club and Quarters 1.

• 9 to 9:30 a.m. at Lumpkin Road, Blessing Street, Zukerman Avenue and the Perkins Street area between Edwards Avenue and Ingersol Avenue.

Program accepts nominations

The Ten Outstanding Young Americans Award Program are now accepting nominations of Soldiers and Department of the Army civilians between 21 and 39 years old.

Nomination must be received by June 15.

For more information, call DSN 221-4764 or (703) 325-4764.

Commissary closed

The Fort Benning commissary will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on May 28.

It will be closed for Memorial Day May 29 and will re-open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. May 30.

River and road closed

The Chattahoochee River will be closed on Fort Benning in the vicinity of Bradley Landing and Engineer Landing at:

• 1 to 3 p.m. May 13.

• 1 to 3 p.m. May 14

• 2 to 5 a.m. May 15.

101st Airborne Division Road and 82nd Airborne Division Road junction north of Eddy Bridge and 101st Airborne Division Road at Highway 165 junction at 2-5 a.m. May 15.

AUSA job fair aids employment seekers

Infantry Hall hosts annual military job fair May 18

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Army Career and Alumni Program

Job seekers have the opportunity to find out what type of jobs are available and compare their job skills with the job market at the Job Fair.

The Association of the U.S. Army and the Georgia Department of Labor are sponsoring the annual Fort Benning Military job fair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 18 in Infantry Hall.

The fair is open to any Soldier (active, retired or separated), civilian employees, and any family members interested in the job search.

It is highly recommended that personnel in the ACAP process or within one year of a separation point attend this important event," said Dwayne Wight, Fort Benning's Transition Services manager.

Many advantages can be gained by separating Soldiers attending this job fair.

The first advantage is the opportunity to gather information about a wide range of potential employers and potential civilian careers. By talking with recruiters from many companies and agencies, job seekers can compare their skills with the requirements of the positions available. Soldiers can evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of civilian employment and may find that staying in the Army is the best choice, Wight said.

Second, the fair is an opportunity to practice interviewing skills. All attendees should look sharp in their duty uniform or appropriate civilian professional dress.

"Blue jeans and T-shirts are not appropriate for a job fair," Wight said.

Wight suggests job seekers practice describing and selling your skills and experience when asked about your professional background. For those who have attended the ACAP job search workshop, review some of the interviewing material to better prepare.

Third, in regard to submission of resumes and the completion of applications, it is important to remember that there will be opportunities to do that at the job fair. Copies of resumes are not mandatory for attendance but will be helpful to give to selected employers or to help with completing job applications.

Resumes work best when targeted to a specific employer, Wight said. It might be wiser to gather job specifics, company data, and names and addresses of the points of contact and send cover letters and targeted resumes after the fair.

Attendance at the job fair is one of the steps in the job search process.

"If you find employers interested in your skills and experience and you have presented yourself well, be prepared for follow-up action," Wight said. "Many Soldiers have eventually found excellent jobs with companies they first met at a job fair."

Take advantage of this once a year opportunity to get up close and personal with employers.

For more information about the job fair and job seeker strategies, call the ACAP Center at 545-2308 or 545-2309.

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Pfc. Mark Watson

Staff Sgt. Scott Button, a pre-scuba student takes part in a 1,000 meter swim at Victory Pond. During the 10-day course students learn about ditch and don, knot tying, 20-pound weight recovery and will swim 500 meters each day until they reach 3,000 meters.

Pre-scuba offers grueling test in confidence

10-day course weeds out future Army combat divers

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

More than two miles offshore of an unfriendly country, a door on a submarine opens 50 feet below the surface.

Several men dressed in black wetsuits swim out of the dive chamber and into the black sea.

Their mission is to swim to shore, infiltrate a secret military installation, set explosive charges around the base and return to the sub undetected.

Once on shore, the men shoulder their equipment and head toward the base. An hour later they reach the perimeter lined with a chain-linked fence topped with concertina wire.

Digging under the fence, the team moves silently into the sleeping base.

They set 10 C-4 explosive charges on key targets throughout the installation and slip back to their escape route.

Slithering under the fence the undetected warriors leave the objective area behind and return to the security of the sea.

Reaching the water's edge, the team is illuminated by a huge fireball created from their crafty trait.

"Hooah" the team says in unison as they gear up for their long swim back to sea.

Returning to the pick-up site, the team treads water for several minutes until their ride home surfaces off their port side.

Entering the sub, their NCOIC greets them and tells them the satellite has confirmed their targets were completely destroyed.

Although fictional, combat divers train for real-world missions starting in the pre-scuba course.

Pre-scuba is a 10-day selection course that tests and teaches the students on their swimming abilities as well as their water confidence.

The class determines who, if any, will attend the Combat Divers Qualification Course in Key West, Fla.

Pre-scuba, ran by 4th Ranger Training Battalion, has a 100 percent success ratio for the actual qualification course, said Sgt. 1st Class Sergio Rodengen, NCOIC of pre-scuba.

"We graduate everyone who goes to the actual course because of the high intensity class here. We go above and beyond the standards (in teaching this class)," Rodengen said. "It is a grueling process, and only a few are selected to go to CDQC."

> "Less than one percent of the Army is combat diver qualified. In fact there are more professional football players than combat divers."
>
> **— Staff Sgt. James Ryan**
> Pre-scuba instructor

Day one for the class of six students from 4th RTB, began at 8 a.m. Monday at the Briant Wells Field House with the students in the water nearly all day.

Becoming human prunes, with carbon dioxide levels rising in their bodies, the students learned how to ditch and don their equipment while submerged. They also learned other tasks that they will be required to perform in Key West.

"During the first nine days, the students will learn about ditch and don, knot tying, 50-meter subsurface swim, 20-pound weight recovery and a 16-pound weight belt swim," he said. "They will also swim 1,000 meters and will add another 500 meters each day till they reach 3,000 meters," Rodengen said.

"They don't have to achieve the standards on the nine days of training, but the must pass all the tasks on the test day," he said.

Even with all the training, the students are only somewhat prepared for the CDQC.

"CDQC may be the toughest course in the military mentally and emotionally," said Staff Sgt. James Ryan.

"There may be tougher physical schools, but CDQC I think is the toughest mentally."

During the five-week course, the students will eat 6,000 calories each day, but will burn off every bit of that, he said. The students are sent through a series of grueling exercises that test their stress limits.

"In one exercise the student is underwater and wearing a blacked out mask. The instructors will wait until he exhales, then they will rip the regulator out of his mouth, tie the hose in a knot so the student is not able to recover it, and then turn off the air on his tanks," said Ryan. "The students have to take off the tanks, turn on the air and recover the regulator and begin to breath again.

"The instructors will allow the student to control his heart rate and then do it again," he said. "In that exercise, the claustrophobia is real bad. It is a really stressful event."

Although Ryan said the students were looking real strong on their first day, most of them will not become combat divers.

"Less than one percent of the Army is combat diver qualified," he said. "In fact, there are more professional football players than combat divers. Last year we only graduated two from the CDQC."

Agreeing that the course is tough, 1st Lt. Fred Cannan said this wasn't the first time he has gone through pre-scuba.

"This is the third time I have gone through," he said. "Everything is going fine so far, but they haven't brought the heat yet."

"The course is tough," he said. "I think it is the hardest in the Army.

3rd Brigade Soldiers attack OPFOR during NTC

Troops secure objective during rotation training

Pfc. Teresa Heist
Fort Stewart PAO

FORT IRWIN, Calif. — Like fireflies at night, the blinking lights of MILES gear could be seen scattered across the Mojave Desert, telltale signs that the battle had already begun. A full moon beaconed overhead, hindering the sleuth advances of 3rd Brigade as it made its attack on Opposing Forces April 18 at the National Training Center.

Beginning with an air assault of light Infantry at 1 a.m. and a dismounted attack at 3 a.m., the mechanized battle began at 6 a.m. when troops crossed the line of departure. Their mission — secure an objective that would facilitate the division achieving its objective.

As dawn broke, F-18 Hornets swarmed overhead. Its crew initiated active air defense measures by dropping flares, better known as "chaff," to deter surface-to-air missiles being fired at them by 3rd Brigade.

By 7 a.m., the task force had fulfilled the training mission's aim, the battle ended and the after action reviews began.

One of the difficulties encountered during the morning attack was getting through the desert passes.

The terrain was difficult to traverse in an M-113 Armored Personnel Carrier because of the many "waddies" (large trenches where rainwater drains), said Pfc. Patrick Wissling, combat engineer, A Company, 3rd Battalion, 17th Engineer Brigade.

"I learned that I should use the map a lot more," Wissling said. "I probably would have taken another route."

Some were successful enough to make it through the entire exercise without getting "killed."

"We didn't die — we lived another day!" exclaimed Spc. George Diaz, driver, Bradley Command Track Fighting Vehicle. "We shot down two attack Hind 24 helicopters."

"The training went real well," said Sgt. Robert Edwards, squad leader, A Company, 3rd Battalion, 17th Engineer Brigade. His unit provided engineering assets to Apache 130. "We helped Apache 130 do some stealth reaches, which is where they try to breach without being noticed," explained Edwards. "It went as planned." Edwards said that according to what an observer controller told him, this is the first time in 17 rotations that such a large quantity of firepower was still left at the end of an attack, considered a "win" in the record book.

> "As a commander, it's stressful figuring out where you're having problems. You never have enough time to get everything done."
>
> **— Capt. Nathan Haas**
> Commander, B Co., 1st Bn., 30th Inf.

In NTC training, it's not whether one side wins or loses, it's how much is learned in this force on force maneuver training using miles instead of real bullets. The training is designed to be challenging, unpredictable and parallel with a real combat situation.

Bringing 4,500 soldiers to train together takes a lot of detailed planning, and presents leaders with one of the more difficult challenges in their military career.

"We did some great things out here today," said Capt. Nathan Haas, commander, B Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry. "As a commander, it's stressful figuring out where you're having problems," said Haas who is currently on his fourth NTC rotation, but his first as a company commander. "You never have enough time to get everything done. You really have to have your stuff together. The unit has to be able to do a lot of different things at the same time. Time is the most challenging factor facing leaders."

Haas explained that although the training can be stressful, he did enjoy his participation in the battles. "It's a lot of fun actually," he said.

Ironhorse Division fields new M2A3 Bradley

Army's newest Bradley steps above older one

Spc. Kimberly Bethel
Fort Hood PAO

FORT HOOD, Texas — A Fort Hood unit is the first to field the Army's newest edition of the Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicle.

The M2A3 Bradleys rolled out of West Fort Hood and into the motor pool of 2nd Battalion, 8th Infantry Regiment, 4th Division. Fourteen of these first 16 will go to B Company, and the other two will belong to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, said 1st Lt. John Wilson, executive officer for B Co., 2nd Bn., 8th Inf. Regt.

The battalion began testing them last summer while in the field for gunnery and is now the first battalion in the Army to field the new A3s.

Soldiers from 2nd Bn., 8th Inf. Regt., are currently attending a 42-day course covering the new Bradley. After they have completed the course, they're packing up and heading out to the field to break them in and get them dirty.

Wilson said all of the A3s are scheduled to be outfitted with the "Force XXI Battle Command Brigade and Below" digital communications system by mid-summer. FBCB2 is the system which provides situational awareness for all levels of command on the battlefield.

There were several improvements and modifications made to the A3 from the Bradleys being used by a majority of the Army, according to officials.

Most of the modifications to the Bradley took place inside the vehicle and its turret, said Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Isaac, a Bradley instructor. Although the turret of the A3 is smaller than the A2's, additional components and software have been installed increasing the A3's ability to "shoot, move, and communicate."

According to the Army's M2A3 Operator's Course syllabus, functional improvements were made to the A3's electrical power system, Nuclear Biological Chemical protection system, 25 mm enhanced gun system, situational awareness capability and its navigational systems.

Electrical power to the A3 is segregated such that many of the components in the A3 can continue to operate despite the failure of other components. Power is supplied by a 400-ampere voltage and current-regulated generator connected to six hull batteries and one 24-volt turret battery.

The syllabus describes the 25 mm enhanced gun system as having two types of barrels, nitride and chrome. The gun uses the chrome-lined barrel to compensate for the higher temperatures when firing the new depleted uranium penetrator and other service ammunition.

Removable link bridge plates have been installed on the feeder, replacing the old permanent bridge plates to ease the removal of jams and aid in cleaning out debris and dust build-up.

Also, the manual safe switch will now travel approximately 30 percent beyond center when placed in the fire position to prevent the switch from jumping back to the safe mode when firing a weapon.

The troop compartment has also been reconfigured and can accommodate 10 Soldiers, consisting of a three-man crew and seven dismounts, according to Staff Sgt. Victor Irving, a Bradley commander assigned to B Company, 2nd Bn., 8th Inf. Regt.

The dismount squad leader now has his own display screen in the back of the A3 so that he and his dismounts can see what the Bradley commander and gunner see through their sights.

The BC will now have the added advantage of a "target designator" enabling him to bring his gunner's line of sight or view of the battlefield online with his own at the push of a button. This way if the BC sees something on the battlefield in another area, the BC can change his gunner's sight picture instantly.

One of the best innovations, according to Wilson, is the A3's on-board diagnostics capability. The A3 executes a system-level built-in test on power up and continually monitors system status while power is applied. Malfunctions are displayed on the commander's tactical display to alert the crew of potentially dangerous faults.

According to the syllabus, pre-mission and preventive maintenance checks and services are built into software to make it easier for the operator to maintain the system.

In the event of a failure which the crew cannot correct, Irving said, maintenance personnel no longer have to lug around six boxes of test equipment and a series of more than 13 technical manuals in order to troubleshoot the vehicle. The vehicle diagnostic and maintenance software provides embedded diagnostic and maintenance capability.

Improvements to the sights, combined with the advent of the squad leader's display, voice and data radios, digital maps, alerts, malfunctions and digital messaging, provide the A3 with situational awareness capability never used before in any other Bradley Fighting Vehicle, according to officials.

A larger gas particulate filter system was employed in the A3, along with additional crew stations and heaters, to provide NBC protection for the entire crew, both mounted and dismounted.

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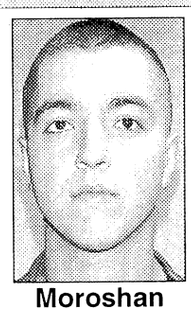
Pvt. Elijah Moroshan
Oregon City, Ore.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade


Moroshan

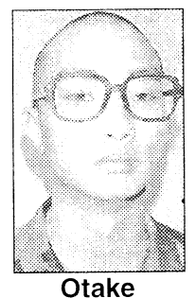
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I wanted to push my mind and body to the limit and serve my country proudly.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate?
I was chosen as honor graduate because I gave everything and did my absolute best.

Staff Sgt. Carl L. Berg
Monroe Ralls, Ohio
A Co., 2nd Bn., 54th Inf. Regt., ITB


Berg

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I feel that you must use all leadership styles. At first you have to use the authoritarian style and as they grow and develop you can use participating to show them how the task should be done. Set the example. Finally, when you establish platoon guides you are delegating your authority.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant?
I get satisfaction from my job by seeing the final product and how much they have changed and developed due to my efforts.

Pfc. Michael S. Otake
Honolulu, Hawaii
E Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade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Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I wanted to better myself as far as discipline, personal appearance, character development and priorities.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate
I was chosen because of my ability to either met or exceed the standards at every task throughout the cycle.

Sgt. 1st Class Kevin Stevens
A Co., 4th Ranger Training Battalion, Ranger Training Brigade


Stevens

Award: Ranger Instructor of the Cycle for class 05-00
What gives you satisfaction from being a Ranger instructor?
There is a great deal of satisfaction in seeing the change Ranger students undergo as they begin to grasp the small unit combat leadership skills we teach.
Knowing that I am having an impact on the professional development of the Army's leaders is very satisfying.

Sgt. 1st Class Randy Minobe
5th Ranger Training Battalion, Ranger Training Brigade


Minobe

Award: Ranger Instructor of the Cycle for class 05-00
What is the most challenging aspect about being a Ranger instructor?
Maintaining safety while still allowing tough, realistic training in an inherently dangerous environment.

Sgt. 1st Class Randy E. Harlan
B Co., 6th Ranger Training Battalion, Ranger Training Brigade

Award: Ranger Instructor of the Cycle for class 05-00
What is your greatest challenge as a Ranger instructor?
My greatest challenge as an RI is when I walk away from a student.
I know I have done everything possible to train him.
I always wonder what else I could have done to ensure he is prepared for war.
I strive to get him to understand that all training is ultimately for war; however some students only want to learn what achieves a passing grade.

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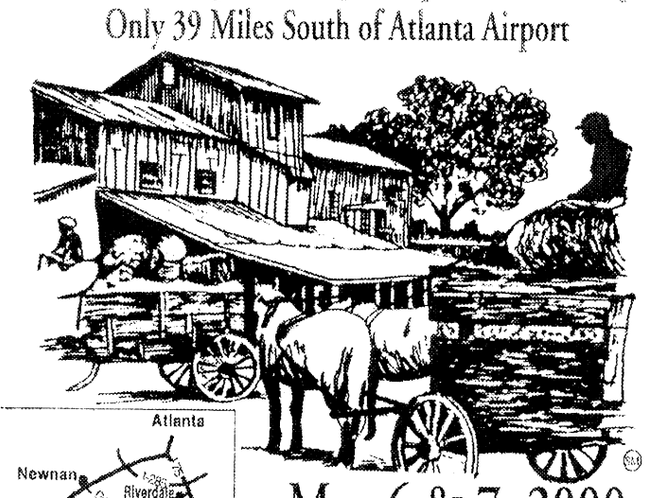

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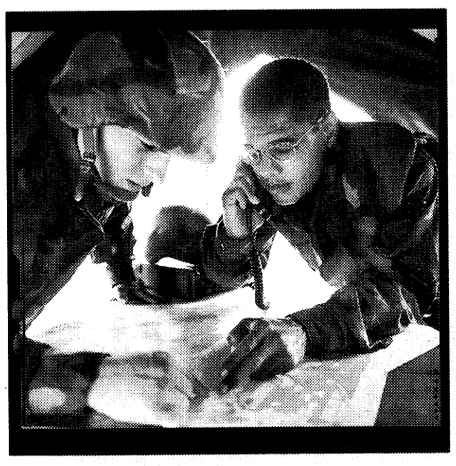

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Bridgett Siter

Rose Brooks, assistant principal, and sixth-grader Amaris Riles prepare the soil for planting by layering newspaper and top soil April 27.

Faith invites community to unique bed, breakfast

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet ©

The invitation read "Faith Middle School cordially invites you to our Bed and Breakfast, Saturday, April 30 — come work in our flower bed and we'll feed you breakfast!"

Thirty-five adults and students responded to the invitation. They showed up early, wearing straw hats and sun glasses, and stayed until the last flower was planted and watered in the new "Tierra Sparks Memorial Garden."

Tierra, the 16-year-old daughter of Willie Sparks, an electronics mechanic for Fort Benning Schools, was shot and killed by her jealous boyfriend, 19-year-old Jerry Wynn, April 4.

Shortly after her death, members of Faith's school-home partnership program decided to plant the garden in her memory.

"The idea was really two-fold," said assistant-principal Angie McPherson. "It's a wonderful way to beautify the front of our school — something we've been planning to do anyway. Secondly, and most importantly, we wanted to pay tribute to the daughter of a fellow employee that we all know and love."

Fantastic Flora, of Seale, Ala., donated 20 flats — more than 1,000 flowers — for the garden, and horticulturist Catherine Cole, a Faith Middle School parent, designed the arrangement. Employees, students, parents and community members worked four hours Saturday, breaking just long enough to enjoy the food and drinks provided by the Fort Benning Burger King and Sam's Club of Columbus.

"Everybody wanted to have a hand in this because Mr. Sparks is a truly beloved employee," said Cindy Givens. "He does so much for us here at Faith. He's a 'not say no' kind of guy. We all love him and this is our way of showing him how much we care."

Seventh-grader Jasmin Millett arrived 45 minutes before the scheduled start of the event.

"I just wanted to get an early start so we could make sure it was all done right. It's good that someone wanted to do this in honor of Tierra. I never met her but I did meet her dad," Millet said.

Givens said a plaque will be placed in the garden in Tierra's memory.

Club dedicates new eco-habitat

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

It might come as a surprise to hear the words "habitat," "ozone" and "environment" come out of a child's mouth; or hear him express concern about the Earth's future and want to make a difference.

But at Dexter Elementary School, it's different.

The school's "courtyard" was filled with buzzing students April 28 at the Earth Day Celebration sponsored by the e-Club.

While waiting for the program to start, many students couldn't help but look curiously at the event's main attraction: the eco-habitat and its surrounding gardens.

The eco-habitat is a type of water garden consisting of a pond and surrounding flowers. A crossover bridge adds ambiance as well as allows the children to gaze into the pond and view the habitat from above.

"The e-Club worked all year on this project," said Vicki Rogers, principal of Dexter Elementary School. "It's home for a variety of things: toads, snails and butterflies."

In a dedication ceremony the e-Club named the pond after Ann Wintrich, a parent who donated her time to the project. She helped to get donations and materials to make the pond happen, Rogers said.

The e-Club children also joined hands encircling the habitat and sang a song of appreciation to Wintrich thanking her for the Wintrich Pond.

Becky Schrader, a neighborhood parent, also was honored by the e-Club for her dedication to the greenhouse and the garden projects. "I love to garden and came in to help the kids," she said. "The kids love to do it (garden) and they all wanted to do this."

She said she made sure all the plants were watered in the greenhouse and helped transplant them from carton to soil.

"The greenhouse is important because they can have it forever," she said. "There's room for kids to learn."

Schrader said they also are planning to do a fall garden. "It's so warm in Georgia, you can plant at that time of the year."

As a part of showcasing the e-Club's latest project, the Earth Day celebration was a means to communicate the importance of respecting Mother Earth and conserving her resources.

The program included an overview of Earth Day in America citing its date of inception: April 22, 1970, and some of the e-Club members from the kindergarten spoke their tributes to the habitat.

"I like the habitat because it

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Kids on parade



Karen Taylor

The Preschool 2 class from the Santa Fe Child Development Center participate in a parade April 26 in celebration of the Month of the Military Child. More than 100 children took part in the parade.

McBride students celebrate Earth Day

Bridgett Siter
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McBride Elementary School held an Earth Day celebration April 28. Despite the cool temperature, students, teachers and special guests assembled outdoors to plant a tree alongside the entrance to the school.

Winners of the school's Earth Day poster and essay contest joined Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander, in dumping the first shovel of dirt on the Southern White Oak, which was provided by the Directorate of Public Works.

"This is the second year we've participated in McBride's celebration of Earth Day," said Lou Smith, chief of operations, DPW. "The kids love it. They understand the environment and the whole idea behind Earth Day. We consider it an honor to join them in their celebration."

During the gathering, the second- and third-graders sang *How Does Your Garden Grow?*, and Mitchell addressed the assembly, explaining the dual purposes of the ceremony.

"We have these kind of ceremonies to congratulate people who have done a really good job, like our winners in the essay and poster contests," he said. "And we have ceremonies to focus our attention on something important, like caring for our earth. McBride has a reputation for being sensitive to our earth and concerned about our environment. I want to congratulate you for giving something back to it."

Third-grader Stephanie Smeltser said, despite the cold, she enjoyed Friday's celebration.

"I think having this today is a good idea so people will remember to celebrate taking care of our earth," she said.

Youth Services lock-in leads to laughter

Comic keeps fun in the air for local teens

Karen Taylor
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The added attraction to this year's Fort Benning regional lock-in was definitely a laughing matter.

Scott Francis, aka The Great Scott, performed an hour-long comedy-magic show revealing the many jokes he literally had up his sleeve.

He began the show by borrowing a dollar from a member of the audience. He proceeded to turn it into a $20 bill and then made it disappear. It wasn't until the audience playfully demanded back the dough that Francis magically found the dollar in a boy's sleeve and returned it to its rightful owner.

He used volunteers from the audience to do balloon races, card tricks and even to lure a "snake" out of a basket.

For one trick he used two chaperones and he tried to make a card disappear in each of their hands. He didn't succeed in making the cards disappear and while the audience groaned at a failed trick, he surprised them by revealing that he stole their watches.

For the finale, he had an audience member put him in a straitjacket. Music played while he made his Houdini-like escape. Before long, however, the music started to change tunes from *Mission Impossible* to *Smooth Operator* and his escape turned into a variety show as he pulled props from underneath the straitjacket, including puppets.

"If you don't like comedy as much, there's the magic. I call it a sort of shotgun approach. If you don't get them with something, you get them with something else," Francis said.

"My main objective is to entertain you, to make you laugh. I don't care if I fool you (with the magic)," he said.

In many cases, "not fooling" the audience was the funny part of the skit.

During one trick, Francis claimed to be a black belt in karate. While blind-folded he said he would accurately punch his index finger through a playing card after the deck is thrown in the air by a blind-folded volunteer.

When she threw the deck too

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Kids go on trial during national Law Day

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More than 300 Faith Middle School students were present at the April 26 trial of accused seventh-grader Justin Scott, who faced criminal charges on harboring an illegal substance in his school locker. Notably absent from the proceedings was Scott's classmate, Zachary Doolittle, the 12-year-old accused of supplying the marijuana.

Before a packed courtroom, principal Dr. Tom Dignan took the stand on behalf of the defendant, voicing doubt as to whether "a really good honor roll kid like Justin would knowingly traffic marijuana in school."

But prosecutor Brenda Hain reminded Dignan and Judge Rick Parker that it was Dignan himself who requested the military police search on March 20, a search that netted an undisclosed amount of marijuana packaged in a brown wrapper and hidden among the books in Scott's locker.

"The evidence shows, beyond a reasonable doubt, that not only did Justin put the package of marijuana in his locker, but he also accepted a bribe from his classmate to do so," Hain said. "Justin accepted $50 from Zachary Doolittle, a young man previously convicted in the state of Alabama for soliciting marijuana."

The proceedings took less than 45 minutes, and following a very brief recess, Parker returned a guilty verdict and sentenced Scott to 30 days in a youth detention facility.

Scott showed little emotion as the verdict was read.

As for Doolittle, the student who allegedly bribed Scott, he has yet to be charged with any crime in connection with this case because, well, he doesn't really exist.

"Completely fictitious," Dignan said with a grin, when asked to account for Doolittle's whereabouts. "He doesn't even exist. He's just a character in the skit who's presence wasn't really required here today."

However, Justin Scott does exist, and the 12-year-old honor student played his part well in

See **TRIAL,** B-4

Fifth-graders get school tour

Elementary students visit Faith Middle School as preview for next year

Bridgett Siter
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Wide-eyed and wary, Fort Benning fifth-graders visited Faith Middle School last week for a preview of sixth-grade academia.

Dr. Tom Dignan, Faith principal, and school counselors met with students and parents from each of the five elementary schools during three orientation sessions.

Following a tour of the building, the students were given an opportunity to ask the important questions that nag adolescent minds during the transition to middle school.

"What do we do if we forget our locker combination?"

"Do we really have to take a shower after PE?"

"When is the first school dance?"

Dignan said such questions are typically what he hears during the annual orientation, but he expects to hear more critical concerns when he makes follow-up visits to each school in mid-May.

"They tend to ask questions about the school itself, not the classes or the academics," Dignan said. "That comes later when they've had time to reflect on their visit.

"Then we go to each school so we have more time to interact with them in smaller groups and hear any concerns."

Dignan and counselors Fred McCraw and Gerald Madler each introduced the students to various aspects of middle school life.

They explained rotating schedules, dress codes, bus safety and disciplinary policies.

"The transition from elementary to middle school can be very frightening and stressful for students and their parents," Madler told the students. "Life will be very different from anything you've experienced before — suddenly you have to remember schedules and locker combinations. At the same time, you're experiencing many emotional changes.

"We want you to know that you can talk to your counselor at any time," he said. "That's what we're here for — to work through any concerns you might have."

Sherry Dignan, a counselor at Stowers Elementary, said parents should also stay attuned to their children's concerns during the summer before they become start middle school.

"Going over there to visit the school is such a great thing," she said. "The teachers and administrators always put their minds at ease."

"They handle every question individually," she added. "But if questions or fears arise over the summer, visit the school again.

"There is always someone on duty in the office. Parents should put their own minds at ease and help alleviate any worries their kids have."

Ten-year-old Justin Lord visited Faith on Tuesday with a group of students from Wilson Elementary.

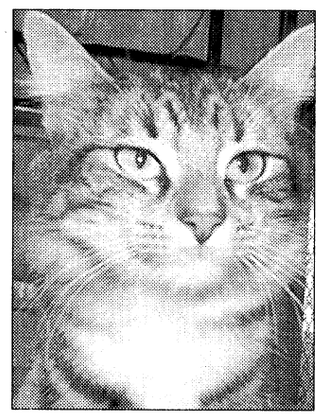
"I'm looking forward to coming here because we get our own lockers. That's cool," he said. "But I'm nervous about the dress code. We'll have to tuck our shirts in and wear belts all the time."

Kyle McKibben, an 11-year-old Stowers student, said the prospect of being a middle-schooler is exciting.

"When I was little, I was always looking forward to growing up. Now here I am going into middle school already. It's like, wow, this is pretty exciting," McKibben said.

Overwhelmingly, the single greatest concern expressed by the students was the size and layout of the school.

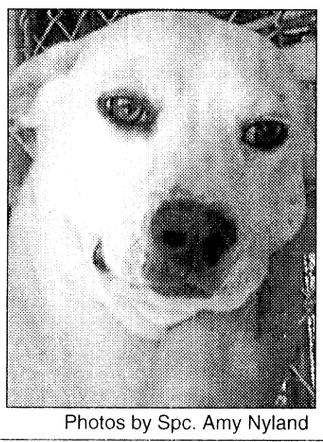
"I would tell you not to worry but you'll worry anyway," Dignan laughed. "We haven't lost anyone yet. We'll take good care of you all."



Pets of the Week

A 9-month-old female domestic long haired cat and 6-month-old male mixed breed dog are just a few of the animals available. Many more are in need of a good home.

For more information about these or any other pets, call the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic at 545-4826.



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community briefs

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Patch Preschool holds registration — Patch Preschool will hold open registration for 3 and 4 year olds for the 2000-2001 school year Monday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Children must be 3 years old by Oct. 1 and fully potty trained to be eligible to attend.

Children must be first registered with Central Registration. Documents needed to register are a current Child Care Card, birth certificate, an up-to-date shot record and a current Leave and Earning Statement.

For more information, call 687-2402.

AFTB offers classes — Army Family Team Building will conduct Level III classes through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Courses and materials are free. AFTB classes are held in Building 395 on Ingersoll Avenue.

For more information call 545-5377.

Utility deposit changes — The Utility Coordination Center, Building 2633, now has five phone lines with direct access to BellSouth, Columbus Water Works, Georgia Power and United Cities Gas Company.

There are no longer customer service representatives or paper waivers for deposits, though deposits can be waived for those with a good credit history.

For more information, call Ann Pratcher at Army Community Services at 545-7517 or 545-4043.

Club: Protects environment

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provides a home for the earthworms," Brittany Britt said.

"I like the vegetable garden best because I like to plant them and they are good for you, too," Christopher Refer said.

"I like the habitat because we grow plants here and growing plants helps the Earth," Corey Williams said.

"I like the habitat because it provides a place where other students can learn," Tyler Lewis said.

The gardens surrounding the eco-habitat, planted by the students with the help of parents and teachers, included herbs, vegetables and wildflowers plus a special Honor Garden dedicated to the 18 students who started the e-Club.

The e-Club is a group of kindergarten and — now for the first time — first-grade students that do different projects related to the environment and preserving Mother Earth.

The purpose of the club for the children is "to teach them to be good students of the Earth," Rogers said. "We need to teach children at a young age to be good students of the Earth."

Rogers said the e-Club and its many events wouldn't have been possible without Earnestine Ezekiel, the kindergarten teacher at Dexter Elementary who's in charge of e-Club.

The club has regularly scheduled meetings every Tuesday and Thursday before school, from 8 to 8:30 a.m. and campus watch on Friday during school.

Tuesdays are the business meetings run by Debra Roman, president of e-Club. Here, members discuss future events and projects.

Thursdays are recycling days where the children bring recyclable items from home, mainly newspapers and plastics.

Omari Anyabwile, a first-grader at Dexter, is the recycling supervisor. He's in charge of the final report and said recycling is what he likes the best about e-Club.

Fridays Ezekiel takes the class out to pick up litter around campus. There are picker-uppers, who wear gloves; spotters, who raise their hands to indicate finding a piece of litter; and baggers who carry the bags.

While students learn about important environmental issues, Ezekiel incorporates each activity into the kindergarten curriculum. For example, on recycling day the children must sort the plastic bags and lids emphasizing grouping skills.

She also does flow graphs with the lids in order to teach graphing.

Ezekiel won Woman of the Year award in 1997 from Keep Georgia Beautiful for her work with e-Club and dedication to preserving the environment.

In 1999, the e-Club won first place in ecology projects from Keep Georgia Beautiful and Dexter Elementary won Gateway School of the Year from Keep Columbus Beautiful.

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Penny O'Connor
Directorate of Public Works

A new transportation rule potentially can affect anyone who is PCSing.

Transportation no longer accepts propane gas tanks, full or purged, in household goods for shipping beginning May 1.

DPW recommends the following options for disposal:

• Give the tank away to a friend or sell it in a yard sale. You can pick up another inexpensive tank at a yard sale at your next duty station.

• Take the tank to the Material Recovery Facility, Building 4000, Harmony Church. The MRF is open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

These options are environmentally friendly choices. Neither requires purging of the gas tank into the atmosphere.

White Elephants

There will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the grand opening of the first section of renovated units in the "White Elephant" housing area. The ceremony will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at 100 Yeager Ave.

Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander, will be the guest speaker and will cut the ribbon. There will also be a brief history of the renovation project and a walk-through of the renovated housing unit.

Road closure notice

Dixie Road will be closed between Way Street and Sightseeing Road from May 15-21.

During this period, traffic on Dixie Road will be detoured via Way Street or Sightseeing Road around the affected area. Signs and barricades will be placed to clearly mark the detour route.

The purpose of the closure is to install utility connections and concrete entrance to the new 17th Air Support Operations Squadron Facility on Dixie Road.

For more information about the road closure, call Jon Taso, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at 544-4601.

Questions, comments

If you have questions or topics that you would like to be addressed in the DPW "Information Corner," contact Glenn Todd or Penny O'Connor, DPW Customer Relations Office, at 545-2117, or write to the Directorate of Public Works, Building 6, Room 409, ATTN: ATZB-PWC (Glenn Todd), Fort Benning, GA 31905.

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Children hit books on field trip

Bergen Ostervold
McBride Elementary School

McBride Elementary's second-graders took their first field trip of the year to the South Columbus Library and to Oxbow Meadows Science Center April 7. And Were we excited!

I know you are thinking, "Library? Exciting? How can that be exciting?" But as soon as the students arrived, they knew they were in for a treat.

"When we got there, I knew it was going to be a fun day because we got to hear stories and got to listen to music," said Kaitlyn Stafford about the library. Many of the other students shared the same thoughts as Kaitlyn.

Tammy Tramell helped the students get their "sillies" out by having them listen carefully to music and then follow the directions by dancing. She also read three books to the children. She talked about the library, its books and its summer programs with the students. She then took the 60 students and 12 chaperones on a tour of the library.

During the tour of the library, Tramell showed the students where they could find different books and materials and how to check them out.

Montrel Crawford said he liked the music and he saw a lot of books, but he really liked getting a library card so he could check out stuff.

"My mom filled out a registration form so I can get a library card," said Kaitlyn Johnson

The South Columbus Library staff gave a library card registration form to each of the students.

After the library tour, the students arrived at Oxbow Meadows and had a picnic lunch. Karissa Gates and Kayla Phillips said they liked being able to eat pretzels outside with their friends. Though, they also said with a smile, "We were afraid that maybe insects would get on our food!"

The classes were then split into two groups to continue the field trip.

Two of the classes went on a nature walk, while the other classes learned about different reptiles in a classroom setting.

"The trip to Oxbow was fun and interesting because we got to see some weird animals," said Chloe Frantom of the reptiles she saw inside.

"When I saw those snakes, they were interesting because they weren't poisonous and didn't bite anyone. I liked the snapping turtle, too," said Cornelius Latson.

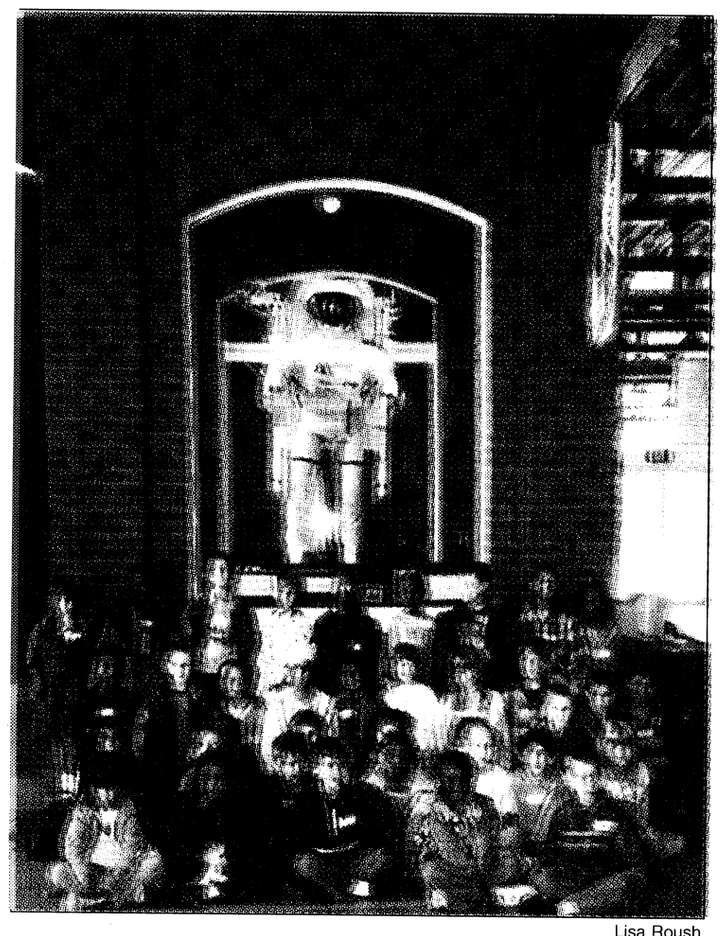
Both children said that they liked the turtles, bugs, and tadpoles that they saw on the nature walk.

Andrew Perez said, "I liked walking in the woods and seeing all of the neat animals."

Natascha Galeana said she thought the walk was fun because she got to see different birds.

The Oxbow Meadows staff offered a lot of interesting and valuable information about the animals found in this area.

Oxbow Meadows also has different presentations during the summer and on the weekends.



Lisa Roush

Students from Lisa Roush's first-grade class at McBride Elementary School visit the Coca-Cola Space and Science Museum.

McBride students go on adventure at Science Museum

Linda Berry
McBride Elementary School

The first-graders at McBride Elementary went to the Coca-Cola Space and Science Museum April 5 and April 6.

The students were able to go into a mock shuttle and pretend they were taking off and landing. They watched a space show in the theater and learned while playing on the computers.

Many of the students said making a solar system out of food was the most fun. The largest planet, Jupiter, was a marshmallow, while the smallest, Pluto, was a poppy seed. All of the students had a great time.

Cameron Ashcroft said the best part was being in the Space Shuttle and Elizabeth Hernandez liked the food solar system.

Third-graders go high tech for class

Iris Kimbley
McBride Elementary School

The third-grade students at McBride have been busy this year integrating technology into various projects.

One project that has just been completed by the students, "Spiders," allowed the students to use the Internet, Microsoft Word and Power Point. The "Spider" project was chosen to go along with the school's "Woodlands" theme.

The students began this project by researching information from an Internet site that was found by the school's educational technologist, Jean Batey.

Batey said the students enjoy using the Internet to locate information for special projects. She said she takes the time to find "kid friendly" sites that go along with the curriculum the classroom teachers are focusing on.

"Once the site is found and it has been checked out for kid friendliness, it is then put on the McBride Links page to allow easy access for the students and the teachers," Batey said.

After the students' research was completed, they turned their notes into paragraphs using Microsoft Word.

Batey said the students have been using this program for quiet some time and feel confident using it.

Many students enjoy the program because of the many graphics and the various font options.

"My favorite program to use is Microsoft Word because I like the graphics and it lets you know right away if you made a mistake in spelling or grammar. I like to make sure everything is correct before I turn it in," said Stephanie Smeltser, a McBride student.

"I really enjoyed working with Microsoft Power Point because my graphic looked great when I pulled it up, and I got to pick a cool background for my slide," said Brodrick McLaurin.

Once the students completed their paragraphs, they chose the most interesting facts about their spiders to put on a slide for a class Power Point presentation.

The students learned how to create individual slides using the Power Point program. The slides included important facts and graphics pulled from Internet sites.

The slides were then put together to create class presentations for each of the third-grade classes. These presentations will be shared with the other grade levels at the school.

Many of the students said they really enjoyed the whole process of preparing the presentations and learning about spiders.

"I thought it would be pretty cool to do this report. I learned where wolf spiders live, what they eat, and how they get their prey and how they eat it," said Kassi O'Neil.

"I learned that the tarantula can eat each other but the bite is not deadly to people. I enjoyed finding facts about spiders," said Eric Doss.

"I liked using Power Point because I wrote down all of the cool facts about orb web spiders on one slide. I found out that it has a poisonous web," said Nelson Gabriel.

"I think that learning about spiders was fun," said Chris Mullens. "I learned that when a Tarantula gets mad it pulls its hair from its abdomen and throws the hair at its prey."

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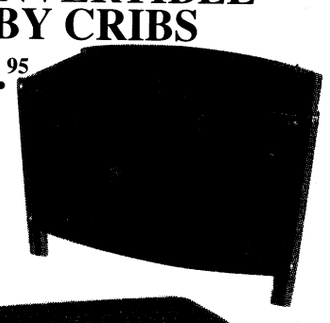

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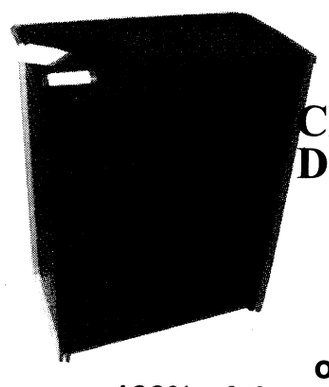

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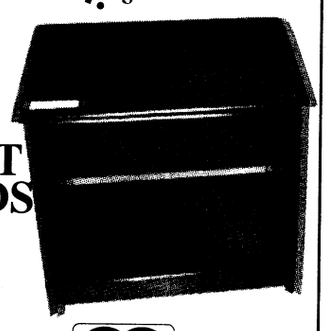

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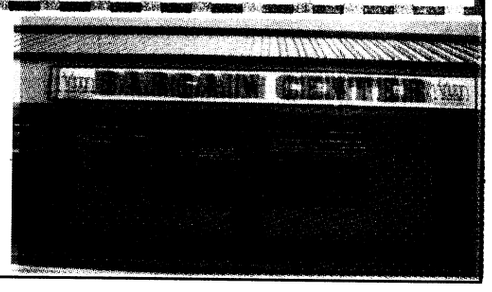

Comic: Entertains kids as part of lock-in

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early, the audience pealed with laughter. He then had her pick up three cards and throw them. The audience laughed even harder when, as an obvious hoax, he quickly pointed to them with the card through his index finger and the thrown cards fell to the ground.

Originally from Boston, Mass., and now living in Charlotte, N.C., he has been doing comedy-magic for 27 years.

He has worked with Whoopie Goldberg, Fabio and opened for a famous impressionist, Rich Little.

He specializes in "clean" humor and has performed for a variety of adult and youth groups during his travels, including church groups.

After the show, many audience members gathered around Francis thanking him for the show and asking how he did tricks, especially the one with the dollar bill.

"I liked the last act (with the straitjacket)," said 18-year-old James Traylor.

"I thought it was excellent," said 14-year-old Caniesha Webster. "I liked the way he presented himself as a comedian.

"I liked the way he got everybody involved. He got (younger) kids involved, too. That was really good."

Webster was one of the "lucky" people to be picked to go on stage as a volunteer during the show.

"People had a lot of courage to get on stage," Traylor said. "I wouldn't have gotten on stage."

The Fort Benning regional lock-in takes place once a year during April in celebration of the Month of the Military Child.

Other scheduled events during the lock-in included a dance, basketball tournament and Galactic bowling.

Membership for Youth Services is $30 per family per year and children must be 11 years old to be in the middle school program. Younger children can participate in special programs, Thorn said.

Trial: Teaches students about law process

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Wednesday's mock trial, which took place in the cafeteria at Faith Middle School.

The mock trial is an annual event sponsored by the Office of Staff Judge Advocate to coincide with national Law Day, May 1, a congressionally mandated observance of the U.S. civil judicial system.

"National Law Day is a celebration of the fact that we live in a free nation, and we have a democratic government," said Capt. Paula Harrison, trial counselor and special assistant to the U.S. attorney. "The goal of this mock trial is to educate students about the way the legal branch of that government, our judicial system, works."

Using data and facts gleaned from an actual court case, Harrison scripted a believable scenario about a good student caught in a bad situation.

The play began as students watched Pfc. Austin Moon, U.S. Army Infantry Center Military Police Company, and his working dog, Petra conduct a drug search on student lockers.

Throughout the proceedings and during a question and answer session afterwards, students listened intently as acting prosecutors and defenders redefined words like sentence, recess and examination — words typically used on a daily basis in middle school.

At the end of the assembly, the students reached a unanimous verdict.

"It was neat. It wasn't really like I've seen on TV," said eighth-grader Joey Fix. "The whole thing was pretty realistic."

Seventh-grade teacher Peggy Martin agreed that the experience went a long way toward dispelling any unrealistic expectations students have formed.

"This program is excellent because many of these children have never known anything about the law except for what they've seen in the media, on TV or at the movies," Martin said. "Bringing it here at a child's level, and putting them near the whole process makes it more meaningful and understandable to them."

Dignan said he hoped students also gain a healthy respect for our judicial system.

"We want these students to walk away with a knowledge and appreciation for the law," Dignan said. "We want them to know that it is fair, and it exists for our protection, but if you break it, you will have to pay the consequences."

As for Scott, the only consequences he suffered from the trial was a little good-natured teasing from his classmates.

births

Girls

Brianna Marie Dunn — born April 6 to Jennifer and Staff Sgt. Jerald Dunn Jr.

Michele Briana Cowart — born April 6 to Dorothy and Sgt. Robert Cowart.

Britney Maria Reyes — born April 7 to Angela and Staff Sgt. David Reyes.

Hanna Whitney Miller — born April 7 to Laura and Sgt. Mark Miller.

Mary Daisy Payne — born April 12 to Jennifer and Capt. Stephen Payne.

Megan Tierney Mattison — born April 14 to Theresa and Capt. Parnell Mattison.

Jasmine Symone Culver — born April 15 to Laveda and Spc. Joel Culver Sr.

Felicity Ivy Nileen Volkman — born April 16 to Pfc. Carrie and Pfc. Jeffrey Volkman.

Ayanna Celeste Miller — born April 16 to Sgt. Cassie and Staff Sgt. Anthony Miller.

Dejah Sheree Holman — born April 17 to Jarita and Staff Sgt. Kenneth Holman.

Amya Regina Wooley — born April 18 to Samantha and Pfc. TaMari Wooley.

Alicia Nazjae Boone — born April 19 to Judith and Spc. Aaron Boone.

Boys

Dukarai Ahmad Batchan — born April 7 to Jamie and Pfc. Don Batchan.

Edward Hoyt Rawls Jr. — born April 11 to Carol and Spc. Edward Rawls.

Carlton Preston Queen III — born April 12 to Dacia and Spc. Carlton Queen Jr.

Kahmeron Kieschuyn McKenzie — born April 13 to Patricia and Sgt. Schuyler McKenzie.

Jacob Aaron Reed — born April 13 to Kimberly and Sgt. 1st Class Stuart Reed.

Brodie Alan VanOrd — born April 14 to Melissa and Spc. Jared VanOrd.

Caleb Andrew MacLean — born April 14 to Grace and Capt. Andrew MacLean.

Marcus Lee Sarvis — born April 16 to Rajeana and Pvt. Jason Sarvis.

Mark Anthony Thacker — born April 16 to Meri and Capt. Tony Thacker.

Hunter Edward Moon — born April 17 to Christine and Spc. Martin Moon Jr.

Kristofer Devon Wallace — born April 18 to Staff Sgt. Christine and Staff Sgt. Vaughn Wallace.

Andres Camilo Mahecha Diaz — born April 19 to Maria Diaz Castillo and Maj. Jaime Mahecha Parada.

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Jews ask 'what if' during Passover

Randy Kranepuhl
USAIC Chaplains Office

reflections

Passover began on the evening (as do all Jewish holidays) April 19 with the First Seder (literally "order") and lasts for eight full days. But Passover is more than a dinner in which we drink wine and eat the traditional unleavened bread commanded by the Bible in Exodus 12:15.

Passover is when we tell the story of the time of our freedom. We reflect not just on the passing of the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt to freedom. Self-centeredness is not what Judaism is about.

We also reflect on those who do not have freedom even today. And we reflect on "what if?"

What if the Exodus had not happened? If the Jewish people had not taken the land of Canaan where would religion be today? Could Jesus have preached to the Philistines? Would the Torah ever have been written?

It was the passing of the Jewish people into freedom that allowed them to become the people chosen by God to present his code of living to the world. Could Christianity or Islam ever have happened without the giving of the Torah and the Tanakh (the "Old Testament")? What could Jesus have "fulfilled" if there were no Tanakh to fulfill?

Many questions, much to think about, and no clear answers it seems. But the quest for understanding of God is a journey, not a destination, for all people.

The customs of Passover remind us of this time. Firstborn children fast the day when Passover begins to commemorate the redemption of the firstborn Jewish children. We eat nothing with leavening as a remembrance when we had no time to allow breads to rise. The departure from Egypt was too sudden and required haste. We have two Seders in which we eat a meal full of symbolism. We eat bitter herbs and dip vegetables in salt as well as eating other foods to commemorate the bitterness of slavery.

To me, two things are most indicative of the nature of Judaism then and now. Before one of the cups of wine is drunk, we dip a finger in our wine glass and remove a drop of wine for each of the plagues inflicted by God on the Egyptians. This is not a sign of gloating over our victory. It is a sign of sadness at the suffering of fellow human beings.

Also, there is a beautiful tale told of the crossing of the Reed (not Red) Sea. When the waters had closed upon Pharoah's chariots and Infantry, the Jewish people and even God's angels began a song of joy. As the story is told (and repeated in our daily prayers), God chastised all and said "My children are drowning in the sea and you want to sing before me!"

We should always remember that all things come from God. Our love for God should be reflected in our love and understanding for each other. In these times of so many conflicts in the world, we should remember the Exodus and work for the betterment of all people. Happy Passover!

Father's love knows no bounds

Chaplain (Capt.) Jim McNeely
USAIC Chaplains Office

Grace is a word filled with emotional energy. As a seminary student, I remember vivid (if not violent) discussions about what grace meant.

Some simply quoted the classical definition: "unmerited favor." But this explanation left me wondering if the idea of grace was a spiritual reality or just another academic term for theologians.

The reality of grace as a practical virtue strongly impacted me as I became a parent. When my first child was born my eyes flooded with tears as I stood outside her nursery window.

I loved that helpless little baby so much that it literally overwhelmed me. She did not earn it from me, but rather had it because of who she was: my daughter.

As she grew, I became aware of that deep love and how it impacted my responsibility as her father.

I did not hold her responsible for mistakes made in ignorance.

I allowed her room to grow and learn on her own. I protected her from more serious hazards, like electrical outlets.

When she crawled behind the couch in our home, however, I let her find her way out (which she did!)

The Christian faith refers to God as "The Father." This word is more than a statement of gender; it is a reference to the grace of a caring Daddy.

Like my young daughter, we are all prone to make silly mistakes and some more serious.

Our heavenly daddy, however, understands our limitations and extends to us his deep and abiding faith in us, all tempered with his corrective love.

He is not interested in violently destroying us but rather enjoys our growth and maturation as women and men.

God loves us so much that even when we are in the middle of a tempestuous storm of our own choosing and call him to help, he readily gives us his love and support.

Sometimes he rescues us from dangers too difficult for us to handle but often he helps us discover our own way out.

How has God revealed his grace in your life? Where is his grace present in your life now?

chapel notes

Sunday School meets at White Elementary — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Everyone is invited. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Thursday morning in the Custer Terrace Chapel from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The theme is "Feed My Sheep."

New board members will be installed at this meeting. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Military Council of Catholic Women meet Friday — The Military Council of Catholic Women meet at 10 a.m. today at the Main Post Catholic Chapel.

After the meeting a mass will be celebrated.

Child care is available.

All women are invited to share in fellowship.

For more information, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Vacation Bible School needs volunteers — Vacation Bible School will be at White Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. to noon June 19-23.

The theme this year is "In the Race with Jesus, Road Rally 2000."

There will be classes for students from 4 years of age through junior high and middle school.

Volunteers are needed in all positions — musicians, teachers and assistant teachers, recreation, refreshment and administrative personnel.

To volunteer, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4517.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

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Sunday Koran Study

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7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

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9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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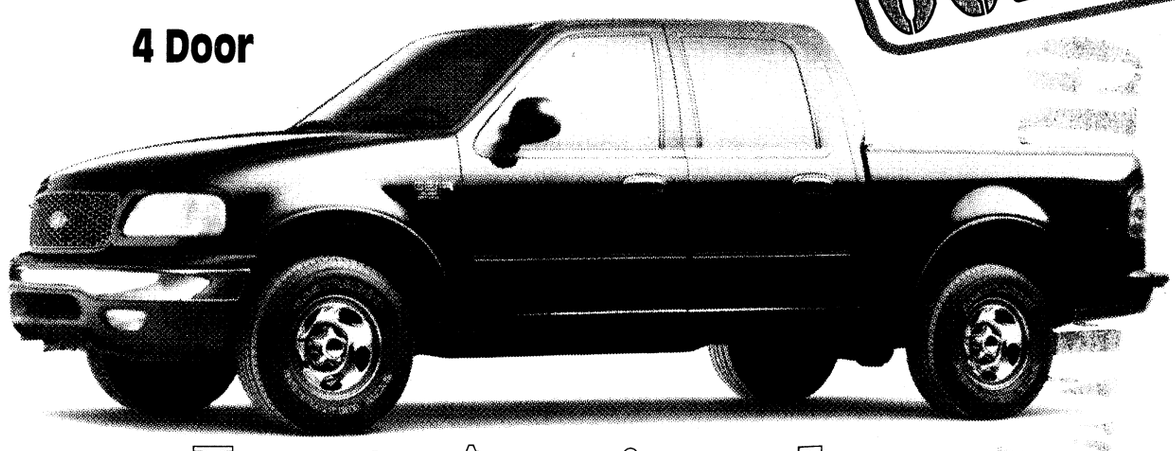

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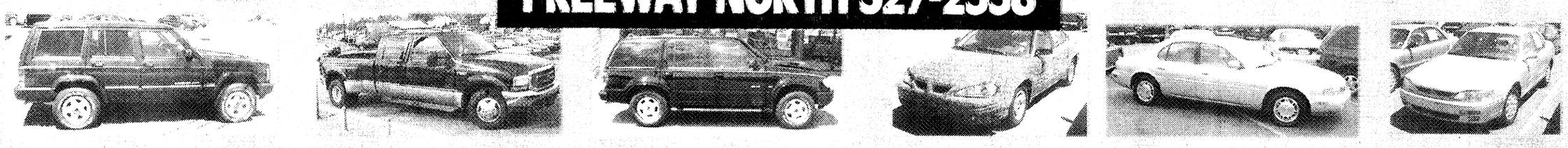

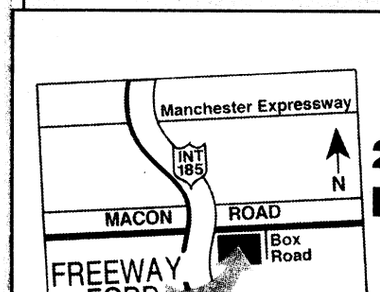

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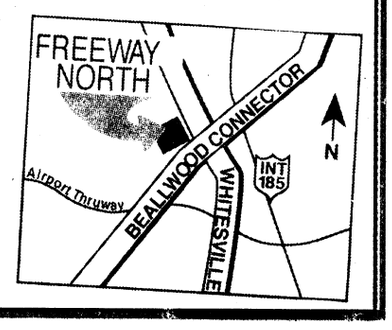

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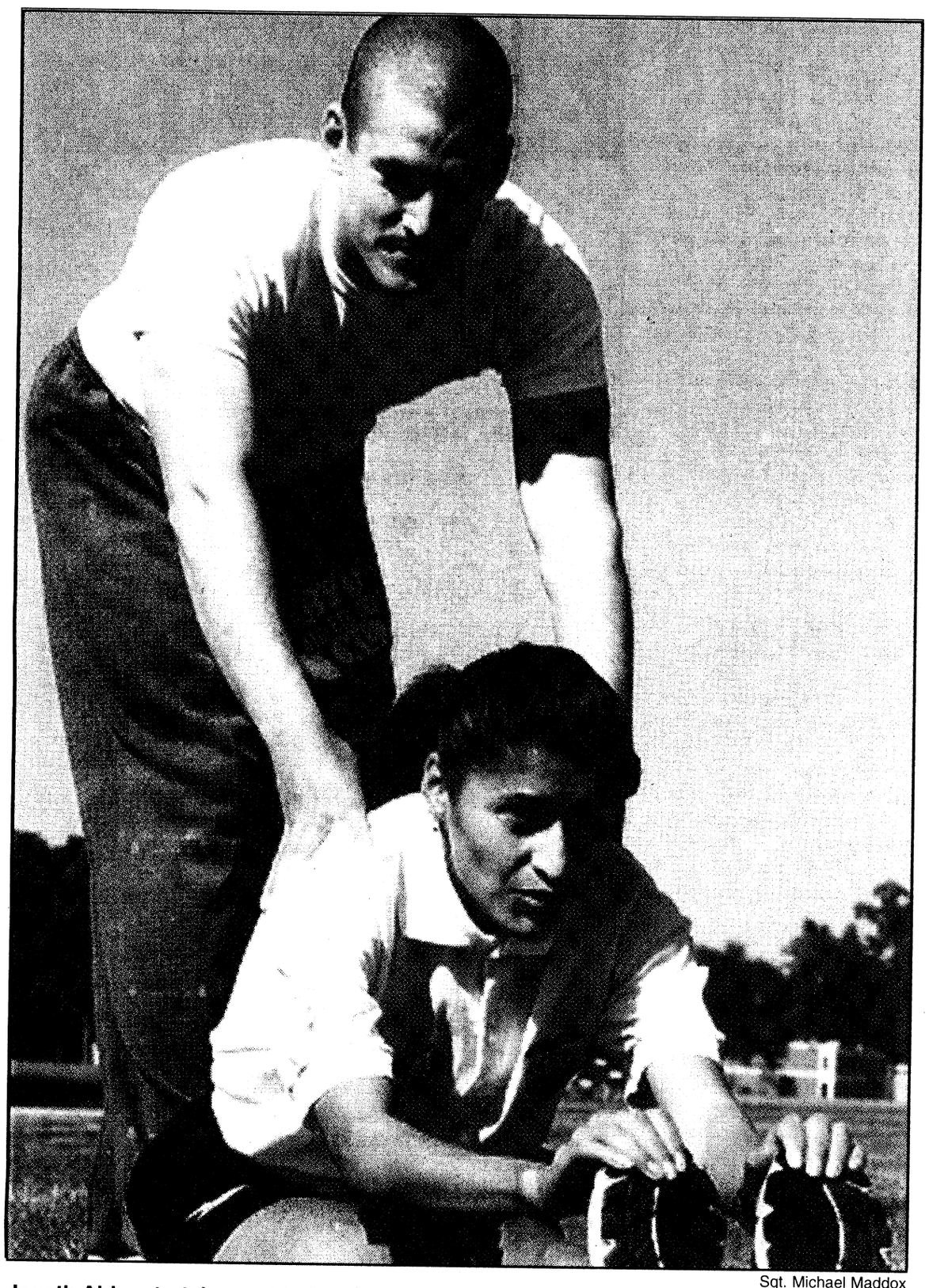
Family member sprints toward Olympic dream



Sgt. Michael Maddox

Janeth Alder stretches out before a run with help of her husband Daniel Alder. She runs twice a day while training for a shot at earning an Olympic slot in Sydney, Australia.

Olympian trains for second run at Gold Medal

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

The sport of running always involves moving toward a goal — mainly the finish line. For Janeth Alder, the goal has become bigger than she could have ever imagined when she took up the sport when she was 9 years old.

The Latacunga, Ecuador, native has worked from those humble beginnings to become a world-class and Olympic runner.

Making it where she is today has been a real challenge, Alder said.

"I started running when I was still in primary school. Running was a sport nobody wanted to do, especially women," she explained. "It was kind of challenging to start running, but that was what attracted me."

"In Ecuador, running was not like a big sport," Alder added. "When I went to high school, a lot of my professors didn't like me running, so I had to keep fighting to run. I never thought I would be running in international races though."

Alder, 25, got her first taste of international notability when she was only 14.

Her skill as a female runner landed her a spot in a program called Sport Aide, where she acted as an ambassador for Ecuador in cities across the globe.

She then took on the next step of competition. Alder started running in and winning junior championships when she was 16 years old.

Alder rounded out her high school track career by winning fourth place for cross country during world competition in Boston in 1992.

She also placed 12th in the world for the 1,500 meter race that same year in Korea.

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> **— Janeth Alder**
> Family member, Olympic hopeful

Then while she attended Brigham Young University in Utah, Alder was an All-American every year from 1993-97.

One of Alder's greatest accomplishments was when she went to the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona, Spain.

She said making the team was kind of a last minute thing because of the way her country organizes its Olympic team.

"They don't have an official selection process," she said. "What they do is they see your times. They know who the good athletes are and they wait to see if they meet the qualifying times during track meets.

"Sometimes if you make the times, they still will not take you. It all depends on the political climate at the time. If they have money and the political stability then people go," Alder said.

She said making it to the Olympics was definitely worth playing the waiting game to see if there would be a team.

"It was very exciting. Here I was only 17 years old at the Olympics," Alder said. "I got to meet people that I had always held so high. I was really excited to be able to run with them in the same race."

Alder now has her eye on representing her country again this year if her country is able to build a team.

She has been working her way up from short distance to marathon distance running.

"I used to run track in the 800 meter, 1,500 meter, and 3,000 meter. Now I'm trying to run long distances," she said. "I have been running road races — 10Ks, 5Ks."

Her training regimen includes running twice a day everyday with four miles in the morning and eight to 10 miles in the evening. She also does three major upper body workouts per week.

The training is paying off. Because of it she can run two miles in a little under 10 minutes.

Alder's husband, 2nd Lt. Daniel Alder, a student in the Infantry Officer Basic Course, said his wife is an inspiration to him.

"I'm very proud of her," he said. "It's nice to have someone in the house who is intense about something."

He added, his pride was probably the strongest when he and his wife competed in Panama military running championships while they were stationed there.

"I came in first and she came in second. She beat every Marine out there," he added. "It's fun for me because I like to see her do well."

Alder is now waiting for word that her home country will have a team in this year's Olympics.

Army shooters grab top spots in U.S. Olympic selection trials

Top guns aim for summer in Sydney

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Shooters with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit took six of the eight top spots in the U.S. Olympic Men's Air Rifle Team Selection Matches.

There were 53 shooters competing in the two-day match looking to make the top eight slots, who got to compete in the finals.

After the finals, Matt Emmons won the match by 9/10ths of a point over USAMU's Kenneth A. Johnson, who is the 1999 Army Athlete of the Year and a 1996 Olympic alternate.

Air rifle world-record holder Jason A. Parker took third place, 2.1 points behind Johnson.

Other USAMU shooters competing in the finals were Stephen C. Goff, who finished fourth, Timothy R. Manges in fifth, Troy A. Bassham in sixth and David A. Johnson in eighth.

In the Women's Sport Rifle Matches, Jayme Dickman was named the champion and Melissa Mulloy was second, just 2/10ths of a point behind. Thrine M. Kane was third. Also competing in the finals were Nancy Johnson, wife of Kenneth Johnson, who was fourth, and Deena Wigger, who trains with the USAMU, who finished in seventh place.

Skeet Matches ended a day early with James Graves securing the top position.

The Running Target matches continue through Sunday.

Rapid Fire Pistol, Men's Free Rifle Prone and Women's Air Rifle start Friday and end Saturday. The first of two Olympic Selection Matches, which will decide the 2000 U.S. Olympic Shooting

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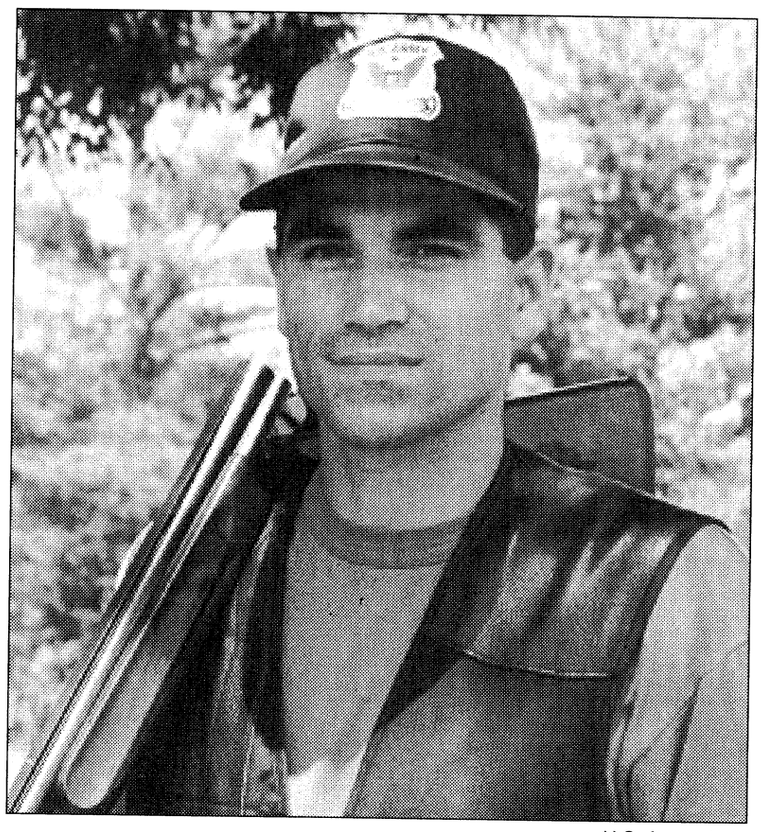

U.S. Army photo

David Alcoriza took second place in Double Trap.

Golf clinic attracts new enthusiasts

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

Thirteen family members — most of whom have never swung a golf club before — experienced a taste of teeing off Saturday at a free golf clinic on the Follow Me Golf Course.

The hour-long clinic, taught by Larry Cruise, head pro, and Jimmy Carpenter, assistant pro, covered golfing basics from how to grip the club to the art of putting.

"I've always done this at other military courses I've been," said Cruise. "I feel it is necessary to introduce the game. It's a good way to see if you want to pursue it."

"I want to learn about golf. I find it fascinating. I want to learn it correctly," said Carmon Benson. "My son is a fantastic golfer. I want to say 'Michael let's go play golf.'"

Carpenter taught gripping the club and swinging for tee off or a long drive and Cruise instructed how to putt and chip.

Although both Cruise and Carpenter focused on technique, they shared personal experiences and some inside tips to the game.

"It's not easy to hit the golf ball, I'll tell you that. But anybody can learn," Carpenter said.

His session on hitting the ball focused on the fundamentals of grip and stance.

"The most important things to learn is how to stand and how to grip," Carpenter said. These two things are key to becoming a good golfer.

To give everyone a feel of how to hold the club, he used a form-fitting grip that slipped over the handle. "This way you're not having to adjust constantly," he said. "If you don't get the grip right, you won't hit the ball right."

Carpenter then told the new golfers to stand in an "athletic stance," like you were about to sit down, to prepare for the tee off.

To drive the ball, the swinging motion entails keeping the arms relaxed and the grip tight.

"It was the miracle of miracles when I made contact with the ball," Carpenter said of when he first started out.

"It was nice to learn how to actually hold a golf club," said Erin Colbert.

After getting a feel for driving the ball, it was on to putting and chipping. "This is your final destination, hopefully," Cruise said of getting to the green. "Sometimes you don't get to the green," he said. That's where chipping comes in handy.

Cruise demonstrated chipping with a nine iron and a sand wedge, but "you can use any club that you want to chip with," he said. "The kind of club you use will control the loft."

A rule of thumb, however, is "the quicker you can get it (the ball) on the ground the better," Cruise said. "The longer it's in

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Army boxer secures Olympic slot

Tim Hipps
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Olanda Anderson completed the United States' most tumultuous road to the 2000 Summer Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, by winning a pair of bouts in America's Olympic Boxing Qualifier III April 17-22 at Tijuana, Mexico.

Anderson's Olympic dream was resurrected April 14 when USA Boxing officials released 178-pound Olympic hopeful Michael Simms Jr. from Team USA for disciplinary reasons.

Simms' dismissal reopened the ring for Anderson, who won the 178-pound championship at the U.S. Olympic Boxing Team Trials Feb. 9-13 at Tampa, Fla.

Two weeks later, Simms twice defeated Anderson in a 24-hour span during the U.S. Olympic Box-offs at the Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Conn., where Simms stole Anderson's 178-pound spot on the 2000 U.S. Olympic Boxing Team.

Simms was released from Team USA for repeatedly missing curfew and failing to obey coach Tom Mustin's instructions during training camp at Colorado Springs and at America's Qualifier in Tampa March 27-April 1.

An eight-man USA Boxing board voted April 11 to remove him from the team. Anderson got the official word April 14 after Simms was allowed time to appeal the decision, which he did not.

Scenic trail challenges bikers

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

outdoor corner



Between being able to play connect the dots with the bounty of bruises on my legs and arms and fry eggs on my overly sun-crisped face, I will admit I wasn't without a lack of pain this weekend.

Being the "bright idea" person that I am, I decided to go mountain biking at a place I read about called Camp Thunder.

Located near Thomaston, Ga., you can get there by taking Manchester Expressway out of Columbus towards Manchester, turning right on Highway 18 in Woodbury and right on 74. Follow the road until you see a sign for Camp Thunder.

The trail is actually located within the Camp Thunder Scout Reservation and starts at the canoe base of the camp along the Flint River.

The beginning of the trail is nothing more than a rocky road that runs parallel to the Flint River.

The beauty of the river, combined with the lush green of the Pine Mountain ridge made the first leg of my journey truly enjoyable. I will admit I was lulled into a false sense of security, thinking the remainder of the ride would be just as easy.

When my friend and I finally got to the start of the "real" trail that's when the true adventure, and pain, began. I should have known immediately that it wasn't your run of the mill trail when I couldn't make it up the first 50 feet without getting off my bike.

But, I am not one who takes a hint, or a sign from God very easily, so I kept on chugging along.

My friend, who barely qualifies as a beginner mountain biker was beginning to question my sanity. I knew she wanted to say something, but being a good sport she didn't.

When we finally got to the top of the first hill, we had our choice of going straight up or on a nice even plain. You can imagine which one we chose.

I knew the hill that went straight up was an 8.5 loop trail that was designed for more experienced riders, so we decided to do a little exploring on what seemed to be an easier route. We probably would have been better off with the loop.

While there were a few patches of uninterrupted riding, I found myself spending more time off my bike than on it.

I got a great upper body work out lifting my bike over a number of huge trees blocking the path. There were also plenty of times where I narrowly escaped crashing by sacrificing my legs and other important body parts. At one point I was even attacked and punctured by a giant thorn bush while trying to navigate my bike through tar-like mud.

By this time, my roommate didn't have to say a word, her dirt-streaked, sweaty face said it all. She wasn't having a good time.

Even though the experience was a bit tumultuous, I really enjoyed myself.

I knew that if I was more experienced most of the stuff I encountered would have been a piece of cake.

In fact, when we finally got out of the woods, I made another go at the beginning of the trail, just so I could ride back down. My friend decided to sit that one out.

If you are a gung-ho mountain biker and are looking for a trail that will challenge you, this is your ticket.

Although I didn't conquer the actual trail itself, the portion I did traverse was full of essential mountain biking elements — trees, rocks, hills and mud.

I know that in time I will get to the point where I'm confident enough to go back and tackle the entire trail.

And hopefully next time I won't come back looking like something the cat drug in.

Shooters: Continue Olympic trials

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Team, officially kicked off at the USAMU ranges April 19. Nearly 400 competitors are vying for 29 slots on the Olympic Shooting Team.

The second selection match is scheduled for June 21 to July 1 in Atlanta at the Tom Lowe Shooting Grounds, formerly called the Wolf Creek Olympic Shooting Center. Shooters' scores from both matches will be added together and the top one to three shooters, depending on the discipline, will make the Olympic Team.

1996 Double Trap Olympian Theresa E. DeWitt of the USAMU won the match beating 1996 Olympic Double Trap Gold Medalist Kim Rhode by 4 points.

USAMU's David R. Alcoriza — a 1996 Double Trap Olympian took second place, just 1 point behind Glenn Eller who won the match.

1996 Olympic Trap Bronze Medalist Lance Bade finished in third place, 1 point behind Alcoriza.

There were 49 shooters, 36 men and 13 women competing for three double trap slots, two male and one female, on the U.S. Olympic Shooting Team.

Most matches run from 9 to 11 a.m. everyday; they are open to the public and the media are invited.

Competitors are available for interviews after they have finished shooting.

Clinic: Helps lower score card numbers

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the air, the less control you have over it."

For chipping and putting the secret is a smooth stroke and keeping the head still. "In this part of the game, the body has to be quiet," he said.

The same "athletic stance" is needed for chipping and putting and the grip is slightly different than when driving the ball, consisting of a straight hand-over-hand configuration.

Some people prefer the same grip when driving and putting, whatever is most comfortable, Cruise said.

The arms remain straight and swing in a pendulum motion from the shoulders.

Although there is a thrill in driving the ball past the 100- or 200-yard markers, Cruise cautions against neglecting chipping and putting aspects of the game.

"This is where you can get your score down very quickly," he said.

He also suggests to take the time to practice putting and chipping before playing as a way to relax before taking on the course.

This also helps reduce the frustration factor when playing golf.

"I always ask if you have patience because it's going to try every bit you've got," he said. "There are a lot of peaks and valleys in this game. That's what makes it a great game."

This was the first free clinic for family members offered at the club, but Cruise said he plans on doing more throughout the year.

There is a women's golf clinic on Tuesdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the Follow Me Golf Course.

Cost is $15 and reservations are required.

For reservations, call 687-1940.

There also is a Monday morning women's golf group.

For more information, call Kathy Burns at 682-0906.

sports briefs

Challenger Baseball seeks participants — Challenger Baseball is a league that provides school-aged children who are moderately to severely handicapped an opportunity to learn team building skills, along with increasing fine and gross motor skills.

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For more information, call Marsha Collins at 545-3344 or 545-6969.

SJA plans Law Day activities — There will be a golf tournament starting at 9 a.m. today at the Follow Me Golf Course.

The format will be a four-ball scramble.

The entry fee is $24 for staff sergeants and below, and $28 for sergeants first class and higher and civilians. There will be several prizes awarded.

For more information, call 545-2176.

There will also be a 5K run at 9 a.m. May 13 beginning across from the Briant Wells Field House.

Entry fee is $5 for 18 and younger and $7 for 19 and over. Late fee, after May12, will be $7 for 18 and younger and $9 for 19 and older.

Pick up registration forms at building 5 and return to Sheila Hand.

Archery tournament set — The Sportsman's Club is holding a 3-D archery tournament at the Marine Base in Albany, Ga.

Registration is from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and the tournament begins at 1 p.m.

There will be three classes of shooters to include, men's unlimited — release and fixed pins, unlimited hunter — release, fixed pins and 12 inch stabilizer maximum and women's bowhunter. The cost is $10.

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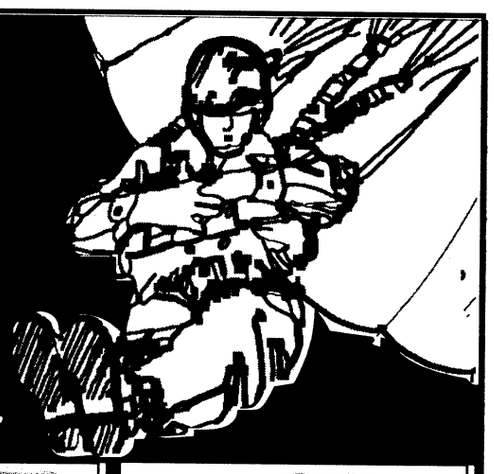



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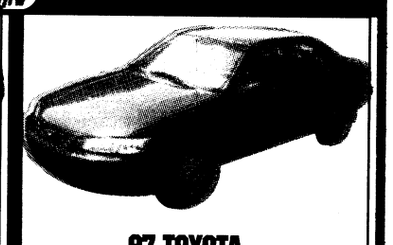

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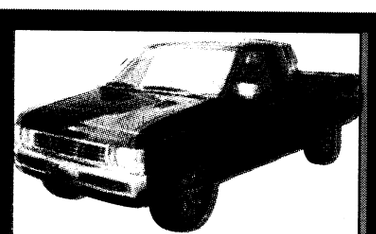

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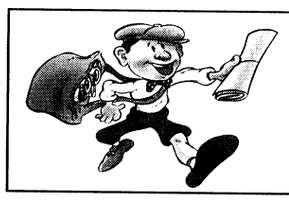

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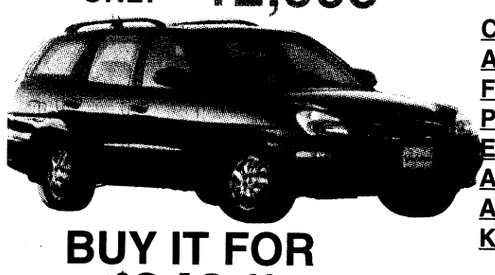

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76 Mercury Marquis, 73,000 original miles, pcs'ing, $1,500. Call 682-0328, pgr. 291-2357. Ask for Brian. (F12)

78 Mustang and 84 Toyota SR5. For more information call 685-8191 after 5:30 p.m. (F26)

79 Corvette L82 matching #'s, leather, Tilt, A/C, PWR everything, T-tops, very clean, asking $8,700 OBO/Possible trade. 660-9263 after 5:00 p.m. or Lv msg. (F12)

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88 VW Jetta GL, one owner, all records, automatic, AC, new tires, blue, $2800. David: 565-0519, or pager: 317-7641. (F5)

88 Cadillac Deville, 2 door, white and blue. 682-4419. (26)

89 Mercury Topaz, good condition, 4 door, automatic. Asking price $1600 obo. Call 685-0707. (F26)

93 Volvo 850 GLT. Green with tan leather interior. Fully loaded 100,000 miles. Great condition. Suggested retail price is 11,905. Willing to negotiate. 568-6322 or 683-1706 pager. (F19)

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95 Oldsmobile Cierra, power everything, blue book value 6,500, sale $5000. 565-0332. Very clean. (F26)

95 Toyota Camry LE, good condition, runs great, 4 door, A/C, new tires, must see. Call 563-8901. $9000. (F25)

96 Saturn Sport Coupe. Great condition, low mileage. Hunter green, Beige interior. 565-7663. (F12)

97 Ford Taurus GL, white, loaded. One owner, dealer serviced. Excellent condition. 44K, full warranty to 60K. $10,700. (706) 687 2711. (F26)

98 Chevy Camaro, V6 Engine, Excellent condition. 27,000 miles asking $16,000 or best offer. Call 689-1788 or 577-6048. (F12)

98 Contour SE, 4-dr, v-6, loaded, sunroof, leather, cd player, cruise control, electric locks and windows with over drive. 11k miles. $10,900.298-2344. (F26)

98 Dodge Avenger, Cassette, CD Player, Power Everything, Keyless Entry Alarm, Caffe Latte in color, Woman Driver, Non-Smoker, Fast Car 21k, PCS'ing must sell Asking $17,000 OBO, Neg.. 685-2001 or 544-1339 ask for Mitchell. (F19)

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2000 VW Beetle, 5 speed, low mileage, white with black interior. Must sell. Still under warranty. 689-8826. (F5)

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78 Ford F-150 Pick-up needs work but engine runs. Asking $350.00 or best offer call 682-4366. (F26)

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94 Ford Ranger, excellent condition, A/C, AM/FM cassette, acoustic camper top, $5100. O.B.O. 323-1865. Leave message. (F19)

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Moving Sale: Washer & Dryer $200. German Shrunk (wall unit) $500. Lawn mower (new) $125. All items negotiable. Must Go. Call Derrick: 682-5660. (F5)

5601 Terrace Pointe Ct., Columbus, Ga, misc. items, furniture, and microwave. May 6, 2000. 8 a.m. till 2 p.m. (F5)

137 Englander St., (Indianhead Terr), May 6th, candles, couch, table, ping pong table, clothes, new christmas stuff and wrapping paper for cheap. (F5)

803-A TERRY DRIVE. Upatoi Terrace across cemetery. Furniture, clothing, toys, etc. From 8 AM 'till ?? (F5)

101 Zuckerman, Perkins Place. 8-?. Clothes, pottery, videos and Noah's Ark crib bedding set and various items. (F5)

200 Lavoie Ave. (Indianhead Terrace) May 6., 40 Gal. Aquarium, entertainment center, lamps, collectibles, clothes, & much more! 8:00am-2:00pm. (F5)

335-B Port St. (lower Davis Hill), moving sale, household items, furniture, and lots of misc. Saturday 8-2. (F5)

640 Gibson Dr (Custer Terrace) Sat. 8-12.Rainbow Vacuum+Aqua mate and Misc. Kids Items. (F5)

105 A Monteith Ct. (in Custer Terrace off of Arrowhead), 2 family yard sale. Saturday 8-12. (F5)

521-C S. Valdez Ct., (Custer Terrace). Sat. May 6, 2000, 7 a.m. - ?? Huge 2 family yard sale. All types of items including a large selection of baby items. Come on out! Cancel if raining.(F5)

530 D N. Valdez, (Custer Terrace) PCS'ing sale. 2 families. Computer, furniture, household items, washer and dryer, tires, misc. 8-? (F5)

107 Zuckerman on Saturday May 6th from 8:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m. (F5)

Lower Davis 301-B Kawamura St., exercise equipment, baby and maternity clothes, computer desk, and pageant gowns, etc. (F5)

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Baby clothes from 0-24 months, stroller and other baby items, very cheap, need the space. 687-5172. (F12)

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Furniture

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Sofa and Loveseat (Floral) in excellent condition $350, 2 Wingback chairs with bench $200, Antique Sofa Table $150, Antique RCA Victorola $400, Curtis Mathis 27" Mahogany Console Color TV $75, 687-3378. (F5)

Sectional (sleeper w/ 2 recliners) in good condition for sale. It is 3 years old and it is tan with multi-colors running through it. Paid $1200 asking $400. Call in the evening 682-3413. (F12)

Full size wooden head and foot board with frame $30., glass table with 4 sturdy chairs $190. 683-0114. (F12)

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Couch with love seat $350., dining table with 4 chairs and matching hutch $300., bed $75., 4 ft. Doughboy swimming pol $500., washer $85., dryer $75. 682-5374. (F5)

Dining room set 4 chairs, glass top with wood frame $60, white bakers rack $25, good condition, must see. 689-3026. (F5)

Futon bunkbed twin on top full on bottom black in excellent condition. Bought from PX. Upgraded mattress. $150.00 OBO. King size waterbed Hardwood with mirror and lights 4 drawer base in good condition everything included. $100.00 OBO 689-1288. (F5)

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King Size Brass (sealed) Headboard/footboard/frame, linens, drapes to match, $400. Stereo Unit (Technics components and 2 Kilpsh speakers) $300. Beautiful Couch, Heritage Collection, camel back, down pillow seats, off white fabric, $950. Please call 689-2020. (F12)

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Lost pets

Lost Dog. Black and White Male 1 y/o Australian Shepherd. Has One Blue eye and one Brown eye. Answers to the name Granite or Granny. Last seen near Dixie road on March 7. Please call 687-7717 or Animal Control/MPs. (F5)

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Pets for sale

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2 Iguanas for sale. Large cage included with heat rocks $100. 323-9889. (F12)

6 month old, CKC Cocker Spaniel, black, male, all shots, wormed, registered. $50.00 297-5185 after 12:00 p.m. (P5)

Homes for sale

Home for sale by Owner-Moore's Forrest. Brick, 4BR, 2BA, 2056 sq ft. GR, w/FP, DR, eat in kitchen, master suite w/jacuzzi, landscaped yard w/sprinkler, 323-0554. (F21)

Beautiful and immaculate, 2 year old, 3 bdrm 2 1/2 bath home with formal dining room and separate den. 2 car attached garage. Excellent subdivision. Lee county schools. Family must PCS. All offers considered. $127,000. Call United Country - Montalvo Real Estate. 653-1777. (PTFN)

By Owner-Moore's Forrest. Brick,4BR, 2BA, 2056sq ft. GR, w/FP, DR, eat in kitchen, master suite w/jacuzzi, landscaped yard w/sprinkler, $148,500. 323-0554 (F5)

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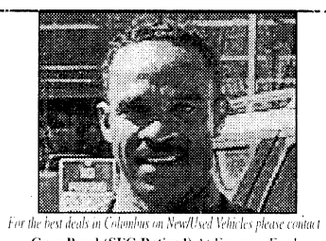
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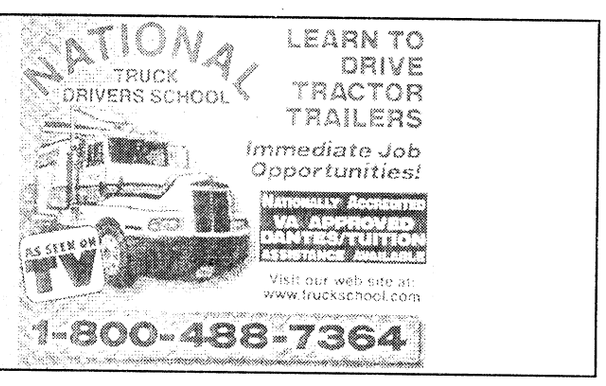

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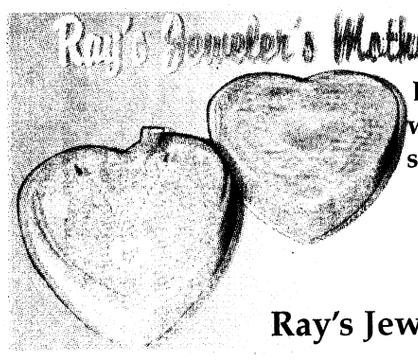

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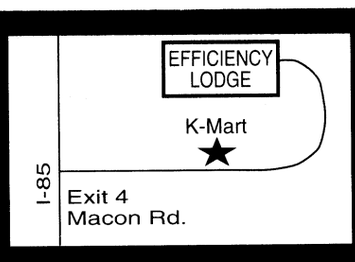

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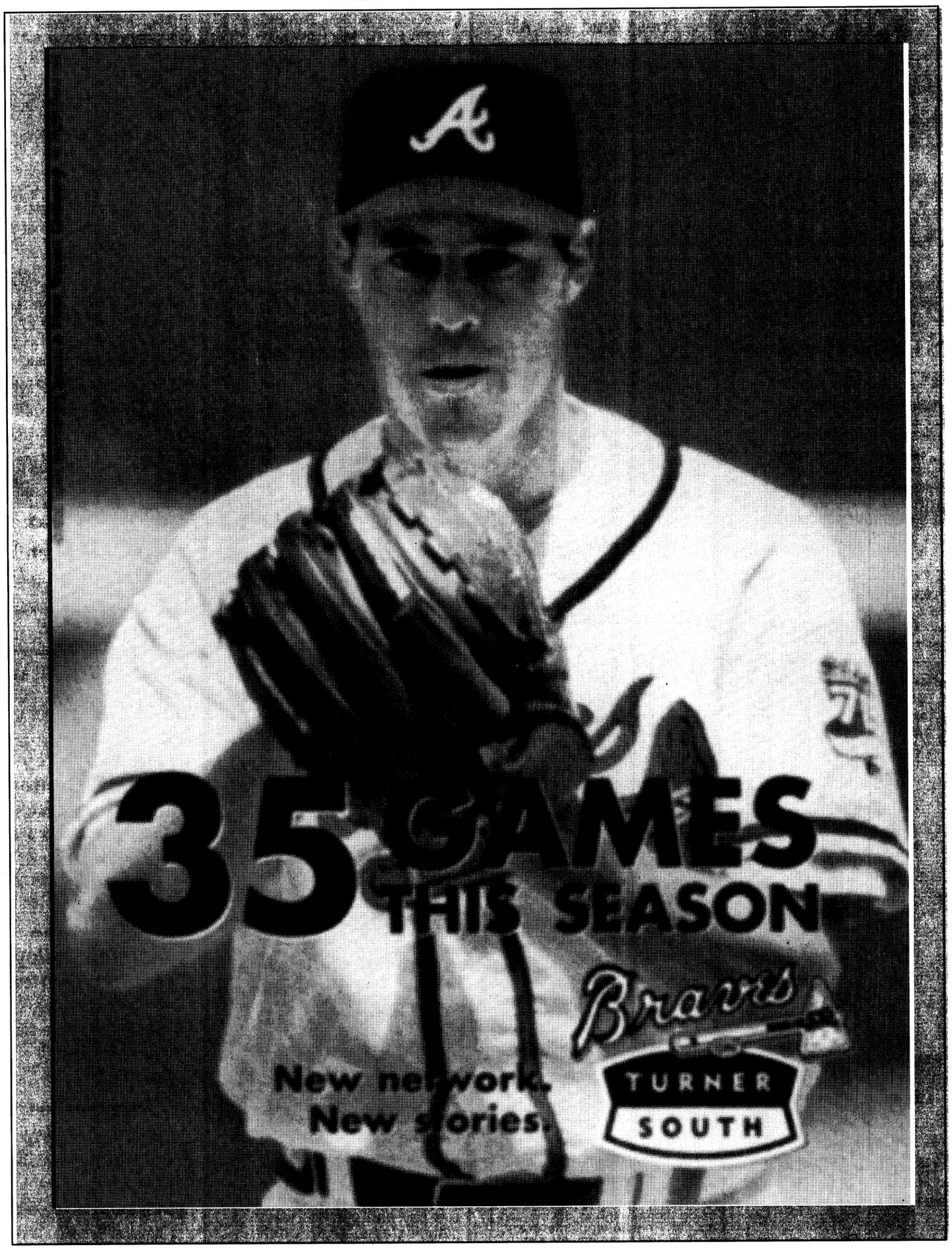

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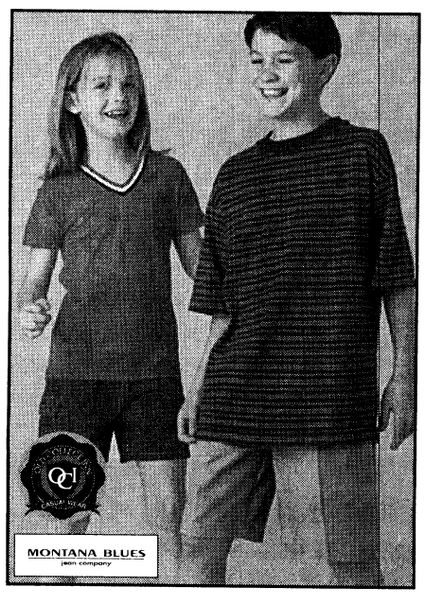

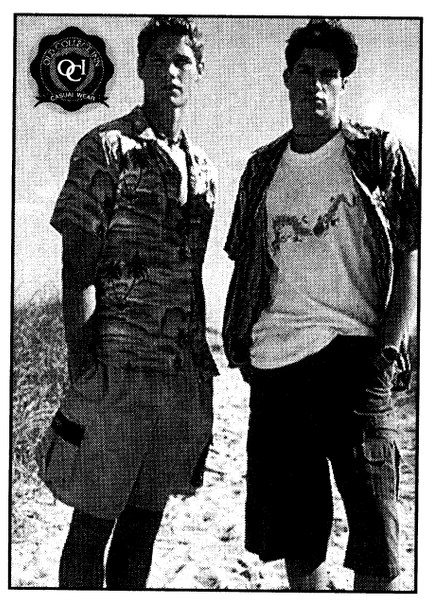

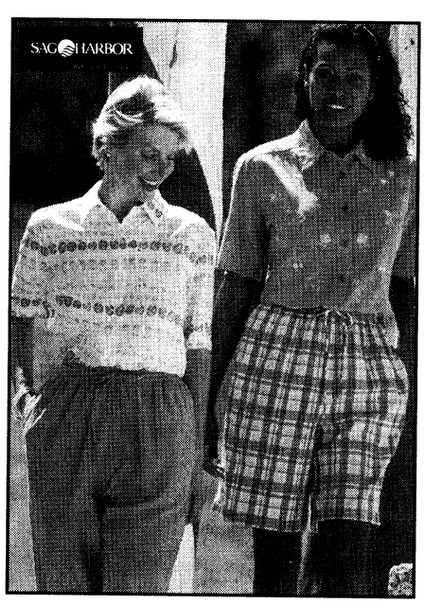





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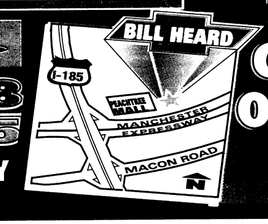

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Fort Benning survives 'Love Bug'

E-mail users help fight off crippling virus

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

E-mail users at Fort Benning helped the post fight off the crippling "Love Bug" virus last week, keeping the impact at a manageable level.

The Information Systems Security Manager, Carol A. Vasko-Norman, started issuing specific warnings concerning the "ILOVEYOU" messages early May 4 when the virus struck worldwide causing billions of dollars in damage.

Luckily, post users were already conditioned to be cautious thanks to routine warnings about the dangers of opening suspicious-looking messages and forwarding chain letters and junk mail.

"They knew not to open those messages," Vasko-Norman said.

In fact, Fort Benning was the only installation in the Training and Doctrine Command that kept its e-mail system up and running, she said.

"I'm proud of the people here. We've done real well," she said.

Still, some messages were opened and about 60 personal computers were affected.

There are 3,500 users on the Fort Benning e-mail system, with about 1,000 more users on other systems, Paul Yates, director of Information Management, said.

While there were "tons and tons of messages sent, we were affected less than anyone else," Yates said.

"The key thing from my perspective was our user-awareness. We could have been seriously damaged if they had started opening the e-mail. I've heard horror stories from other installations."

Vasko-Norman agreed, adding that quick reaction by information systems administrators helped keep Fort Benning's e-mail up during the crisis.

"We made a conscious decision to stay up and ride it out," she said.

The battle continues with new variants out there, some even disguising themselves as virus alerts.

Yates and his staff started writing "Fort Benning Virus Alert" on the subject line so users

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Land Warrior aims to shift odds

Program will increase combat survivability

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

Technology is no stranger to the Army, and by examining the Soldier's combat capabilities, the Land Warrior program, through technological advancements, enhances the Infantryman into an optimal warfighting system.

"Typically Infantrymen are the most vulnerable guys on the battlefield," said Col. Hank Kinnison, TRADOC System Manager — Soldier. "We want to achieve an overmatch in extreme close combat."

The Land Warrior program aims to shift the odds by increasing the lethality and survivability of the Soldier.

Many military missions require Soldiers to infiltrate urban areas where they would most likely face close combat.

"Infantry close combat presents a very confusing environment. When you face an enemy that's close up, one of the problems as an Infantry Soldier is knowing what's going on," he said.

"As our interests require us to do this we want to be successful," Kinnison said. "The Land Warrior program is what ties it all together."

The full Land Warrior equipment package includes a weapon system, integrated helmet assembly, computer radio system, integrated software system and personal clothing and individual equipment.

The weapon system is a M4 modular weapon — based off of the M4 carbine weapon — and includes a laser range finder, digital compass and daylight video sight.

Information seen through the weapon's sight links to a retractable eyepiece on the helmet. This increases a Soldier's stealth and

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Sarah Underhill

The Land Warrior system offers future Infantrymen lighter, more technologically advanced equipment.

Recon leaders meet

4th Ranger Training Battalion

Senior leaders from major units that field Long Range Surveillance and active and Reserve component LRS units descended upon Fort Benning as the Ranger Training Brigade hosted the annual LRS Conference May 9-12 at Infantry Hall.

The purpose of this year's conference was to educate leaders on LRS, develop a roadmap for future LRS unit force structure and doctrine.

"LRS detachment and companies are assets commanders in the field value highly — nothing beats a human being on the battlefield," said keynote speaker, Brig. Gen. Daniel E. Long Jr., assistant division commander of the 29th Infantry Division, Md. "This is an asset that is flexible at adjusting to completely new and different situations, understands pattern recognition and cognitive decision making."

Division commanders only have two assets that allow them to see deep, and one of them is the LRS Detachment, said Col. James T. Faust, commander, 525th Military Intelligence Brigade, 18th Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, N .C.

Today many intelligence leaders have come to rely exclusively on technical means to gather information and intelligence such as overhead satellites and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, Faust said. These are viewed as the panacea for answering the commanders questions.

"LRS units should be employed as either the primary or secondary means to confirm, refute or augment electronic or imagery intelligence systems," said Lt. Col. Clarence K.K. Chinn, commander, 4th RTB. "This is especially true in environments where U.S. technological capabilities do not provide an advantage, such as third world urban areas or operational areas where technological collection efforts are inhibited by extreme weather conditions or heavy vegetation."

LRS is a viable asset in the Force XXI structure, said Lt. Col Chuck Taylor, G3, 10th Mountain Division.

"The best central processing unit on the battlefield is the Soldier, not the Pentium," said Taylor.

"Nothing will replace human intelligence in the deep battle. LRS must be ready to rise to the next level and major commands should have an invested interest in ensuring that their LRS units are equipped properly and can adapt tactics and techniques for future conflicts.

CID names building after hero

Dedication ceremony set for today

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

From the young athlete on the playground to the politician at the podium, people are always looking for someone to emulate — someone to call their role model.

For the Army's super sleuths, the Soldiers of the Criminal Investigation Command, that role model has not only earned Chief Warrant Officer Maurice Parker a place in the hearts of man — but, after today, it will earn him a home on Fort Benning.

A ceremony slated for 1 p.m. today will rename Building 108, Fort Benning's CID battalion headquarters, to Parker Hall in honor of the man who gave more than 50 years of service to his country.

"Parker is a role model for the agents," said Lt. Col. James B. Crockett III, Benning CID battalion commander. "He is an outstanding representative of what they should strive to become."

Parker began his Army career in 1940 when he enlisted as a cook, and after only a short stint of service, he was recruited for the First Special Service force, an elite U.S. — Canadian force called the Devil's Brigade.

While assigned to the unit and the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, he saw combat time in both the European and Pacific theaters. Upon his return he transferred into the CID.

During his time in CID, he served in numerous capacities including special agent, special agent in charge, executive officer and commander before retiring in 1972.

Parker continued his law enforcement career at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office in Clarksville, Tenn. He served for nine years as the departments chief investigator, training officer, jailer and administrative assistant.

The World War II combat vet

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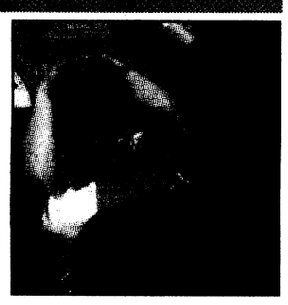

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Foster mom touches hundreds

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

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We all hear stories about amazing people.

Like the man who managed to lift 200 pounds worth of appliances with his tongue, or the person who watched a record-breaking 300 episodes of *Full House* in a row without gagging. Now those people are really special.

Yet, even those stories of extraordinary feats pale in comparison to the accomplishments of one incredible woman I have the privilege of knowing — my mother.

My mom has done something few if any can say they've done. She has raised or helped raise more than 400 children in her lifetime. For more than 13 years my mother opened her heart and her home to children who never had the privilege of knowing unconditional love. My mother was a foster parent.

Before I even stepped into the military world I had already learned a lot about seven important values — respect, honor, integrity, duty, loyalty, selfless service and personal courage, all from watching my mother day after day.

While these values may not have been blatantly stressed or taught by my mother, she embodied them, and in turn instilled them in me and all the others she took under her wing.

When I think of these values one of them becomes synonymous with my mother — selfless service.

Year after year my mom gave every ounce of herself to a cause simply because she wanted to, not because she had to.

She sacrificed her heart, her home and her family to make a difference in the lives of children who may never have had any hope otherwise.

For most of these children, the first time they ever encountered any kind of real love, understanding or trust was from my mom. You can imagine how confusing it must have been for a child who only experienced abuse and indifference by her own parents to walk into the loving arms of a stranger and finally see how a "real" parent is supposed to be.

There were many times my mom was on the receiving end of a child's hurt and pain, often getting her own heart trampled on for no reason. The amazing thing is no matter what they did or said she always welcomed them back like her prodigal children and kept on chugging along — taking more and loving more.

While there were lots of successes and some failures over the years, my mother's impact is very evident in the hundreds of kids (now grown-ups) who still call her mom and keep coming back. They often bring their own children who run up and down the halls of our house yelling things like "I love you Gramma."

Although my mother is no longer a foster parent she has truly left her mark on the world in more ways than one. She has left it in the hearts and minds of all the children she touched. Not only that, but their children's children and generations to come.

This Mother's Day I want to salute anyone who accepts the kind of challenge my mother did. Like my mom, you are rare gifts from God worthy of only the highest forms of recognition. I send out not only a thank you to all the foster moms of the world, but also a great big "I love you" to the greatest mom there is. You are my inspiration and my hero ... I love you Mom!

Sacrifice, giving define military spouses

Sally Shutt
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commentary



I'm writing a thank-you note to military spouses today. I hope my mother will be proud that it's timely and sincere. She always stressed the importance of taking a moment to write a personal message; greeting card copy just wouldn't do.

Today is Military Spouse Day, and while I could spend my words discussing the contributions and sacrifices of these men and women in general, I think the Fort Benning community is already well acquainted with those facts. Just last month post volunteers, including numerous military spouses — active and retired among them — were recognized for their hard work and long hours.

Instead, I'd like to take this opportunity to tell you about the military spouses who have touched my life.

While the rest of the world, the civilian sector, groups them under the label military spouse, I know them only as my friends — no labels, just a diverse group of men and women who chose to marry a person who wears a uniform to work instead of a tie.

They move routinely at about three-year intervals or sooner instead of settling into a community where their children will grow up with the neighborhood kids and graduate from the high school they started out at as freshmen.

They know the value of turning wherever their family is stationed into their home — for the time being. And they know the value of reaching out to others around them and making them feel a part of their family, their unit and their Army.

I was a newcomer to the group 13 years ago, clueless to the importance of carrying my military ID card at all times if I wanted to do anything on post. I even wondered why people stopped their cars and got out when a bugle sounded and music started playing one afternoon.

I had entered a new culture with its own customs and a language full of acronyms. These were the days before Army Family Team Building, so my Level I instructors were the wives at the Florida Ranger camp — women who answered my endless questions without laughing and made me feel a part of their group.

My first child was born a few years later at Fort Irwin, Calif., — a post in the middle of the Mojave Desert that always reminded me of the small town, Mayberry. It was a feeling that came from the people there, not the landscape, which looked like the moon.

Four friends arrived at the hospital in time to watch our daughter receive her first bath. They provided food for days and emotional support I will never forget, especially during the long rotations when our husbands were in the field.

Barstow, 37 miles away, was the nearest town. Victorville, 75 miles down the road, offered the closest mall. When someone was going to make the trek to civilization, also known as Wal-Mart, calls were made to see if anyone needed something.

I've always been amazed by the talented women I've met. They include accountants, doctors, an opera singer, nurses, chefs, teachers and the list goes on.

Home & Garden Television should consider a special on military spouses and how they can turn cookie-cutter quarters into uniquely decorated homes — in record time.

There's one particular "Martha Stewart" I must thank. My friend, Rachel, came to my rescue years ago when I dropped a match onto new carpeting in our quarters and singed the fibers. She came over, Heloise book in hand, and helped me shave the carpet and attempt to repair the damage.

It was a Lucy and Ethel moment, but my family cleared quarters a year later with a clean slate.

To these friends and military spouses everywhere, thank you for being there for each other when duty calls our Soldiers away. Thanks for donating your time and talents to making the military community a better place to live — a Mayberry when the rest of the world looks like the moon.

I'm sure the stories sound familiar to you. The situations are similar, only the locations are different.

Take the time today to say thank you to the military spouses who have touched your life. Call or e-mail them. After all, it's their day.

And if you wear the uniform, don't forget to thank your spouse. Flowers are always nice. Dinner out is even better.

Give thanks to spouses

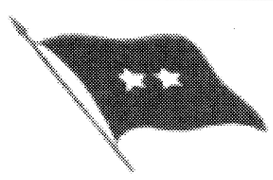


Today is Military Spouse Day!

It's a good time to reflect on what spouses do for us and what they mean to us.

Military spouses are important because they are always there for us. We may be deployed overseas, on extended field training exercises or just putting in the normal 12 to 14 hour days, but the spouses are there putting in the 24-hour days, tending to the children, the pets, the household.

They are ready to pick up and move at a moment's notice; they can set up a household and make it a home in an unfamiliar environment in a blink of an eye. They are miracle workers!



Sometimes a spouse is a fellow member of the military, juggling military duties with taking care of the home.

Whatever the situation is, we owe them a great deal.

Today would be a great time to do something special for them.

— Maj. Gen. John LeMoyne
Commanding general

letter to the editor

The Family Advocacy Program wants to remind everyone that Military Spouse Day is celebrated today. We would like to take this time to express our appreciation for the dedication and sacrifice that are made by military spouses in our community.

In the daily press of activities, which characterizes our modern lives, we often overlook opportunities to express our appreciation to those who make a special contribution. To amend that oversight, we take this opportunity to salute all military spouses.

We, as civilians, should value and commend every military spouse on this day. To show our appreciation, the Family Advocacy Program will give out a canvas tote bag to each military spouse and have a display set up from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today at Building 2624 with educational materials on parenting, building better relationships, blended families and other topics.

For more information on Military Spouse Day, call Rebecca S. Welch, Family Advocacy Program Manager, at 545-7517.

— Rebecca Welch
Family Advocacy Program manager

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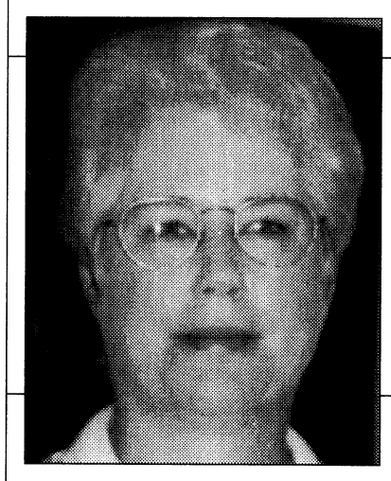
VARIOUS VOICES

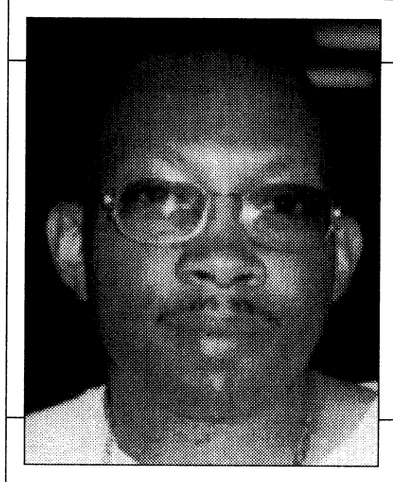
What is your fondest memory of your mother?



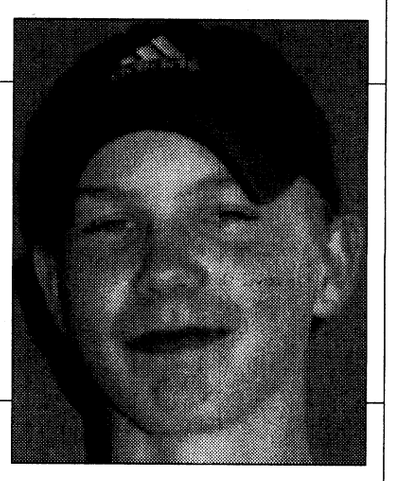
Sherry Alexander, family member — "My mom always had time for her children and grandchildren. She was never too busy to sit and listen just as long as we wanted to talk."



Brenda Castro, family member — "We were stationed in Alaska and my mom lived in New York and she didn't get to see my oldest son until he was six months old. My favorite memory is the look on her face the moment she held him for the first time."



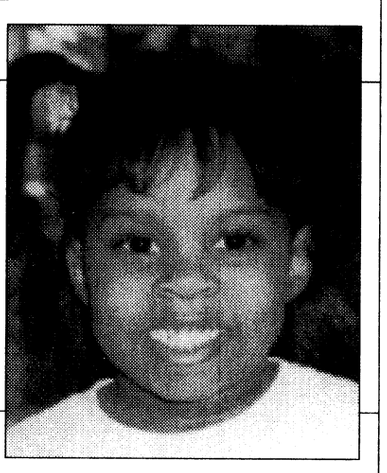
Staff Sgt. Gerald Canada, E Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment — "My favorite memory of my mother is the way she used to wake us up for school each morning. She would sing a little song to get us out of bed."



Chris Hedberg, family member — "I was 4 years old when we lived in Germany. My mom and I used to wash the car and the dog at the same time. We'd just hose them both down together. It was a lot of fun."



Shannon Secules, family member — "My mom died of cancer when I was 17. Right before she died she took my brother and me outside in the pouring rain and we all played and laughed like crazy."



Kyra Bell, family member — "I love her because she's good to me. She always lets me watch cartoons and she buys me chicken nuggets."

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DoD hopes to eliminate food stamp inequities

6,300 military members remain dependent on government aid

Linda D. Kozaryn
American Forces Press Service

Far fewer service members are on food stamps than people think, according to Defense Secretary William S. Cohen.

Speaking with reporters en route to Europe April 30, Cohen said DoD officials have been operating on the assumption that about 12,000 active duty service members receive food stamps. Since DoD's last survey, however, he said, the number has dropped to about 6,300.

Pentagon officials recently announced they hope to eliminate food stamp eligibility inequities. Cohen said DoD wants equity for people living off-base and those living on, but not by taking away the food stamp benefit from eligible families.

"We'd like to see a situation where no service members are on food stamps, but we also want to make sure that any benefit that is available to our citizens is also available to our servicemembers," he said.

DoD officials want to change food stamp eligibility rules by eliminating monthly cash housing allowances as income.

Current food stamp rules count the allowances as income but not the value of government quarters. A servicemember living on base, then, would appear to earn less and could qualify for stamps more easily than a peer living off base.

Actually, according to department data, members receiving allowances fare worse because the money covers only 81 percent of off-base housing costs on average — and by law is intended to cover only 85 percent. Members and families off base also may have added transportation and gasoline costs because they don't have easy access to the commissary or the exchanges.

"So they have a double expense," Cohen said.

The secretary said he hopes that systematically targeted pay increases can eventually get all service members off food stamps.

Military Appreciation Week

Schedule of Events

Date and Time	Event	Location
Monday		
**8 a.m.	Track & Field	Doughboy Stadium
***8 a.m.	Sand Volleyball Prelims	Officers' Club
**8:30 a.m.	Small Games-billiards	Sand Hill Rec Center
***9 a.m.	Softball Prelims	Engineer Field
***2 p.m.	Basketball (3 on 3)	Briant Wells
**3 p.m.	Bench Press	Briant Wells
4 p.m.	Celebrity Softball	Gowdy Field
(All day)	Bowling Tournament	Fort Benning
Tuesday		
**8 a.m.	Triathlon	Carey Swimming Pool
***9 a.m.	Softball Prelims	Engineer Field
**8 a.m.	Small Games-Chess	Sand Hill Rec Center
***8:30 a.m.	Sand Volleyball Finals	Officers' Club
***2 p.m.	Basketball (3 on 3)	Briant Wells
(All Day)	Bowling Tournament	Fort Benning
Wednesday		
**8:30 a.m.	Soccer Prelims	French Field
***10 a.m.	"Fit to Win"	Doughboy Stadium
**8:30 a.m.	Small Games-Table Tennis	Sand Hill Rec Center
***9 a.m.	Softball Prelims	Engineer Field
***2 p.m.	Basketball (3 on 3)	Briant Wells
(All Day)	Bowling Tournament	Fort Benning
Thursday		
*7 a.m.	Combat Cross Country	Kelley Hill
7:30 a.m.	AUSA Golf Tournament	Follow Me Golf Course
***8 a.m.	Soccer final	French Field
9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.	Job Fair	Infantry Hall
**11 a.m.	Swim meet	Briant Wells Indoor Pool
***1 p.m.	Softball finals	Gowdy Baseball Field
**8:30 a.m.	Small games-spades	Sand Hill Rec Center
(All Day)	Bowling Tournament	Fort Benning
Friday		
9 a.m	"Burn the General Run"	York Field
11 a.m.	Award Ceremony & Selection of Ms. or Mrs. AUSA	York Field

* Commander's Trophy Events
** "Follow Me" Cup Events
*** Benning Team Cup Events

AUSA is giving away free Red Stixx tickets for the Wednesday game against the Hagerstown Suns. Units may call the AUSA office at 689-3272 to pick up tickets for Soldiers.

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Captain combines Soldiering with art

ICCC student uses love of art to create military masterpieces

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Top-notch organizational skills, not to mention talent and a love for what he does, help Capt. Michael P. Solovey manage a three-dimensional career as a Soldier, military artist and businessman.

Late nights also play into the mix.

"The Army takes a lot of time," the 25-year-old said. "But, if you really love something, you don't mind staying up late and hustling to get a lot done."

Solovey, who was promoted May 1, will graduate from the Infantry Captains' Career Course in July. In between his studies at Fort Benning, the ordnance officer has completed a pen and ink rendering entitled "Follow Me" celebrating the Infantry School. The drawing shows various aspects of the school including the Bradley, Airborne and Ranger courses.

He plans to sell the "Follow Me" print and auction the original to help his ICCC class raise money to pay for a social at the end of the course.

It's not the first time Solovey has paid tribute to a military unit with his work.

While in Bosnia with the 1st Armored Division, Solovey was tasked with drawing a farewell gift for the assistant division commander.

Supplies posed a problem.

"We went down to Tuzla to an art store carrying our weapons to get canvas and pens," he recalled.

The result — "96 Combat Patrols Today, Sir" — was a hit, and requests starting pouring in for prints.

"It was a shot in the dark," he said of his marketing of the print.

A Newport News, Va., company mailed the prints to Tuzla, and Solovey sold more than 300 of them in what he called a "tail-gate operation."

Word traveled quickly and soon sergeants major were calling, asking the artist to create a print for their battalion.

Capt. Michael Burcham recalled their days together in Bosnia.

"He didn't sleep a lot. He would sit up in the tent drawing and painting," Burcham said.

The two men, ICCC classmates, have known each other for four years, and Burcham admitted he has several of Solovey's works hanging in his home. His favorite is not a military print, but a watercolor of a bridgehouse in Bad Kreuznach, Germany, where they were stationed.

"But I think he does some of his best stuff in class with his doodling," Burcham said.

While Solovey hasn't displayed his doodlings yet, his other works are hanging in his Columbus apartment. He converted the living and dining rooms into a studio complete with easels and a light table he built.

Articles about the artist have appeared in *The Stars and Stripes* and *The Talon*, the 1st Armored Division's magazine, and hang on the walls, along with a dry-erase board covered with his to-do list.

Solovey has been combining his interest in the art world and in all things military for numerous years.

His junior and senior high art teachers in Williamsburg, Va., helped develop his artistic talent, especially Sister Gabriel Mary.

"She was the Yoda of the art world and a grandmother figure to me too," he said.

Solovey recalled the surprise of teachers, family and friends when he announced that he was attending Virginia Military Institute instead of the Savannah School of Art and Design, where he had been offered a partial scholarship.

"They thought it was kind of weird. No one expected me to take the VMI route," he said.

"But the challenge of the military and the sense of brotherhood I saw appealed to me."

A language major, he made time each semester to take an art class.

While in college he started drawing sketches of homes and selling them to the owners who then framed them or used them on Christmas cards.

The income from this "cottage industry" helped supplement the $100 a month he received as part of his ROTC scholarship.

His last semester he traveled to France to study literature and art as an exchange student. While there he painted "A Rat Longs For Home," one of three VMI prints that have sold very well at the bookstore on campus since 1996. Rat is the term used for freshmen at the institute.

Since then he has named his business The Solovey Art Collection. His work is listed on a website, www.arthangups.com, out of Maryland.

Solovey has been asked countless times which career — artist or Soldier — will win out over the other.

"When I do get out of the Army, and I'm not sure when that will be, I want to do military art full time because I think it is the best way I can make a difference," he said.

"I have a real passion for it. I may not be the best one yet, but I really enjoy it."

For more information, call Solovey at 568-1060 or e-mail him at SOLOVEYART@hotmail.com.



Sally Shutt

Capt. Michael Solovey takes a break from drawing in his studio apartment.

CID: Honors former 'super sleuth' in dedication ceremony

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couldn't stay away from the Army, and nine years after he retired from the CID, he rejoined the Army's investigative team as a civilian special agent where he served as the criminal intelligence coordinator and assistant operations officer at the 3rd Military Police Group.

Parker continued to serve the CID for 11 years before retiring again in 1994. But the 73-year-old couldn't stop serving the country and profession he loved.

He became an active member of the CID Agents Association and at the group's 1995 national convention in Columbus, Ohio, he died hours after being named as the group's top cop — the president.

Now nearly five years after his death, Fort Benning will join Fort Campbell and Fort Leonard Wood in honoring the man with a memorial of its own.

A plaque honoring Parker will be hung in the newly named Parker Hall after the ceremony and will remain there as a reminder to agents of what a great agent is.

"He truly is representative of what we want our agents to be," Crockett said.

Col. John Latimer, Fort Benning Chief of Staff and Col. George Smith, deputy commander, Criminal Investigation Command, Fort Monroe, Va., will speak at the building dedication ceremony this afternoon.

Don't forget to attend the first-ever postwide town hall meeting at 7 p.m. May 23 at the Faith Middle School gym.

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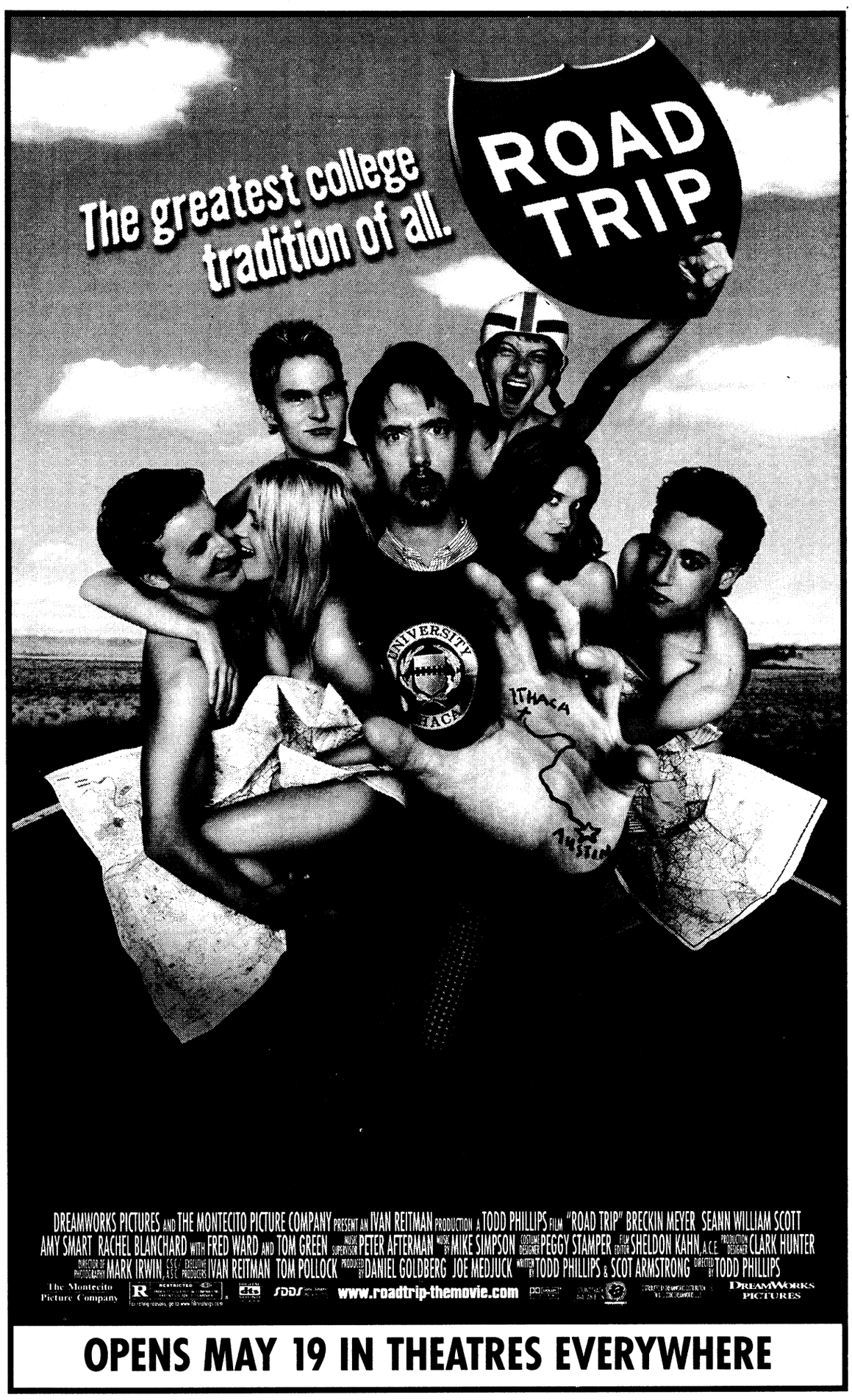

OPENS MAY 19 IN THEATRES EVERYWHERE

USARSA loses supporter, friend with death of Amos

Sally Shutt
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The U.S. Army School of the Americas lost a tremendous supporter May 3 with the death of Columbus resident Elena Diaz-Verson Amos.

Cecilia Alexander, the school's international military student officer, will miss Amos' unfailing willingness to help the school and its students.

But, more importantly, she will miss her friend of 15 years.

"Once she met you, she was your friend. No matter where she saw you, she would speak to you. She was just a down-to-earth person," she said. "I know she touched many lives."

Alexander recalled two years ago that Amos, whom she considered the school's "Godmother," hosted an Easter egg hunt for students and their families on the lawn in front of her downtown penthouse.

"There were 500 eggs there that day and the prize egg had a $200 gift certificate inside," she said.

A native of Cuba, Amos came to the U.S. as an exchange student and attended the University of Miami. It was there she met John B. Amos, who later founded Aflac, Inc. They were married in 1945.

After her husband died in 1990, she donated his law books and the mahogany bookshelf that once housed them in his office to the school.

Nicolas Sandoval is a library technician in the John B. Amos Library.

"She was a great lady and very charismatic," he said. "She was superb in dealing with people because she showed she cared."

"The large quantity of volumes in Spanish she donated to the library and the school are useful and will continue to be useful in reinforcing the concepts of peace, democracy and security in all the students who attend here," Col. Patrio Haro, assistant commandant, said.

"Elena was a passionate believer in our country, our military and the need for contact at the human level between Latin America and America," Col. Glenn Weidner, the school's commandant said.

"She was unwavering in her support and in her belief that Latin America would be better off because of the school."

Of the many different things she did for the school, face-to-face contact was the most important, he said.

She opened her home up to students for social events, each year hosting a Christmas party, and she helped found the School of the Americas support group.

Amos lobbied for the school from the day it opened its doors, Weidner said.

"She was very proud of the school."

Her philanthropy is well known. In 1992 she bought a plane and helped Cuban Air Force Maj. Orestes Lorenzo rescue his wife and two children from the island. A year later, she assisted Fidel Castro's daughter in fleeing the country.

She helped fund the Latin American Studies program and the Eminent Scholar in Latin American Studies at Columbus State University.

"Her commitment to freedom and opposition to communism were lifelong passions," Weidner said.

Amos was recognized in October by the Commanding General for her contributions to the post.

Bug: Harms computers

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would know the message was from an authorized source and not a virus variant, he said.

While the Department of Defense provides anti-virus protection for the e-mail system, nothing was available to stop the "Love Bug."

"We weren't prepared for this. No one was," Vasko-Norman said.

Several units and activities on post fall under commands other than TRADOC and have their own servers. Many were instructed or chose to shut down their e-mail systems in order to contain the virus.

Martin Army Community Hospital pulled the plug on its e-mail until mid-day last Friday at the direction of the U.S. Army Medical Command. The Fort Benning Schools, a Department of Defense Education Activity, and the Army Marksmanship Unit, which falls under the U.S. Army Recruiting Command, did the same.

"Normally the procedure in extreme cases — and this was one — is to stand down the e-mail system across the command to isolate and contain the virus," Sgt. 1st Class Robert S. Finch, AMU's information management specialist, said. The unit's system was down May 4 and 5.

"We were up and running by Monday morning, except for the five computers that were infected," he said. AMU has a total of 38 users.

The Southeast Civilian Personnel Operations Center has global address lists that it needed to protect from the virus, said Rod Alles, chief of the Information Services Division.

"We shut down our e-mail system from about 8 a.m. Thursday until 8 p.m. that night," he said.

CPOC covers a six-state region — Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Virginia, North and South Carolina — and Puerto Rico.

"The way this virus replicated itself was designed to clog up the pipes and eventually bring down entire systems," he said.

"This has caused a lot of damage and cost a lot of money," Martha Jenkins, exchange systems administrator for Fort Benning, said.

"I wish the person who created this virus would have used that smartness in a constructive and not in a negative manner."

Post e-mail users have been warned about junk mail and chain letters in the past.

"Everyone should be reminded that sending chain letters is against DoD, Army and Fort Benning policy. Individuals sending chain letters or junk mail can lose their e-mail privilege. Chain letters look like viruses and cause a lot of extra work in tracking them down," Yates said.

Technology: Enhances warfighting

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safety during a mission. By pointing the weapon around a corner or above a bunker, the Soldier can view the situation, and shoot if necessary, without exposing his body.

A Soldier can also take a picture of a person or place and transmit it to his commander or others in the platoon.

Through the eyepiece, the Soldier can view his position and the location of other Soldiers via a global positioning system. It also is equipped with night vision.

In addition, a hand-held display will allow leaders to enter, edit and receive orders similar to using e-mail.

The helmet, which includes a retractable microphone and radio system, is more concisely designed, better fitting and much lighter than the previous version.

The addition of all this advanced equipment to the Soldier, however, won't weigh him down in combat.

By using better design and materials it does not add any weight to the Soldier and even lightens the load, Kinnison said.

The individual equipment items are modular. This gives the Soldier an option to carry necessary gear for better mobility.

For example, the modular pack the Soldier carries is essentially three packs in one: a butt pack, an assault pack and a large backpack.

The equipment used in the Land Warrior program is not only more technologically advanced but also more durable.

"It survived an Airborne jump and it survived rigorous submersion testing," said Maj. Brian Cummings, assistant TRADOC System Manager — Soldier.

Although this equipment looks like it would cost a fortune for the government, it is actually quite cost efficient.

"It's made of common off-the-shelf items," Cummings said. "We've gone to a more commercially available approach."

This made Land Warrior cost less and easier to repair or replace parts. "We've made it as simple as possible," Cummings said.

Although the initial phase of the Land Warrior program began in 1996, the effort for this particular program started in February 1999. After a recent revamping of the project it will be ready for large-scale testing in the Joint Contingency Force Advanced Warfighting Experiment scheduled for September 2000 at the Joint Readiness Training Center in Fort Polk, La.

"There weren't too many experiments (with Land Warrior) other than with a few Soldiers," Cummings said. "This is the biggest test we've done so far. It's a major event."

"JRTC enables us to record what's going on," Kinnison said.

The exercise involves the C Company, 3rd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, which will perform three major missions — nighttime Airborne assault, platoon assault and night live fire ambush — over seven days.

"We picked the worst possible conditions Infantrymen have to perform under," Kinnison said.

Preparation for JCFAWE started in April and will continue until August, including a stop at Fort Benning for intensive military operations in urbanized terrain and ambush training July 30 through August 12. Other training sites are Fort Bragg, N.C., and Fort Polk, La.

"This exercise will focus on the hardware and software. It will test specific equipment, test using it tactically in the field and test the collective effort to be able to use it in the field," Cummings said of JCFAWE. The purpose is to gather insights of Soldiers and make changes from there.

"They have to tell us this is good. They've got to like it," Kinnison said.

"The system will then enter an operations test after JRTC for one year to determine if it's ready for combat."

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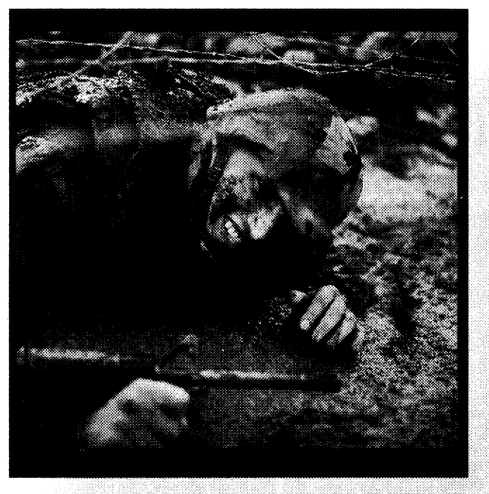
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NTC rotation winds down, Soldiers prepare for home

Real world training offers 3rd Brigade true challenge

Pfc. Teresa Heist
Fort Stewart PAO

Like armies of ants marching single file, queues of Soldiers in their vehicles slowly snaked around the dust bowl Saturday when 3rd Brigade returned from the field, signaling that National Training Center rotation 00-07 is nearing completion.

Waiting in seemingly endless lines for wash racks, turn-in placement and dust bowl amenities such as the Troop Store, Soldiers "killed" time by reading, eating and swapping stories with fellow Soldiers.

The Army adage "hurry up and wait" was certainly true Saturday according to Spc. Jason Millett, C Company, 123rd Signal Battalion. "It's (preparing for turn-in) a very slow process," said Millett. "There's a lot of things to do in a short amount of time. We're understaffed too," he added, explaining how his unit is currently at 50 percent strength. Millett said he hasn't had a real shower in 16 days and still has a long day ahead of him before he will get that opportunity.

Waiting in line for the wash rack for wheeled vehicles was Sgt. Raul Valmeo, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery.

According to Valmeo, a lot of CS gas was used on them this rotation. In fact, said Valmeo, observer controllers threw CS gas canisters right up to everyone's faces, forcing his unit to attain MOPP level four a total of seven times. "We learned that you must always stay ready for an attack," stressed Valmeo.

At the wheeled vehicle wash rack, Soldiers are given 15 minutes to wash their vehicles and then are responsible for cleaning up the bay in five minutes. Next, they get into another line where they are assigned a position at the motor pool's turn-in yard.

In the bustle of activity at the track vehicle's wash rack was Pvt. Edward Watters, cannoneer number one, 1st Bn., 110th F.A. Watters is responsible for loading and firing 98-pound rounds for a 155 mm. Howitzer. "I loved it," said Watters about his experience out in the field. "We fired 203 rounds in three days (during the live fire)." Watters explained that the training didn't go very well in the beginning, but improved tremendously as the days progressed.

Pfc. Brandon Clements, cannoneer number two, 1st Bn., 10th F.A., had the strenuous job of hand-carrying the heavy ammunition between the M992 Field Artillery Ammunition Supply Vehicle and the Howitzer, which keeps a distance ahead of about 20 feet.

Both Clements and Watters agreed that teamwork was definitely the most important lesson learned during this rotation.

"They did very well," said Sgt. Ahmad Abdur-Rashid, ammunition team chief, 1st Bn., 10th F.A. "We had a lot of motivation this rotation. They enjoyed themselves." Abdur-Rashid added that time was spent cross-training his Soldiers during this training cycle.

After nearly two hours of waiting in the relentless sun and still behind at least 20 wheeled vehicles waiting for the wash racks was Sgt. Ricque Cole, petroleum specialist, 4th Battalion, 64th Armor Regiment. Cole said his unit, which supports the tankers, spent a lot of time in MOPP level 2, approximately two to four hours per day. "The reason," Cole explained, "is to climatize Soldiers for actual wartime, so it won't be such a shock. As a platoon, we did very well," added Cole.

According to Cole, the vehicle used to scatter CS canisters was so commonplace it was given the nickname "Dr. Doom."

Soldiers fortunate enough not to be waiting for hours out in the hot sun spent their time in the dust bowl's living area.

Here supplies were sorted and trash discarded, shelter halves constructed, laundry washed and loved ones phoned. Much needed showers were taken removing two weeks worth of dust and grime. But, it seemed that purchasing items at the Troop Store took priority. Waiting for hours, Soldiers stood in long lines to obtain items dreamed about in the field.

With happy stomachs and clean hair, many Soldiers will drift off to sleep thankful that the rotation is coming to an end. But for those Soldiers responsible for turning in vehicles, the following morning brings another challenge, preparing a war-beaten vehicle to pass the inspections given by ITT Federal Services Corporation, the civilian counterpart responsible for NTC vehicles.

This, some would say, is where the real battle begins.

5th RTB families get up-close look at Ranger instructors' daily regimen

Master Sgt. Dan Rhodes
5th Ranger Training Battalion PAO

DAHLONEGA, Ga., —Rappelling, tying knots, crossing two and three rope bridges, and firing weapons are all in a days work for Ranger Instructors and students at Camp Frank D. Merrill, home to the 5th Ranger Training Battalion.

But April 22nd was no ordinary training day, because from noon to 4 p.m., wives and children of the cadre were given an inside look at what their husbands and fathers do on a daily basis.

At noon, the family members gathered in the dining facility for lunch and a briefing by the battalion commander, Lt. Col. Keith Antonia. Following lunch, the participants walked the route students use to reach the lower mountaineering training area. Once there, 1st Sgt. Tommy Wilburn from B Company briefed everyone on the equipment they would use while rappelling down the 30-foot-wall.

"These are fun events to do, but I only plan on doing them once," Kelly Rhodes said, "And I hope I don't embarrass my husband."

Ranger Instructors from the various companies gave a quick rappelling demonstration and then moved the wives and children to the rope corrals. Once everyone was placed into the harnesses and inspected for safety, they assembled at the top of the rappelling wall. With only a little coaxing needed for some, everyone successfully rappelled down the wall. Several even ventured back to the top for another go around. A few were even brave enough to attempt the Australian rappel where the descent is face first.

One such soul was 12-year-old James Clingan. "I didn't think it would be scary and it really wasn't. I wanted to do it over and over again."

When everyone had their fill of rappelling they moved to the two rope bridge and crossed the Etowah River prior to negotiating the three-rope bridge suspended 30 feet over a fast flowing cascade. In true Ranger fashion no one froze or refused to cross.

The final event was firing the M4 carbine on the 25 meter small arms range. Not surprisingly, very few missed the mark with the ten rounds they fired.

"I really liked the weapons firing but everything else was scary. I don't know how they do it and I don't want to do it again," said Heather Carland.

A barbecue was supported by the NCO Club where everyone retold their own "war story" from the day's activity. More than 60 wives and children from the 5th RTBn and the RTB participated in the annual "Ranger Wives Day" and many cannot wait until next year.

"I think everyone had a good time and when the word spreads we will probably have more family members participate next year," said Angela Antonia.



Master Sgt. Dan Rhodes

A 5th RTB Ranger wife gets the OK to negotiate the rappel tower during the annual "Ranger Wives Day."

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Pvt. Aaron Chesley
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C Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
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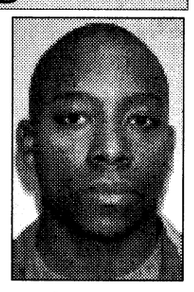

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Staff Sgt. William T. Capers Jr.
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C Company, 1st Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., ITB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
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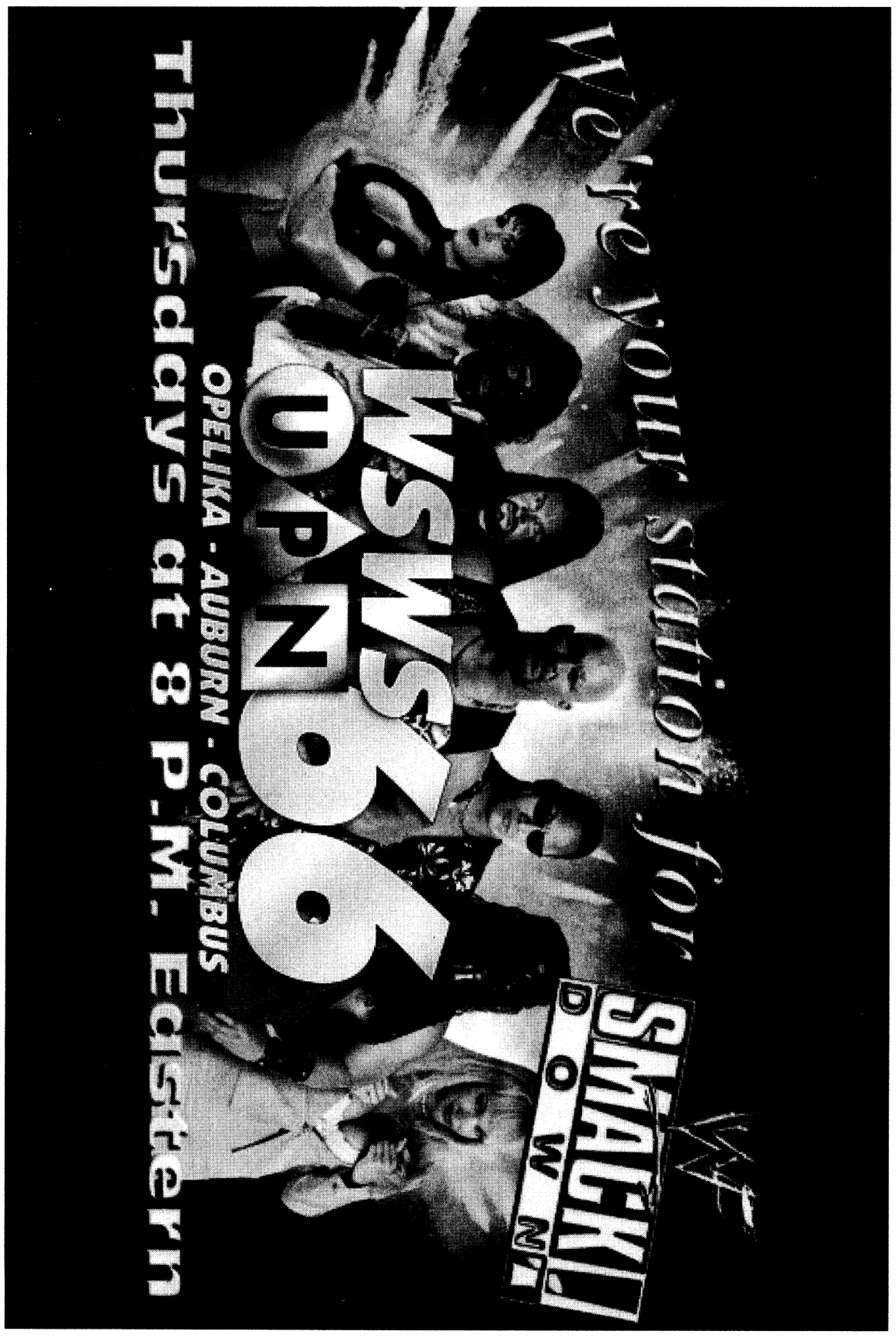

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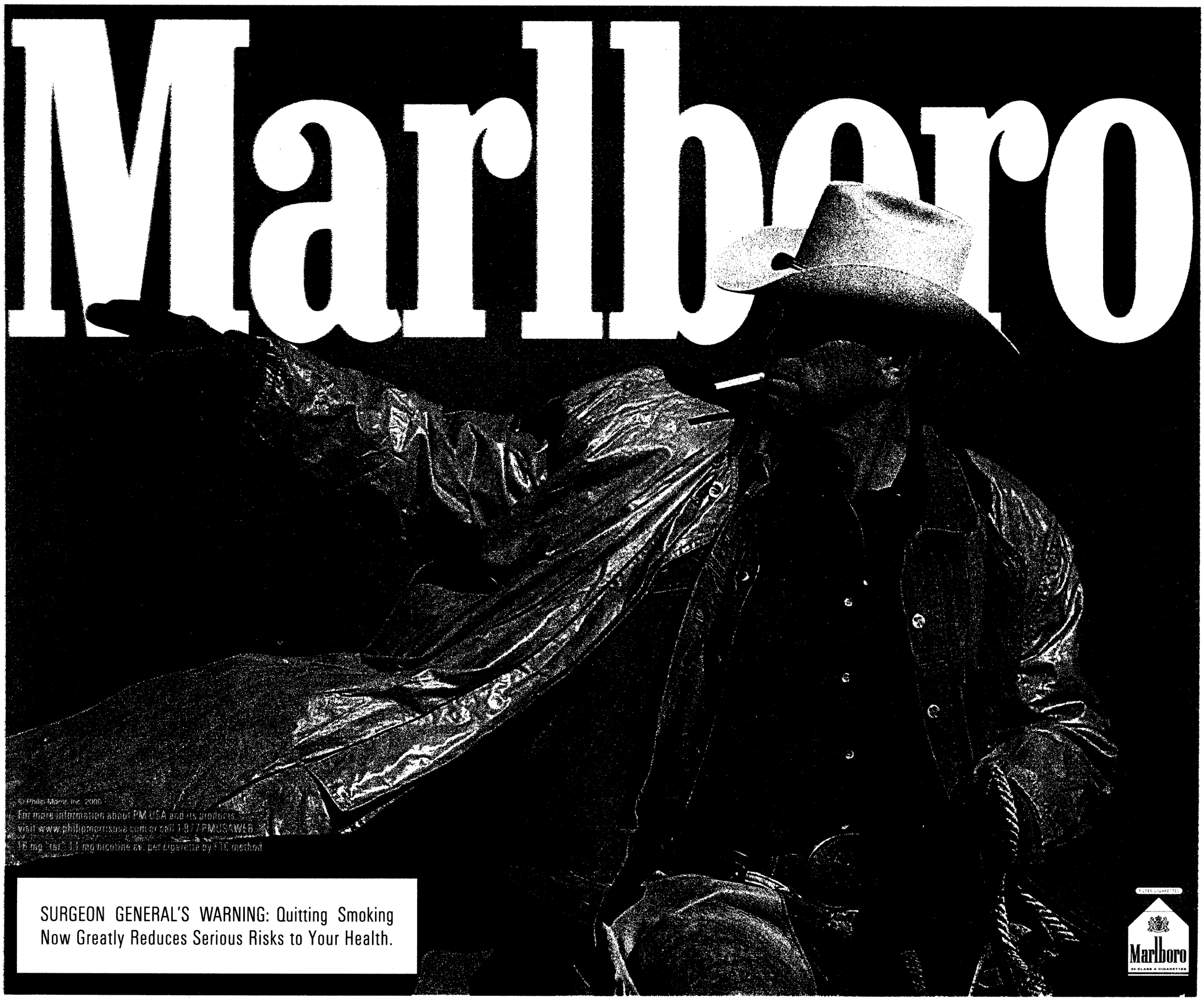

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SECTION B

Organizations work to keep Columbus beautiful

Fort Benning receives awards for earth efforts

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff writer

Four of Fort Benning's top tree-friendly organizations were honored at a Columbus luncheon Thursday for their efforts in keeping the community beautiful.

The 63rd Engineer Group netted an award for its involvement in the Russ Pond clean-up; McBride Elementary School's Woodland Trail rallied to win an urban forestry award; Officer Candidate School took home honors for its help in the postwide beautification effort; and the Directorate of Community Activities won an award for its work in constructing a new fishing pier at Uchee Creek.

While the award ceremony was part of an annual award system that honors local community groups for their contributions in keeping the Columbus area clean and beautiful, this marks the first time Fort Benning has earned honors from the group.

"Col. (John) Mitchell, the garrison commander, told us to check into the program and see if we had any groups that would qualify for the award," said Patrick Chauvey, acting Environmental Management Division chief. "We put together the list and submitted them, and four out of the five we sent won an award."

The four were selected based upon the positive impact the projects had on area beautification and resource preservation.

"This truly shows what a great part of the community Fort Benning is," he said. "When people travel to this area they don't just travel to Columbus but they come here as well."

"This shows we, too, are doing our part to keep our community — both Columbus and Fort Benning — beautiful," he said.

The secret to success for the four units awarded, Chauvey said, is two-fold.

"These units put in long hours and designate extra people to ensure the post continues to be beautiful," he said. "That is how they accomplish the mission."

"But they also have to follow more stringent regulations than they would if they were to work on an area on private property," he said. "The increased pressure from the regulations and federal law also pushes them to perform at a higher level."

For some projects, like the renovation of Russ Pond, that higher level forced the cooperation of both military and civilian personnel to ensure the project was not only completed, but completed according to federal law.

"These Soldiers are great," said Melissa B. Kendrick, a senior environmental specialist at EMD. "They are always willing to work with us on compliance, and they are always ready to take on the challenge no matter how big or small."

While these Soldiers and civilians are willing to take the challenge, Chauvey said he has a challenge of his own for Fort Benning for next year's competition.

"I want more units to win next year," he said. "I am sure there are all kinds of untold stories out there of Soldiers working to improve the environment."

"It doesn't matter if it was a one-time project or on-going, I want to know about it," he said.

For more information, call Patrick Chauvey at 545-4211.

Phase I officer housing complete

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

Tuesday's ribbon cutting at 100 Yeager Avenue marked the completion of the white elephant project's Phase I.

"This is proof of the Army's commitment to families, even in lean times," said Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander, who spoke in place of Gen. John Le Moyne at the ceremony.

"This is a sentimental journey for me to see how they look now because we lived there before," he said.

Mitchell lived in the white elephants 21 years ago. "It was 21 years ago today that my wife and I celebrated our twin daughters' first birthday in a set of these units," he said.

There are three phases to the white elephant refurbishing project: Phase I consisting of eight buildings, Phase II of 10 buildings and Phase III of 12 buildings — for a total of 120 units.

"We're doing it neighborhood by neighborhood," said Sam Anonas, of JRA Architects.

The project started with the smallest neighborhood first so it was easier for the construction crew from Trawick Contractors of Birminham, Ala., to adjust their schedule if problems came up such as asbestos and lead, he said.

"You don't know what's inside the walls until you start tearing them down," Anonas said.

In reality, minimal wall-demolition was a part of the refurbishing process because the buildings are historic.

Built in 1935, the 120 white elephant units were originally field-grade quarters with three bedrooms including an attic and a storage area. These quarters were added to the historic register in 1984.

"All of the work had to go through the Georgia Historic

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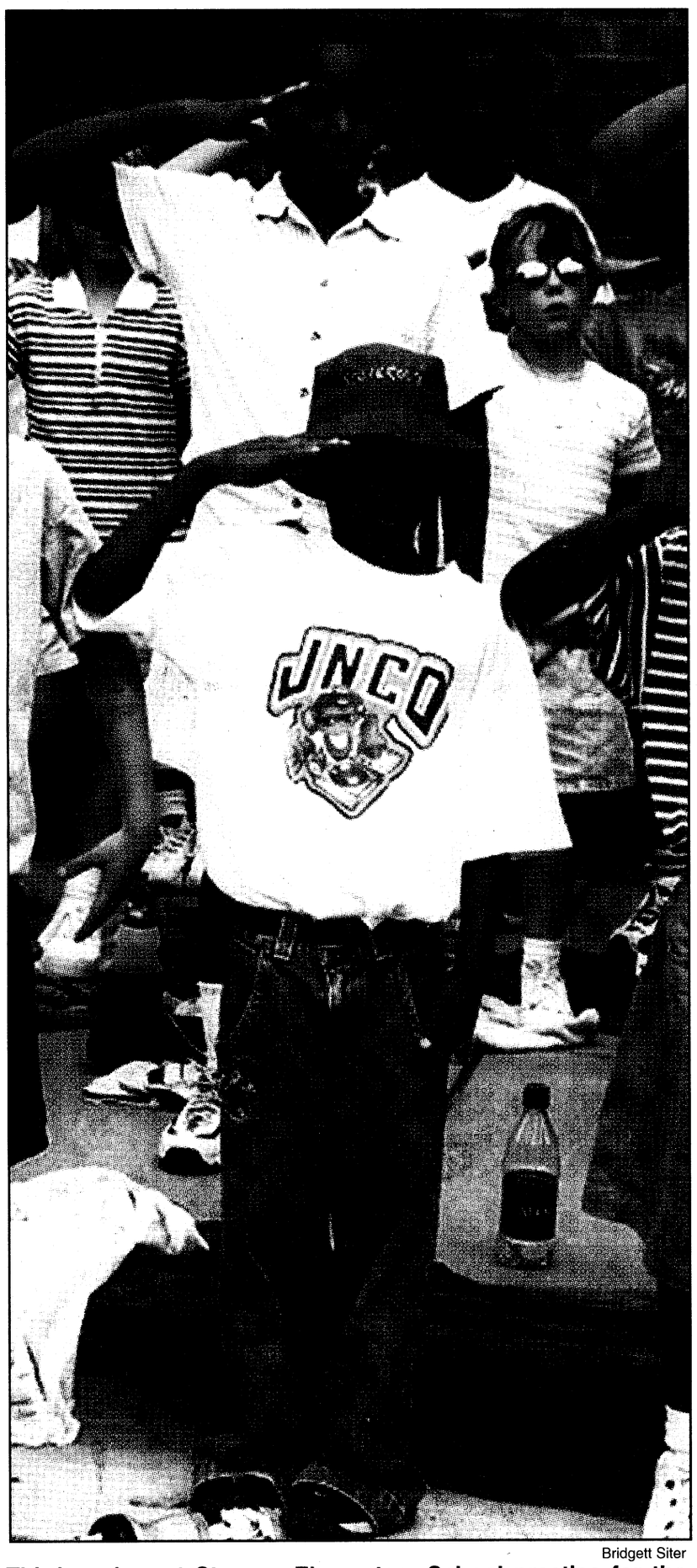

Bridgett Siter

Third-graders at Stowers Elementary School practice for the Stowers Elementary Celebrate America Outdoors concert. The concert will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Stowers.

Schools get 'newer' math

DoDEA incorporates same math curriculum throughout military

Bridgett Siter
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Just when the term "new math" was becoming obsolete, the Department of Defense Education Activity schools will introduce a "newer" math to elementary and middle school students when they return to school August 17.

For the first time, all DoDEA schools, both overseas and stateside, will be using the same math curriculum — a big plus for students transferring from one installation to another during the school year.

Fort Benning's director of curriculum, Kathy Einhorn introduced *The Path to Success*, *Math* and *Math Thematics* to school board members and representatives at the April 24 school board meeting. *The Path to Success* and *Math* will be used in kindergarten through fifth grades, and *Math Thematics* will be used at the middle school level.

Materials for the newly adopted program were ordered and received this year after 120 administrators and teachers from DoDEA schools helped review and select a universal curriculum.

"They looked at what our current curriculum might be lacking that our students are going to need in their job market," Einhorn said. "They made their decisions based on the need for a strong math vocabulary, a good balance between computation and problem solving, and the desire to have a hands-on activity-based learning experience."

Einhorn said the new curriculum is "thematically organized," introducing themes in each unit that will allow teachers to incorporate various subjects into each lesson.

"When the students are introduced to a new math skill in a unit such as the rain forest unit, they enjoy learning because it's relevant to their interests and they understand how it applies to their world," Einhorn said.

Einhorn said the new program also places a strong emphasis on the development of a math vocabulary and writing techniques, skills required on the Terra Nova Assessment Test.

"We've typically asked our students to explain their reasoning when we evaluate their skills, but we haven't given them the tools to do that proficiently in the past. This is one of the best aspects of the new curriculum."

Faith Middle School math teacher Alice Hiltibrand agreed that Math Thematics is ultimately more practical than the curriculum she currently uses in her classes.

"This will require a lot more technical writing, as opposed to the creative writing we've been stressing for years," Hiltibrand said. "Studies show that this is where schools in the United States lag behind other nations, particularly Japan.

> "Every child has a different way of learning, and this curriculum allows you to pool from different methods of teaching."
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> **— Richard Thomas**
> Fourth-grade teacher

This kind of critical thinking and extensive writing will really help these students when they need it in the job market."

Richard Thomas, a fourth-grade teacher at White Elementary School, said the new curriculum incorporates a wide variety of resources that will alleviate the monotony of math.

"Yes there's a lot of repetition so they grasp new skills, but it's so flexible that it's never boring for the students. It uses so many resources like manipulatives, computer software, overheads, big books ... ," Thomas said. "I've used some of the methods in my classroom already and I'm seeing immediate results. Every child has a different way of learning, and this curriculum allows you to pool from different methods of teaching."

Fort Benning teachers and administrators began pre-implementation training last fall to prepare them to teach the new math curriculum next year. Einhorn conducted individualized training for all grades at each elementary school. In April, middle school teachers and administrators attended training sessions at the Fort Benning Schools administrative offices.

"By the end of May, our teachers will have had at least six hours of training on the new curriculum, some much more than that," Einhorn said. "The pre-implementation training has given them a real handle on the new material and they're very excited about introducing it to their students."

Although all Fort Benning schools are now prepared to fully implement the new curriculum in their classrooms next year, some teachers have already begun to borrow from the materials they have reviewed.

"We were instructed not to introduce it completely yet," said Dorothy Hyder, an instruction support specialist at White Elementary School. "But it's such good material that it's hard not to jump right into it. It's concrete as opposed to abstract learning. They (students) get to use manipulative for longer periods of time, and that makes them feel more comfortable with the

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Representatives answer questions at postwide town hall meeting

Karen Taylor
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For Fort Benning residents who have questions about their community, the postwide town hall meeting has answers.

Residents from all neighborhoods are invited to attend the first-ever postwide town hall meeting at 7 p.m. May 23 in the cafeteria of Faith Middle School.

"It's a way to express grievances, concerns and suggestions to the people who make decisions," said Command Sgt. Major Ken Graham, garrison command sergeant major.

"This is your venue to express what you really feel about your community, good and bad.

"It's the best opportunity you have. The garrison commander and all the directors of the different agencies are there," he said.

Agencies attending the meeting include AAFES, Directorate of Community Activities, housing, Directorate of Public Works, the hospital, TRICARE, the commissary and military police.

In addition, the community life NCOs, volunteer mayors and the garrison commander, Col. John Mitchell will be on hand to answer questions.

"You couldn't get a better audience other than the CG himself, or the chief of staff," Graham said.

Also invited are the sponsoring commanders and sergeant majors of each community. It is a chance for them to explain their involvement in the community and put faces to its members, Graham said. "Many people don't understand the role of sponsors."

If panel members do not have an immediate answer to a question, concern or suggestion, they will get back to that individual, Graham said.

In the past, each community had its own meeting. "This year we decided to try something different," said Jodie Bowers, president of the mayors' association.

The postwide meeting aims to bring everyone together in one place to discuss a variety of community issues.

Every neighborhood has many of the same problems, Graham said.

But in many cases, "(Residents) may not know who to turn to," Bowers said.

Issue sheets are available for residents to fill out prior to the meeting at the family unit network center located at Building 359 on Ingersoll Avenue. Residents can submit completed issue sheets to the FUN Center, fax to 545-3020 or e-mail to criderj2@benning.army.mil by Tuesday.

Using the issue sheets, it gives people a chance to think about questions in advance, Graham said.

Bowers said she will take sheets to the appropriate agency. This enables directors to do research if necessary in order to fully address a particular issue.

"If someone has a suggestion (the agency) can tell them the legal ramifications, financial ramifications and everything else that has to do with it," Graham said.

Residents also can bring the sheet with them to the meeting as a reference for their questions or comments.

"We want to make sure every one gets a chance (to participate)," Bowers said.

Housing: Opens up

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Preservation Office," Anonas said.

In fact, Larry Jones, a historic architect was involved with the project to ensure the historic integrity of the structure was maintained during construction, said Dr. Chris Hamilton, cultural resource manager.

All windows and doors are original, just cleared of the lead paint, said Harold Hartman, area engineer with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Savannah District.

"It's the original woodwork from the 1930s," he said. "Even the wood floors are original. They were just sanded down and refinished."

The changes within each white elephant unit include transforming the third bedroom into a nook for a washer and dryer hookup, and constructing an adjacent bath with a shower.

A master bedroom exists in place of the sleeping porch, complete with his and hers closets.

The kitchen was gutted and refurbished with new cabinetry, sinks and vinyl flooring.

Other added features were sprinklers, cable hookup, new phone jacks and new light fixtures.

Also, several built-ins in the living room and master bedroom provide extra storage or display areas.

One well-loved feature by residents is the new patio right out front of each doorway.

As a part of the project, the ground was dug up to replace sewer lines.

"We had to re-sod and added sidewalks," Hartman said. "Students at Dexter really like using that sidewalk."

It not only keeps the children safe from traffic, but preserves the grass, he said.

Before Phase I of the white elephant project even began, the staff from JRA Architects walked through the 120 units more than three years ago.

"We made notes on where each spot of mildew was. We went into every single garage," Anamos said.

This field work done by the architects set the plans for what needed to be done to each unit.

Phase II is scheduled for completion in October followed by Phase III in April 2001.

community briefs

on post

AUSA holds job fair— The AUSA Job Fair is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday in Infantry Hall.

All Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians and their family members are welcome to attend.

For more details or help preparing a resume, call the Army Career and Alumni Program, Transition Assistance Office at 545-2308.

Girl Scouts seek unwanted clothes — Girl Scout troop 69 is collecting unwanted clothes to donate to Columbus shelters.

Clothes of all sizes will be accepted as well as toys, shoes and other items.

For more information, call 687-8643.

Nature Conservancy seeks volunteers — The Nature Conservancy of Georgia is seeking a volunteer educator to present environmental awareness lessons to local schools. Familiarity with the Fort Benning community is essential. Experience teaching or working with youths is highly desirable.

For more information, call 545-7549.

Office relocates in hospital — The Admissions and Dispositions and Air Evac offices have relocated to a new area in the hospital, Room 170 next to the pharmacy waiting room and across from Outpatient Records. Phone numbers will remain the same.

Students: Benefit from changes

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concepts they're learning. I'm thrilled with it."

Einhorn said parents will have the opportunity to view the new curriculum in August. Most schools are planning "training" sessions for parents to familiarize them with the new program. Parents also will receive periodic newsletters to update them on the skills their children are learning and offer practical ways to reinforce them at home.

"It's important to us that parents are kept abreast of their child's progress and that they understand this curriculum is very different from what they may have come to expect," Einhorn said. "But now they will know what to expect any time they move to a new installation. That's the beauty of standardizing math throughout the whole system, and hopefully we'll head in that direction with all our other curriculums also."

births

Girls

Mylan Marie Allen — born April 20 to Rosemary and 1st Lt. Marcus Allen.

Alejandra Rose Artalejo — born April 20 to Annie and Spc. Robert Artalejo.

Rachel Cheyanne DeClue — born April 20 to Lori and Spc. Charles DeClue II.

Mary Helen Sewell — born April 26 to Laura and Pfc. James Sewell.

Boys

Michael Joseph Fazio Jr. — born April 22 to Joy and Capt. Michael Fazio.

Kyle Alexander Geolas — born April 22 to Stephanie and Capt. Christopher Geolas.

Gavin Pierce Torbert — born April 24 to Elizabeth and Pfc. Randy Torbert.

Cade Alexander Coffey — born April 25 to Tara and 1st Lt. Dwayne Coffey.

Richard Charles Willham Jr. — born April 26 to Charity and Spc. Richard Willham.

Logan Alexander Williams — born April 27 to Sherry and 2nd Lt. Alexander Williams.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

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Penny O'Conner
Directorate of Public Works

Road Closure

From Monday through May 26, Dixie Road will be closed between Way Street and Sightseeing Road to install utility connections and a concrete entrance to the new 17th Air Support Operations Squadron Facility.

Traffic will be detoured to Way Street and Sightseeing Road. Signs and barricades will be placed to clearly mark the detour route. For more information, call Jon Taso at 544-4601, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Reduced services

Service Orders: Shop staffing levels will be minimal due to employee participation in Safety Stand Down Day May 25. The Directorate of Public Works work reception section will coordinate all services and emergency response.

To call in a service order or to report an emergency, call the work order desk at 545-2135.

For more information, call Glenn Todd, DPW customer relations specialist, at 545-2117.

Family Housing Branch: Offices will be closed May 25. For more information, call the Family Housing Office at 545-2988.

Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center: All sections of the Self-Help Center will be closed May 25. The Center will reopen at 8:30 a.m. May 26. For more information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

Air conditioning startup begins

Criteria for startup of air conditioning in administrative areas and buildings on post were met on Sunday.

Startup is authorized when the effective outside temperature exceeds 85 degrees for four out of five consecutive days. Calculations to determine the effective temperature include the humidity as well as temperature.

DPW personnel began bringing air conditioning systems on line on Monday. However, not all systems can be started automatically, some must be turned on manually and there may be some delay in service in some buildings or areas.

Customers can assist in ensuring that their air conditioning equipment operates at maximum efficiency by installing new filters.

Frequent changes of filters will keep interior air cleaner and reduce equipment down time. Please be aware that customers with a documented medical exception to policy have top priority. Service orders for troop living quarters and for family housing are normally given priority over those for administrative areas.

If air conditioning has not been started up in a building, a service order should be called in to the work order desk at 545-2135.

For more information, call the Energy and Utilities Division office at 545-4480.

Power outage notice

On May 26 Flint EMCS will conduct a series of scheduled power outages in the area served by the Baltzell Power Substation. This area runs east to west from the golf course to Edwards Street, and north to south from Mountain Division Road to Dixie Road.

The purpose of the outages is to map the extent of the underground feeds out of the substation. Currently, the precise coverage of each feed is not known. The determination of the exact coverage area for each circuit will help reduce the length of unscheduled outages in the future.

A 30-minute outage is scheduled for each of the five underground circuits originating from this substation as follows:

- From 7 to 7:30 a.m. — Baltzell and Rainbow avenues.
- From 7:30 to 8 a.m. — museum area.
- From 8 to 8:30 a.m. — golf course and Iron Triangle.
- From 8:30 to 9 a.m. — Wold, Ingersoll and Vibbert streets, Miler and Austin loops, Officers Club and Quarters 1.
- From 9 to 9:30 a.m. — Lumpkin and Blessing roads and Zukerman and Perkins streets and the area between Edwards and Ingersoll.

The outage areas are defined as closely as possible at this time. Circuit coverage may not match the identified areas exactly. As a result, outages in some buildings may not occur exactly as the schedule above indicates.

For more information, call Benny Hines at 545-4310.

Memorial Day schedule

Family Housing Branch: Offices will be closed May 29. For more information, call the Family Housing Office at 545-2988.

Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center: All sections will be closed May 27-29. The Center will reopen at 8:30 a.m. May 30. For more information, call Shirley at 545-1121.

Yard Waste collection: There will be no pick-up in family housing on May 29. The next scheduled yard waste pick-up will be June 5. For more information, call the DPW Construction Inspection Branch at 545-4232.

Garbage and Recycle collection: No pick-ups on May 29; areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Monday will be picked up on May 30 instead. Garbage and recycle collection in family housing for May 30 through June 2, will occur as normally scheduled. For more information, call CIB at 545-4232.



Pets of the Week

An adult female domestic long-haired cat and an adult female Staffordshire terrier are just a few of the animals available. There are currently 17 kittens available for adoption and many more animals are in need of a good home.

For more information about these or any other pets, call the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic at 545-4826.



Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

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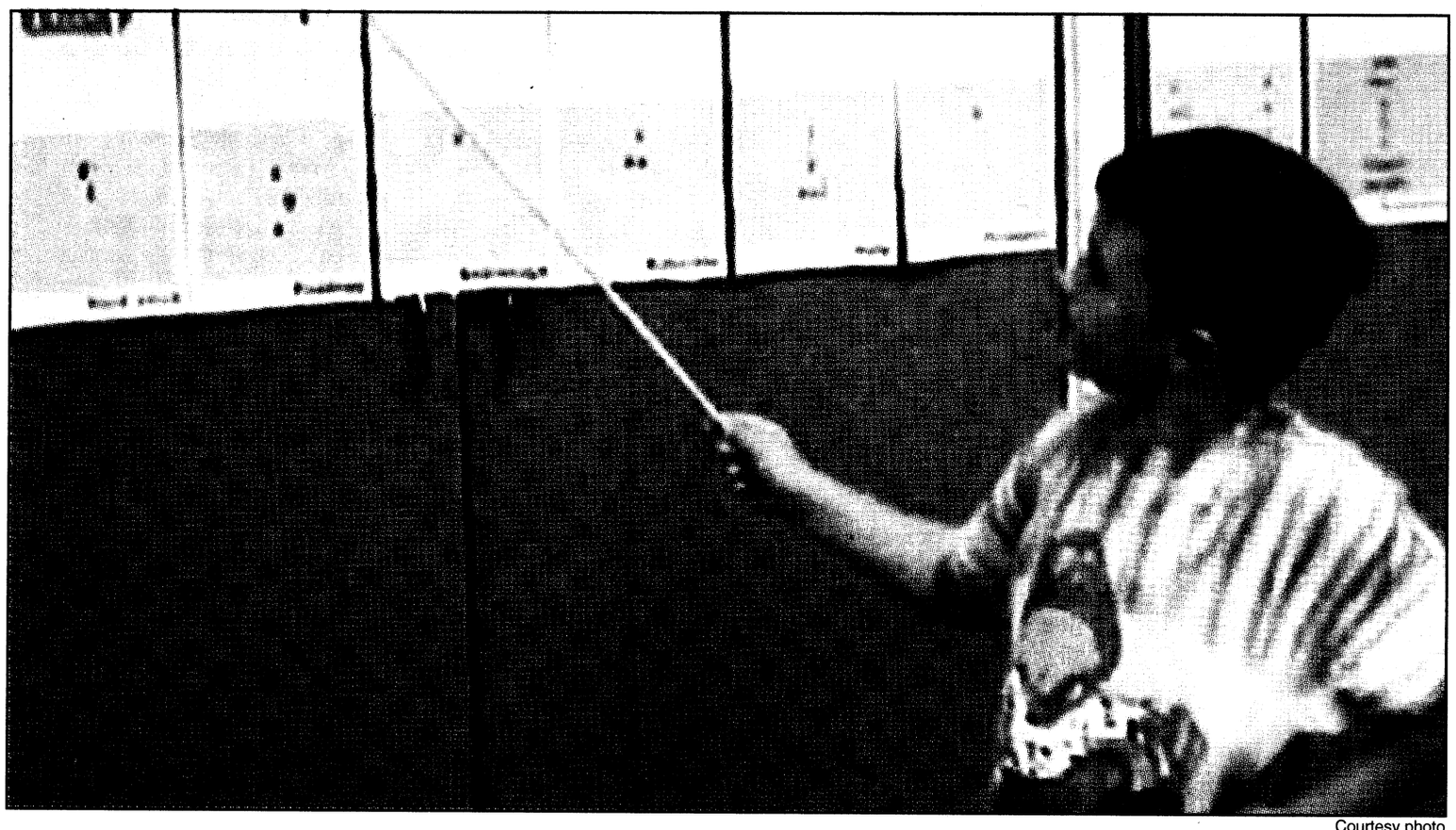

Courtesy photo

Brandon Wright, a kindergartner at Loyd Elementary School, leads the class in a Marva Collins' chant.

Kindergartners share opinions about phonics ...

"I like the vowel signals best."
— Jazzmyne Olivier

"It helps me know my letter sounds."
— Rowan Harris

"I like saying the chanting words."
— Kevin Quintero

"I think it's great because it's fun and it helps us to write."
— Lyanna Quintero

"Marva Collins helps me to learn about words and read more."
— Austin Stevens

Students learn key to reading

Loyd children master phonics during class

Loyd Elementary School

The kindergarten students at Loyd Elementary have taken to heart their title, "Pre-First Graders."

Their teachers have received training with one of Marva Collins' proteges, Rita McGlothin, and have charged into the phonics instruction with single-minded verve, as they adopted the Marva Collins philosophy, *Welcome to Success*!

This is the message that greets every student at Marva Collins' Eastside Preparatory School in Chicago. She has learned that the secret to every child's success is in building his self confidence (esteem).

At Marva's school, every child is told "You can do it" and "I will not let you fail." And she set out to build an educational program that will instill success in every child. That's why every child in grades kindergarten through eighth recites the Marva Collins Phonics Wall Cards every day. She knows that when a child has a command of his or her language, the possibilities are endless.

What better way to instill this command of language than by giving each child the keys to unlocking all of its mysteries. Those keys are phonics.

The program was easy to implement, and easy to follow. The results were incredible. Kindergartners at Loyd are now reading, and reading well. They are self-confident learners that any first-grade teacher would be thrilled to receive.

So, what do the cards do? The wall cards unlock the mystery of any word in English. The wall cards and the chants that go along with the cards help the students learn these keys to reading. The simple exercises make the transition from knowing the keys of phonics to using the keys to phonics.

Parents of our students report that their children recite the chants in the bathtub, in the Commissary and even at the dinner table.

The students love to demonstrate their expertise for friends, family and even for school visitors.

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For more information about this program, call the school office at 544-4342.



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Remember, celebrate mothers this holiday

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott New
Deputy USAIC Chaplain

As you think of your mother there are probably a lot of emotions and memories that readily come to mind.

When we were very young, the time spent with moms may have consisted of trips to the store, playing a variety of games, enforcing the completion of homework, chores and doing the right thing.

reflections

As we get older the memories shift in many cases to the quiet support that a mother gives to each child in her own unique and personal way.

As we celebrate Mother's Day this weekend it could be interesting to ask yourself, "How do I honor my mother?" For some, it is sending a card, or others giving a gift. We can honor our mothers every day.

A couple questions can easily measure how much we honor our mothers. Would my mother be proud of "this" action? Would she like to hear the words coming out of my mouth right now? Would I want her to know what I am thinking, or watching on TV or at the movies?

There is not one person who could answer these questions with a "yes" all of the time. However, we can be aware that each mother models to her children the values by which to live life.

There are instances in the Bible where mothers are highlighted. In most cases, the love mothers gave to their children was connected to the love they experienced with God.

Hannah was the mother of Samuel. She prayed for the privilege of being a mother. Early in Samuel's life, Hannah gave him back to God and Samuel became the prophet who anointed the first two kings of Israel.

Moses' mother hid him three months before turning him over to God by placing him in a basket and setting him at the brink of the Nile River. Moses became the leader of more than a million Israelite people exiting out of Egypt and the author of the first five books of the Bible.

How we live our lives will either honor or dishonor our mothers. God has given us our mothers as an extension of his love and has entrusted them with the responsibility of giving us a faith and value system.

I hope as you celebrate Mother's Day you will remember your mother with great fondness and honor her with a lifestyle she would view with pride. May God richly bless you as you bless one another.

chapel notes

Sunday School meets at White Elementary — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Everyone is invited. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The theme is "Feed My Sheep."

New board members will be installed at this meeting. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Military Council of Catholic Women meet Friday — The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m. today at the Main Post Catholic Chapel.

After the meeting a mass will be celebrated.

Child care is available.

All women are invited to share in fellowship.

For more information, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Vacation Bible School needs volunteers — Vacation Bible School will be at White Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. to noon June 19-23.

The theme this year is "In the Race with Jesus, Road Rally 2000."

There will be classes for students from 4 years of age through junior high and middle school.

Volunteers are needed in all positions — musicians, teachers and assistant teachers, recreation, refreshment and administrative personnel.

To volunteer, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4517.

Single parents must love, work more

Chap. (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center

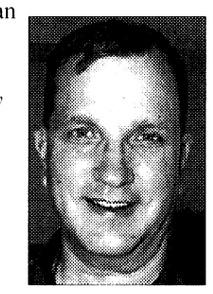
If you are a single parent you don't need to be reminded that you face an especially challenging job.

Noted Christian speaker and author Josh McDowell said, "If you're married but your relationship with your spouse is cold, at least you have hope that through love, work, counseling and prayer, your marriage can become what it ought to be. The single parent, however, doesn't have that hope. What do you do?"

Divorce is the single largest contributor to single parenthood. If at all possible, it is best that both parents, even though divorced, remain active in their children's life. And for single parents in the military life it can get pretty interesting when deployments take them away from their children.

How can single parents model a loving relationship for their child?

Plain and simple, it cannot be done. However there are some things that can be done that may help.



Using McDowell's book, *How to Help Your Child Say No to Sexual Pressure*, as a guide let me offer single parents some suggestions. Overdose your child with love. As much as possible, you should support your child's need for parental love by yourself. It's quality and quantity that can make a difference.

I realize that the vast majority of single parents have to work outside the home and then face more work when they get home.

For many the last thing they feel like doing is playing with their child. So much to do and so little time to get everything accomplished.

However, as McDowell noted, "Aggressively loving your children takes a firm commitment on your part."

Second, divorce can bring the worst out in people and it is tempting to speak negatively about marriage. However, this can create an attitude in your child that you do not wish them to have.

Even though your marriage ended in a divorce, talk to your children positively about what marriage can be. When they ask you why your marriage didn't work out, admit any mistakes that you may have made and assure them that even though you got a divorce, marriage can be a wonderful experience.

Third, sex outside of marriage is wrong. If you do not want your children to engage in premarital sex then you should not. Plain and simple, if it is not right for your children then it is not right for you.

The Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center exists to help all Soldiers and their families including single-parent families.

If the pressures of being a single parent are overwhelming, give the Center a call at 545-2050 or 545-7777 to get some help in meeting the challenge of being a single parent.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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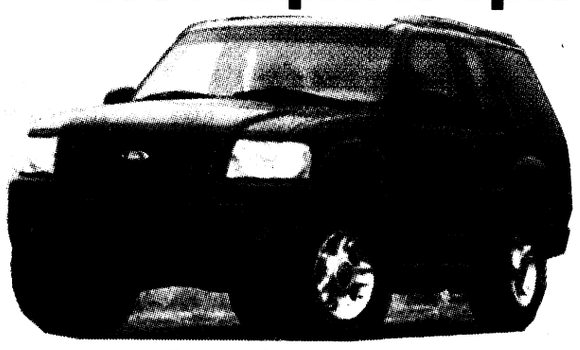

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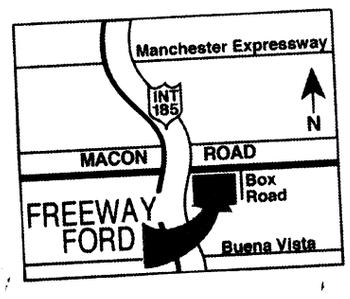

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SPORTS

SECTION C

OCs go head-to-head in JMAC competition



Spc. Amy Nyland

Officer Candidate Elizabeth Dubreuil tries to knock out one more situp during the Joint Military Athletic Competition Saturday at Maxwell Air Force Base.

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

Beneath the stinging rays of a blazing sun, hundreds of officer candidates from the Army, Air Force and Navy squared off in a test of brawn and endurance during the Joint Military Athletic Competition Saturday at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Ala.

JMAC, which is an olympics of sorts for the officer candidates, pits the three services against one another in six different events — a three-mile run, super physical fitness test relay, 3 x .5 mile relay, volleyball competition, stretcher carry and tug of war, said 2nd Lt. Christopher Augustine, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, adjutant.

Augustine explained the services are awarded points based on the place they come in for each event.

This year's JMAC ended bittersweet for the officer candidates of the 3rd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., when they were forced to turn over the trophy, a "bomb," to the Navy after being edged out of first place by one point.

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>
> **— Officer Candidate Elizabeth Dubreuil**
> JMAC competitor

The Army managed to secure second place with a score of 17 points while the Air Force came in third with 13 points.

JMAC is a semi-annual competition that originally began in 1994 as a competition between the Air Force and Navy officer candidate schools.

In 1998 the Army OCS was invited in on the fun and has since participated in five competitions, winning every one until now, Augustine said.

The day started out slow for the Army after taking third place in the first event — the three-mile run. However, first place finishes in both the volleyball and stretcher carry events kept them neck-and-neck with the Navy.

By JMAC's end, the Navy and Army were tied and the fate of both was to be determined by the tug of war.

The Army candidates spared no expense coming to the rope clad in "warrior" faces.

However even camouflage wasn't enough to secure the win as the Army was pulled over the line by a triumphant Navy.

Although the Army didn't return with the "bomb" this year Senior OC Elizabeth Dubreuil, competitor in the super APFT, said she is proud of everyone and how much they put into the competition.

"OCS is very physically challenging and people had to reach deep down to pull out the extra strength to be as competitive as they were at JMAC," Debreuil said. "I am really proud of everyone and feel that to lose by only one point is still amazing."

Dubreuil mentioned that her favorite thing about the competition was just being able to see how the other services operate.

"Overall my experience with the other officer candidates was the best thing about it. It was neat seeing how the other services do PT, organize themselves and march."

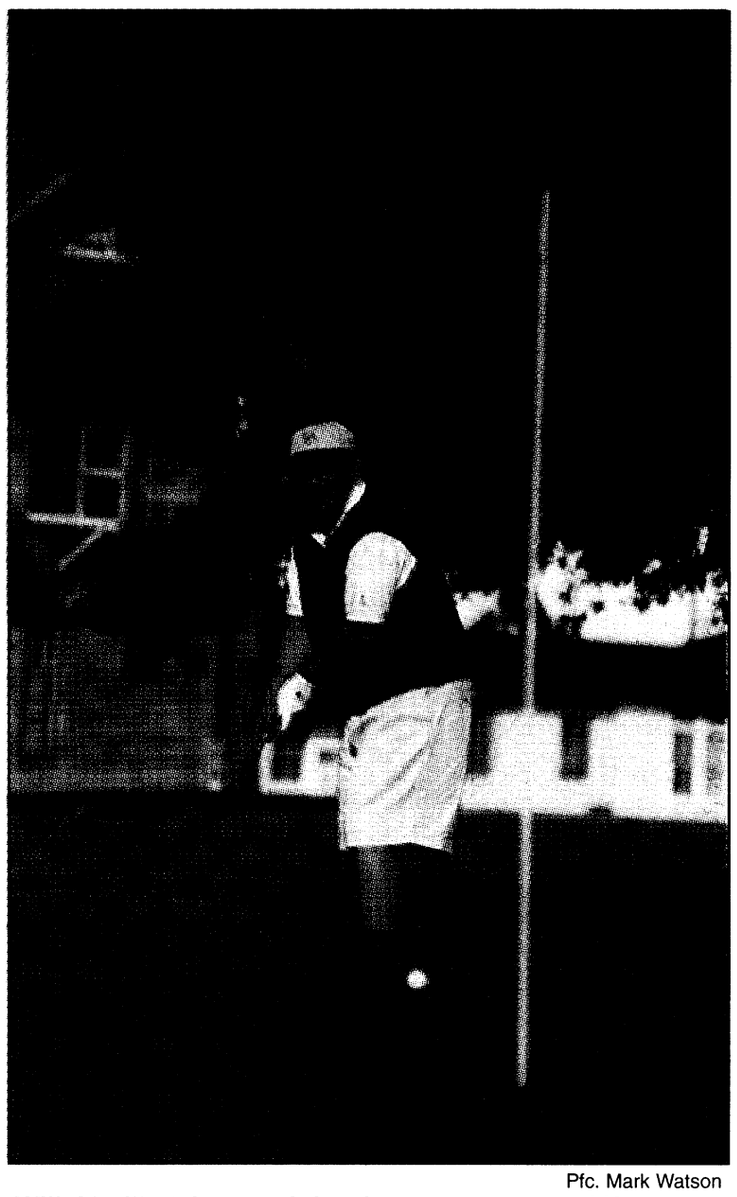
For Senior OC Dianne Petrowski it was exciting just to come out and have some fun. Petrowski said the main objective was to bring everyone together and promote esprit de corps.

Big swing



Pfc. Mark Watson

Braves pitcher Graham Sherril swings for the fence in Tuesday's Youth Service baseball game against the Red Sox. Although they lost their first meeting between the two teams at the beginning of the season, the Braves drove home 10 runs in six innings of play. The Red Sox team scored six runs.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Will Alarilla tries to sink a long putt on the 11th green during the Mayors' Cup Golf Tournament.

Mayors' Cup tourney attracts more than 100

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff writer

The fourth annual Mayors' Cup Golf Tournament was held Saturday and Sunday at the Follow Me Golf Course.

More than 100 golfers showed up for this year's annual tournament, which supported the Asian Pacific Alliance Education Fund.

This year's winners were:

For the Men's Championship flight: John Littletook first, in second was Tom Daniels followed by Won Yi, Chad Andrea and Bob Antoskow.

In the men's first flight, Ron Green won followed by Scott Polymale, Mike Ray Walt Worthington and Chef Lee.

In the second flight, Al McDowell came away with the win with John Spillar, Pat McKenzie, Jong Lee and Paul Kim finishing in their respective places.

For the third flight, Yoon Bok Change won, followed by Chang Soo Chong, Auprey Batts, David Brown and Ted Christobal.

In the fourth and final men's flight, Norm Kotaella took the top spot followed by Darrel Parkinson, Jerry Mazurkiewicz, Kris Sham and Charles Hill.

The overall women's championship went to three-time champion Jinson Antoswok, with Jennifer Thomas in second and Mary Henderson in third.

For the women's low net, Mavis Hill walked away with the win, followed by Cordy Arnold, Nina Green and Jodi Arnold.

Golf Scramble tees off for Red Cross

Staff Sgt. Chris Fletcher
C Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment

The Golf Scramble, sponsored by the 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, "Raiders," will be May 25 at the Follow Me Golf Course.

According to Pfc. Christopher Applegate, the tournament's organizer and the battalion finance personnel clerk, this should be a lot of fun and should have some great prizes.

"We're sponsoring the event and all proceeds will go to the Red Cross," Applegate explained. He added that the battalion was looking for a different way to help the Red Cross in addition to doing the blood drives that the unit conducts.

Applegate said prizes will be given for a variety of different things such as closest to the pin and the longest drive, as well as door prizes.

A scramble is played in the following way, four golfers team together at the same hole, tee up and each drive their ball toward the hole, Applegate said.

The golfer in that group with the best shot is whose ball the team uses to progress toward the hole. The game is played in this manner for the entire 18 holes of golf.

Any interested golfers should call Applegate at 544-8737. The cost to enter the tourney is $35 for civilians, $25 for nonmembers of the golf course and $20 for all members of the Follow Me Golf Course.

"If you didn't make it to a blood drive than this is a good way to help the Red Cross," Applegate said. "I hope everybody will have a lot of fun because it's for a good cause."

Trail provides multilevel challenge

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff writer

outdoor corner



A wonderful thing happened to me this weekend — I fell in love. I don't think I can pinpoint the exact moment that it hit me, but I definitely know that there is no other one for me. The first minute I laid my eyes on its beautiful physique and spectacular colors it was all over. But the true moment of elation came when I finally saddled up and went for a ride.

Now don't get the wrong idea here, what I am referring to is the new mountain bike I bought on Friday. After months of debating over whether I should throw down the dough for a new bike I finally decided what the heck. And let me tell you it was one of the best decisions I ever made.

What makes it even better was the perfect trail I discovered this weekend. On Sunday I headed out to the Tuskegee National Forest in Tuskegee, Ala., where the Bartram Trail was waiting to be conquered.

You can find the Bartram Trail by taking Highway 80 West out of Phenix City. You will drive for about 40 miles until you pass under an overpass. The Tuskegee National Forest will be on the right about two or three miles after the underpass.

I was so excited to test out my new bike that I had barely rolled to a stop before I was jumping out of my truck. Within a flash I had thrown on my necessary gear — helmet, gloves and Camelbak, and was on my way.

About a half a mile into the trail I was pleased to encounter another female rider and after a minute or two of conversation I decided to follow her lead. It wasn't long before things started to really pick up.

The section of the trail we were traveling on was thick with magnolia trees so there were plenty of roots to dodge and drive over. Not only that but the single track was full of twists and turns so I had to watch myself when flying around corners. There was almost always a nice big tree or mogul waiting to take me out.

What impressed me the most about the trail was the fact that it wasn't too hard or too easy. There were plenty of times I was flying down the track so fast the bugs stung when they hit my face. There were also times when I thought my heart was going to pop out of my chest trying to negotiate myself up one of the hills.

It always seemed that if I was getting too comfortable something would come up to challenge me. And then when things seemed to get too tough it wasn't long before they were easy again.

I would recommend this trail for anyone. Beginner and intermediate riders will find plenty of challenges and more experienced bikers can practice their skills while getting some miles in. The trail is supposedly 18 miles out and back.

I will warn anyone who goes out however, that the trail does have some areas with extreme erosion and there are a couple of unexpected ravines. If you have never been you might want to take it easy on your first trip to scope out the area. So far this trail is definitely on the top of my list.

I'm already dreaming about when I can go back out again.

sports briefs

Challenger Baseball seeks participants — Challenger Baseball is a league that provides school-aged children who are moderately to severely handicapped an opportunity to learn team building skills, along with increasing fine and gross motor skills. The league is nationwide and is sanctioned by the Little League.

For more information, call Marsha Collins at 545-3344 or 545-6969.

Audie Murphy Gymnasium hosts competition — A bench press competition is scheduled for 9 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Monday at the Audie Murphy Gymnasium. Active duty personnel will compete for the title of Fort Benning's most powerful.

Registration is from 9 to 10:45 a.m., and there will be a safety and rules briefing.

For more information, call 545-3417.

Bowling Center hosts tournament — The Main Post Bowling Center will host an Elimination Scratch Tournament.

The purpose of this Scratch, no handicap tournament is to select men and women teams to represent Fort Benning in a TRADOC Tournament, which will be held at Fort Benning.

Georgia Parks offers annual pass — Outdoor enthusiasts can save money at any of Georgia's 48 state parks this year by buying an Annual ParkPass.

The pass is $25 and provides unlimited access to Georgia State Parks without paying the $2-$4 daily parking fee.

For an additional $10, visitors can join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites" which offers not only the annual pass, but also discounts in Friends-operated gift shops, free historic site admission, one free round of golf, volunteer opportunities and a newsletter.

For more information about the ParkPass program, call (404) 657-9851.

Mothers receive free admission — Moms will receive free admission to the nationwide championship on Mother's Day Sunday where they will see Senior PGA Tour players vie for a $1.45 million purse in the 10th annual Nationwide Championship.

The tournament runs till Sunday at the Golf Club of Georgia in Alpharetta.

Individual tickets to the tournament are available for $20 to $25 while package deals are available for $175 to $2,000. The seven-day tournament benefits Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

For more information, call (404) 303-0993.

Rugby season is underway — The Columbus-Fort Benning Cruise-A-Matics kicked off their training season Thursday. The team begins their tournament May 27.

For more information on the training and matches, call Gary Kent at 324-4924 or Jim Muldoon at 327-6544.

Girls softball camps seeks players — The Higher Ground Girls Softball Camps will hold two camps in Columbus.

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94 Cadillac S-D, loaded, $11500. O.B.O. 322-7850. (P12)

94 2-door, green Honda Civic EX. Only 60,000 miles. Best Bid Gets Car. Call 685-3428. (F19)

95 Ford Taurus GL, champagne, remote and keyless entry, loaded with options, V-6, excellent condition, clean, new brakes, 93k miles, $5900. 568-9407. (F12)

95 Eagle Talon in good condition asking10 K, give me a call at 687-8819 after 5:00pm. (F2)

95 Oldsmobile Cierra, power everything, blue book value 6,500, sale $5000. 565-0332. Very clean. (F26)

95 Toyota Camry LE, good condition, runs great, 4 door, A/C, new tires, must see. Call 563-8901. $9000. (F26)

1995 Ford Contour GL Sedan 4DR,V6, 2.5L, automatic, FWD, PS, PW, PDL, AM/FM CD, Dual Air Bags, ABS, A/C, Tilt, Steering, Maroon; 57,137mi. Kelley Blue Book: $7,605, asking $7,000. 689-9614. (F19)

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98 Chevy Camaro, V6 Engine, Excellent condition. 27,000 miles asking $16,000 or best offer. Call 689-1788 or 577-6048. (F12)

98 Contour SE, 4-dr, v-6, loaded, sunroof, leather, cd player, cruise control, electric locks and windows with over drive. 11k miles. $10,900.298-2344. (F26)

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Yard Sales

2176 Shelby St., 8-?, Cancel if raining. Goose bumps books, mens clothes, etc. (F12)

693 A Kandle Dr., (Custer Terrace), Multi family yard sale. Sat. 13th. Everything must go. (F12)

44b Doane Loop, strollers, computer games, clothes, car speakers, and odds and ends. 8:00 am - 2:00 pm.(F12)

110 McAfee St. (Indianhead Terrace) 13 May 8:00 am till ???(F12)

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Computer video card, Diamond Stealth III S540 4X AGP. 32MB. Brand new. Never installed. Make offer. 448-4630 after 5:00p.m. (F12)

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Furniture

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Sauder wood entertainment center. Fits most 27" t.v.'s Excellent condition/one year old/maple color. $75. Wood/glass coffee table. Excellent condition used 6 months. Maple color. $50. 687-6524, please leave message during the day. (F19)

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Lost pets

Lost Dog. Black and White Male 1 y/o Australian Shepherd. Has One Blue eye and one Brown eye. Answers to the name Granite or Granny. Last seen near Dixie road on March 7. Please call 687-7717 or Animal Control/MPs. (F19)

Miscellaneous

Ab roller $20, comforter set with curtains $50, Gloria Vanderbilt luggage $100., 5 in 1 sports kids game $30., complete beautiful bathroom set, like new. $50. Little Tykes table with chair, like new. 689-2219. (F12)

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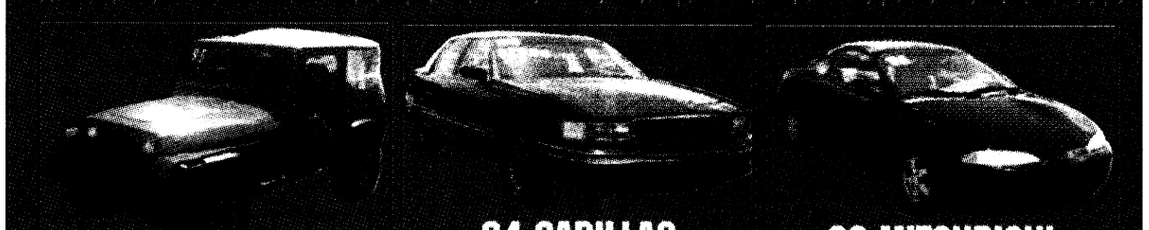

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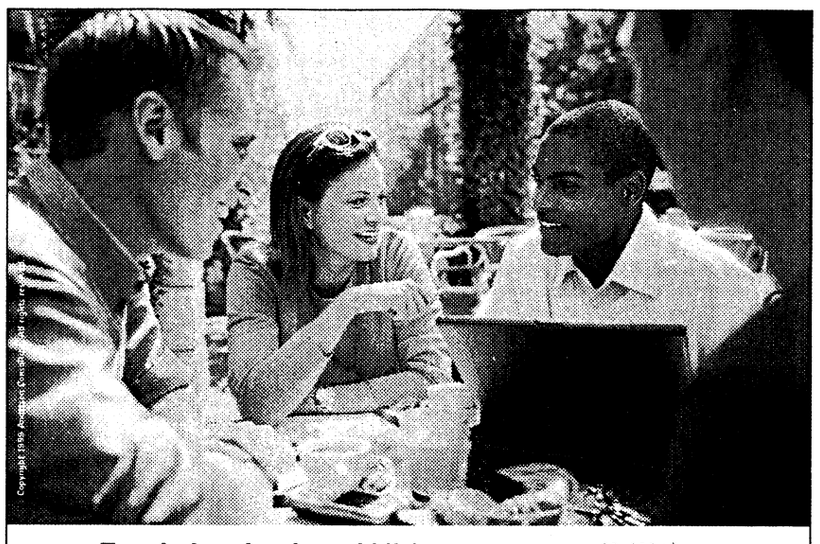

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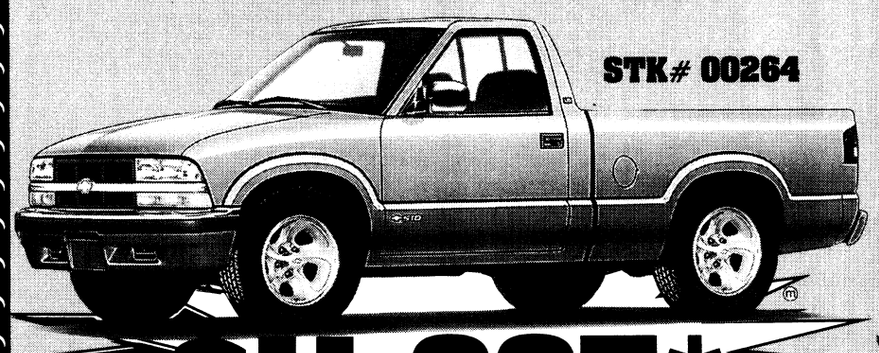

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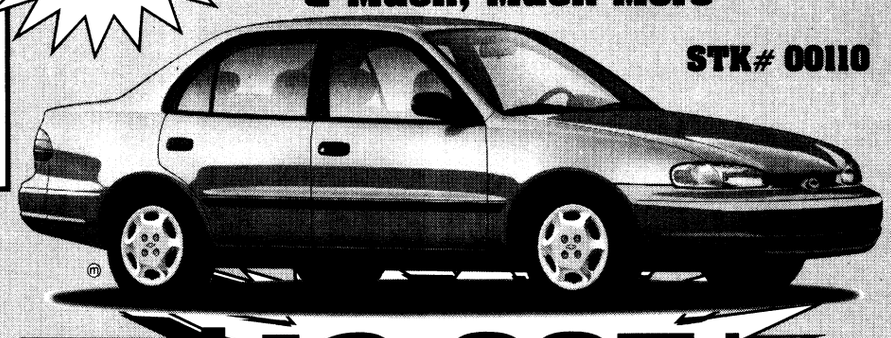

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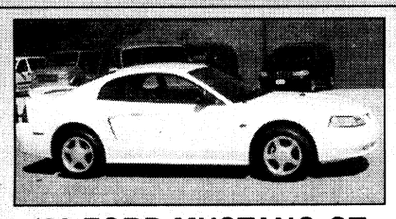

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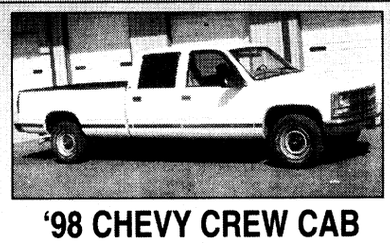

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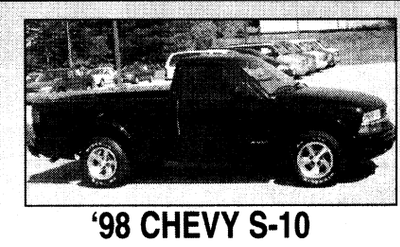

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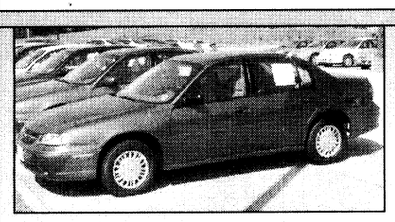

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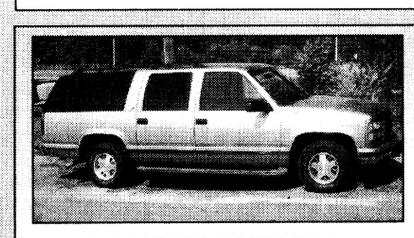

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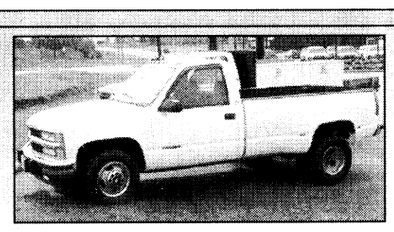

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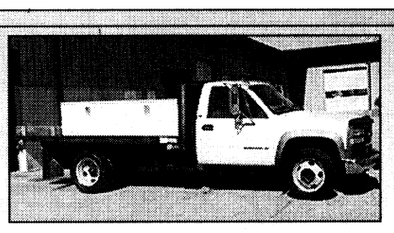

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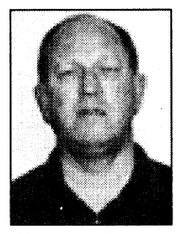

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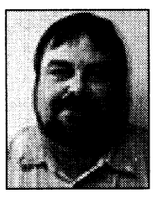

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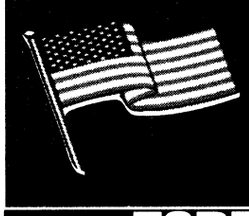

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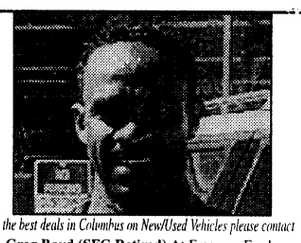

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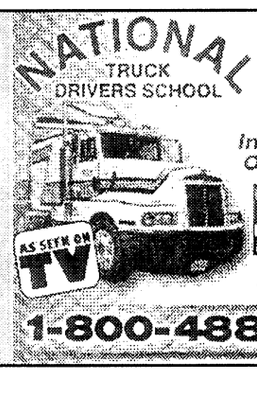

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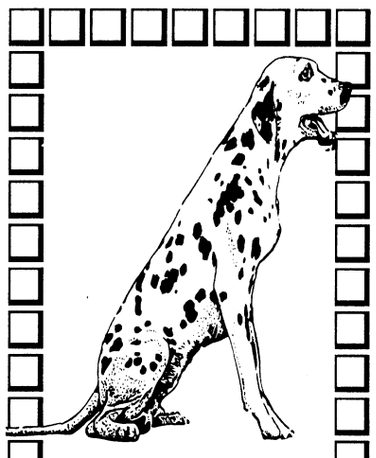

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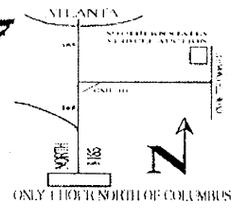

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These are prime, in demand vehicles, that are either repossessed, overaged or a terminated lease situation.

Bankers will be on hand at Bill Heard's main location at 3615 Manchester Expressway until the end of June. Best of all, cut rate financing will be offered to those whose credit would not normally meet such an arrangement at rates that banks usually reserve for their blue chip clients. Quoting Watts, "I can't imagine that anyone anywhere who has strained credit would want to miss this chance to become associated with such a reputable national lender at a rate generally set aside for only the affluent, and to seriously repair their credit standing.

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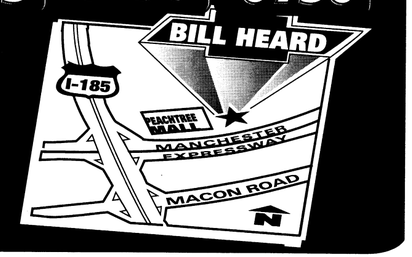

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Bill boosts funding for schools

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Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Muscogee schools will receive more than $900,000 to offset the the cost of educating military dependents thanks to a new bill passed by Congress this week.

The Impact Aid Reauthorization Act of 2000 increases financial aid to schools by $15,000 over last year's figure of $885,000.

"This bill continues to help school districts perform the vital job of educating the children of our military personnel," Collins said.

Local school officials said the increase is still not enough.

"We have seen the Impact Aid numbers dwindle considerably over the past 10 years," said Fred Jones, Muscogee County School treasurer. "Historically, the figure was somewhere around $1.5 million."

The tax that supports the school is part of local property tax base — a tax military service members living on post are exempt.

While that exemption is beneficial for the service member at tax time, it puts local schools in a situation where they are forced to foot the bill for the students from Fort Benning.

"The decrease in funding has put an added pressure on us, there is no doubt about that," Jones said. "But by raising funds through other means, we don't believe the students feel the pressure."

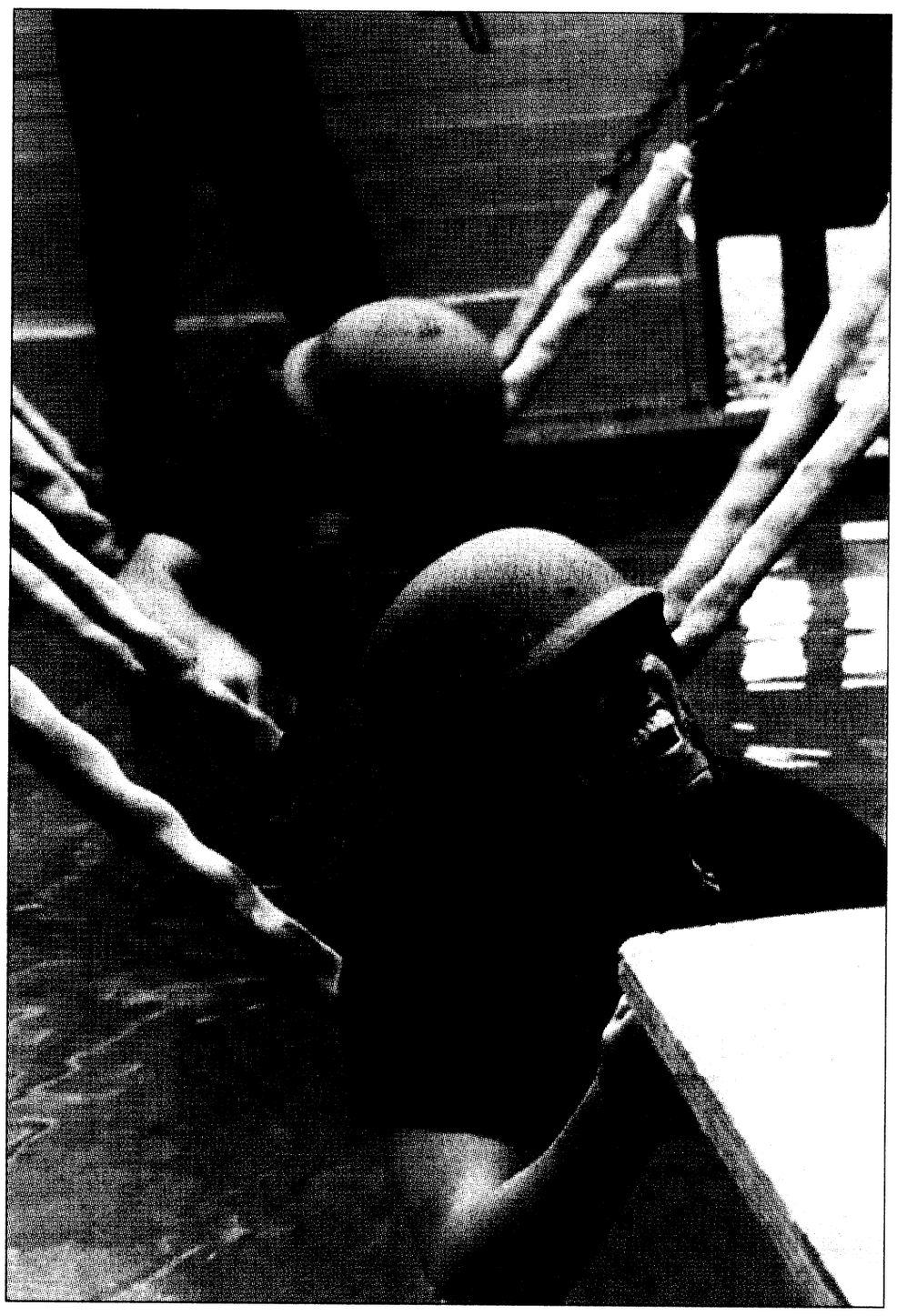
Currently, there are no programs or positions that have been disbanded at Muscogee Schools due to the lack of Impact funding, but Jones said he couldn't rule out a possible tax hike in the future to offset the gap left between the Impact Aid and the actual cost of educating military dependents in civilian schools.

The major reason students don't feel the funding bind is because the revenue generated from Impact Aid goes directly into the schools' general operating fund — a portion of the school's annual budget that appropriates monies for bills and day-to-day operation of the facility, Jones said.

"I am really surprised to hear of the increase," Jones said. "At one point in time we were told the program many be disbanded all together."

Collins spearheaded the campaign to overhaul the 50 year-old program, earning Georgia schools Impact Aid allocations totaling $13,551,000 in 2000.

Employees look for better way



Sally Shutt

Gina Gray, contract officer at Scott Air Force Base, Belleville, Ill., participates in the Leaders' Reaction Course.

DoD civilians take 10-month Armywide tour

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

A group of 59 Department of Defense employees spent a week at Fort Benning immersing themselves in Army training.

But some found themselves immersed in more than military methods their last morning on post.

Quite a few hit the water at the Leaders' Reaction Course and found themselves all wet.

Dressed in matching black twill pants and sports shirts with the Executive Leadership Development Program (ELDP) logo, the men and women worked in teams to complete the mission presented to them at each station along the reaction course.

"We are all different shapes, sizes and from all the different components of the Department of Defense," Rick Garver said. "But we've come together as a team."

Garver, safety manager with the Office of Safety and Loss Control, at Fort Shafter, Hawaii, and the other participants visited the post for a hands-on look at the Army, an experience designed to assist them in understanding the overall mission throughout DoD's area of operation.

The ELDP was established by the DoD in 1989 to prepare mid-level careerists for supervisory and executive positions.

See **PROGRAM**, A-5

Bands, food set for luau

Organizers call today's event bigger, better

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Last year's Fort Benning Asian Pacific Islander Luau brought more than 3,000 festival-goers to the Uchee Creek Campground and Marina, but event organizers hope to boost that number today as they the second annual heritage celebration at Uchee Creek.

"This year's celebration is guaranteed to be bigger and better than last year's," said Spc. Tina Fontaine, Asian Pacific Islander luau co-organizer. "We have more

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Marne Soldiers return

Soldiers come home after training at NTC

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

After spending more than a month in the California sand, the Soldiers of Fort Benning's 3rd Brigade Combat Team are home.

More than 1,000 Soldiers from five Fort Benning units teamed up with units from Fort Bragg, Fort Campbell and Fort Stewart to square off against one of the best opposition forces in the world — the warriors of the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif.

And while the 32 days in the sand battling the elite elusive force certainly tested the deployed elements, Brigade Commander Col. Anthony Cucolo said the lessons learned from the deployment began to tally up long before the first round was fired.

"Training for our deployment began earlier this spring with Marne Focus," Cucolo said. "And with the addition of a SEDRE to deploy us to Fort Irwin, the training lessons learned from this exercise were outstanding."

That SEDRE was a first for the brigade as the 3rd BCT was augmented by reservists who

See **DEPLOYMENT**, A-5

Post brings home top award

CG accepts award during Pentagon ceremony May 11

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

For the eighth consecutive year, Fort Benning has another Army Communities of Excellence trophy to add to the long list of post accolades.

Commanding General Maj. Gen. John M. Le Moyne and an entourage of nearly 50 post representatives joined the Army's vice chief of staff at the Pentagon to accept the award May 11.

"It is the collective effort of the first-class people who work hard and are proud of what they do that makes a post a Community of Excellence," said Maj. Gen. John M. Keane, Army vice chief of staff, during his Pentagon address. "The winners here today represent the best the Army has to offer."



Spc. Mitch Frazier

Army Vice Chief of Staff Gen. John Keane presents Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne with the ACOE trophy May 11.

For Fort Benning, being the best is nothing new.

The post has taken home the Army's top excellence honors eight times since the award program inception 11 years ago at the nation's capital.

"This is something we plan for every year," Sen. Mac Collins said jokingly during a congratulatory social after the award ceremony. "We just count on Fort Benning

See **POST**, A-4

Current creates electrical buzz

Col. Randy Buck
Directorate of Public Works

commentary

Losing electrical power isn't that uncommon at Fort Benning. The wind comes up the power goes out. During the Best Ranger Competition we lost power at one of the ranges the Ranger Training Brigade was using for the competition.

This was not a typical electrical outage but rather a very scary one. Why? Because — by all accounts — when Flint Electric arrived to fix the problem, they should have found a dead, totally fried human being at the base of one of their power poles.

Fortunately, they did not find a dead person, but here's why they should have.

Flint had killed part of the range circuit out there, after proper coordination with Range Control. This had absolutely no effect on the RTB range operation. Flint killed the power by opening a switch on one of their poles, then installed a lock-out device with a big warning label on the switch.

Apparently, several hours later, some unknown person visited one of the powerless ranges, decided he needed power, drove down the power line until he found the switch, cut the lock-out device and activated the switch.

In accordance with their standard operating procedure, Flint had (as a fail-safe mechanism) grounded out the system one or two poles down the dead section.

The electrical surge flowed through the activated switch, ran down the inactive section, hit the ground-out, than ran BACK up the line, sending a surge down the lock-out mechanism and blowing out the "upstream" fuses (guarding the section that had not been inactivated), thereby disabling the RTB ranges.

This all happened in about one nano-second, so by all rights whoever activated the switch still should have been holding the switch handle when the electricity ran back to it and should have, therefore, been electrocuted. It's a miracle no one was.

However, what this means is that a very stupid person remains in the gene pool! We'll probably never know who did this, but we'll get the word out through the Directorate of Operations and Training weekly training meeting and the post safety office to reinforce the obvious — don't mess with power poles, equipment or lines.

Leave such business to the professionals, such as Flint Electric. It is unreal we have to "remind" folks of such things!

Walkers wage war with relay

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary

More than half a million people are expected to die of cancer this year, according to the American Cancer Society. That means more than 1,500 people a day.

I don't think I know a single person whose life hasn't been touched by cancer. More than 20 years ago my sister's best friend's husband died of leukemia. Their son was less than 1 year old.

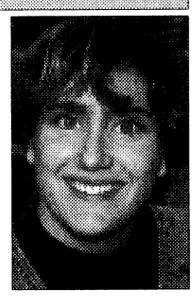
Three weeks ago I talked with a young Soldier who was leaving the Army to spend more time with her grandmother who was recently diagnosed with throat cancer.

A former co-worker's 4-month-old daughter was diagnosed with cancerous tumors on her spine.

The list of people who are diagnosed with cancer continues to grow.

But while that list grows, the number of cancer survivors is also growing.

Research is the reason.



Last year's Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong talks about his fight against cancer in a TV commercial. He says that 10 years ago the type of cancer he had would have killed him, but because of research he is now a cancer survivor.

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life helps fund the research. The money it raises accounts for 30 percent of ACS' annual income. More than 1.5 million people participated in the Relay for Life in more than 2,500 communities. The Relay for Life raised $127 million nationwide last year and the Southeast Division raised more than $17 million. That's no small chunk of change, which means a lot of community effort.

Tonight at Kinnett Stadium next to Shaw High School more than 68 teams will attempt to raise $200,000 for research, education, advocacy and patient services. (Team members paid a $10 registration fee to walk and then were asked to raise a minimum of $100.)

The overnight event kicks off at 7 p.m. with opening ceremonies and the cancer survivors' lap. The luminary ceremony begins at 9 p.m. This is where candles within paper bags are lighted in honor of people who have survived cancer and in memory of those who didn't. The luminaries will burn through the night lighting the way around the track and serving as a reminder that cancer is a community concern.

During the night the event organizers have planned for musical entertainment and in the wee hours of the morning there will be midnight volleyball, a hula-hoop roll, jump rope walk, egg walk and Frisbee toss.

John Dalelio, general chairman for the Columbus-Fort Benning Relay for Life 2000 event, said last year teams were formed last minute and showed up on site with money raised and walkers ready. He's hoping that happens again this year.

For more information on the Relay for Life, call 324-5614.

Language police hits home hard

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

My oldest son Thomas is a seventh-grader at Faith Middle School. He is learning to ar-tic-u-late in language arts. He speaks very clearly and eloquently. It's driving the rest of us crazy.

He's become somewhat of a language-policeman, and no one is safe from the long arm, or in this case ear, of the law. Last week he corrected one of his teachers for using the word "stuff" in the wrong context.

"Stuff is what you do to a turkey," he says. "It should never end a sentence like 'Mom, we're going to go ride our bikes and stuff.'" He calls it language abuse.

Still, it's incredibly pleasing to a mother to watch her child develop a wonderful, rich vocabulary, and to learn how to use it correctly at an age when most teens seem to have a limited use of the English language.



Recently a middle school teacher told me today's students are peppering their talk more and more with words that would make a sailor blush. We're not talking about what my grandmother used to refer to as "gentlemen's cusswords." Kids are casually using language that was censored from television a generation ago.

One of my high school teachers used to say that the use of profanity is the sign of a weak mind. How else do you explain why an otherwise intelligent student can think of more four-letter adjectives than Roget's Thesaurus, but he can't carry on a clean conversation without tripping over words like umm, you know, like, uh...

Recently the BOSS line and *The Bayonet* have received an influx of complaints about the use of profanity on post, particularly by young family members. Garrison policy states that this kind of language is offensive and therefore prohibited in public places on Fort Benning. Unfortunately all the policies in the world won't change a kid's behavior. That's my responsibility, and yours, as parents.

Of course we all know kids will cross boundaries when they're among their peers and away from mom and dad. That's a fact, not an excuse to condone such behavior. We as parents have to be aware of who our children are associating with, what they're watching on television, what they are listening to and what they are reading.

Hats off to Thomas's language arts teacher Libby Kurinec, and others like her, who are teaching our kids to comfortably communicate in an intelligent, mature manner without using profanity or annoying interjections. If there were more adults who refused to converse at a childish level, I could concentrate on writing about more important stuff, like, umm...well, you know.

letter

Reader recognizes good Samaritans

Too often, acts of kindness go unnoticed. I had an experience at the Audie Murphy Fitness Center April 20 that could have been devastating, had it not been for the quick response of two of the patrons who were using the facility during the same time that I was there.

Approximately 40 minutes into my 60-minute routine on the treadmill, I began to feel faint. I vaguely remember pressing the emergency stop button on the machine and exiting to sit on a nearby stationary bicycle for a rest.

A man using the climbing machine in the area, who I later learned was named Mike Wadsworth, asked if I was all right. I don't remember much of what happened afterwards.

What I do know is that sometime later, I awakened to find Mike and another man, Bruce Wingate, attending to my needs. Cool compresses had been placed behind my neck, under my arms and behind my knees in an effort to bring my heart rate down and lower my body temperature. Bruce encouraged me to take sips of water.

For the next two hours Bruce sat with me at the gym, helping to cool me and later to keep me warm when I began to shiver.

Interesting, to say the least, I had been a regular at the AMFC since December, saying hello to many people who would frequent the facility. But I never knew anyone by name, and had not shared mine with anyone either. It's nice to know that there are those who will respond accordingly to a stranger in need.

I experienced five similar episodes of this same sort of activity over the next four days, resulting in a CT scan of my head and an EEG to rule out an aneurysm, lesion on the brain or seizures.

Thanks to the assistance of Mike Wadsworth and Bruce Wingate, a potentially horrific situation was lessened, and I not only realized the value of goodwill, but I also met two wonderful people in the process.

— Marilyn Gandy
Social Work Service, MACH

The Bayonet wants your letters, ideas. Call 545-4622 for more information.

VARIOUS VOICES

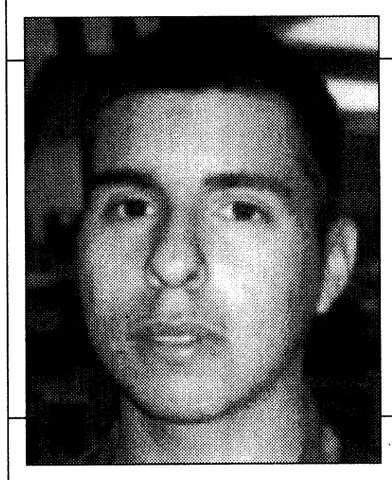
What does Armed Forces Day mean to you?



Minni Henderson, family member — "It's a day to honor the active service people. People who are active duty are special because they give up a lot of things like leaving their hometown to serve our country. I don't think they ever get enough credit."



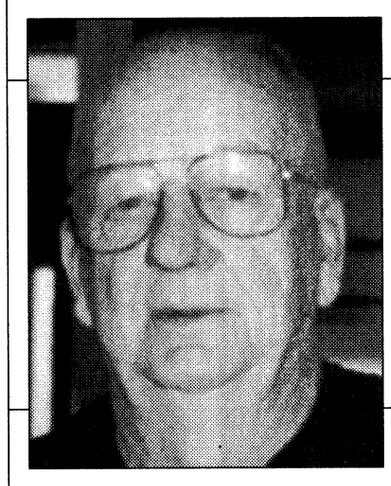
Chief Warrant Officer Kellene Gaetaniello, 23rd Aviation, Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, Ga. — "It's a day to celebrate what servicemen and women do for their country."



Specialist M. Donayre, Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment — "It shouldn't be a day it should be a week or something. We defend this country and it should be a weekend. We can't even get a day off for that."



Cathy Raphael, family member — "It's a day we respect our Soldiers, the ones who have served our country. For my husband, he's a Soldier and his grandfather was a Soldier, it's special when you have somebody in the services."



Retired Master Sgt. Marvin Brooks — "It's to show appreciation for all the men who have served in the military and show what the military means and has. It's something that we should do for people in the service and people who have been in the service."



Gloria Gilbert, family member — "It's a celebration for military people. It's a time to take the family out and see the different things the military has."

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German Soldiers get insiders' look at U.S. Army

Officer candidates visit, participate in training

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

It was business as usual at the Ranger School water confidence course May 10.

After walking across an 8-inch wide log suspended 40-feet in the air, a 22-year-old Soldier commando crawled across a rope suspended across Victory Pond and touched the wooden Ranger tab. After asking the instructor on the ground for permission to drop, he fell to the water.

Nothing out of the ordinary, except he yelled, "Einzelkaempfer" on the way down.

It's the German version of Ranger and means "single fighter."

Six German army officer candidates completed the water confidence test joining Ranger students in their third day of training.

The event marked the end of a three-week visit to Fort Benning where they observed and participated in various facets of training, including sniper, Airborne, basic and One Station Unit Training.

They spent a week in the swamps of Florida with the 6th Ranger Training Battalion at Camp Rudder participating in a waterborne movement and technique training.

The six graduated earlier this year from the German army's officers' school and spent one week in Washington, D.C.

"We take the best of the graduates and they get a four-week trip to the United States to learn about the U.S. Army," Sgt. Maj. Michael Knoell, German army liaison, said.

"It is a good experience and shows them how another army works," he said. "In the future, with combined missions, it's important they learn about other armies."

OC Jan Westphal, 21, is Airborne qualified and on German jump status. He was allowed to complete jump week with the students at B Co., 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, and earn his U.S. wings.

"I was able to complete five jumps with great luck and with great weather," Westphal said.

Westphal particularly enjoyed jumping from a C-130 and C-141, two planes which the German army does not have, he said.

"This is a very special experience for these guys," said Lt. Col. Kurt K. Rotter, German army liaison officer. "Especially because we do not have an area like Florida and Georgia."

Temperatures reached the low 90s May 10, and all six agreed the water at Victory Pond was much warmer than the water used in their training in Germany.

OC Daniel Pohling, 23, took his camera everywhere with him to document his trip.

When the OCs return to Germany, they will report to the chief of staff of the German army, who founded the program.

OC Kay Sperling and his peers noted some differences in training between the U.S. and German forces.

"We have smaller classes, with about one instructor with nine students," he said.

And OC Timo Mroz discovered Americans are much louder than their German counterparts, he said

"We are more quiet in Germany when we come into a class. Here they yell 'Ranger.' "

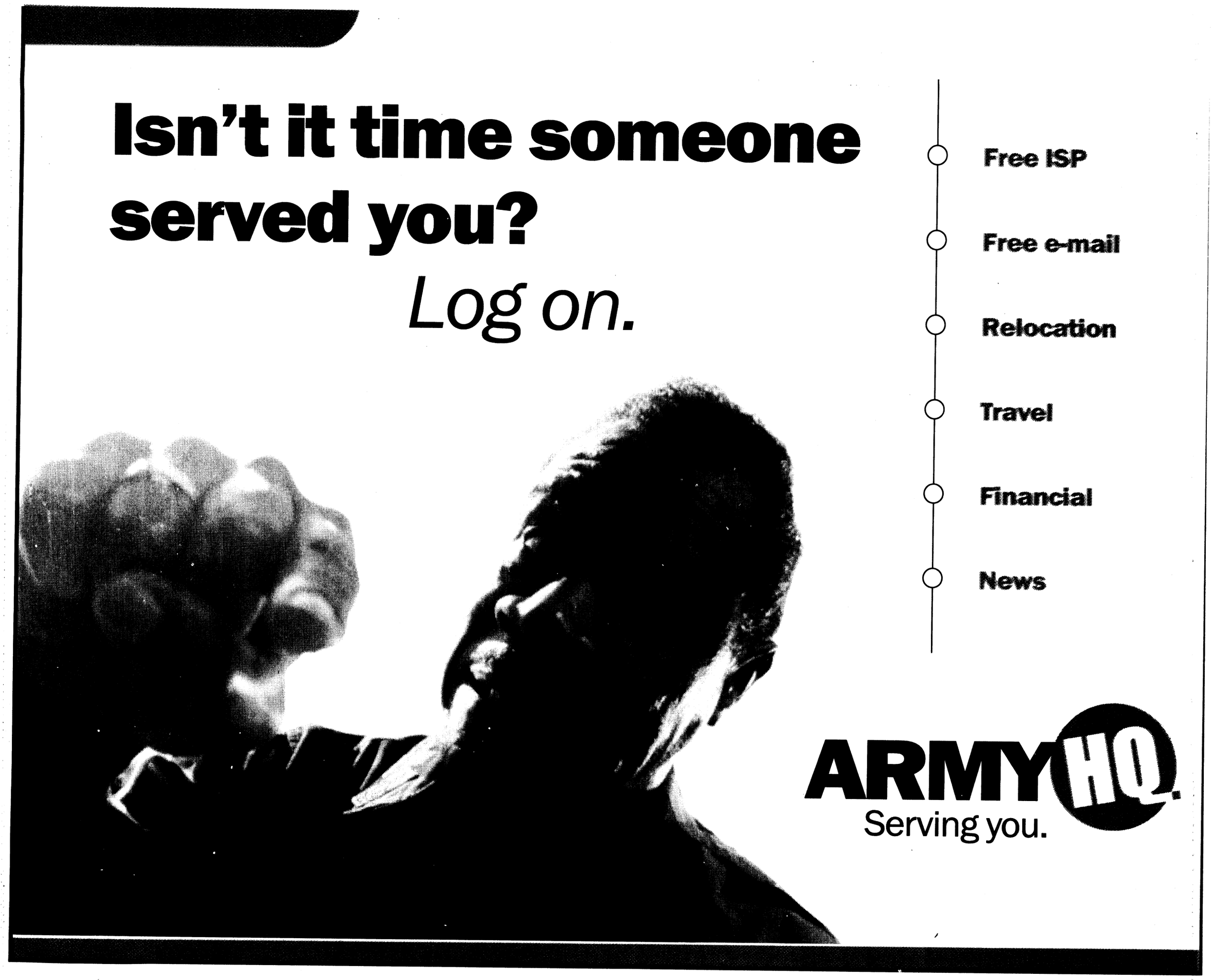
Upon their return, the six will enroll for three years of study at the University of Army in Munich or Hamburg.



Ron Link

German OC Dennis Kagel negotiates the suspension traverse obstacle over Victory Pond May 10.





Army, Hollywood create technologies together

Group visits post to experience Soldiering for real

Karen Taylor
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The Army hopes to bring sci-fi technology to Soldier training in the form of a holodeck.

The project was discussed during a visit to Fort Benning May 10-11 by representatives from the Institute for Creative Technologies, Simulation Training and Instrumentation Command, Training and Doctrine Command and the Department of the Army.

A holodeck, often used by the crew in *Star Trek* with the help of Hollywood special effects, would be, for the Army, a simulator using virtual cinematography and video game technology to create realistic 3-D scenes that it could use for Soldier training and mission rehearsal.

The Army recently signed a contract with the University of Southern California specifically to create the Institute for Creative Technologies to harness holodeck technology.

Some of the challenges faced within the world of simulations and virtual reality is achieving a realistic environment that is adaptable and interchangeable depending on the situation.

"We want the Soldier to think he is in combat with all the same sounds, noises, fears and sweat," Caravana said.

One of the major simulation goals is to suspend disbelief, said Jan Chervenak, chief of simulations center, Dismounted Battlespace Battle Lab.

Theoretically, the simulation will do this by addressing all of the Soldier's senses within a virtual environment.

"It looks photorealistic, you don't think 'Oh, I'm in a cartoon,'" said Dr. William Swartout, director of technology at ICT. "(Soldiers) would really feel that and build tensions."

With the holodeck, Soldiers would experience everything from culture to terrain of the place where they are expected to perform mission.

For example, if Soldiers are scheduled for a mission in a country where none have ever been before, they could use the simulation to learn about the culture and customs.

This type of simulated training also would help leaders design more effective tactics for the mission.

Ideally, the holodeck will have rich libraries of scenes and situations that the commanders can easily tap into.

"People who are not programmers should be able to customize characters and create new missions," Swartout said.

The group's visit was packed with presentations and demonstrations for the representatives from ICT to see what Soldiers do and to get a feel for what specifics are needed to make such a holodeck effective for Army training.

The group saw all facets of the Infantry including its equipment, training exercises, future programs and its operational environment.

> "The advantage of a simulator is you can afford to fail and learn from experience."
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> **Dr. John Edwards**
> assistant secretary of the Army, acquisition, logistics and technology

"We wanted them to see the life of an Infantryman," said Dick Caravana, deputy of DBBL. "Many of these people have never been in the military or have never seen a military post before and don't know what it's like."

"We took them through everything but crawling in the mud," he said. The group was even given an MRE for lunch.

The holodeck would ultimately allow the Soldiers to train less expensively and with more options. For example, when a mechanized Infantry unit currently trains in the field with its Bradley fighting vehicles, it's usually at gunnery and the focus is on the three-man crew rather than the Soldiers dismounting from the back.

With the development of a holodeck, the Bradley unit — crew and dismounts — would be able to train together in a simulated environment.

The holodeck would theoretically cut the cost of training and allow more experimentation with mission tactics, as well as prevent casualties.

"The advantage of a simulator is you can afford to fail and learn from experience," said Dr. John Edwards, assistant secretary of the Army, acquisition, logistics and technology. "Because cost is so low, you can afford to fail, literally. Consequences in a real environment are injury."

Swartout said hypothetically in later stages of the holodeck, it would use platforms such as the Microsoft X Box or the Sony Play Station, costing about $300.

The Army's vested interest in creating ICT at the University of Southern California is the Institute's ability to draw from Hollywood directors, screen writers and special effects people as well as computer scientists to improve Soldier training.

The proof of ICT's potential is partly in the resumes of ICT staff and its collaborative Hollywood counterparts.

Richard Lindheim, executive director of ICT, has served as a senior television executive for Paramount and was involved with the television show *Star Trek*.

Dr. William Swartout, director of technology for ICT, was formerly the director of the intelligent systems division at USC's Information Sciences Institute.

Craig Cochrane, project coordinator of ICT, has worked as director of television development for Norman Lear and director of New Media programs for the Paramount Television Group.

Also, Dr. Randall W. Hill Jr., project leader at USC's Information Sciences Institute and a research assistant professor in computer science at USC, worked as a work area manager for network automation in NASA's Deep Space Network Advanced Technology Program at JPL before joining the team.

Notable attendees from the Hollywood film industry included Randal Kleiser, director of *Grease* and *The Blue Lagoon*; and Larry Tuch, a screen writer, with the NBC series *Columbo* and *Quincy* and the interactive project *Where In the World is Carmen Sandiego*, to his credit.

"ICT is a combination of entertainment people and computer specialists," said Lindheim. "It's a collaboration of entertainment and science and technology. By forming a collaborative group, we create something new and hopefully rather effective."

"We're a group of engineers, the entertainment people give us a different perspective on how to represent things," said Alesya Paschal, systems engineer for STRICOM, contractors for the ICT effort.

"One of the things artists are really good at is working around the boundaries that are given to them," Swartout said.

ICT has the luxury of tapping into both sides of the technological spectrum: the scientific expertise of its staff or the creativity of film industry via the University of California.

"USC brings to the party real important assets in terms of technology," Lindheim said.

ICT draws from USC's components such as the School of Engineering, School of Cinema and TV as well as the Anneberg School of Communications.

post briefs

Tri-communities plan celebration

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park Committee and the Combined Communities of Southeast Columbus will present a pre-Memorial Day Celebration at 10:30 a.m. May 27 at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park, at the corner of Lawyers Lane and Buena Vista Road, Columbus.

The speaker will be retired Col. Robert B. Nett, Medal of Honor recipient.

The public is invited. Donations for the upkeep of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park are welcomed.

For more information, call 687-5357 or 321-9596.

Post plans Ceremony

There will be a Memorial Day ceremony at 9 a.m. May 29 at the Main Post Cemetery.

Education Center offers classes

The FAST instruction is for Soldiers who want to raise their GT scores.

Classes are offered for morning and afternoon classes at Building 9004.

For more information, call 544-1716.

Post: Wins eighth ACOE title

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being here during the ceremony as an Army Community of Excellence because we know the post constantly works hard to be the best in the Army."

That continued effort and desire to be the best is what Maj. Gen. Robert Van Antwerp, Army vice chief of staff, said keeps posts like Fort Benning in the Army's top spots of the ACOE competition.

"Excellence is not a singular action," he said. "It is not something you do once — it is a habit. It is what people repeatedly do that is the mark of excellence."

While Van Antwerp's Aristotelian philosophy paid tribute to the dedication Soldiers and civilian employees show on a daily basis on the Army's 188 installations, he said the ACOE award signifies the highest level of excellence in the Army.

"You are a role model for the rest of the Army," he said. "This award represents you are the very best the Army has to offer ... and shows your post is truly a special place."

The ACOE competition, which began in 1989, is aimed at evaluating installations worldwide and contributing significantly to the efficient operation of the Total Army's training, sustainment and power-projection platforms as well as ensuring the post's pursuit of excellence.

That quest for excellence is evaluated annually in a voluntary 50-page application that requires post leaders to show where the post has excelled over the year as well as requires the post to point out areas it could focus improvement efforts on in the future.

"The Army Communities of Excellence program rests upon the belief that we are stewards of what the American citizens have given us," Van Antwerp said. "And the resources they have given us to use — their trust, their money, their land and the most important resource, their sons and daughters."

While Fort Benning took home nearly $200,000 in award monies from this year's competition, organizers are already setting their sights on next year's revised program that ups the prize purse to nearly $3 million.

"Even though we've won eight times in the past, that doesn't mean we're there," said Sara Hodges, chief, Directorate of Resource Management. "There is going to be a lot of tough competition next year with the top prize being $3 million. And you can be sure everyone is going to be out for Benning.

"It is going to take a team effort to ensure our win next year, but I think we can do it," she said. "The promise of $3 million will be a great enticement to do that."

Cops Corner

Community Oriented Policing

Fort Benning military police will be conducting speed enforcement in the following locations on the dates listed below.

Today	2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Wold Avenue and Patch Stree
Monday	9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	Lavioe area
Tuesday	2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Baltzel Street
Wednesday	10 a.m. to 11 a.m.	Eckel Street
Thursday	2:30 p.m. to 3:ß30 p.m.	Lumpkin Avenue

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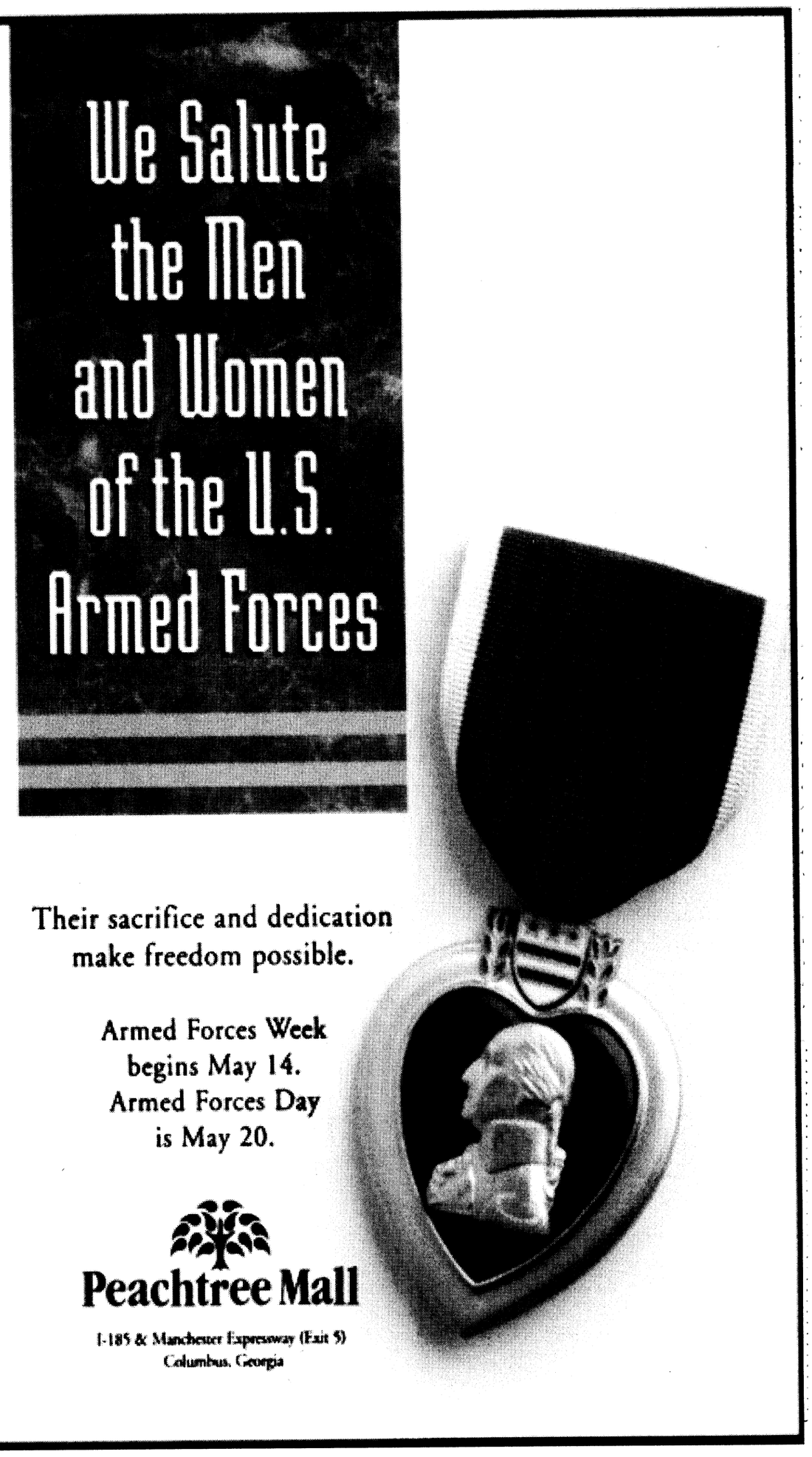

Deployment: Marks firsts for Army, teaches Soldiers

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ensured safe loading and maintained the overhead for the initial deployment.

Like in a combat deployment, Cucolo said, the reserve Soldiers assistance gave his Soldiers time to concentrate on the war they were about to face.

"The Reserve support was really an asset," he said. "It allowed our Soldiers to focus on taking care of equipment and ensuring it was in the right place without the huge overhead of having to supply our own people for command and control."

Once in the desert the combat team continued to tally lessons learned as they were greeted by a number of civilian protesters and hordes of inquisitive media. Although all were part of the scenario, Cucolo said they added to the realism and provided yet another avenue for his Soldiers to learn.

It was only days until the Soldiers were rolling into the sands of the desert to seek and destroy, but like their initial greeting at the training site, their greeting here was not one categorized as friendly either.

"An attack, followed by an attack, followed by a defense and two movements to contact," Cucolo said as he smiled describing his first day in the desert. "It certainly wasn't a warm welcome."

That fast-paced optempo continued throughout the 32 days in the desert, he said, with lessons learned tallying in the hundreds.

Those lessons, he said, weren't just for 3rd Brigade but marked a first for the Army as well.

"This is the first Limited Conversion Downsizing 21 force to ever fully participate in NTC," he said. "And although we found some problems with task and organization, we still proved to be a lethal, capable organization."

LCD 21 is a new initiative by the Army to downsize brigades, by eliminating a company from each and inserting a Cavalry Troop and transferring numerous responsibilities from those eliminated company commander positions to the already tasked company commanders who still remain.

"We found while we were out there that the cavalry troop lacks logistical support in medical, mechanical and fuel," he said. "And the changes in roles from the different commanders are something new for the brigade."

"There is no doctrine or FM (field manual) to reference in a situation like this," said Capt. David Meyer, commander, D Troop. "So we had to work until we found our place."

Finding that place proved to be no problem for Meyer and his Soldiers as he and the rest of the BCT worked together in the real-world training environment to get to the point where Cucolo said his men are ready for war.

"We are ready to go tomorrow," Cucolo said. "This brigade is coming off two years as a defense readiness brigade and multiple deployments.

"If there is one thing this brigade can do, it's deploy," he said. "And this trip to NTC proved that we would be successful if we had to go," he said.

While the Marne Soldiers of the 3rd BCT will continue to train for war, Cucolo said a return trip to NTC scheduled for next June will focus the brigade's training schedule for the year to come.

"People criticize units for training for NTC because they say if you train for NTC, you aren't training for war," he said. "I disagree. If you can win at NTC, you can win anywhere.'

Program: Takes top level civilians, trains on teamwork

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Components nominate individuals who are in GS-12 or 13 positions and who have three years of service as a career employee with the DoD. Military officers can also be nominated.

A complex screening process follows before the final 60 individuals are selected for the 10-month program. After an orientation, the group gathers once a month for a week at various military installations for training.

They remain in their current positions during the program, going on temporary duty for 55 to 60 days throughout the year for intensive training, briefings and field trips.

This marked the group's 14th year visiting Fort Benning for "Army Immersion Week," the most hands-on of all the installation visits, Scott Ash, management analyst with the ELDP, said.

"After they complete the course they are more aware that their civilian mission is nothing more than to support the warfighter," Ash said.

"They see all this and they are better prepared, especially for future assignments."

While there are classroom lectures and seminars, hands-on training is the hallmark of the program, allowing the civil servants the chance to experience the methodology of selected aspects of military training.

"That's why we call this an immersion," Ash said.

For example, at Fort Benning the group assembled and disassembled M-16s at the Infantry Training Brigade and then went to the Malone Complex to observe and fire the weapon.

They also visited the U.S. Army School of the Americas, the Ranger Training Brigade, Nuclear Biological Chemical School and Army Marksmanship Unit. Their schedule also included observing a Hands On Training Exercise at Red Cloud Range conducted by the 29th Infantry Regiment.

The itinerary allowed plenty of time for the group to interact with Soldiers.

"We have breakfast and lunch in chow halls and they really enjoy talking with the Soldiers," Ash said.

John Infante, international programs manager, Directorate of International Affairs, National Guard Bureau in Maryland, and the other participants will graduate from the course in early June.

"I've really gained an appreciation for the warfighter and the Infantry," he said.

"We received a snapshot of the Infantry, Airborne and Rangers and the challenges they have to overcome," he said.

"As I make decisions, I will reflect on those 18-year-olds and take into account the impact on them."

Luau: Promises up-close look at Islander heritage

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events and more bands the entire family can enjoy."

Like last year an free Asian Pacific Islander food sampling will be available to the first 2,000 festival goers, Fontaine said. The sampling will include a taste of many dishes including roasted pig, kim-chee, rice, tropical fruit and chicken.

Also slated for this year's heritage celebrations is a barrage of bands that Michelle Young, event co-organizer and Moral Welfare and Recreation marketing specialist, said will resemble a mini-Riverfest.

"We have a number of different bands scheduled throughout the day," she said, "as well as live remote broadcasts from local radio stations."

Local band DSOS will be the headline act for the event taking the main stage at 8:30 p.m. with opening acts by Tony Skahan, By D' Sign and Empire.

Traditional fire dancers and martial artists will also share the stage throughout the day.

A new children's area has also been incorporate into this year's festivities. The new area will have numerous carnival games and booths as well as an 18-foot slide, a space walk, a climbing wall and water wars.

Free canoe races and boat rides will also be available at the marina.

A free shuttle for all active-duty military will begin picking festival goers up at the Main Post Shoppette, Kelley Hill Recreation Center and the Sand Hill Shoppette at 2 p.m. The shuttle will also make pick-ups at the same locations at 5 p.m and 8 p.m.

The free event will begin at 3 p.m. and conclude at 10:30 p.m.

For a complete schedule of the events, see below.

Asian Pacific Islander Luau

3 to 6 p.m.	Children's Corner open, boat rides, BOSS snack stand open at Riverside Grill
4 p.m.	Tony Skahan on stage
4:30 p.m.	By D' Sign on stage
5 p.m.	Canoe race registration
5:15 p.m.	Food sampling
6:15 p.m.	Martial arts demonstration
7 p.m.	Islander dancers on stage
8 p.m.	Grand prize drawing
8:30 and 9:45 p.m.	DSOS on stage
9:15 p.m.	Empire on stage

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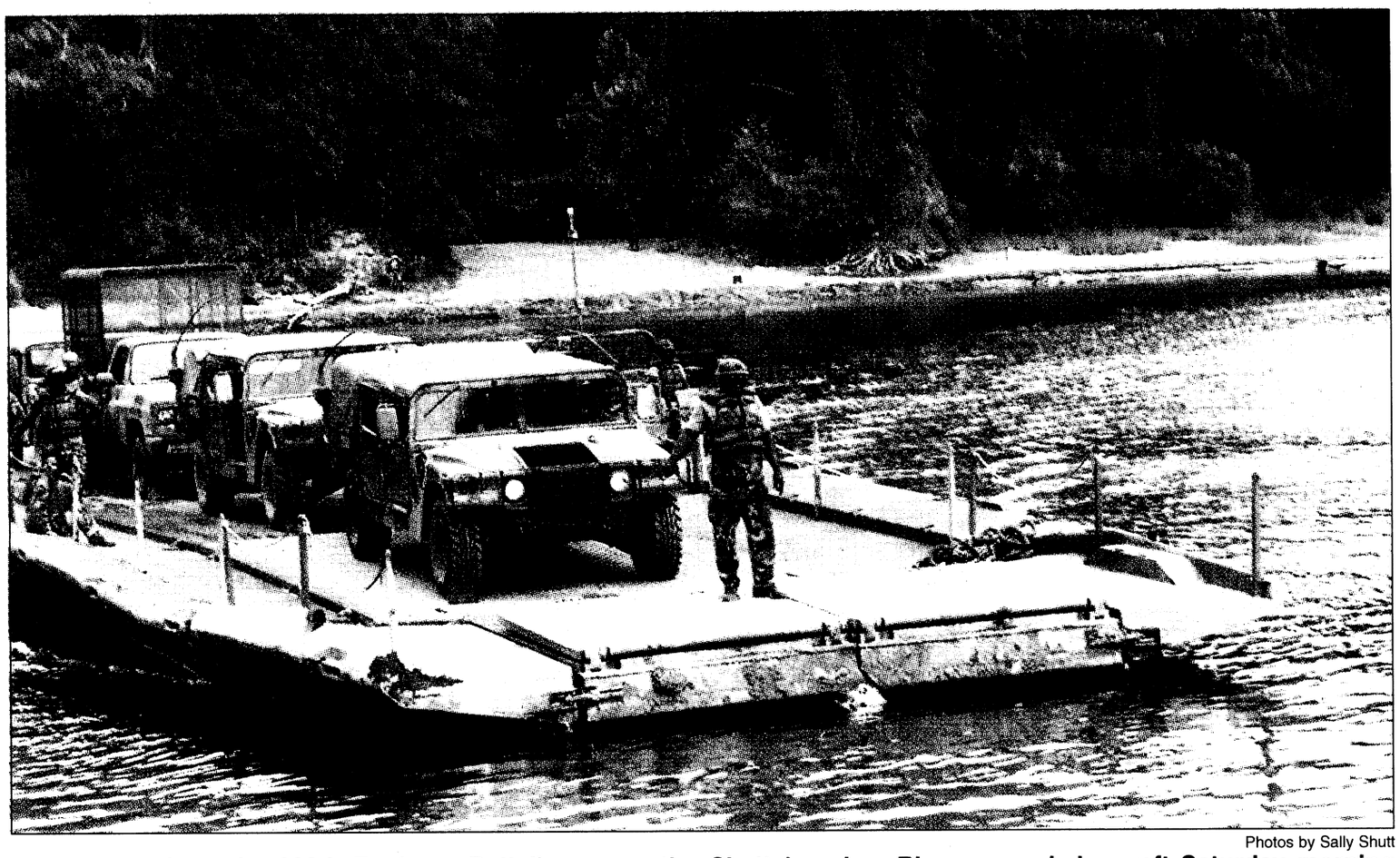

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Guardsmen from the 200th Engineer Battalion cross the Chattahoochee River on a six-bay raft Saturday morning during annual training.



A Chinook lifts a bridge boat off Dekkar Field. The helicopter dropped the craft in the river six miles away.

Guardsmen build bridges on Chattahoochee

Alabama Soldiers sharpen skills during training

Sally Shutt
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Engineers from the Alabama National Guard know that practice makes perfect so they spent two weeks at Fort Benning building bridges and then tearing them down.

The 200th Engineer Battalion came to the post for its annual training May 4-20.

"We put the bridge or raft in and then take it out. That's our job," Capt. Roger Moore, the battalion's adjutant, said from the shore of the Chattahoochee River Saturday morning. He watched as Soldiers assembled a six-bay raft that would ferry 20 vehicles across the river.

"It's like a kid with building blocks. You build something nice, and then you put your foot through it. For us, that's where the practice and the repetition comes in," Moore said.

The battalion has two companies — the 167th Engineer Company (Assault Ribbon Bridge) from Demopolis, Ala., with a detachment in Centreville, Ala., and the 168th Engineer Company (Panel Bridge) from Eutaw, Ala., with a detachment in Marion, Ala.

Fort Benning is a great location for the 322-member unit to train because of the Chatthoochee River, Capt. David Ward, the battalion's assistant operations officer, said.

"The river is deep enough, with a launch depth of 22 to 24 inches, and wide enough at 400 feet," he said. "And we have gotten tremendous support from the Directorate of Logistics and Range Control."

Earlier in the week the 168th Eng. Co. constructed a Bailey bridge over a creek bed.

The 167th Eng. Co. enlisted the aid of a Chinook Saturday to airlift bridge erection boats, weighing 11,000 pounds each, and bays, weighing 12,000 pounds each.

The boats and bays were staged on Dekkar Field and dropped into the river at Engineer Beach six miles away. The aircraft and its four-member crew were from F Company, 1st Battalion, 131st Aviation, out of Birmingham, Ala.

The battalion conducted a full river closure Sunday by constructing a ribbon bridge that spanned the entire width of the river. The battalion then traveled across the bridge, leaving its campsite located behind Dekkar Field and moving to an area near the 36th Engineer Group.

Sgt. Daniel Lewis has been with the unit since 1994 and knows how important the annual training is.

"Practice makes perfect," he said. "The more you do it the better you get. Every five years we have a change in inventory with people leaving and new people coming in."

Moore agreed.

"It's important that we indoctrinate new people in the unit with more sustained operations than we are able do on the weekends," he said.

One weekend each month the unit trains in Demopolis on the Tombigbee River, but the battalion is unable to do full closure operations there.

Last year the battalion was deployed to the Dominican Republic to construct schools in eight villages and a 500-man base camp during Joint Task Force Caribbean Castle, a relief effort after a devastating hurricane.

"We were the first battalion-size element in the Dominican Republic since the U.S. invaded in 1965," Ward said.

Son follows father's military footsteps

Sergeant major takes pride in awarding son

Bridgett Siter
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If pride has a face, it is that of a father watching his son become a Soldier.

Twenty-five years after the end of the Vietnam War, one of Fort Benning's few remaining active duty Vietnam veterans proudly watched his son take his place among the ranks of the U.S. Army Infantry.

At the Turning Blue Ceremony for A Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment, May 4, Sgt. Maj. Jan Stegeman waited patiently for the opportunity to present his only son, Pvt. Matthew Stegeman, with his blue Infantry cord.

"I couldn't be any prouder of him," said Stegeman, who is assigned to the office of the special assistant to the commanding general — Army National Guard. "He was your typical middle child. He went through some rebellion and some hard times, but he's straightened himself out and he has a direction. I'm proud of him."

At the age of 21, Matthew is three years older than his father was when he joined the Army in 1970, in the midst of the Vietnam War. Though the younger Stegeman admittedly joined the Army for the training and opportunities, his father enlisted for reasons less pragmatic.

"I just felt compelled to join and do my part to serve my country during the war. I felt I was needed," said Stegeman, who was attached to a combat engineer unit during the war.

"It was a different era in the late 60s, early 70s. There were conscientious objectors, sure, but there was still so much patriotism. I felt it was my duty to serve."

Stegeman returned to his hometown of Dayton, Ohio, after the war. After a seven-year hiatus, he enlisted in the Army Reserves in 1980, but eventually joined the Army National Guard and moved to Fort Benning in 1999.

"I came home from Vietnam before Matthew was even born," Stegeman recalled. "We didn't have yellow ribbons or ticker-tape parades waiting for us. We weren't treated like heroes. Too many people died over there, but we all lost our lives in one sense — our lives as we knew them before the war."

Stegeman speaks very matter-of-factly about his time in Vietnam and the repercussions of war. He and his first wife were divorced eight years ago — a fact he hesitates to blame on post-war stress. Instead, Stegeman said he chose to focus on the repercussions of the divorce itself.

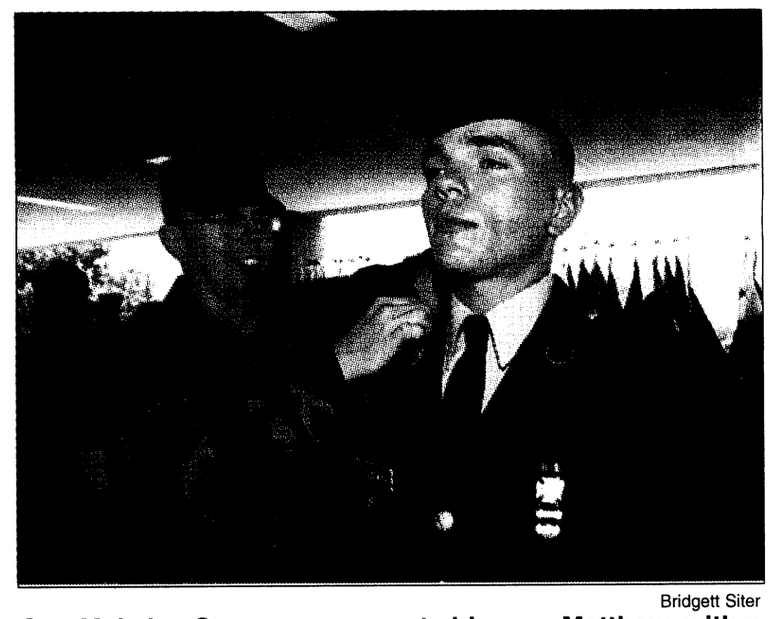
"Of course it was hard on the kids. Matthew had a really hard time dealing with it. I tried to explain the kind of person I was when I came back from Vietnam and the choices I made, but it was hard to reach him when he was a teen-ager. I lived eight blocks away but we never saw each other."

The younger Stegeman doesn't blame his parents or the divorce for his teen-age rebellion. He described himself as "a 90s kid — a slacker" before he joined the Army.

"I was just a jerk, I guess," Matthew said. "I worked at upsetting Mom and Dad. I wouldn't call or go see him for months at a time. I was not really focused on doing anything with my life for a long time."

Matthew's "focus" came in the form of a visit with a recruiter last fall. He called his father and step-mother shortly before Christmas to tell them he would be coming to Fort Benning.

"He always said he was going to be a Soldier when he was little. When he was 8, he used to run around the house with a LAW (light anti-tank weapon) simulator," Stegeman laughed. "But that was years ago. I was surprised when he called and said he'd joined the Army."



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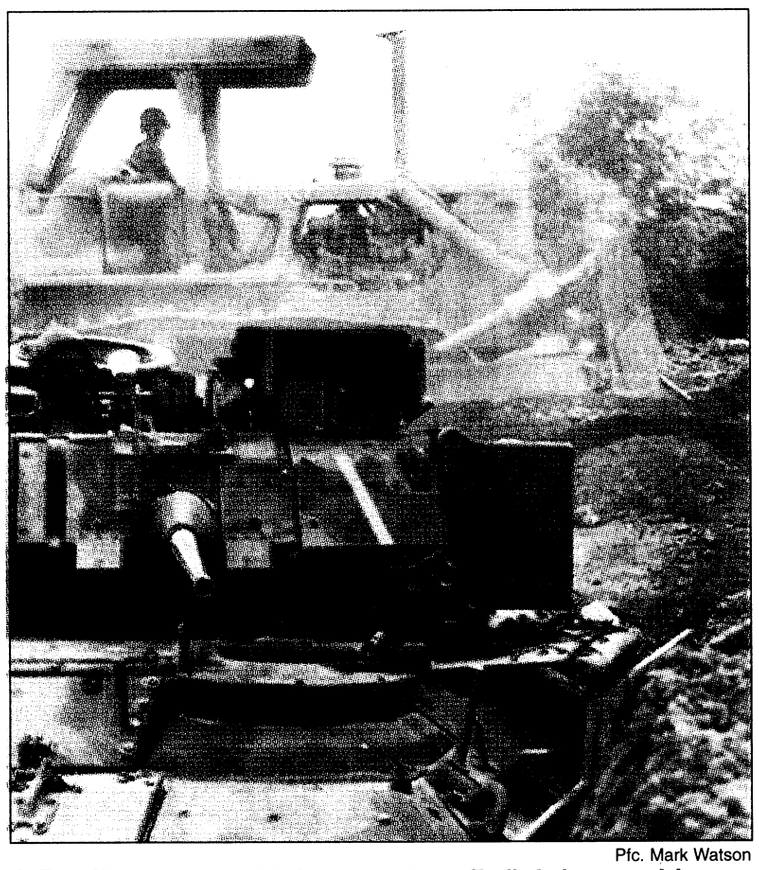
Sgt. Maj. Jan Stegeman presents his son, Matthew, with a blue Infantry cord after graduation.

Matthew, who will be assigned to the 3rd Infantry Brigade, will live in the barracks at Kelley Hill, but his father and step-mother said they have already set up a bedroom for him in their Fort Benning home.

Both father and son said they look forward to spending time together again.

"He'll always have a place at our house. It's going to be nice being able to see more of each other and get to know each other again, man to man," Stegeman said. "He's grown up so much in the last few months and I'm really proud of him. I know he made the right choice."

Engineers construct fighting positions



Pfc. Mark Watson

A Bradley is moved into a newly built fighting position.

Pfc. Mark Watson
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During the intense stress of war, engineers are required to work fast to create fighting positions for heavy equipment and tank ditches.

Although not in a combat situation, Soldiers of the 718th Engineer Company, Combat Support Equipment, did just that Saturday as part of their monthly reserve drill weekend.

Preparing for their lanes evaluation, the 718th headed to the field to dig a fighting position for a Bradley Fighting Vehicle and tank ditches.

Using the work horse of the unit, the D7G bulldozer, two operators were able to carve the position into the earth in a little over one hour.

"With the two bulldozers working together, the position can be created in about an hour," said Capt. William Schaper, commander of the 718th. "One dozer will do the digging while the other spreads the soil, so there isn't a huge mound of dirt that can be easily spotted."

Working together, the bulldozers quickly dug the position until one broke down.

With a few adjustments on the bulldozer, the engineers were able to re-start it and get it underway again to finish the position.

After the position was dug to standards, one bulldozer backed into the hole and smoothed the base. A Bradley then drove into position and proofed the hole.

"(The bulldozer operators) did a good job," 1st Lt. Nixon Maxey, a 718th platoon leader, said. "Their first attempt in the hole, and I think they would get a 95 percent or higher on the position."

Although the 718th is a combat support unit, they also have construction abilities.

"Here on post, we have created a landing zone out at 4th Ranger Training Battalion, we repaired Malone 22 and also repaired another landing zone so when helicopters landed, they didn't get a brown out."

Although tearing into the ground may get the dander up on environmentalists, the 718th always has an environmental impact statement done on the site they plan to train on.

"We don't do a lot of damage because we train in areas that have been used before," said Schaper. "Not only do we not have a bad impact on the environment, we often times have a positive impact because we repair things like wash-outs."

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> **1st Lt. Nixon Maxey**
> 718th Engineer Company

Stuffing as much into the drill weekend as possible, Maxey said they get a lot of training in a short amount of time.

"Being in the reserves, we try to cram a whole month of training into the weekend," he said. "Although in many units they are unable to do that, we are able to get it done. And because we are in the field a lot and staying busy, the morale is high."

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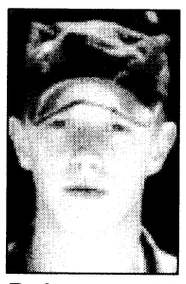
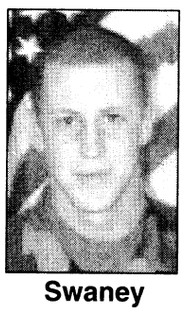

Doboszenski

Pfc. Beau Doboszenski
Loretto, Minn.
D Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? The Army is a part of my family's history. My grandfathers and all of their brothers were in the Army. It was a direction I thought would benefit me in many areas.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? A great combination of excellent instruction by the drill sergeants, hard work and luck have brought me all of the tools needed to continue my journey in the military.

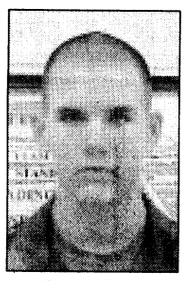

Cashe

Staff Sgt. Alwyn Cashe
Ouiedo, Fla.
D Co., 2nd Batt., 54th Inf. Regt.
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I always set the example and lead from the front.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from knowing I have an influence in the future of the Army.

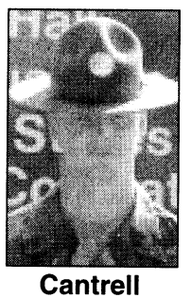

Swaney

Pvt. Aaron Swaney
Ventura, Ca.
A Co., 2nd Batt., 47th Inf. Regt.
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? My desire to become a stronger man of character through discipline and my desire to serve my country made me join.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen because of my performance before the board and the discipline I exercise in my daily life.

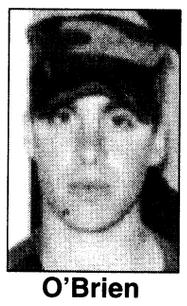
Staff Sgt. Ronald Henry
Columbus, Miss.
A Co., 2nd Batt., 47th Inf. Regt.
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I believe in being hard but always fair. To effectively influence young Soldiers today, you have to be flexible to different circumstances.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Knowing that I've played a part in influencing these young men's lives whether in a small way or a large way to go in a positive direction gives me satisfaction.


Dedden

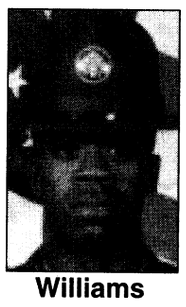
Pvt. David Dedden
Covington, Ky.
B Co., 2nd Batt., 47th Inf. Regt.
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I have many friends in the Reserves and they convinced me to join. The opportunities they told me about convinced me too.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I do what I am ordered to do and I perform all of my duties with a purpose.


Cantrell

Staff Sgt. James Cantrell
Knob Noster, Mo.
B Co., 2nd Batt., 47th Inf. Regt.
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I am an easy person to work for as long as you do what is expected of you.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I am satisfied by seeing the product of my work on graduation day.


O'Brien

Pvt. Christopher O'Brien
Plymouth, Mass.
C Co., 2nd Batt., 54th Inf. Regt.
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I wanted to instill discipline, personal courage and a lot of excitement to my life.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I believe I was chosen because I exceeded the standards of being a great Soldier both physically and mentally.


Williams

Staff Sgt. Thomas Williams
Lambert, Miss.
C Co., 2nd Batt., 54th Inf. Regt.
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I use all three leadership styles. No two Soldiers are alike. As a leader you must know when to use the appropriate style of leadership with each Soldier.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from seeing the finished product. A drill sergeant views his graduated Soldier in much the same manner as an artist views a completed work of art.

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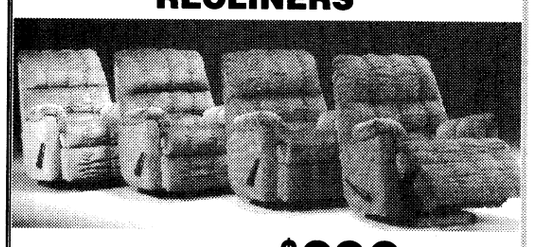
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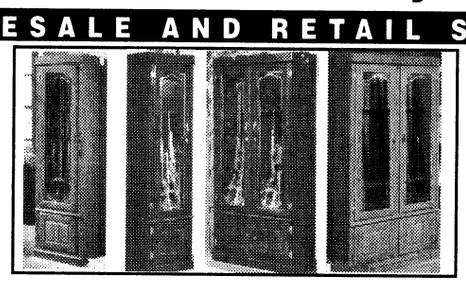
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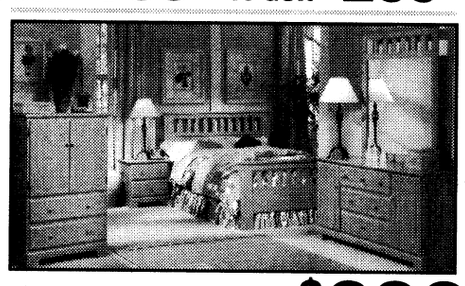
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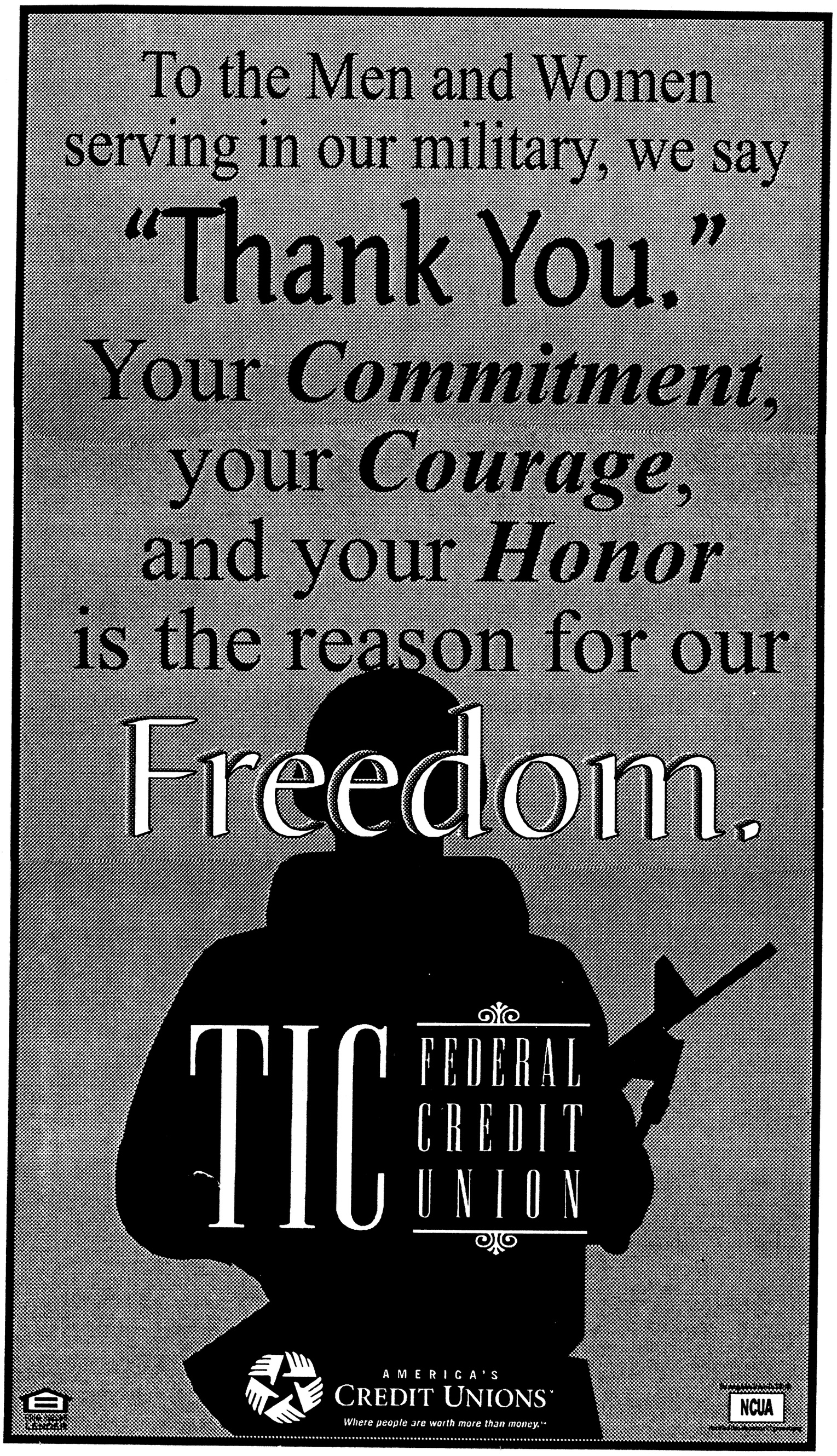

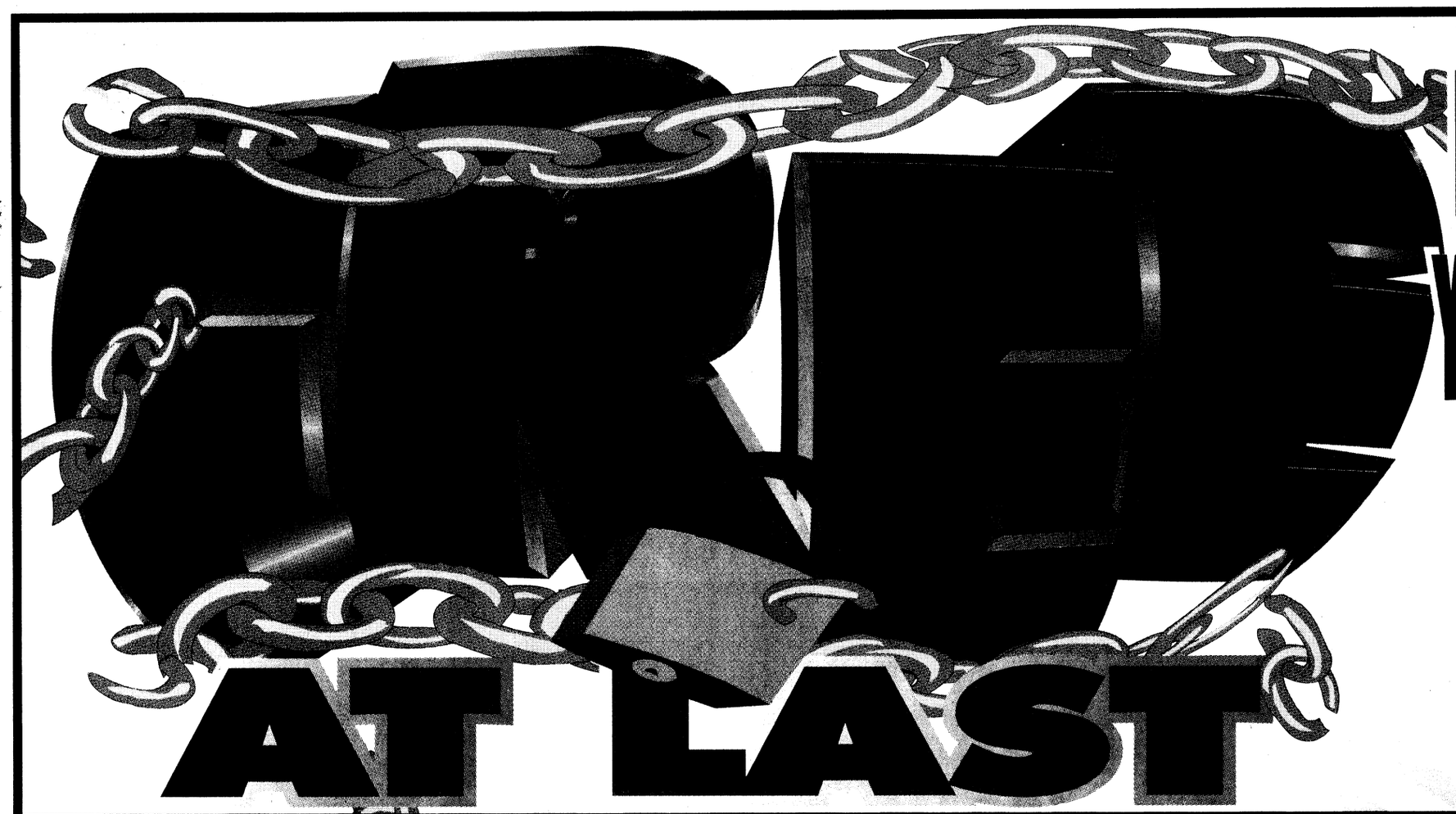

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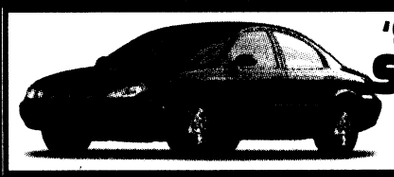

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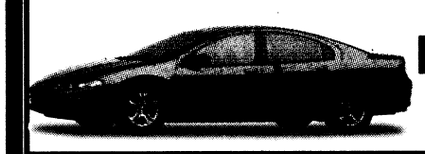

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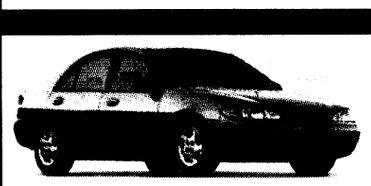

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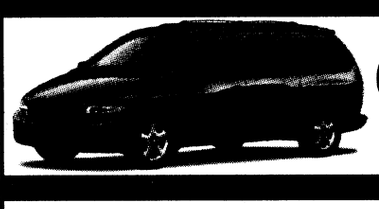

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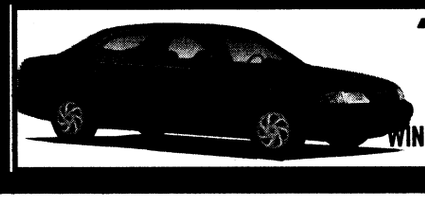

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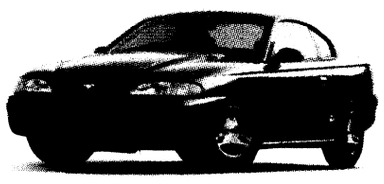

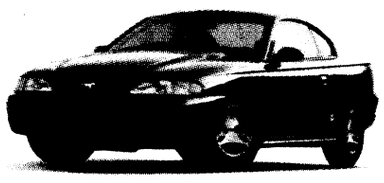

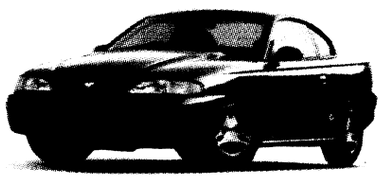

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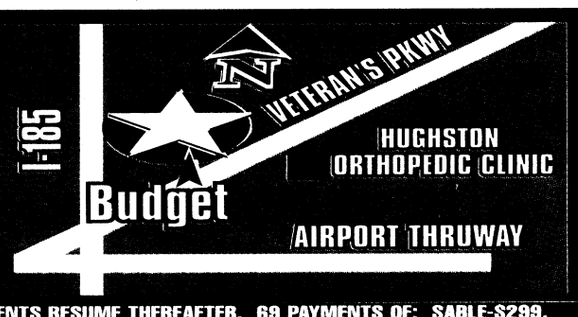

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Post swimming pools to open next week

Pools offer residents way to stay cool during summer heat

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

As the mercury exceeds 80 degrees, Fort Benning residents begin to fantasize about long, lazy days spent lounging in the swimming pool. With sunscreen and sunglasses in hand, they'll be flocking to area pools by the end of May.

Five of the seven outdoor swimming pools on Fort Benning are scheduled to open May 26. Although the Sand Hill pool will not be used this year, and the Youth Services pool won't open until June 10, the other pools will be ready for swimmers before the Memorial Day weekend.

Al Stewart, Community Activities director, said the cost of repairing the Sand Hill pool was prohibitive this summer, but it's possible that the necessary repairs will be completed by next year.

"The repairs are in the design process, but the Sand Hill pool needs too much work to be ready this year. If the funds are available at the end of the year, it could possibly be ready next summer," Stewart said. "We had to make a choice between two pools based on the amount of time and money available, so we chose to do the work necessary to bring the Custer Terrace pool up to date."

With a new chlorinator, reconstructed water lines and deck work completed, the Custer Terrace pool, as well as the Kelley Hill and Carey pools, will be available to all authorized military ID card holders and their families.

The Uchee Creek swimming pool will also be opened for Memorial weekend. However, unlike the previously mentioned pools, Uchee Creek charges an admission fee for guests who are not registered at the campgrounds.

A new policy at the Officers' Club swimming pool will allow guest house residents to use the pool, courtesy of the guest house. The pool is free to members of the club, but for the first time ever, a limited number of season passes will be available to non-members and their families. For a cost of $150 per family, or $120 for a single adult, passes will be sold starting today on a space available basis.

The Youth Services pool traditionally opens after the end of the school year.

The pool will be available to all YS card holders and their families June 10. Members under the age of 10 must be accompanied by someone over the age of 16.

John Bush, chief of community operations division, said qualified WSI (water safety instruction) instructors are needed at the YS and the O' Club pools. Qualified individuals can call the YS at 545-3070 or the O' Club at 687-0871.

The O' Club will offer swim lessons at a cost of $25 to members and anyone with a season pass. Non-members will pay $35. Anyone interested in lessons can call the physical fitness center at 687-0871.

For those who want to enjoy swimming with the convenience of never having to leave home, backyard above-ground pools are permitted on post . Master Sgt. Donald Blackmon, community life officer, encourages residents to erect fences around their pools.

"Safety is always the key issue," Blackmon said. "Basically the resident is responsible for the upkeep and safety of the pool, and pools over 3 feet tall must be covered when not in use."

Fort Benning Pools

Kelley Hill
No fee
Lap swim Mon-Fri
5:30-8 a.m.
Military training 8-11 a.m.
Open swim
Thurs-Mon 1-8 p.m.
Closed Tues & Wed

Carey
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Lap swim Wed-Fri
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Military training 7-11 a.m.
Open swim Wed-Sun
1-8 p.m.
Closed Mon & Tues

Custer Terrace
No fee
Open swim Fri-Tues
1-8 p.m.
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Uchee Creek
$3 fee
Free to registered campers
Open 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
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Youth Services
Free to YS members
Open Tues-Sat 2-6 p.m.

Officers'Club
Free to members
Limited number of season passes available
Open all week 1-8 p.m.
Weekends and holidays
10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Raft night Wed 6-9 p.m.

Band concert this weekend

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

In celebration of Armed Forces Day, the 283rd Army Band is performing a concert Saturday at the Phenix City Amphitheater.

The concert, which begins at 5:30 p.m., is free and open to the public.

The event will be hosted by Phenix City Mayor Peggy Martin.

The concert is a great opportunity for the band members and community members to pay tribute to those who have or are currently serving in the Armed Forces, said Staff Sgt. Mark Hedges, band operations supervisor.

"It's Armed Forces Day and we're going to honor veterans. We've invited every veterans organization in the area so it'll be a great time for everyone," he said.

Hedges added, one highlight of the concert with be a segment called *Ceremonial Flourishes,* a piece based on Army bugle calls.

For more details about the concert, call Hedges at 545-5313.

Quality time focus of TOTAL project

Bridgett Siter
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Fort Benning schools are encouraging students to turn off the television May 22-26. The project, called TOTAL (Turn Off the TV And Learn), is designed to help students and their parents recognize the educational benefits of spending quality time together participating in family-oriented activities.

The idea for the week-long event was first conceived by the school-home partnership committee at Faith Middle School. Assistant principal Angie McPherson said it became obvious that the TOTAL project was too good to keep to themselves.

"In thinking about what we wanted to do and all the activities we could incorporate, we realized that many of these students have younger brothers and sisters attending the elementary schools on Fort Benning," McPherson said, chairman of the school-home partnership committee. "So we invited all the other schools to come on board and the response was phenomenal."

Six of the seven schools on post are taking part in the project. McBride Elementary held its own event earlier in the year. Participating schools kicked off the event this week, some serving TV-shaped cakes in the cafeteria.

Each school will distribute log sheets to their students who will then record the number of hours spent involved in activities other than watching television. The results will be tallied at the end of the week, and each principal has offered an incentive for students to meet their predetermined goals.

Many of the staff members at Wilson Elementary School will dye their hair in rainbow colors if students meet their TV-free goal. Faith Middle School students hope to see their principal, Dr. Tom Dignan, kiss a pig.

Faith's media specialist Cindy Givens polled students throughout the entire school system and used the information she collected to create TOTAL activity booklets for students to share with their families. Based on ideas students contributed, the booklet offers suggestions for fun and educational family activities and ways to turn every-day activities into educational experiences.

"We simply asked the kids what

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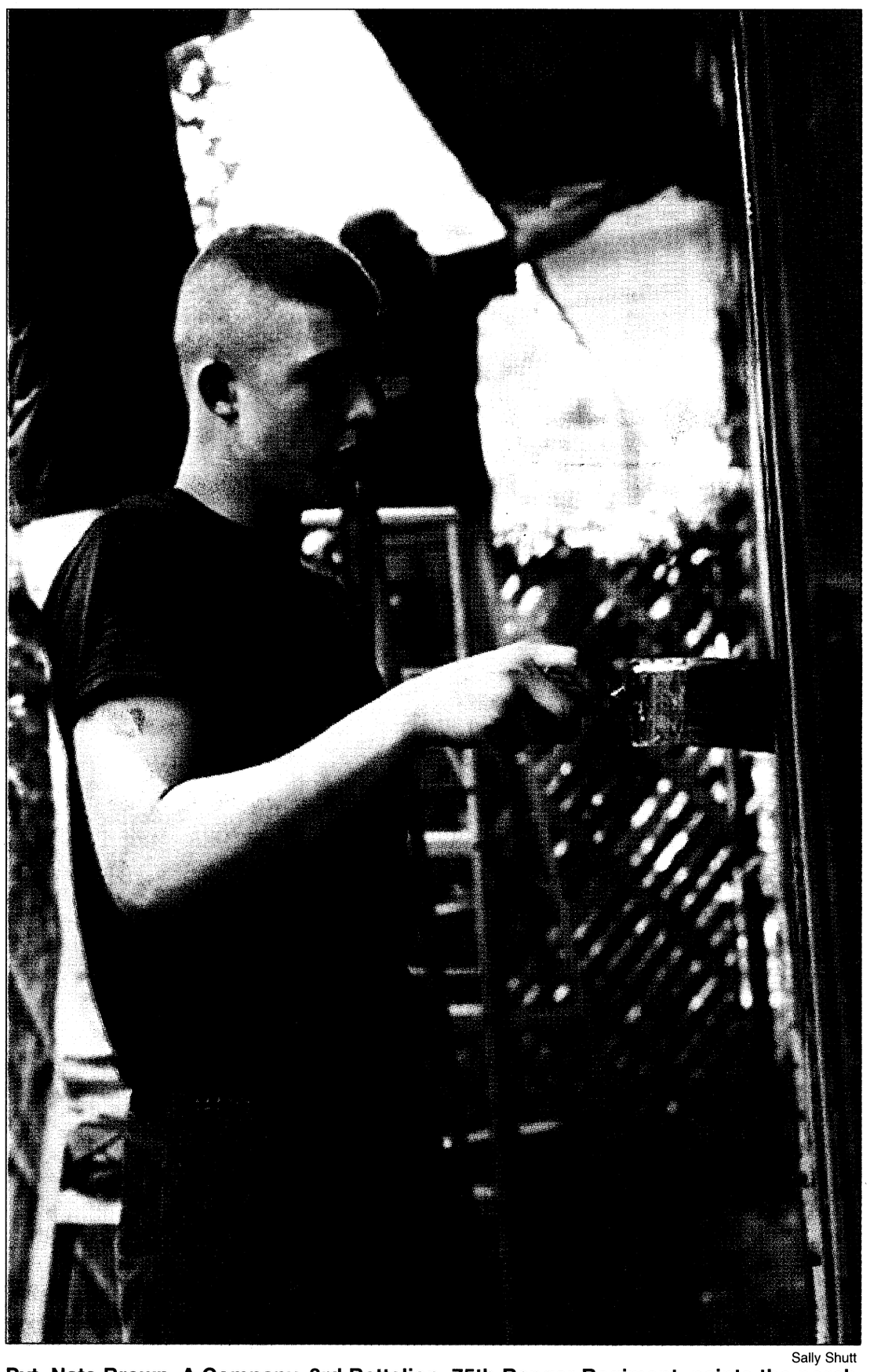
Soldiers' work improves home



Sally Shutt

Pvt. Nate Brown, A Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, paints the porch of a House of Heroes in Columbus.

Volunteers labor for House of Heroes project

Sally Shutt
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Staff Sgt. Roger Cassman took a day off from his job at Kelley Hill May 12. But he didn't take time off from work — not by a long shot.

Cassman, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, 3rd Brigade, arrived at a three-bedroom ranch house on Rice Street at 5 a.m. ready to paint, pull weeds, plant shrubs, move furniture and anything else he was asked to do.

He and about 40 volunteers worked during the day as part of the House of Heroes project at the home of Elizabeth "Betty" Cook, the widow of Levy Cook, a medic who served in World War II and Korea. Levy Cook retired from the Army in 1962 as a staff sergeant and worked as an EEG technician at Fort Benning's Martin Army Community Hospital. He died in 1978.

The home is the first site in the country for the House of Heroes, a volunteer project designed to recognize and honor veterans and their spouses who served the country faithfully and sacrificially.

"I believe in helping out the community and our fellow Soldiers, especially those who have fallen," Cassman said while painting the kitchen.

"If not for all the men and women who risked their lives, we would not be free today."

In one day, Cook's home of 40 years received a facelift including landscaping, interior and exterior painting and the installation of a ceiling fan.

Rangers from 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, joined Cassman and other volunteers from agencies such as Hands On Columbus, which organized the project.

Staff Sgt. Mike Saragosa, 3rd Bn., received an e-mail message asking

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USARSA, Phenix City school pledge 'commitment' to students

Organizations work to improve quality of education

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betencourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

The U.S. Army School of the Americas and the Glenwood School of Phenix City signed a "Pledge of Commitment," which will forge a bond for genuine and enduring friendship between the two schools, during a ceremony inside Pratt Hall May 11.

Cecilia Alexander, USARSA's international military student officer, said the signing of the pledge between the two schools allows each to improve the quality of education for the students.

"The pledge specifically states that each side will use their resources to achieve the mutually agreed upon goals and work together to continually improve and strengthen the partnership," she said.

Alexander said the students participating in Glenwood's Spanish Club were the one's who would be participating in different USARSA projects and events, including the upcoming Festival of the Americas in September.

For the USARSA students, the opportunity to help out Glenwood School will further broaden their horizons and promote opportunities to establish personal relationships, which abide well beyond their tenure at USARSA.

"This is a great opportunity for our students to interact with the language and the culture," said Donna Carter, foreign language teacher at Glenwood. "It also gives them a 'real-time window' with what's going on in our hemisphere."

Carter said both the school and the students are very excited about the pledge with USARSA.

"Students are already lining up for volunteer jobs at USARSA," she said.

One of the projects USARSA and Glenwood will team up together on will be the Habitat for Humanity.

"Having USARSA students to help us is a great resource for us," said Carter. "I believe that USARSA's participation with Habitat for Humanity will show their students how a community improvement project can be done without government expenditure. This is something they can take back to their countries."

The Pledge of Commitment was signed by Col. Glenn Weidner, commandant, USARSA, Peggy Martin, mayor of Phenix City, and William Hayes, headmaster for Glenwood School.

community briefs

on post

Postwide townhall meeting set for Tuesday — The Mayors will host a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Faith Middle School gym.

The meeting will be postwide with all the commanders and the garrison commander.

American Association of University Women meets — The May meeting of the American Association of University Women will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Columbus Room of Columbus State University.

For more information, call 568-4191.

Graduate school accepts appointments — The National Graduate School of Quality Management announced the selection of Patrick Meehan to serve as its Admissions and Site Director for Fort Benning. Meehan will conduct admissions counseling for individuals and units on an appointment or walk-in basis.

For more information, call 689-6004

Girl Scouts seek unwanted clothes — Girl Scout Troop 69 is collecting unwanted clothes to donate to Columbus shelters.

Clothes of all sizes will be accepted as well as toys, shoes and other items.

For more information, call 687-8643.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting supports recovering alcoholics — The Fort Benning Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at 7 p.m. every Monday, Thursday and Saturday.

Meetings are conducted in the basement of the Directorate of Community Activities, Building 241 next to the National Infantry Museum.

Individuals interested in attending meetings can use the rear entrance to the building.

For more information, call 545-4993 or 545-1138.

Nature Conservancy seeks volunteers — The Nature Conservancy of Georgia is seeking a volunteer educator to present environmental awareness lessons to local schools.

Familiarity with the Fort Benning community is essential for the position.

Experience teaching or working with youths is highly desirable.

For more information, call 545-7549.

Office relocates in MACH — The Admissions and Dispositions and Air Evac offices have relocated to a new area in the hospital.

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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The U.S. Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences has produced a short, user-friendly, self-contained handbook to assist company and battalion-level Family Support Group leaders.

According to ARI officials, "The Family Support Group Leaders' Handbook" combines 20 years of research findings with what experienced FSG leaders at the Army War College, Europe, and U.S. Army Forces Command say works.

It also contains lists of additional resource materials (other handbooks, films, research reports, and Army regulations) and where to get them via the Internet, telephone or ordinary mail.

Additional information about how to get this manual is available from the ARI by writing to: Director, U. S. Army Research Institute, 5001 Eisenhower Ave., Alexandria, VA 22333-5600 or by phoning (703) 617-8867 or DSN 767-8867.

Information is also available by accessing the ARI internet address www.ari.army.mil.

births

Girls

Adrianna Nicole Naranjo — born May 2 to Shannon and Pfc. Jason Naranjo.

Tarianna Dianne Knighton — born May 2 to Sgt. Latria and Spc. Tarian Knighton.

Trinity Collene Ayscue — born May 3 to Janel and Staff Sgt. Roger Ayscue.

McKinly Elizabeth Cole — born May 4 to Jennifer and Staff Sgt. Michael Cole.

Evelyn Renee McCoy — born May 4 to Iraida and Master Sgt. Ronnie McCoy.

Boys

Anthony Adrian Vargas Lorenzo — born April 25 to Monica Lorenzo and Spc. Angel Vargas.

Clayton Daniel Donahue — born April 27 to Tamy and Spc. Jeremy Donahue.

Jacob Earl Nesbitt — born April 28 to Cheryl and Sgt. 1st Class Michael Nesbitt.

Kenneth Lee Gambles II — born April 28 to Deborah and Capt. Kenneth Gambles.

DaJoun Myles Dotson — born April 29 to Chirnique and Sgt. Daniel Dotson.

Marlon Sumito Jackson — born May 1 to Tomoko and Staff Sgt. Curtis Jackson.

Hunter James Wilson — born May 4 to Spc. Tora and Sgt. Michael Wilson.

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Your move



Lt. Col. Don Sando

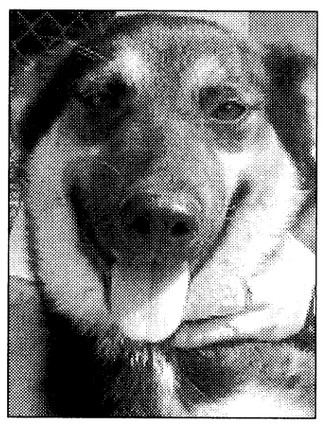
Megan Sando, 12, enjoys a game of chess with her 10-month old pet, Mia. Mia was adopted by the family last September.

Pets of the Week



A 5-month-old female German Shepherd and a 2-month-old male short hair cat are just a few of the animals available. Many more are in need of a good home.

For more information about these or any other pets ready to be adopted, call the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic at 545-4826.



Soldiers: Give back to others

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for volunteers for the project. He put the word out and 15 men signed up to help.

"We do a lot of work in the community. Just last month we worked with the Special Olympics," Saragosa said.

The Rangers made quite an impression on Cook's 8-year-old great-grandson, Austin Dixon, of Savannah, Ga. Saragosa presented the boy with a unit coin commending him for working hard at raking leaves and moving bricks.

"They are cool because they are making it a new yard and doing a lot of painting," Dixon said, referring to the Rangers in black T-shirts.

The idea for the House of Heroes project was first introduced at a conference for the National Society of Human Resource Management last fall in Washington, D.C.

"We wanted to do something personal and practical," Wayne Anthony, state director of the society, said.

"This makes sense. We are attempting to express with our actions a gratitude that can never be adequately expressed in words," said Anthony, the director for the Center for Servant Leadership at the Pastoral Institute in Columbus.

To qualify, recipients must be an elderly or disabled veteran or spouse and the owner and occupant of the home needing repair. W. C. Bradley Co. was the sponsoring business for this project, ensuring that the homeowner had no expenses.

Cook recalled why her husband chose to buy the house on Rice Avenue back in 1960.

"We lived on Fort Benning at Baker Village. It was May and we didn't have any trees. He drove over to look at this house that was for sale and never stepped inside. He went straight to the back yard and counted 19 pine trees," Cook said.

"He told me the house was my department, and that the backyard was so nice and shady," she said.

Most of the pine trees were cut down years later after an ice storm killed them, but there was still plenty of shade available for Cook to sit under as she watched the volunteers working diligently to finish before an afternoon ceremony.

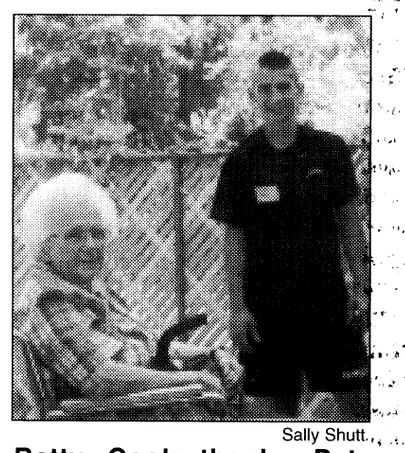
"I don't even know the words to use," she said when asked how she felt about being selected as the first House of Heroes recipient.

Her daughters, Marie Dixon of Macon, Ga., and Ruth Cook of Columbus, said it's not uncommon for their mother to downplay her contributions to the community.

Betty Cook was named the "Quiet Disciple" for the Columbus district of the United Methodist Church in 1991.

"That is what she is. She does a lot of volunteer work, but she doesn't seek recognition," Ruth said. Her mother is still active with the Red Cross Blood Drive team, and the Asbury United Methodist Church nursery.

Col. Frank Helmick, commander of the Ranger Training Brigade, paid tribute to the Cooks during a 4 p.m. ceremony in the front yard. Following his comments, Sen. Max Cleland presented Cook with an American flag that had flown over the U.S. Capitol.



Sally Shutt

Betty Cook thanks Pvt. David Williams for his work on her home.

"On behalf of the Congress of the United States and a grateful nation, this gift to you for your gift to us," was inscribed on the wooden box.

Rep. Mac Collins and representatives for Sen. Paul Coverdell and Rep. Sanford Bishop also attended the ceremony.

Cleland, Collins and the other members of the Georgia congressional delegation plan to go back to Washington and encourage other elected officials to start a House of Heroes program in their districts, Anthony said.

Hands On Columbus plans to repair and improve another home this fall.

For more information about House of Heroes, call Hands On Columbus at 649-3384.

Project: Promotes family time

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kind of things they would like to do with their parents," Givens said. "Their responses were varied, some very creative and some as simple as 'going for a walk' or 'playing ball together.' Then we used their ideas to create this book for them to share with their parents and we listed examples of places and activities available on and off post. Our goal is to get families to interact — to venture out into the community and take advantage of what is out there."

McPherson said she hopes a week without TV will encourage parents to actively seek opportunities to share time with their children.

"What we are wanting parents to do is think outside the box. It doesn't have to be a pen and paper learning activity. Riding down the road or doing simple household tasks together can turn into a learning opportunity if you get creative with it," McPherson said.

Stower's fifth-grader Aubrey Coovrey said she understands the importance of looking for recreation other than television.

"You really don't learn anything from the TV, but some kids sit in front of it all the time," the 11-year-old said. "Maybe a week without TV will show them that it's more important and more fun to go outside and play and spend time with their family."

Do you have an issue you would like discussed at the town hall meeting Tuesday 7 p.m. at Faith Middle School?

Be sure to fill out an issue sheet so your topic can be addressed.

What is the issue?
Why is this a problem or how does the problem affect the resident and/or the community?
What action does the resident suggest to resolve the issue?

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Do you wish to be contacted regarding this issue after the town hall meeting?

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Many academics stem from

Carolyn Phillips
White Elementary School

"It's Greek to us," or at least that's what students in the third- and fifth-grade enrichment classes at White Elementary School are saying.

They have donned the chiton, a toga-like garment, as they study the vast legacy of Greece.

Virtually every subject in today's schools has Greek roots to included zoology, biology, architecture, history, geometry, theater, logic, and hygiene.

One of every eight words we speak, read, or write is Greek in origin.

The Greeks invented and laid the foundations for democracy and examined their lives and sought goals.

They called this quest arete (air-ah-tay), which means to strive for perfection or excellence as a part of the physical, mental, academic, and spiritual development of oneself.

The students at White have been challenged to memorize the Greek alphabet and famous quotes and sayings as they learn about Greek history, culture, and myths.

Recently the students used creative problem solving skills to build Greek temples within 90 minutes using a set of materials issued by the teacher.

"The Greeks used lots of columns in their temples," said Lauren O'Neill. "I like wearing the chiton. It makes me feel like I'm back in ancient Greece."

Pam Anthony, a pre-K teacher, is coaching the students on the dramatic style of the Greek orators. The students will make masks to be used in the choral reading of Antigone.

The students are also training to display their physical abilities during the schools Olympic Competition scheduled for late May.

Chicken scratch?



Courtesy photo

Kara Sherrill, left, and Samantha Truitt, kindergarten students in Carolyn Phillips class at White Elementary School, make seed chickens using dyed popcorn kernels, dried beans, sunflower seeds and felt. This was a special project to go along with their study of seeds and plants.

Students discover dinosaurs

Carolyn Phillips
White Elementary School

People have long been fascinated by the monstrous size of the dinosaurs.

First- and second-grade students at White Elementary School have been exploring the exciting world of paleontology. The students began their study of dinosaurs by simulating their eating and nesting habits along with caring for the hatchlings.

"On the first few days my dinosaurs were eaten by T-rex," Amber Coleman said with a small amount of frustration in her voice. "It didn't take me long to help my dinosaurs learn how to survive," she added.

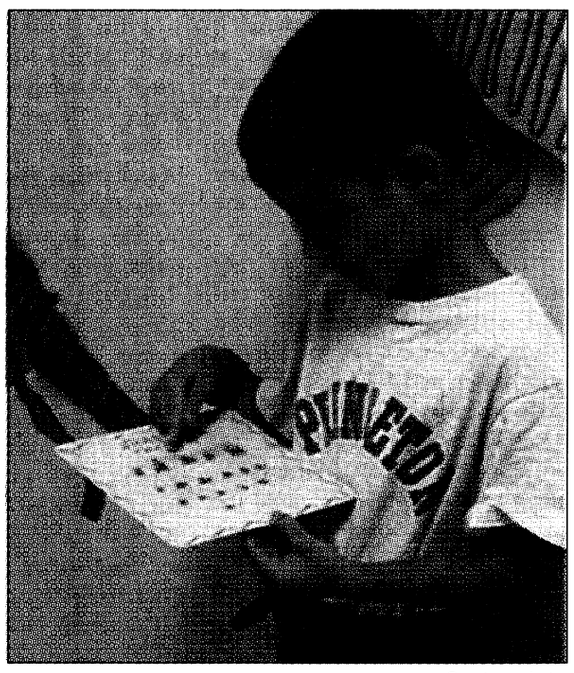
These young paleontologists carefully uncovered dinosaur skeletons embedded in layers of rock.

They then label each fossil piece and put the skeleton together to exhibit in the Dinosaur Museum. Using critical thinking skills, each fossil skeleton was carefully studied to gather as much information about the dinosaur as possible.

Through this process the students learned about the various theories scientist have about these huge beasts and their extinction.

"The best part of going on the fossil hunts was that I found a whole shark's tooth," said Todd Mueller.

Dr. D. Schwimmer, a paleontologist at Columbus State University, said, the fossils are about 80 million years old.



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Todd Muller checks out a chart showing examples of shark's teeth.

The students are preparing to share the information they gathered with other members of the student body by performing a puppet show about these huge, fascinating, and extinct animals.

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Art camp planned for late July

White Elementary School

Fine Arts Summer Camp will be held at White School July 24-28. Children will attend five sessions each day from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The 40-minute sessions will include drama, music, dance, visual arts and crafts, and creative writing. The Computer Lab will be used to publish student work and create presentations.

Activities will be planned around the central theme of Under The Sea.

Enrollment is limited to students of White School. One parent of each enrolled student is required to volunteer during one day of the camp.

Forms will be sent home to be completed and returned to the school office.

The classes will be filled on a first come basis.

Tuition is $40 for one child, $75 for two children, $100 for three children and $120 for four children.

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chapel notes

Pre-baptism class — There will be a pre-baptism class for parents planning to have their child baptized in the Catholic Church. The class will be Sunday at 1 p.m. in Custer Terrace Chapel. To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-5508.

Sunday School meets at White Elementary — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Everyone is invited. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The theme is "Feed My Sheep."

New board members will be installed at this meeting. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Military Council of Catholic Women meet Friday — The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m. today at the Main Post Catholic Chapel.

After the meeting a Mass will be celebrated.

Child care is available.

All women are invited to share in fellowship.

For more information, cali Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Vacation Bible School needs volunteers — Vacation Bible School will be at White Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. to noon June 19-23.

The theme this year is "In the Race with Jesus, Road Rally 2000."

There will be classes for students from 4 years of age through junior high and middle school.

Volunteers are needed in all positions — musicians, teachers and assistant teachers, recreation, refreshment and administrative personnel.

To volunteer, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4517.

"If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will and it shall be done for you." — *John 15:7*

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

God, country can be balanced by members of Armed Forces

Chaplain (Maj.) Dave Norvell
3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division

reflections

As you take a moment to honor those who served their nation in the Armed Forces, also remember those who served their God. We can do both.

When asked whether a Christian should pay taxes levied by the Roman Empire, Jesus said in Matthew 22:17, "Give Caesar what is his right according to law, and give God what he is due. Citizens can believe in their God, and believers can be good citizens by serving their country."

Some feel they have "no time" for chapel attendance, Bible studies, local church involvement or giving offerings because their job demands so much.

It's like saying, "My job rules and reigns my life." Soldiers give, and give sacrificially, in doing their jobs, but they can still can and must allow God's influence in their lives. Does your job demand all of you?

Some of the most powerful, dynamic officers, NCOs, enlisted Soldiers and family members I have known were able to do both.

They worked under enormous pressure and had hundreds of issues claiming their attention each week, yet they attended worship, volunteered as ushers, served on committees and regularly read their Bible or daily devotions.

You accomplish this delicate balance by admitting both God and country are important, setting priorities, making commitments and following-through.

Follow-through work is another phase for practicing faith.

Trust you are doing a vital and long-range work. You can expect to struggle with maintaining the balance, but you will have time to do both.

Press toward the mark of serving God and your country!

Communication between spouses vital to avoiding marital conflicts

Chap. (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center

As human beings part of our uniqueness is our ability to verbally communicate. However, this uniqueness can be a double-edged sword.

This is because we can be misunderstood as easily as we misunderstand. Attaching non-verbals to our words can further complicate the whole communication process.

As adults we are thrust into contact with other adults whose lives and experiences have taught them words and definitions which don't match our own. Bring this problem of unmatched meanings into a marriage relationship, and you have unbounded potential for misunderstanding.

Understanding words though, will not resolve marital conflict.


Rupel

Attitudes, feelings and beliefs behind words we use can turn out to be more important and powerful than the words themselves.

True effective communication begins with self-respect. When we don't feel good about ourselves, we cannot be open and honest with those close to us.

This can lead to find fault in our spouse to cover up our own inadequacies. Self-respect helps us to accept and respect others.

Let's face it. No one is perfect. It is far too easy to find fault in others. In the marriage relationship, this can easily lead to destructive marital conflict. Accusing and blaming are real communication killers.

It puts the person who is the object of the accusation and blame on the defensive. Often counteraccusations are hurled back at the accuser. This leads to escalation in the conflict, and once this escalation begins, the conflict can turn ugly and even violent.

This is not communication. It is war!

There is a better way to resolve marital conflict and the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center can help.

Give the Center a call at 545-1760 for more information.

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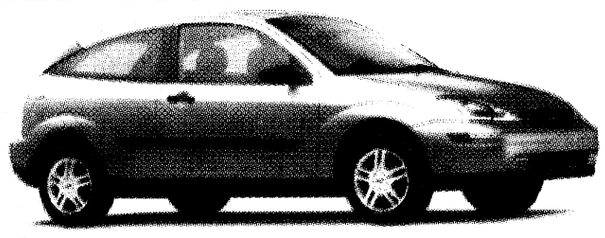

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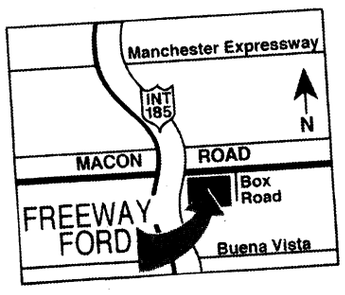

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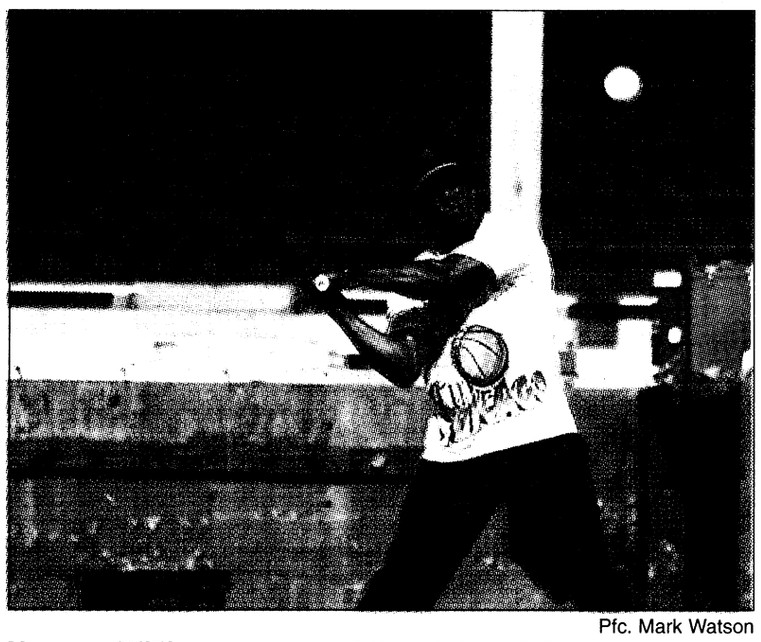


Pfc. Mark Watson

Norman Williamson, one of the eight original members of the "Gruesome" chips his way out of the sand.

Local enthusiasts log more than 8,000 rounds on Follow Me

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

With every year members of the "Gruesome" may get a little slower and a little bit more arthritic.

Although old age creeps up on them slowly, they don't let it slow them down with their passion for golf.

The Gruesome is a close-knit group of retired Soldiers that takes to the course four days a week.

"We play on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays," Norman Williamson said. "We got started in 1976 with about 28 players. There is only 8 original members left."

With three original members playing Monday, they have more than 8,000 games between them.

"All 8,000 have been played here (on the Follow Me Golf Course) mostly on the Pineside course," he said. "One of the guys (Bill Klobe) just hit 3,000 games.

Although the group gets together to play golf, the meeting is more than just a game.

"It is a way to extend old friendships," Williamson said. "The trick now is just getting here and playing. We do good if we can shoot our score on nine holes."

Although modest about their ability to play, their swings were smooth and strong and they played better than most men half their age as they shot scores of just over par on nine holes.

"We still get lucky every once in a while," Bill Shuff said. "Sam Adams got a hole-in-one just last week."

The luck doesn't end with just one man though, Shuff has had his fair share of luck.

"I have been playing for 24 or 25 years and have 13," he said proudly.

Having played around the world, the group has played some odd courses.

"I have played at about 75 courses, everywhere from Singapore to St. Andrews, Scotland," Williamson said. "I even have played a course in Saigon, (Vietnam), in 1966.

"They had barbed wire strung around the course, so if you hit the ball into the rough it stayed there," he said. "I still carry my membership card to the course."

"I have played all over, too," Shuff said. "I've played in France, Germany, California, North and South Carolina and Texas."

Members of the Gruesome say that golf is a release for them, and it gives them something to do during retirement.

"There are some of us who are over 80," Williamson said. "Coming out (to the golf course) gets me out of 'honey-do projects.'

"It gives me the chance for relaxation," Shuff said. "We all just love to play."

Like their age, their scores are

See **GRUESOME**, C-2

Colonels trounce sergeants major



Pfc. Mark Watson

Carlton Halloway, of the sergeants majors team, prepares to wallop the ball as part of the Celebrity Softball game held Monday at Gowdy Field during Military Appreciation Week.

Officers dominate game, 27-7

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

The colonels swung for the fences as they crushed the sergeants major 27-7 Monday during the Military Appreciation Week Celebrity Softball game at Gowdy Field.

This year's game marks the third year in a row that the colonels have bested the sergeants major.

The game began slowly for the sergeants major as they couldn't make anything productive happen.

The colonels got off to a quick lead when their first man up swung on the second pitch and drove it deep into left-center field bringing him around the diamond to score the first run of the game.

The colonels began the humiliating defeat driving in more runners before shortstop John Kamai fielded the ball and tossed it to first baseman Edmond Crivello ending the inning.

At the top of the second, the sergeants major answered back with a scoring frenzy of their own.

Kamai hit the ball deep enough for a stand-up triple. Edwin Lasanta matched that with a triple bringing Kamai in.

Michael O'Neil popped the ball out of the infield leading to a RBI single. David Libersat stepped up to the plate and drove in two runs before the sergeants

See **GAME**, C-2

Soldiers battle for title

Fit-to-Win competition names post best

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

How would you like to knock out 605 push-ups in only three minutes? Well you can do it if you have four motivated Soldiers on your team.

As the midway point of Military Appreciation Week rolled around, Soldiers gathered at Doughboy Stadium for the Fit-to-Win competition.

The competition, which was a combination of the 100 meter sprint, one mile run, push-ups and the tug-of-war, brought the competitive spirit to Doughboy.

Runners in the 100 meter sprint started the four event competition.

The top male finishers were, Kyen Hill of the 11th Infantry Regiment team, Eric Taylor with the 36 Engineer team and Justin Keller, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade.

For the females, Eunice Brow, on the 29th Infantry Regiment took the top spot while Sharon Williams, U.S. Army School of the Americas and Rachel Smith, 36th Engineers followed.

After a brief stretching period, competitors headed to the push-up event where 11th Inf.Regt., team took the top spot with 605 push-ups followed by the 29th Inf., Regt., with 553, the USARSA took third with 524 and 58th Inf., Regt., knocked out 488 for fourth place.

The one mile run was the next event. As the runners crossed the finish line, Mathew Feeham, of the 11th Inf., Regt., team was in the lead followed by Cody Lane for the 58th Inf. Regt., and Miguel Sheran for the USARSA team.

For females, Traci Belcher of the 11th Inf. Regt., team won, with Nerine Pete and Laura Dean, both with the USARSA team close behind.

With the last event, the tug-of-war, Soldiers faced off to see who's team was the mightiest.As 11th Inf. Regt., pulled USARSA over the line, they emerged victorious followed be the 29th Inf. Regt., team and 58th Inf. Regt., team.

"This is a great competition," Jervon Burns, a three-time 36th Engineer Group competitor said. "It is a chance for good, healthy competition, and it gives us other events than the PT test."

First time competitor Keller, 58th Inf. Regt., said the competition

See **COMPETITION**, C-2

Volleyball game crowns king of sandcourt

Infantry Training Brigade takes home top V-ball honors in Military Appreciation Week

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Soldiers from across Fort Benning gathered Tuesday morning at the O'Club for the Military Appreciation Week's Sand Volleyball finals.

As more than 20 four-man teams dwindled down to best players, the E Company, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, team emerged victorious.

Trainees and cadre members teamed up to walk away with the unexpected win.

The players who made up the winning team were, Shane Aki, Calvin Flinta, Shane Tulatona and Ieremia Masaga.

It was 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, ITB, with the team of Michael Stunkard, James Fredrick, VIctor Baez and Walter Cassasola bringing home the silver.

Charles Morris, Mario Gabriel, Armando Oimla and Frank Rodriquez of A Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, took third place.

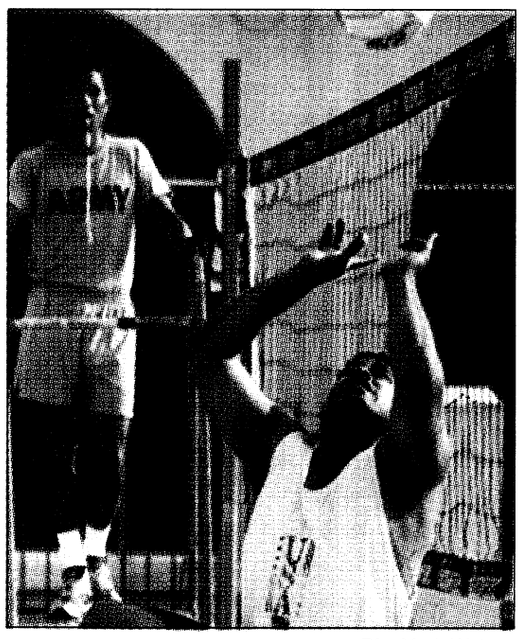
> "I was surprised when we won third place. In fact, I was amazed"
>
> **Frank Rodriquez**
> Sand Volleyball Third Place winner

And C Company, 29th Inf. Regt., with Donnie Bobo, Michael Randolph, Christopher Deavila and Michael Cummings taking fourth place.

"It was a lot of fun," Rodriquez said who was part of the team that brought home the bronze. "It was something I wish we could do once a week.

"We just got a group of guys together and I was very surprised when we won third place. In fact I was amazed.

"I never thought we would do that well."



Pfc. Mark Watson

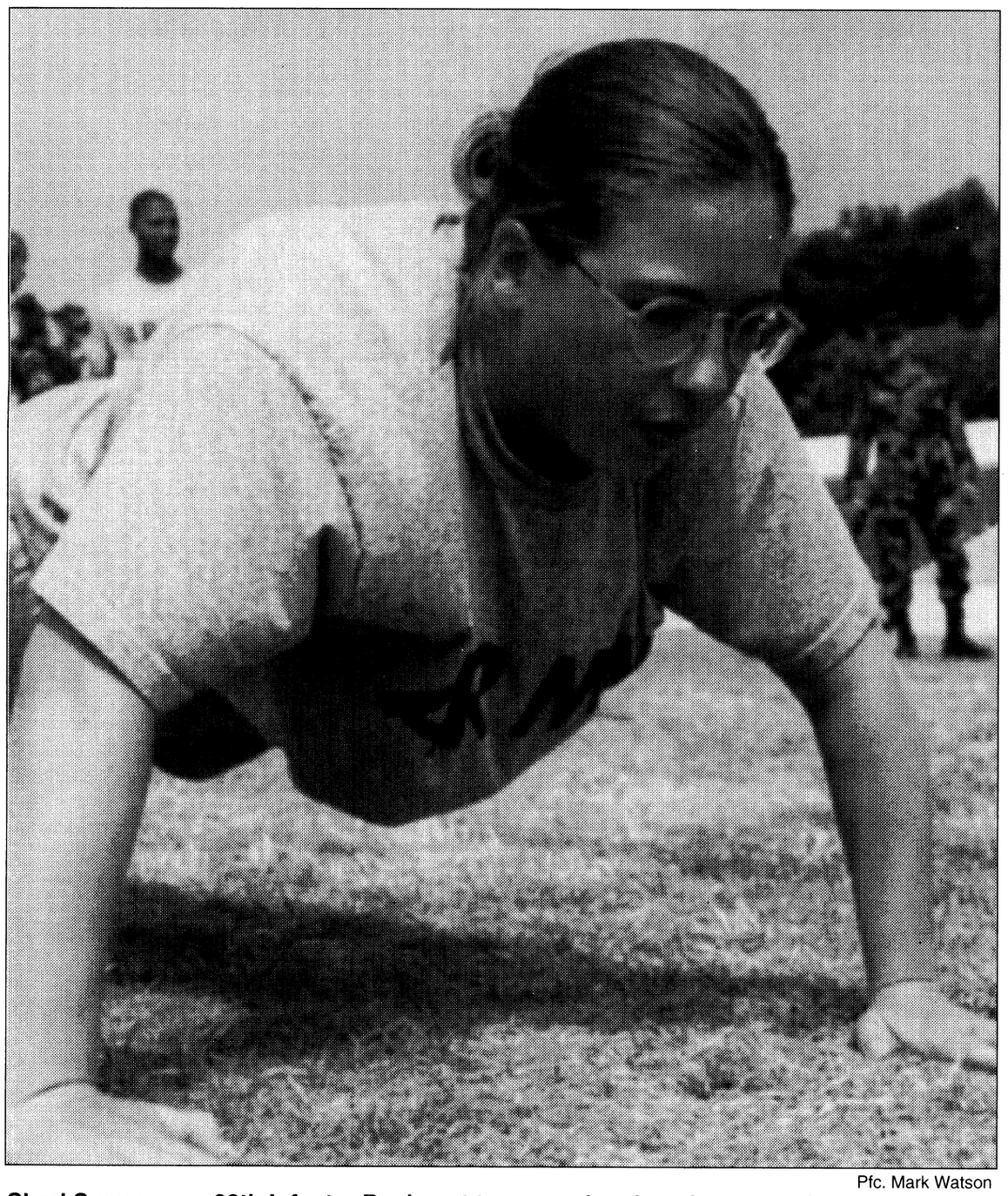
A 3rd Brigade Soldier sets the ball to a teammate Tuesday.

Law Day Run



Pfc. Mark Watson

More than 30 runners took part in the Law Day Run Saturday, sponsored by the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate. The over all winners were Fransico Garcia for the males and Kerryn Davidson for the females. In the 18-years-old and under femalegroup, Anuarite Mubangu took the spot followed by Courtney Lee, Asley Salo and 7-year-old Annabell Garcia. For the 30- to 39-year-old males, James Miller won, followed by Pete Lind and Arreola Rodriga.
In the 40- to 49-year-old male group, Jon Lightner took top honors with Micheal Beard and Sam Mubangu close behind. Sole competitors were: Wayne Scott, Martinez Cavemann, Retia Scott, Stacey Salo and Michael Small.



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Sheri Summers, a 29th Infantry Regiment teammember, knocks out push-ups. Her team won second place.

Competition: Challenges teams

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is a break from the stress of basic training.

"I'm in my fifth week of basic," he said. "This is a great break from the stress and a lot of fun. It also gives us the chance to compete against other people from across the U.S."

Agreeing the competition was great, one mile run competitor Renee Grippon, on the 29th Inf. Regt., team said Military Appreciation Week is a lot of fun.

"I am having a great time," she said. "The best part is competing against each other and having people cheer people on."

The events wind down today with the General's Fun Run and the selection of Ms. AUSA at 11 a.m. on York Field.

An awards ceremony will follow the pageant on York Field awarding the newly crowned queen and winners from the military appreciation week games.

Gruesome: Logs 8,000 rounds

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getting higher, so they depend on brains instead of brawn.

"I average in the low 80s," Williamson said. "My best game was a 71, but on one game I only putted 21 times on 18 holes,"

Agreeing that his game was slowing down, Shuff said he relies on his chipping more.

"As I get older, I don't hit as far and I don't putt as well, so I have to depend on my short game," he said. "My best game was a 62. I had 11 birdies and one bogey on that game," he said, as he shot 10 under pa that game.

Although the Gruesome members tee off from the senior tees, the men drive straight down the fairways as they swing effortlessly to the next green.

Game: Scores officers third win

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major were thrown out at first.

With the game tied at four, the colonels once again were up to bat. After their four-run warm-up inning they decided to show what they were made of.

Going through the order three times, the colonels pummeled the ball as they drove in 11 runs before the inning ended.

As third inning began, Carlton Holloway of the sergeants major team drove in a team member and wound up with a single, but before his team could really get started they grounded out with the inning's score at 15-5.

The sergeants major played tough defense and didn't allow any score in the third and fourth innings while sergeants major's Herbert Thompson drove the ball nearly to the fence allowing him to easily score.

With the beginning of the fifth inning, Mack Vereen headed to right field as a substitute for James Boyett. When he stepped up to the plate, he took two strikes and then drove the ball out of the infield scoring Lasanta and the last point of the game for his team.

In the bottom of the fifth, the colonels stepped up once again and pulled some more tricks out of their bag scoring four runs before they had three outs.

When the sergeants major grounded out twice and popped out, the colonels stopped the sergeants major from scoring in the sixth while driving in five of their own bringing the score to 27-7.

The sergeants major came to the plate again, but they popped up two balls for outs and then grounded another.

"Our infield was like vacuum cleaners," said Don Sando of the colonel's team with Joseph Lowder at third, K.K. Chin at shortstop and Jay Chambers at second. "They couldn't get anything past the infield."

"It is always great to win," said John Latimer. "Now (Command) Sergeant Major Vereen will retire with the loser trophy."

Taking the loss with a grain of salt, Vereen said that they "honorably accept defeat."

"We lost for the last three years, but we really beat them the year before."

As a tradition of the Celebrity Softball game the defeated team makes a donation to needy children.

"We are donating $2,000 to Santa's Castle as tradition," Vereen said.

With their spirits soaring and their heads held high both teams left the field awaiting next year's game.

sports briefs

Baseball club seeks players — All active and reserve Army personnel and dependents over age 18 are eligible to tryout for the 2000 U.S. Army Baseball Club.

Tryouts will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday at Gowdy Field on Fort Benning.

All Army personnel with professional, semi-professional or collegiate baseball experience are encouraged to participate.

Position players will be evaluated on their hitting and fielding skills, foot speed and arm strength.

Pitchers will be evaluated on mechanics and arm strength.

Players selected for this year will play locally in the Columbus men's league and during the fall against local colleges.

Next year's team will play exhibition games against professional and collegiate teams as well as represent the Army in the Navy's Annual Baseball Challenge at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego.

For more information contact Capt. Edward Gawlik at 545-2734 or DSN 835-2734.

Kelly Hill invites chess players — There will be a three round chess tournament at noon May 27 at the Kelly Hill Recreation Center.

The games will last 25 minutes. The entry fee is $4.

There will be three categories, rated open, rated scholastic and unrated for non-members.

There will be prizes given. For more information, call 687-6483.

Georgia Parks offers annual pass — Outdoor enthusiasts can save money at any of Georgia's 48 state parks this year by buying an Annual ParkPass.

The pass is $25 and provides unlimited access to Georgia State Parks without paying the $2-$4 daily parking fee.

For an additional $10, visitors can join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites" which offers not only the annual pass, but also discounts in Friends-operated gift shops, free historic site admission, one free round of golf, volunteer opportunities and a newsletter.

For more information about the ParkPass program, call (404) 657-9851 or visit www.gastateparks.org. To join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites" call (800) 864-7275.

Law enforcement agencies sponsors torch run — The annual Torch Run is scheduled for 6 a.m. - 10 a.m. on Tuesday beginning at the Provost Marshal's Office.

There will be a ceremony beginning at 9 a.m. at the Public Safety Building.

For more information, call 545-5175

Rugby season is underway — The Columbus-Fort Benning Cruise-A-Matics kicked off their training season Thursday.

The team begins their tournament May 27.

For more information, call Gary Kent at 324-4924 or Jim Muldoon at 327-6544.

NRMB sets traps — The Natural Resource Management Branch has set up traps in the wooded areas throughout the installation in an effort to eradicate the feral swine problem on post.

The traps are dangerous and people are asked to keep out of the areas where they are employed.

The traps are large, wooden boxes baited with corn.

For more information, call Pete Swiderek at 544-7077.

Army looks for women basketball players — The Department of the Army Sports is looking for women basketball players interested in trying out for the All Army Women Basketball Team.

For more information, visit the USAIC Sports Director located in Building 241, Room 221 or call 545-4300 or 545-5777.

DEADLINES

The deadline for placing an ad in Friday's paper is Tuesday at 5 p.m.

You may place your FREE ad three ways:
- **fax your ad to 682-3268,**
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Autos for sale

67 Dodge Coronet 440, 2 door, 383 engine, 73K miles, sublime green, excellent condition, first $7200.00. home: 689-3476, work: 544-6550. (F19)

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78 Mustang and 84 Toyota SR5. For more information call 685-8191 after 5:30 p.m. (F26)

79 Mustang will trade for old bug or sell for $1000. o.b.o. 685-2583. (F9)

84 Mercury Lynx GS (Ford Escort), Auto, 100k miles, new tires, great student vehicle or second vehicle, good condition, $1500. 221-7746. (F2)

88 Cadillac Deville, 2 door, white and blue. 682-4419. (F26)

89 Honda CRX SI, 16 valve, 90,000 miles. Excellent transportation 35mi/gal. Needs body work. $1800. o.b.o. 687-5620. (F2)

85 Trans Am 305 V-8, new tires, shocks, looks sharp, runs great. $3000 obo706-221-3343 (P19)

89 Mercury Topaz, good condition, 4 door, automatic. Asking price $1600 obo. Call 685-0707. (F26)

89 Tan Nissan Sentra. Runs well, asking $550. O.B.O.689-3153. (F9)

89 900 Saab 4 door. Brand new transmission and rebuilt engine. Asking for $3000. Ask for Michael @ 689-8512. (F9)

90 Nissan Maxima SE, black, 5-speed, excellent condition, loaded, $3000 obo. 448-9899 (F9)

93 Volvo 850 GLT. Green with tan leather interior. Fully loaded 100,000 miles. Great condition. Suggested retail price is 11,905. Willing to negotiate. 568-6322 or 683-1706 pager. (F19)

94 2-door, green Honda Civic EX. Only 60,000 miles. Best Bid Gets Car. Call 685-3428. (F19)

95 Eagle Talon in good condition asking10 K, give me a call at 687-8819 after 5:00pm. (F2)

95 Oldsmobile Cierra, power everything, blue book value 6,500, sale $5000. 565-0332. Very clean. (F26)

95 Toyota Camry LE, good condition, runs great, 4 door, A/C, new tires, must see. Call 563-8901. $9000. (F26)

95 Ford Contour GL Sedan 4DR,V6, 2.5L, automatic, FWD, PS, PW, PDL, AM/FM CD, Dual Air Bags, ABS, A/C, Tilt, Steering, Maroon; 57,137mi. Kelley Blue Book: $7,605, asking $7,000. 689-9614. (F19)

95 Ford Taurus GL, champagne, remote and keyless entry, loaded with options, cold air, excellent condition, new brakes and tires, clean, 95k miles, $5,500. o.b.o. 568-9407.(F2)

95 Ford Taurus, 146K, PW, PL, PD, A/C, want someone to assume payments of $210/month. Kristina @ 682-4158. (F9)

96 Chevy Camero, silver, excellent condition. $13,500. o.b.o. 685-4835. (F2)

97 Ford Taurus GL, white, loaded. One owner, dealer serviced. Excellent condition. 44K, full warranty to 60K. $10,700. (706) 687 2711. (F26)

98 Contour SE, 4-dr, v-6, loaded, sunroof, leather, cd player, cruise control, electric locks and windows with over drive. 11k miles. $10,900.298-2344. (F26)

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94 Dodge Ram Van. AC, PW, PL, 4 captain chairs. TV/VCR, AM/FM,Cassette, 70k miles. POC. $6600. 562-0768. (F19)

94 Ford Ranger, 5sp, A.C., am/fm, nice. $4100. 297-2960. (F19)

94 Nissan XE 4X4 truck. Low miles(62K), 5 speed, AC, power side mirrors, bed liner, Sony AM/FM CD player, 3" lift kit with new oversize 32x11.50x15 tires on alloy mag wheels. $9,050 book value, will sell for $7,850. Call 689-9906 (F26)

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Wanted

Roommate wanted. Responsible and clean to share 2BR, 2BA apt., W/D, pest control, tennis courts, pool, workout room, volleyball court. Good area. $385.00 month includes your half o rent , util, and cable tv. Pager number 576-7757. (F19)

Needed childcare from 5:30 a.m. til 10. in my home or 5:15 p.m. my number yours preferably is 689-2930 in Fort Benning. (McGraw Manor) (F19)

Clean, responsible person to share 2-BR house near Ranger Joe's, 36 Matthews. $250/month, privacy, or whole house $350/month. 682-4173 (P19)

Yard Sales

856-D Arrowhead rd. may 20th. 8-2. (F19)

2867 Avondale Rd. Columbus, Ga, 31903. Toys, furniture, clothes and odds and ends. 689-0287. (F19)

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100 Dublinsky Street (Perkins Place). Clothes, Rugs, Curtains, Misc Household items. For more information please call 687-3378. 8-? (F19)

5601 Teresa St., Exit 3, Buena Vista Rd, 7:00-?. Kids clothes (boys and girls), toys, dishes, etc. All must go. (F19)

693 Kandle Drive (Custer Terr.) Multi family yard sale. Sat. 8-12 (F19)

116A Brostrom St. May 20th, 8am - noon, baby Items, girl cloths 0-2T, furniture, computer, miscellaneous items. (F19)

Close-Outs

Closing Sale: 99¢ General Store, 25-35% off! 2035 Fort Benning Road. 683-0009. (P9)

Electronics & Appliances

Sears Kenmore Microwave $50.00. PCS'ing 687-4295 (F19)

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Furniture

ABC Baby and Carl's Bargain Barn-new & used clean household & baby furniture, new & used baby clothes-buy & sell. Hwy. 80, Phenix City, 291-7600 (PTFN).

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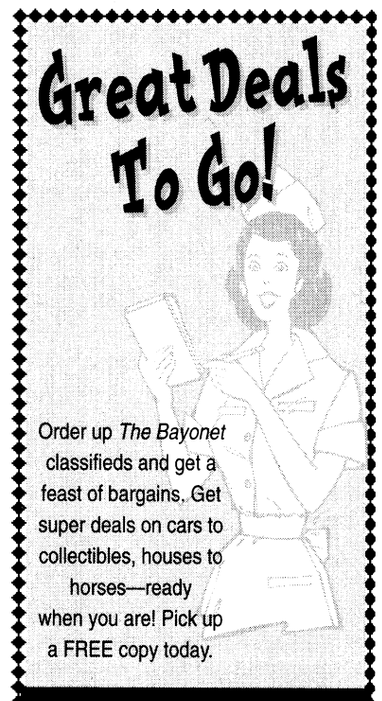

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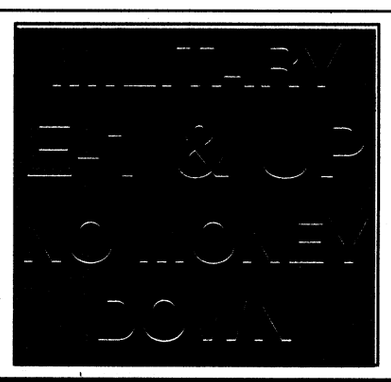

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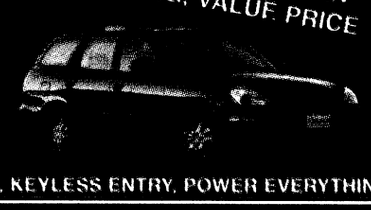



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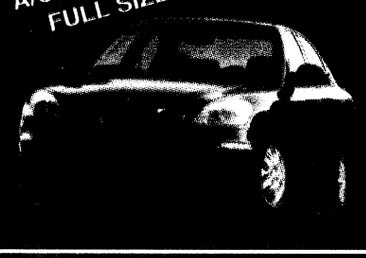

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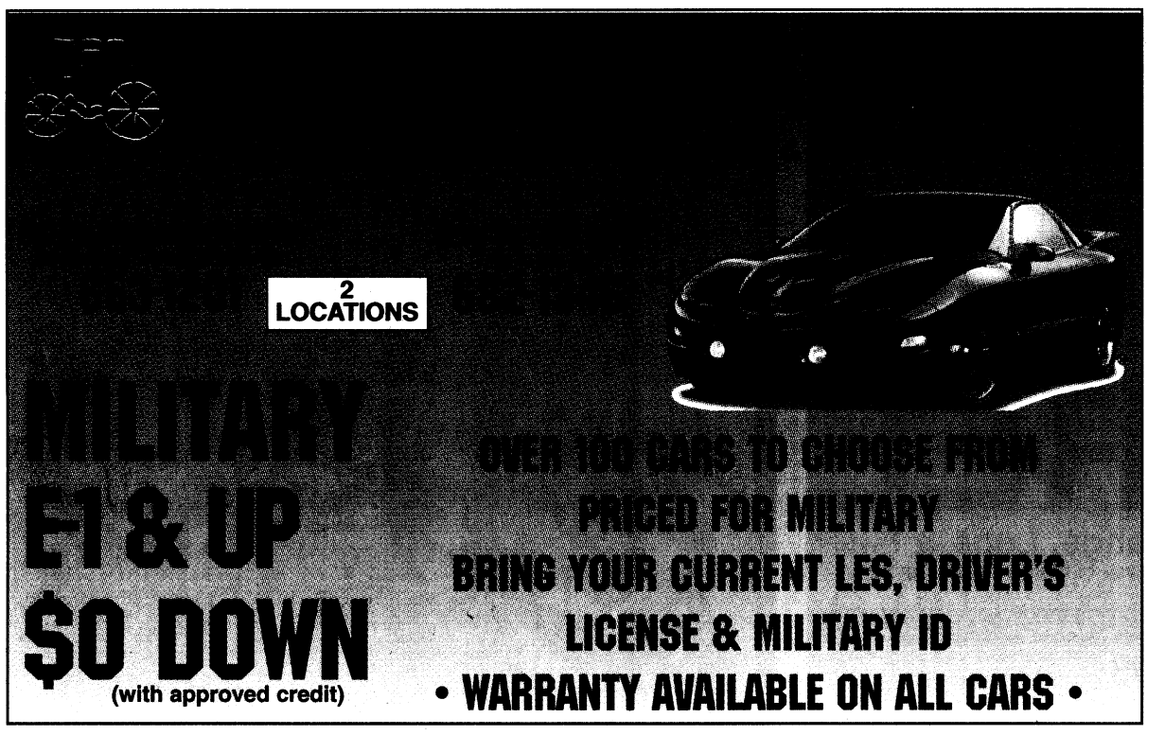



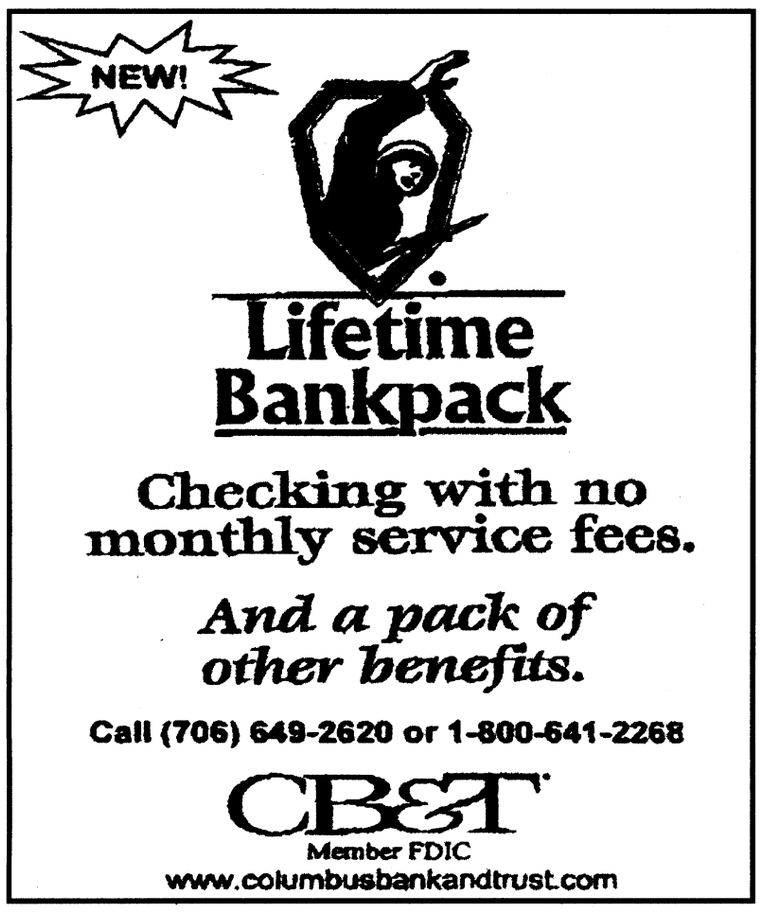

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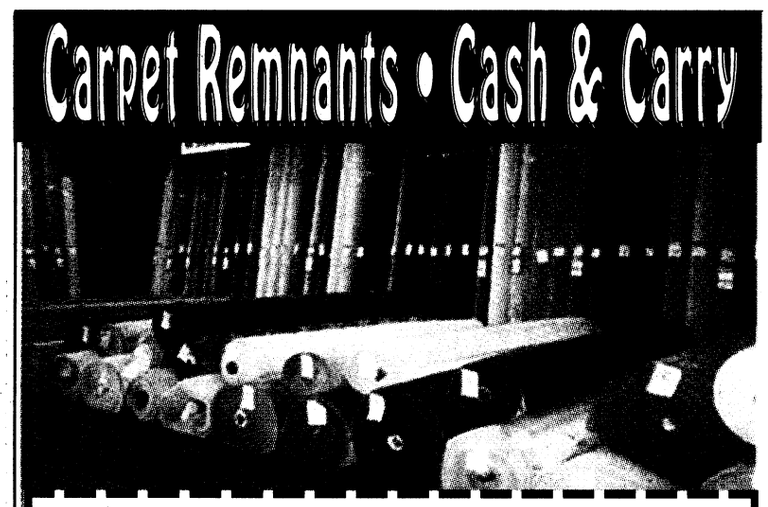

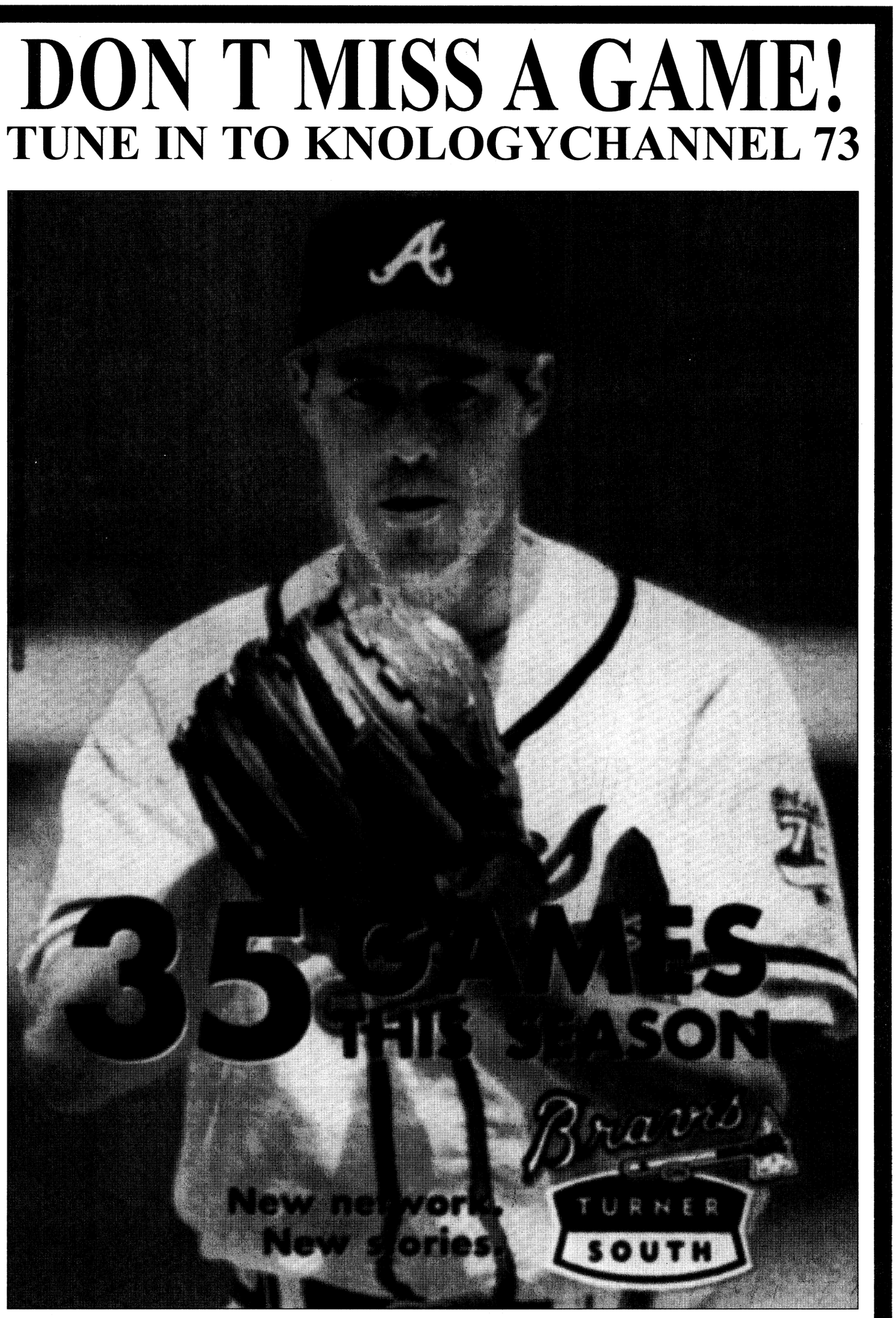

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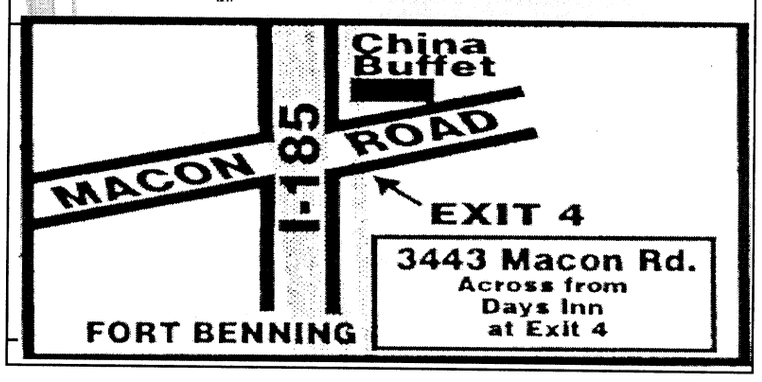

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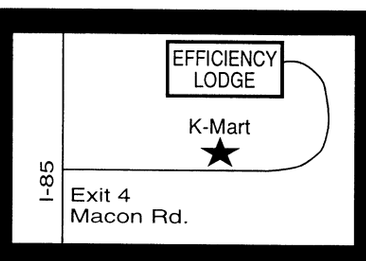

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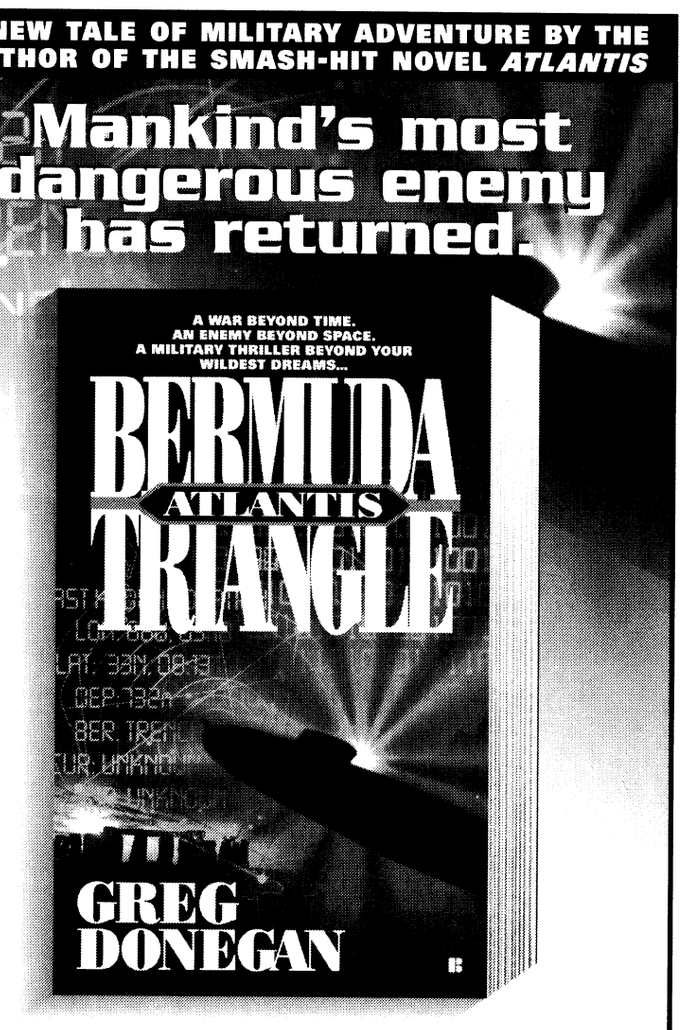

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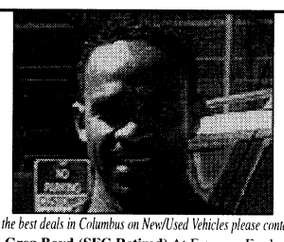

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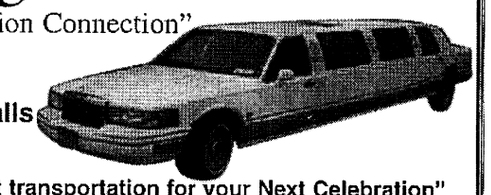

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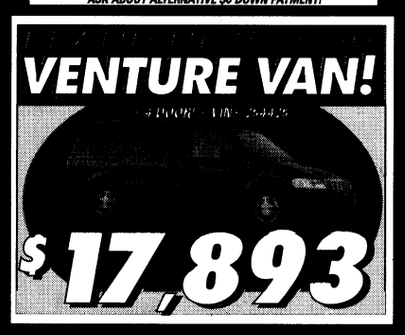

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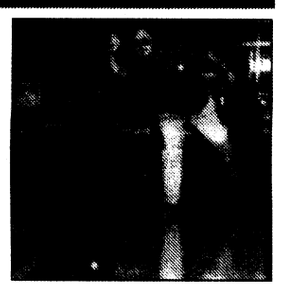

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Bill means more money for Soldiers

Junior enlisted get biggest benefits boost

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines will see a little extra in their paychecks next year thanks to a new bill passed by Congress last week.

House Resolution 4205 secures service members a 3.7 percent pay raise effective Jan. 1, 2001 following a Congressional mandate that requires the 2001 pay raise be .5 percent more than the average salary increase in the private sector.

"The strength of our military is in its Soldiers, which is why we are again increasing the pay of our men and women in uniform," said Rep. Mac Collins, one of the bill's writers. "This is an important step in rebuilding the strength of our military, which has been given too many tasks and too few resources."

The bill also secures Soldiers living off post more money in the form of additional housing allowances.

The raise answers the Secretary of the Army's plan to reduce the out-of-pocket housing costs to 15 percent for Soldiers.

The housing portion of the military benefits bill also sets a minimum housing allowance for junior enlisted members by eliminating the housing rate brackets for E-1 to E-3 members and giving all junior Soldiers the E-4 with dependents rate.

Junior members will also be the most likely to benefit from another new addition to the military benefits package, Collins said.

The new bill provides up to $500 monthly for service members whose gross family income qualifies them for food stamps.

Eligibility for the allowance would be based on whether a military family's total income, including the value of government-owned quarters, put them over the threshold for assistance eligibility.

The bill also gives both enlisted and officer members a new option in saving for retirement.

Men and women in uniform can now participate in the Thrift Savings Plan, a tax-deferred savings plan that has been offered to federal civilian employees for years.

Military personnel will be able to contribute up to $10,500 annually — 5 percent of base pay or drill pay and special duty pays

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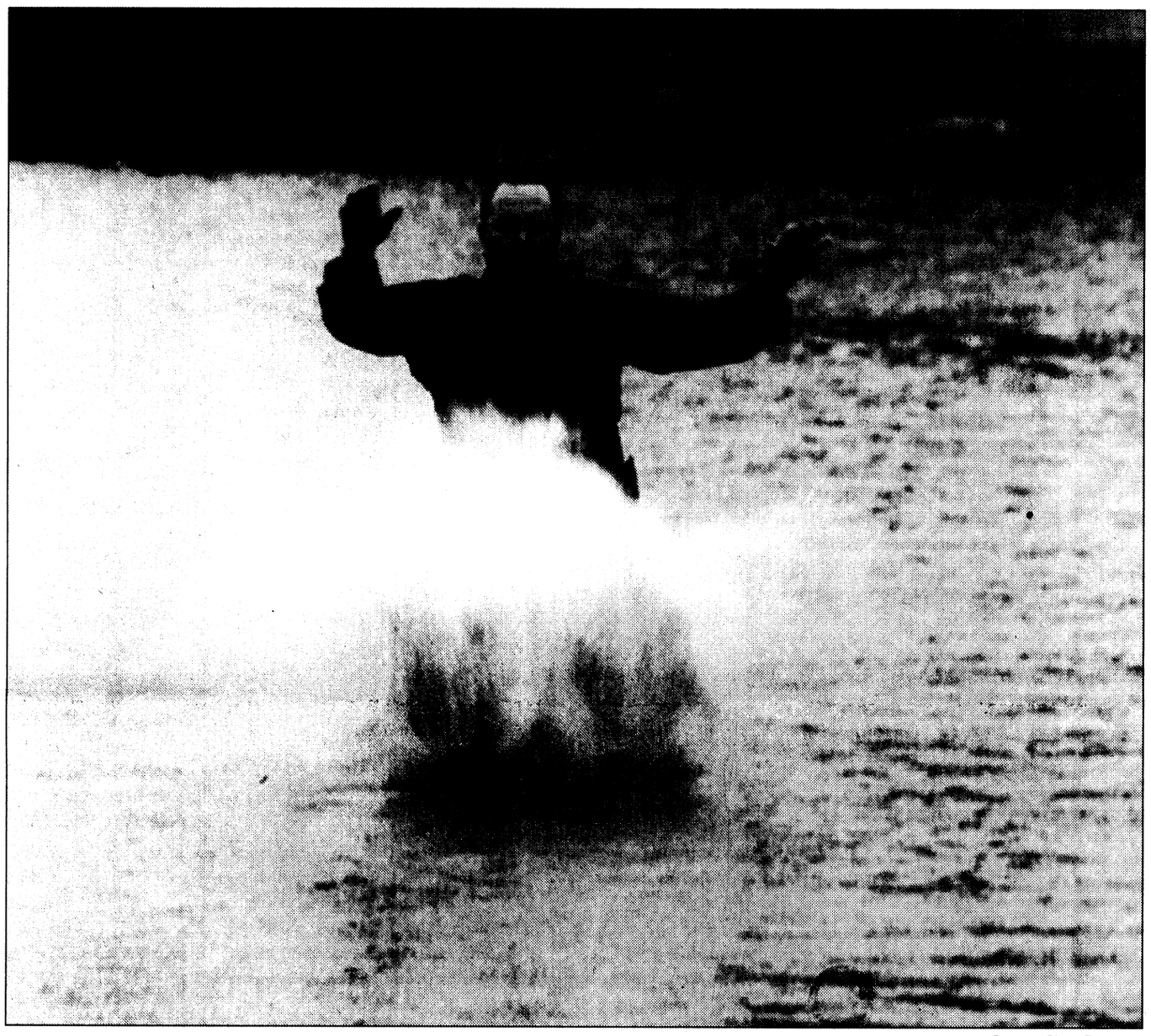


Sgt. 1st Class Ron Link

Randall Wallace, Hollywood screenwriter, participates in the water confidence test during his visit to the Ranger Training Brigade earlier this month. Wallace plans to use his experiences to help him better understand Soldiering for his upcoming movie, *We Were Soldiers Once ... and Young.*

Writer hopes to bring book to life

Screenwriter aims to shoot war movie at Fort Benning

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

While searching for a book to read before a flight to Hawaii five years ago, screenwriter Randall Wallace saw a title that caught his eye, *We Were Soldiers Once ... and Young*.

"It was powerful and poetic," he said.

The book, written by retired Lt. Gen. Hal Moore and Joe Galloway, chronicles the first major battle of Vietnam, the 1965 fight in the Ia Drang Valley.

A line in the prologue about the Vietnam War grabbed Wallace's attention even more: "Hollywood got it wrong every damned time, whetting twisted political knives on the bones of our dead brothers."

"When I read that, I knew I was in the presence of some guys who were going to tell the truth," Wallace said.

Wallace wants Hollywood to finally get it

See **SCREENWRITER**, A-5

> "When you make a movie you have to believe in it yourself ... and go out on a limb. And that's really why I'm here."
>
> **Randall Wallace**
> Screenwriter

Congress mandates changes

USARSA receives new name, mission

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

The U.S. Army School of the Americas is nearing approval for a new charter, mission and name.

Under a bill passed last week by the House, the school, which trains Central and South American Soldiers, would be able to continue operations but would be forced to close its doors later this year and reopen as a new Department of Defense institution.

The new school would also be required to operate under a revamped set of regulations.

Those regulations, school officials said, would require the school to transition from a military training institution to a school for both military personnel as well civilian and military police agencies in South and Central America.

An additional focus on the problems associated with democratization, and a revamped and more diverse board of visitors that includes members of Congress to oversee the new school is also planned in the proposed reorganization effort.

"This will be a step forward for the school," said Col. Glenn Weidner, the school's commandant. "But I don't think this will end the protest for the school.

"The problem is so loaded with emotion and misunderstanding, I don't think we will ever see it end," Weidner said.

The battle over what will actually happen to the school under the reorganization effort is still being waged in the halls of the nation's capital as the Senate and

See **SCHOOL**, A-8

Airborne pioneer marks another first

First black paratrooper presents award

Sgt. Michael Maddox
Assistant editor

It was a gathering of past and present Airborne Soldiers during the Airborne graduation ceremony May 19.

Among those Soldiers were two who shared a special link. Staff Sgt. Jerome Jones, from the 369th Signal Battalion at Fort Gordon, Ga., was presented with a new award that recognizes the class NCO honor graduate, named after retired 1st Sgt. Walter Morris.

Morris, the first black paratrooper from the 555th Parachute Infantry Battalion, was on hand to present Jones with the award.

Morris said presenting the award named after him was an unbelievable event.

"I feel a sense of pride I've never felt before," he said. "This is the most exciting thing that has ever happened to me besides being selected to be a paratrooper. This is a wonderful, wonderful gift and I'm so proud to be here."

Having Morris there to present the award was a real honor, said Sgt. Maj. Efrain Hernandez, Airborne School sergeant major.

"First Sergeant Morris was a pioneer of the Airborne tradition. I think it's only fitting that we honor him and his achievements with this award," he said.

Morris said going to the Airborne Walk for the graduation ceremony brought back vivid memories of his first days as an Airborne Soldier.

"Sixty something years ago, we were in this area, this was where we did calisthenics," he

See **MORRIS**, A-5



Sgt. Michael Maddox

Walter Morris speaks with Command Sgt. Maj. David Libersat after the award ceremony.

Holiday honors heroes

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary



Last week I met a Hollywood filmmaker who plans to bring *We Were Soldiers Once ... And Young* to the big screen. During the course of the interview at the Ranger Training Brigade, he told a story about retired Lt. Gen. Hal Moore, the book's author, that stands out in my mind as Memorial Day approaches.

Randall Wallace, who wrote the screenplay for *Braveheart* and now *We Were Soldiers*, has visited Fort Benning twice. Last year Moore took the filmmaker around post, showing him the home where he and his family lived while stationed here, and the parade field where the men of the 1st Battalion, 7th Cavalry — under the command of then Lt. Col. Moore — gathered early one morning before deploying to Vietnam where they would fight the first major battle of the war.

But the former commander had another stop to make before allowing the filmmaker to leave the post — the cemetery where the men who didn't survive the battle of Ia Drang in November 1965 are buried.

"General Moore wouldn't leave until he had taken me to the cemetery and prayed over the graves of his men, each one," Wallace said.

This weekend, it's that image I will recall as we observe Memorial Day.

Area residents will have numerous chances to honor the men and women who gave their lives in service to our country.

Col. Robert B. Nett, Medal of Honor recipient, will speak Saturday at 10:30 a.m. during a pre-Memorial Day celebration at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park. The park is at the corner of Lawyers Lane and Buena Vista Road, Columbus.

Nett is the guest speaker again during a 2 p.m. ceremony at the Fort Mitchell National Cemetery on Sunday. The U.S. Army Infantry Center Band will provide music. The cemetery is on Highway 165 about 10 miles south of Phenix City.

More than 200 people are expected to attend the service at Fort Mitchell, which is considered "one of the most beautiful of all the national cemeteries," Lewis Wood, secretary for the memorial committee, said.

Fort Benning's Memorial Day ceremony is set for 9 a.m. Monday at the Main Post Cemetery. Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton, deputy commanding general, will speak and a wreath will be placed at the grave of the unknown Soldier. The Infantry Center band will also perform.

Eaton will speak two hours later during an 11 a.m. ceremony at the Phenix City-Russell County War Casualties Memorial on the corner of Summerville Road and Stadium Drive, next door to Garrett Stadium, in Phenix City.

Mom shares secrets with others

Elsie Jackson
Public Affairs Office

commentary



I'm not the world's best mom. I'll never be mistaken for June Cleaver, doing housework in a dress, pumps and pearls.

Sometimes I have trouble remembering the last time I did any serious housework, period. But I do know something June didn't know.

I don't know if June Cleaver ever did it, but I recognized early on that sometimes, a mom has to make time for herself, even if she has to take some kids with her.

I've been known to pack up my first-grader and one of her little friends, take them to a local fast-food establishment, treat them to a children's meal, and then turn them loose in the play area while I read the Sunday paper or a good book.

Of course, I don't ignore them. I'm very attentive when they leave the giant hamster tubes and report to my position.

Take the time they came screeching up to report that my daughter was bleeding. I know my child, and she was much too tearless for it to have been a real "emergency."

"Are you sure she's bleeding?"

"YES!"

"Is she bleeding from a vein or is it an arterial bleed?"

As expected, this stopped the whiners in their tracks. "What's the difference?"

I proceeded to explain about blood from a vein flowing freely, while an arterial bleed would be from an artery and would spurt.

"Well, it's not doing either. While you were explaining about bleeding, where she got scratched got all dried up." Several "high-fives" later, they had been congratulated on my daughter's "healing" and were playing happily again.

A few minutes later, they were back.

Not to be outdone, my daughter reported that Amber had "broken her arm." I conceded that a broken arm was serious business.

"Are you sure it's broken, Amber?" I asked. The moppet standing in front of me had assumed a pitiful stance, holding the "broken" arm.

"Oh, yes. I know it's broken."

"What makes you think your arm is broken?"

She straightened the "broken" arm and slowly raised it to nearly shoulder level. "I can only lift it this high."

"Wow. That's pretty bad. How high could you lift it before you broke it?"

She lifted her arm over her head. "Before I broke it I could lift it all the way up to here!"

Another amazing miracle cure! (I can't take full credit for the "broken arm test," though. I got it from my father-in-law who witnessed it, time and again, in a World War II field hospital.)

A regular visitor at my desk is a Bayonet staffer's 11-month old, a.k.a. "the office baby." On his short visits to the office, he makes the rounds of everyone's laps, I ply him with crackers and we're delighted for a quick break from the routine.

The best part about his visits is if he gets cranky, we hand him back to his mom.

Our office family will soon be adding another addition to the fold. I (almost) envy the new moms. Aside from being so darn cute, babies have innocence to spare.

As my daughter gets older, the challenges get, well, more challenging but the rewards are greater too ... something our new office moms are about to learn. And I'll be glad to help the new moms make some time for themselves.

As long as I can give them back if they get cranky.

Student questions gun violence

Christopher Bivens
Faith Middle School

Editor's note: *Christopher Bivens is an eighth-grader at Faith Middle School who wrote this article for an English class.*

commentary

The gun is my weapon, my protection, my reason, my reputation, my confidence, my life and my power.

All of these are some of the reasons people find the gun something of fascination, whether for the good sport of hunting, self-protection or acts of violence. Although the ownership of a gun is perfectly legal, it has raised many issues questioning its ability to be owned by the common American.

Even though the weapon mechanism was developed in the distant past its meaning and purpose are still the same, to kill or disarm another man.

Over time the gun has received many modifications, making it more deadly, or in some cases safer than before.

This weapon was intended to be a weapon of war, but with the growing crime and constant demand for self-protection the gun became available to the American home.

During the past century the gun has been the number one cause in the death of millions of Americans. Still to this day thousands of people are dying each year to the wrath of the gun, not only in America but also all over the world. The number of gun-related deaths is at its highest ever in America.

The majority of these deaths are gang related, but some people fail to notice that it can happen anywhere and to anyone regardless of the area of a person's reputation.

In the past year, the gun has taken a large leap with the group of people it affects. Children are now taking advantage of the easy access to the weapon and "solving" their problems at school.

School-related shootings have hit our country hard and are taking a large toll on our young society. Just recently the unexpected occurred proving that no one is safe from these tools of destruction. A 6-year-old boy not even out of first grade shoots his fellow classmate in the face with his uncle's pistol. This is an example of how easily the gun can be accessed, even by a highly unexpected, sweet little child.

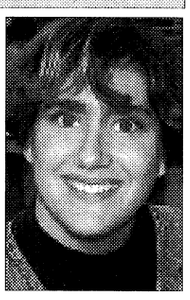
Now over the past 12 months our country has had many discussions on the worth and worthlessness of the gun.

To this day the greatest topic of debate is the probation of the weapon in America. This topic will probably be debated and confronted for years, way past my time, but regardless of the laws or restrictions on the gun, violence will still occur in some shape or form, thus leaving America helpless to the waste of life at the pull of the trigger.

Dieting children cause for parents' concern

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary



My 8-year-old daughter told me about a child in her class who doesn't eat breakfast any more because she is trying to lose weight.

This simply amazes me. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, especially for children who are learning with the same intensity as the speed of light and need nourishment for brain cell growth.

This second-grader doesn't have any reason to diet. She looks like most of the other children in her class.

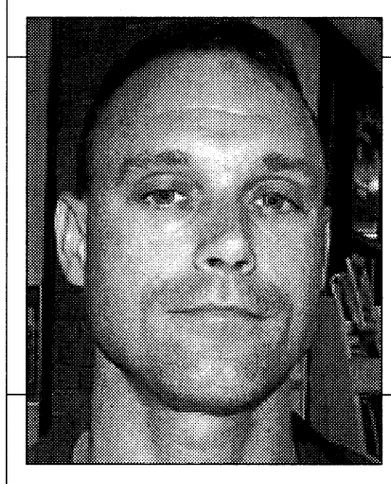
Why are second-graders concerned about their weight? Is it because their role models are Britney Spears or Christina Aguilera? Why are children comparing their bodies to those of models on fashion magazines?

Society's obsession with thinness is putting our children at risk. Young girls are at risk for developing poor body images and then developing eating disorders.

Preoccupation with weight and size, not eating or no weight gain in spite of a large appetite indicate an eating disorder. Bulimia and anorexia nervosa are typically problems for teen-age girls but parents of younger children need to be aware of where their children are developing their body image.

VARIOUS VOICES

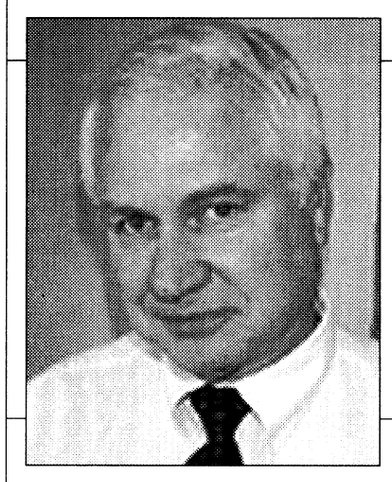
What does Memorial Day mean to you?



Capt. George Johnson, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, 3rd Brigade — "It is a day of remembrance for those who have given their lives for our country."



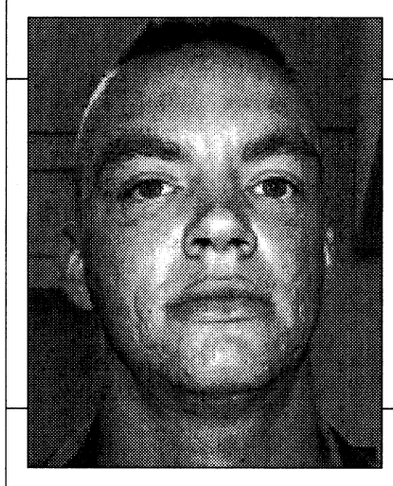
Spc. Melissa Clark, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "As a child my family didn't observe Memorial Day. But now as a Soldier and a mom, I realize the importance of the day and plan to make it a tradition for my family."



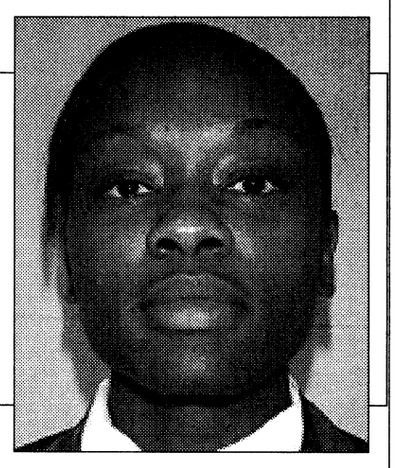
San Parr, TRADOC System Manager, Antitank — "As a Vietnam veteran it is a day to reflect, to remember your compadres — the Soldiers you knew who lost their lives for our country. I remember the veterans from World War II and the Korean War. They bought our freedom."



1st Lt. Patrica Guiterrez, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 203 Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade — "It's a day to think about the people who have sacrificed their lives for their country — military and civilian."



Spc. Melvin O'Day, A Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "Memorial Day means a lot to me because my father is a Vietnam veteran. And I remember their, the Vietnam veterans', service on Memorial Day. "



Senior Officer Candidate Rosie Price-Montgomery, B Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry (OCS) — "Memorial Day is a special time to remember military personnel who have served our country — past, present and future."

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Summer heats up snake problem on post

Heat brings snakes closer to people

Karen Taylor
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It was about 10:30 p.m. when Donna Johnson was watching television in her Indianhead Terrace home, saw something crawl across the living-room floor. Calling upstairs to her husband, Tyrone, to investigate, he rushed downstairs with a flashlight and a broom to try to corner this mystery creature. It was a snake.

"It was maybe a foot or a foot and a half long," Tyrone Johnson said.

While he kept an eye on the snake, his wife called the military police and it was expediently removed from the home.

Although the snake found in the Johnson's home was identified as a harmless garter snake, it's not the first time snakes have made an appearance in post housing or work areas.

Lt. Col. Don Salo, Fort Benning provost marshal, said last week the MPs received five calls regarding snake sightings in the housing areas. He saw his first snake of the year last weekend while running near the golf course.

There are about 20 to 30 calls of snake sightings per year, said Johnny Phillips, biological technician, Directorate of Public Works Conservation Branch. The staff at the conservation branch are trained snake handlers, who can safely remove the snakes after receiving caller information from the military police.

Although the DPW Conservation Branch handles snake removal, Regis Beighley, safety manager, Infantry Branch Safety Office, said if a snake is sighted call 911.

"The MPs will respond. Like any other emergency, it's the best thing to do," he said.

"We get notified for all emergencies," Salo said. "If I had a snake in my quarters, I would call that an emergency. We just cordon off the area and make sure its safe until the DPW gets there."

Salo cautioned against people trying to use their personal firearms to try to kill the snake.

"We don't want someone shooting at the snake," he said. "That would become a bigger problem."

Beighley said leaving snakes alone is the best way to handle an encounter with one, especially not knowing what kind it is.

One way to tell the difference between a venomous or non-venomous snake is by looking at the eyes.

Except for the coral snake, all other venomous snakes have elliptical eyes. The coral snake and non-venomous varieties have round ones.

"But you'd have to get pretty close to tell," said Jim Trostle, coordinator of wildlife and trails at the Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center. "I suggest go pick up a good field guide."

There are several circumstances that will bring snakes to the housing areas such as if there are mice in the home or in the home's surrounding habitat.

Also, storage areas around a property could pose as possible snake hide-outs. "Most snakes like cubbyholes to crawl in or under. They go looking for these kinds of places to use as a nesting site," he said.

"Snakes will come to human areas when their food source is moved or they're looking for water," Trostle said. The recent dry weather forced snakes to search for water outside the forests. Controlled burns will also chase them out.

In order to keep snakes away from a residence, keep the lawn cut short and clean of debris; and do not keep food, including pet food, outside because the food will attract rodents that can bring snakes to the area.

"Typically in the woods, during the dry heat of the day you might find them underneath things," Trostle said. "If you pick up logs, a flat rock or something, you might come across a snake."

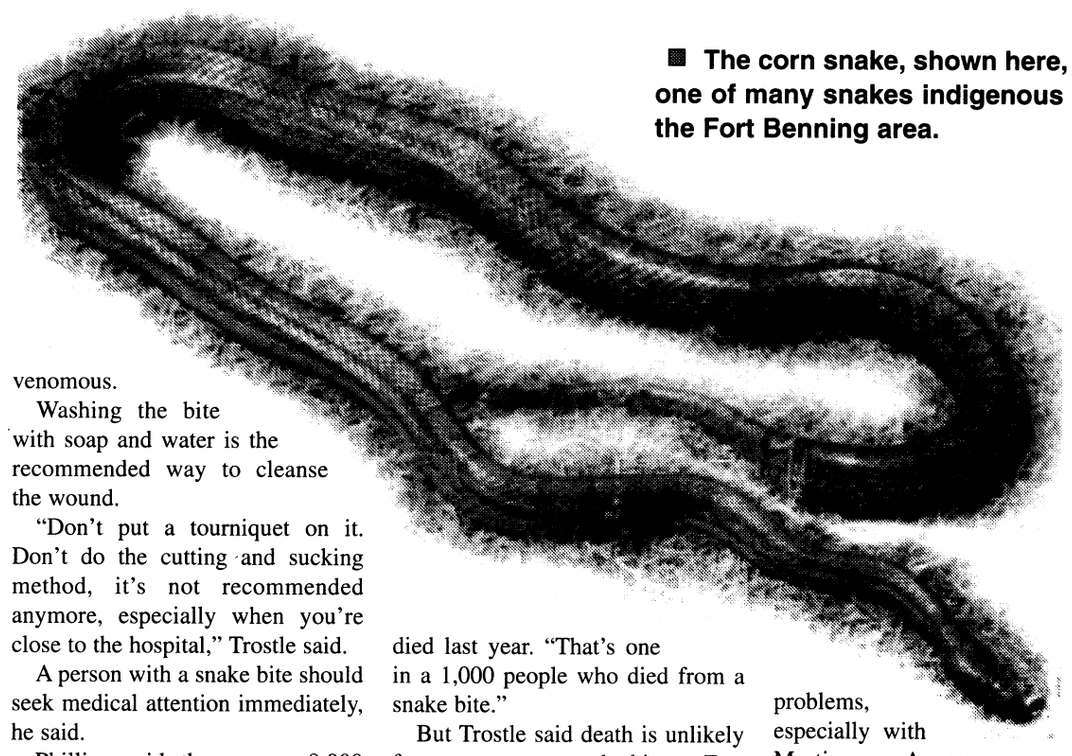
"If you don't know what it is, it's best to stay away," Trostle said.

Sometimes the snake may just stay still and try to camouflage itself waiting for the person to pass.

"If it's coiled and still and watching you, your best bet is to walk away," Trostle said. "People are bitten because they are trying to do something to the snake. They try to hit it or decide to pick it up and move it somewhere."

If a snake bite occurs it's important to remain as calm as possible.

Victims should immobilize the bitten area while keeping it lower than the heart to minimize the spread of the venom — even if it is suspected that the snake is non-venomous.



■ **The corn snake, shown here, is one of many snakes indigenous to the Fort Benning area.**

Washing the bite with soap and water is the recommended way to cleanse the wound.

"Don't put a tourniquet on it. Don't do the cutting and sucking method, it's not recommended anymore, especially when you're close to the hospital," Trostle said.

A person with a snake bite should seek medical attention immediately, he said.

Phillips said there were 8,000 venomous snake bites per year in the United States of which nine people died last year. "That's one in a 1,000 people who died from a snake bite."

But Trostle said death is unlikely from a venomous snake bite on Fort Benning unless the person is very old, very young, or has health problems, especially with Martin Army community Hospital so close.

A CLOSER LOOK

Here is a brief description of the six species of venomous snakes that are indigenous to the Fort Benning area.

■ **Southern Copperhead:** Average adult size is 22-26 inches. This snake is stout-bodied with broad, light brown to gray crossbands, alternating with dark brown to reddish-brown crossbands.

■ **Cottonmouth:** Average adult size is 20-48 inches. This is a dark-colored, heavy-bodied snake.

■ **Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake**: Average adult size is 36-72 inches. This is a large, heavy-bodied snake with a row of large dark diamonds.

■ **Timber Rattlesnake:** Average adult size is 36-60 inches. The reddish brown stripe running down the center of the back is disrupted by a series of large, black chevron-like crossbands.

■ **Dusky Pygmy Rattlesnake:** Average adult size is 12-24 inches. The top of the triangular-shaped head is covered with nine large scales.

■ **Eastern Coral Snake:** Average adult size is 20-30 inches. The body is ringed with black, yellow and red; the yellow rings are narrow.

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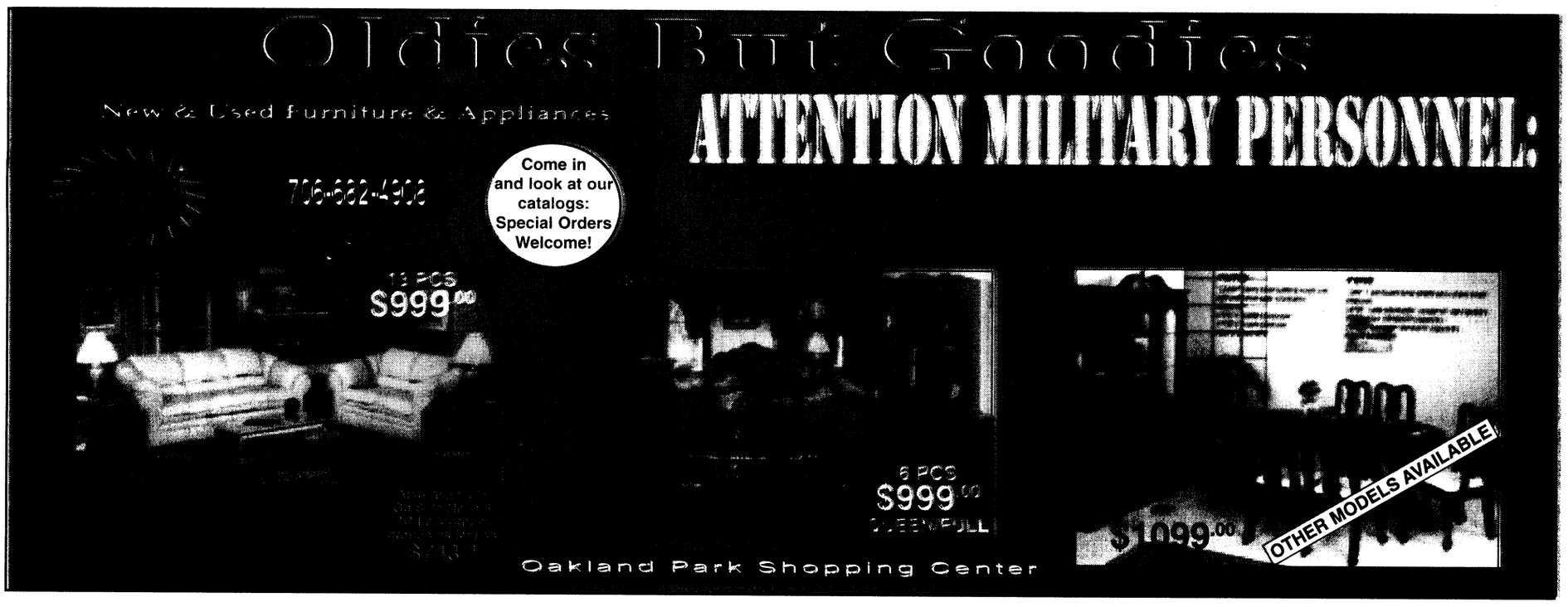




Army names Tilley to fill top NCO slot

Sergeant major slated to replace Hall June 23 in D.C.

Army News Service

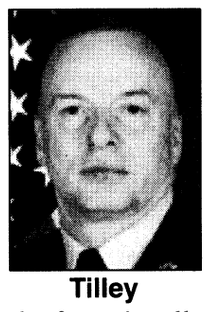
WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera and Army Chief of Staff Eric K. Shinseki announced May 18 that Command Sgt. Maj. Jack L. Tilley has been selected to be the 12th sergeant major of the Army.

For the last two years, Tilley has been serving as command sergeant major for U.S. Central Command at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla. He has 32 years of experience with the Army as an armored cavalryman, including a combat tour in Vietnam.

Tilley will be sworn in June 23 after Sgt. Maj. of the Army Robert E. Hall retires. Hall, who also served at U.S. Central Command before coming to the Pentagon, has been sergeant major of the Army since Oct. 13, 1997. Hall was extended a year when Shinseki took office last June. Hall is retiring June 22, after 32 years of service.

As sergeant major of the Army, Tilley will serve as personal advisor to the Army chief of staff on all enlisted-related matters, particularly in areas affecting Soldier training, NCO leader development and Soldier and family well-being.

The sergeant major of the Army devotes the majority of his time traveling throughout the Army observing training, and talking to Soldiers and their families. He listens to their concerns and provides the chief of staff feedback and recommendations for the forces' well-being.



Tilley

He also sits on a wide variety of councils and boards that make decisions affecting enlisted Soldiers and their families and is routinely invited to testify before Congress.

Tilley entered the Army at Fort Lewis, Wash., in 1966. He served in Vietnam as an armor crewman and scout driver for A Troop, 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry, in September 1971. Since then, he has served in every position from squad leader to command sergeant major of the 1st Armored Division. He also served as command sergeant major for Task Force Eagle in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Tilley spent much of his career serving in Germany and Fort Knox, Ky. He served at Knox as tank commander, instructor, operations sergeant, battalion and later brigade command sergeant major with the 194th Separate Armored Brigade. He also served tours at Fort Polk, La.; Fort Lewis, Wash.; and Fort Benning, Ga.

Prior to his assignment at U.S. Central Command, he was command sergeant major of the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, Arlington, Va.

His military schools include the Drill Sergeant School, Master Gunner Course, First Sergeant Course and the Sergeants Major School, where he graduated from Class 28 in 1987.

His awards include three Legions of Merit, the Bronze Star with V Device, three Meritorious Service Medals, Vietnam Service Medal and Campaign Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, two Overseas Service Ribbons, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Drill Sergeant's Badge and Parachutist's Badge.

He is married to the former Gloria Smith and they have two sons, Brian and Kevin.

Businesses, municipalities open doors for Soldiers

National employers search for help at AUSA Job Fair

Karen Taylor

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There wasn't much elbow room at the seventh annual Association of the U.S. Army Job Fair May 18 as people packed the corridors of Infantry Hall in search of one thing — a new job.

While some were searching for a career after the Army, others were looking for a higher paying job.

Whatever the reason, the AUSA Job Fair provided a venue of 116 employers for the more than 2,000 Soldiers and civilians who attended to gather career information, to give out resumes and even to fill out employment applications.

"I'm looking for employment and hoping out of all these companies, someone will pick me up," said Tess Mabry, a Columbus resident.

Mabry was searching for an administrative or law enforcement position.

"I'm looking for a better paying job and hopefully that's what I'll get out of it," said Genevieve Williams, family member. She was looking for a job in her current field of budget analysis, but she said she likes people and "anything in customer service is OK, too." Williams already had one interview set up for last week and she had only just begun to make her way down the corridor.

The job fair covered the gamut of employers from the Los Angeles County Police Department to the St. Francis Hospital in Columbus.

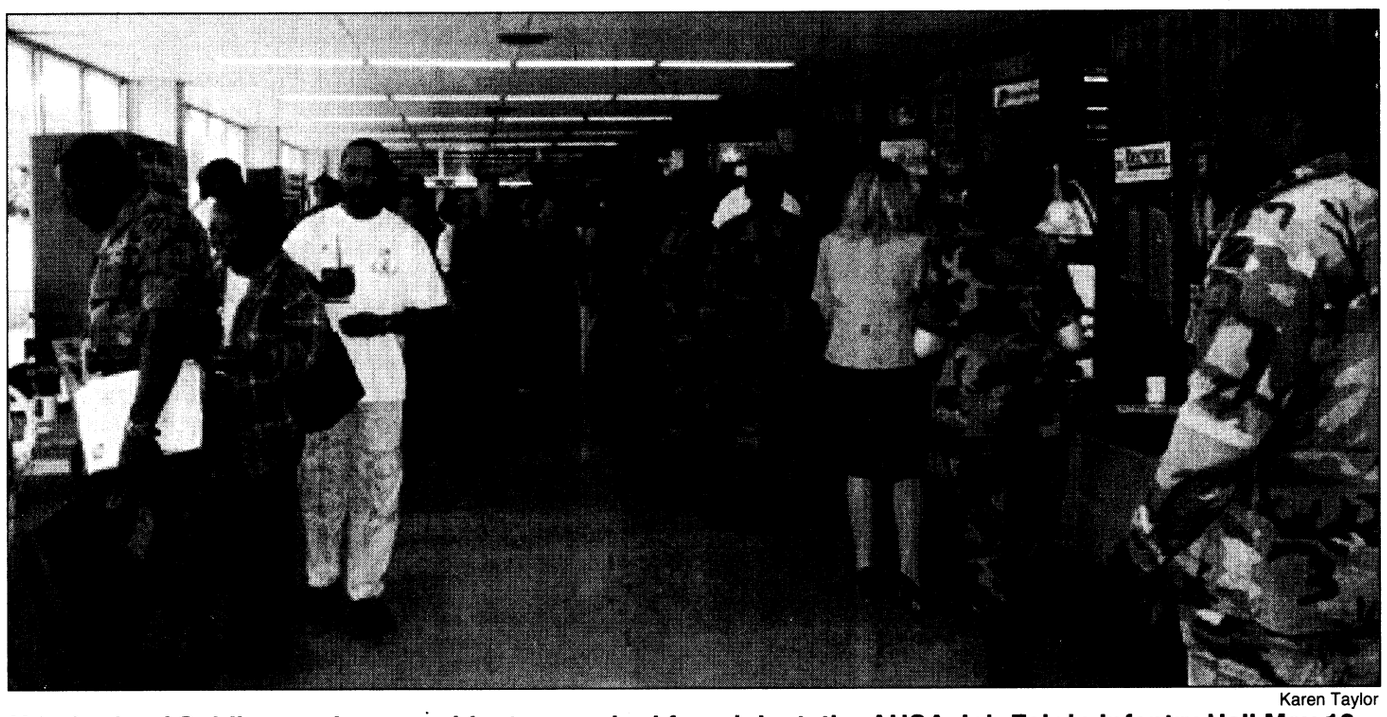
It covered local, state and national employers, said Bruce Tait, Jr., representative at the Georgia Department of Labor and six-year chairman of the AUSA Job Fair.

The event was sponsored by the AUSA Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter and assisted by the Georgia Department of Labor, Army Career and Alumni Program and Army Community Service and Family Member Employment Assistance Program.

The AUSA Job Fair is an annual occurrence on post during Military Appreciation Week.

"We feel that we need to set up something like this because people take time out of their lives to be in the military. They've been out of the job market for a while and they need a chance. Here, are your major recruiters," Tait said.

The job fair was open to everyone, but Tait said the target audience was military personnel, especially those with plans to get out of the Army. "The recruiters are familiar with the military," he said.



Karen Taylor

Hundreds of Soldiers and area residents searched for a job at the AUSA Job Fair in Infantry Hall May 18.

Many recruiters look for retired military personnel because of their leadership skills and experience, which makes them ideal candidates for managerial positions.

"I want to see what types of jobs are in the Columbus area," said Pfc. Dionza Cunningham, 608th Ordnance Company, 36th Engineer Group, who is due to ETS in a few months. "I still have to feel my way around."

She said she hoped to do some networking at the fair.

Charlotte Bush, employment marketing representative for the Georgia Department of Labor said in the Columbus area labor market shows a demand for health care and computer professionals.

"Because of an aging population, (health care) jobs are in demand," she said. "Physical therapy, home health, anything that has to do with health care."

Luau hits big with locals

Festival's 4,000 attendees marks new record

Pfc. Mark Watson

Bayonet staff

Tiki torches were lighted and Hawaiian music played as the second annual Fort Benning Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month Luau kicked off at 3 p.m. May 19 at the Uchee Creek Campground and Marina.

The festival, which attracted more than 4,000 people, proved to be a marked improvement from last year's attendance figure, said Spc. Tina Fountaine, Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers president and event organizer.

"We had 500 more out here this year," she said. "It was a lot of work, but all in all it turned out to be really good."

The event kicked off with children's games and canoe races.

While the children slid down the large inflatable slide and ran through the obstacle course, the canoes races brought out the child in grown-ups as more than 16 three-person teams paddled around buoys in the marina.

The team "Tipover," comprised of Staff Sgt. Lonnie Null, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, Sgt. Luis Gonzalez and Spc. Tolo Aliki, both with A Company, 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., earned top honors as they out-paddled the Officer Candidate Team.

As the Tipover team crossed the finish line, a 400-pound pig that had been cooking since 7 a.m. was unearthed and a crowd soon gathered as the aroma drifted through the area.

"(The pork) is great," Pfc. Nicholas McKenney, A Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., said. "It has been a while since I have had it cooked this way. I want more. They are doing a great job on it."

Entertainers Tony Skahan and By D'Sign attracted a large audience as the rest of the food was being prepared.

As the music ended, more than 3,000 luau-goers lined up for the free, authentic Asian-Pacific style roast pig, chicken, rice, crab noodle salad, tropical fruit and Kim-chee.

"The food is pretty good," Pvt. Chad Martin, 988th Military Police Company, said. "I think I like the pork the best."

Agreeing with Martin, 1st Sgt. John Kamai, who helped cook, said it was perfect.

"It really turned out great," he said.

Pfc. Andrea Day said the luau was a good release for Soldiers.

"This is a great cultural experience, said the C Company, 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade, Soldier. "A lot of the things displayed here should be in a museum.

"It is really peaceful here, and a good break from Main Post and Kelley Hill. It also is a way to work with the chain of command on a personal level."

Spc. Jesse Evans, A Co., 203rd FSB, 3rd Bde., agreeing with Day said it was a great time and a way to wind down.

"I am here for the free food, to watch the dancers, to cut loose and just have fun."

Hula, Tahitian, Korean and fire dancers took to the stage after the martial arts demonstration to give the audience a taste of the Asian Pacific dancing heritage.

Winding down the evening was DSOS and Empire who entertained the Soldiers and families until 11 p.m. when buses took Soldiers back to predetermined areas to keep the number of vehicles to a minimum.

For Fountaine, this years luau proved to be a success, and planning for next years event should be in the near future, after this years luau was reviewed.

Authentic roast adds to event

Pfc. Mark Watson

Bayonet staff

As part of the second annual Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month Luau, a 400-pound pig was cooked in authentic Asian Pacific style, by burying it.

The pig alone could feed more than 600 people, said cook Robert Kaiwy, who began preparing the pig the day before the luau.

Before cooking the pig, it was dressed out by rubbing the pork with rock salt and then wrapping it with wire to keep it together.

Kaiwy, along with four of his pig cooking cohorts, then dug a hole large enough to cook the pig along with other essential items — wood, rocks and cabbage.

"We put wet burlap sacks on top of the pig to keep it moist and then canvas on top of the sacks to keep the steam in," Kaiwy said. "The canvas was then covered with dirt and the pig cooked for about eight hours."

While the luau festivities continued throughout the afternoon, the pig roasted over the red-hot rocks until 4:30 p.m. when it was unearthed to a small crowd of hungry luau'ers.

"It really turned out great," said 1st Sgt. John Kamai, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment. "And it should pretty good eating too."

"It looks great," said Command Sgt. Maj. Edmond Crivello, 1st Battalion 11th Infantry Regiment sergeant major. "I can't wait to get my hands on some of it."

More than 3,000 people lined up to try out a piece of the pork along with other traditional Asian Pacific foods.

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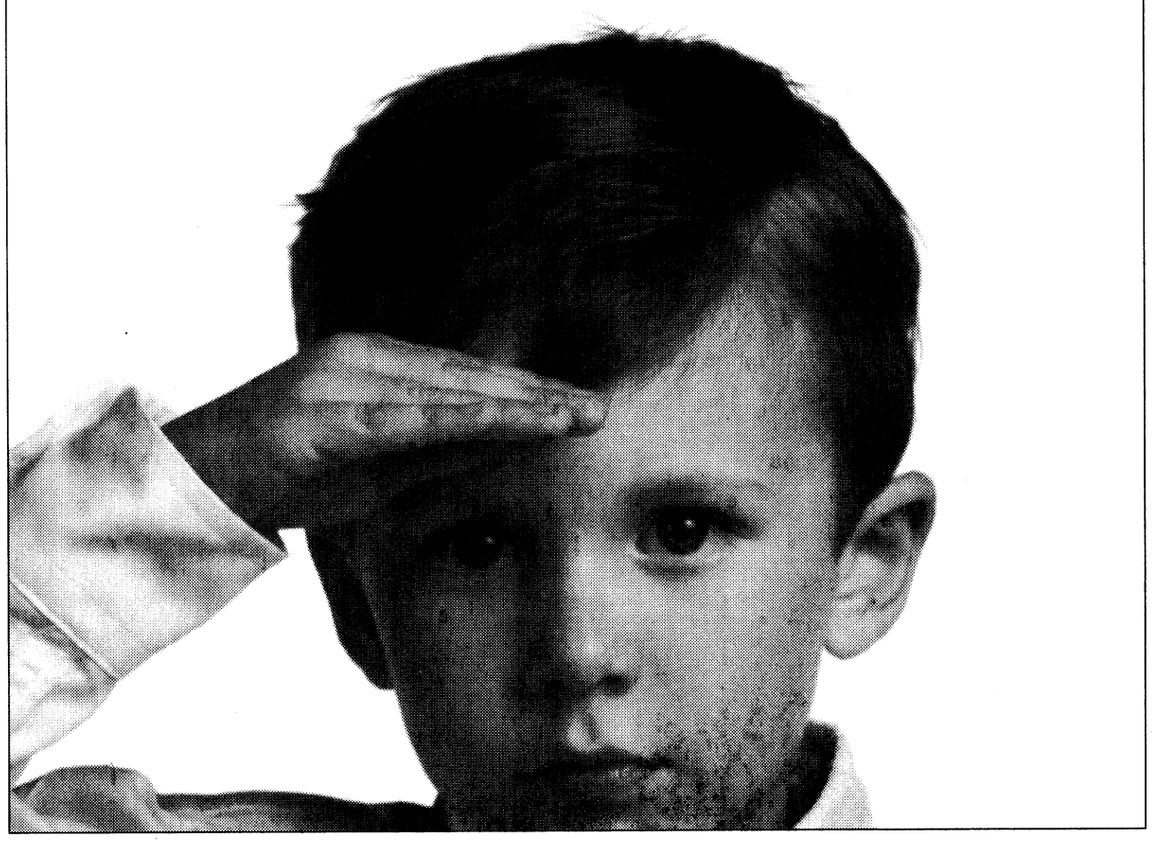

Screenwriter: May make Fort Benning set for new movie

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right, so he is taking on the challenge himself. He has written a screenplay based on the book, and plans to direct and produce the project. He hopes to start filming next spring, possibly at Fort Benning, and have the movie in theaters by Christmas 2001.

Wallace wrote the screenplay for *Braveheart*, which won the Academy Award for best picture of 1995. He also wrote, directed and produced *The Man in the Iron Mask*, starring Leonardo di Caprio.

To prepare for the Vietnam saga, Wallace, 50, took on a personal challenge — two weeks with the Ranger Training Brigade. The filmmaker participated in various aspects of training during the three phases of Ranger School at Fort Benning, Dahlonega, Ga., and Camp Rudder, Fla.

He talked about his adventures before leaving the post last week.

"When you make a movie you have to believe in it yourself, and you have to get other people to believe and to go out on a limb. You can't do that unless you go out on the limb yourself. And that's really why I'm here," he said.

One of the limbs he climbed was a log 40 feet above Victory Pond, part of the water confidence test. In Dahlonega he climbed Mount Yonah carrying a 40-pound ruck sack, and in Florida he participated in a night stream crossing.

He admitted that for a guy who spends most of his time in an imaginary world, he was thrilled to be out with "real guys, doing real things," he said.

"I know that putting on a pair of BDUs and hanging out with Rangers is not going to make me a Ranger. But I knew I couldn't experience the true depth of this kind of commitment and service unless I got my hands dirty," he said.

And he picked up the lingo quickly, including finding a definition for hooah, which he discovered has many including "amen" and "yes."

His last night in the Georgia mountains, a new usage came to him for the term.

"I was lying there with every muscle and bone in my body hurting, and I thought hooah meant, 'Hooah thought this was a good idea? Hooah came up with this bright notion?' "

The son of a candy salesman, Wallace grew up in Tennessee and Virginia. He graduated from Duke University with a degree in religion, and he never served in the military.

Staff Sgt. Jason Powell, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, RTB, escorted Wallace during his visit to post, which also included a 3-mile buddy run, hand-to-hand combat and pugilistic training.

"He did really well," Powell said.

"He just wanted to get a feeling for what Soldiers were like and how they talked. He couldn't ask his actors to do something he wouldn't do."

Wallace's excitement over the project inspired Powell to read the book.

"He really hopes that he does it justice," Powell said.

The project has the support of Moore, who as a lieutenant colonel commanded the 1st Battalion, 7th Cavalry, and Galloway, the only reporter on the ground throughout the fighting.

The unit's 450 men jumped into a small clearing in the Ia Drang Valley. Immediately they were surrounded by 2,000 North Vietnamese soldiers. During four days of fighting, 234 Americans died at Landing Zones X-ray and Albany.

It was Moore's support and the subject matter of the screenplay that helped pave the way for Wallace's visit and entry into Ranger training, Wallace said.

"General Moore's book has been read by virtually every standing officer in the Army."

Moore lives in Auburn, Ala., and will receive a Doughboy award June 14 at Fort Benning recognizing his 32 years of military service and his distinctive contributions to the Infantry community.

Wallace visited Fort Benning 18 months ago. During that trip Moore introduced him to Basil Plumley, who served as the battalion's sergeant major and now lives in Columbus. He also talked with Ernie Savage, who inherited command of the 2nd Platoon, B Company, during the battle.

Retired from the Army, Savage is a project officer in the Foreign Analysis Division, Directorate of Threat and Security. He first met Wallace several years ago at a reunion of the 1st Bn., 7th Cav., in Washington, D.C. Moore and Galloway invited the screenwriter to attend and talk with the veterans.

"You don't know how to take these Hollywood guys," Savage said. "But he seemed to be more genuine and concerned with seeing the book the way Moore and Galloway intended."

The two men talked again last year at Fort Benning.

"He really wants to know how Soldiers act, how they interact with each other and react under fire," Savage said. "That's probably the reason Moore and Galloway agreed to let him do the movie."

Savage hopes Wallace is approaching the movie cautiously. After all, he and other veterans of the battle and the decade-long war — not to mention the thousands who have read the book — will be in the audience.

"They will be looking for the mistakes," he said.

A deal is in the works with a major motion picture studio to produce the movie, and Wallace wouldn't comment on who would star in the film.

He would like to film parts of the movie at Fort Benning, he said, because the historic quarters haven't changed that much in the last 35 years.

"I focused in the screenplay a great deal on the women back home," he said, adding that Moore's wife, Julie, is the one who encouraged him to make the movie.

"It was heart-wrenching and inspiring what these ladies went through," he said of the family members left behind when the unit deployed from Fort Benning.

Wallace stresses that he wants the film to be true and uplifting.

"The truth is liberating, as the Bible tells us, and my feeling about this story is that if it is done right, it will be profoundly uplifting because we all know about what was eroded or even destroyed in Vietnam. But we are not really aware of what was affirmed," he said.

"Americans who said we shouldn't be sending any more young men over there under these circumstances will be able to look at this movie and say, 'I was right.'

"And the Americans who said those are our sons and daughters over there and we need to be proud of them will look at this movie and say, 'I was right.'"

Morris: Honors heritage of paratroopers with new award

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said. "We would get on the field and start to imitate the white students training."

Little did Morris and the rest of the Soldiers know what those exercises would lead to.

"The commander of the school, General (Ridgely) Gaither, drove by and saw this field that was supposed to be vacant after the white students had left. He saw 50 black Soldiers jumping up and down shouting, 'One thousand one, one thousand two,'" Morris said. "He didn't know what to make of it so he had me called to his office.

"When you, as a first sergeant, get called to the general's office, you are scared to death because you wonder what in the world you have done to deserve being called to his office," he said. "He asked me to explain what we were doing and I did. He then explained to me the secret of all secrets — that there was going to be a black parachute company in the United States Army and would I like to be the first sergeant of that company. I was elated, my heart almost burst."

Morris said the shock was overwhelming because the black Soldiers were playing a different role in the war effort before the formation of the 555th Parachute Inf. Bn.

"It was unbelievable. In 1943, we were a separate unit, a separate society," Morris explained. "We, as black Soldiers in uniform, were denied access to the post exchange and the main theater. We couldn't go in even in uniform, but the German and Italian prisoners of war that were stationed here could walk in to the exchange and buy a Coke or cigarettes.

"We were actually servants, not Soldiers for the school," Morris said.

"When we were told the Army was going to start a black parachute company and we would be trained as combat Soldiers, it was a great, great moment," he said.

While Soldiers are still Soldiers, Morris said he has noticed some differences in the training an Airborne trooper goes through.

"In the beginning of '44, we trained in four stages as students, compared to today there are only three stages," he said. "In those days, the first week was spent in Alabama for calisthenics. That was all we did. It really got our minds and bodies in shape for what would come later on in our training."

All of that training paid off for the Soldiers of the 555th as they learned to use their skills to defend America.

"When we were ordered to report to Pendleton, Ore., as smoke jumpers, that was exciting because we had no idea what a smoke jumper was," he said. "We learned about the incendiary bombs being dropped on the Pacific northwest by the Japanese incendiary balloons.

"The forest service couldn't cope with it so they asked the Army if they could spare some paratroopers. The Army said yes, they had 600 paratroopers that they didn't know what to do with," Morris said. "The theater in Europe was closing down and General MacArthur didn't want black paratroopers to integrate with the white paratroopers in the Pacific.

"So the Army sent us to be smoke jumpers for the fire season of 1945," he said. "The Japanese sent over thousands of balloons that dropped bombs on national forests. We had more than 1,200 individual jumps on 32 fires in the western states and we only lost one man."

Morris said he is glad he could play a role in those beginning steps of integration in the military.

"This is so great now. There is no comparison," he said. "It's so great to be a part of it, to be an American, because this country is moving forward and has come along way. We still have a little way to go, but we've come a long way."

Benefits: Get hike

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and bonuses — into the plan.

The bill also boosts the antiquated clothing allowance for officers.

The change, which marks the first time the allowance has been revamped for nearly 20 years, doubles the figure for both active-duty and reserve officers.

"The bill is good for America," Collins said. "By improving our Soldiers quality of life, it will improve retention and recruitment."

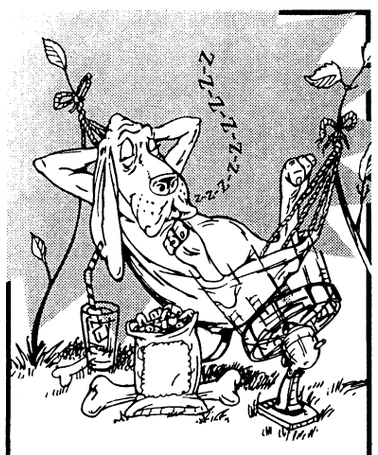
The bill still awaits signature from the president before becoming law.

Washington officials said that approval may come as soon as this fall.

A CLOSER LOOK

If passed by Congress, military service members would see the following.

- Effective Jan. 1, 2001 a 3.7 percent pay raise.
- Housing allowance upgrade for E-4 and below to current E-4 standard.
- A special allowance for the lowest paid Soldiers, up to $500.



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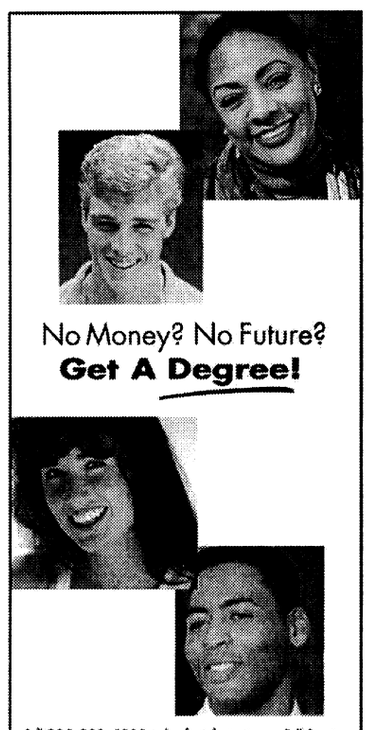

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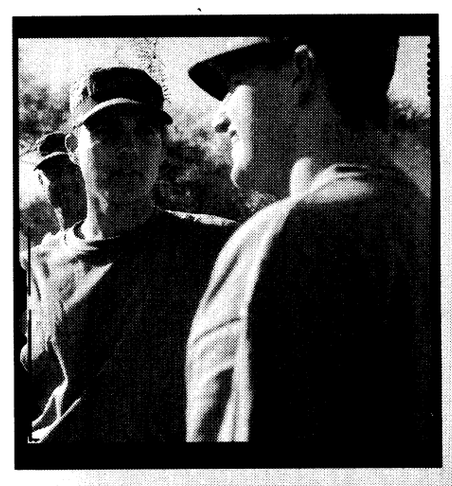

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Man's passion keeps city

Clean-up is one of many projects for retired

Bridgett Siter
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A sign on the south side of the brick wall that stands at the junction of Buena Vista Road and Lawyers Lane in Columbus proclaims the five acre triangle of land the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park. On the opposite side of the wall, surrounding a sculpture of three U.S. Soldiers, 119 bricks bear the names of Columbus natives who lost their lives in Vietnam.

Retired Sgt. Lonnie Jackson said an elderly woman visits the wall every day just to gaze at the name of her son engraved on one of those bricks.

"His name was Blount. I'm not sure of his first name," said Jackson, from across the park where he kneels in a flower bed. "She said he told her he was bringing her back something from Vietnam, but he was killed before he could come home. She still wonders what it was he wanted her to have."

When Jackson returned to the United States from his second tour with the 9th Infantry Division engineers in Vietnam, his first stop was San Francisco. As he tried to hail a cab on that hot summer day more than 28 years ago, he gradually became aware of the stares and whispers of the people passing him on the street.

"I thought I must look pretty sharp in my uniform," Jackson laughed. "Over there (Vietnam) we didn't know about all the opposition going on over here. It didn't take me long to catch on. I couldn't even catch a cab that day."

At the age of 71, Jackson speaks without rancor as he recalls the abuse he and other Soldiers endured after the war.

"I remembered the way we celebrated the return of our boys after World War II, and I had already been in the Korean War. So I was surprised by all the name-calling and the negative attitudes we encountered when we got back (from Vietnam). There was no recognition," Jackson said.

In 1996 Jackson spearheaded the effort to establish the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park where the annual Memorial Day Celebration will take place May 27. Now the widowed retiree, whose only daughter and grandson live in Atlanta, spends his days overseeing the care of the park and several of his other pet projects.

"When I first retired, I noticed no one in the community put any emphasis on keeping litter off the streets. In the Army I never saw that kind of trash. So I started a clean-up drive. I called it 'Operation Esprit de Corps.' It was really just an awareness tool to get people to take pride in their community."

Jackson's clean-up campaign was so well received in his community that he initiated yet another anti-litter drive geared towards churches, schools and individuals. The MLK Pride Month's Clean Up Drive helped Jackson earn the President's Volunteer Action Award (Points of Light) and the Martin Luther King Unity Award.

In fact, Jackson has won numerous awards, 44 in all, for his efforts to beautify and unify the Columbus, Phenix City and Fort Benning communities.

Perhaps Jackson's greatest passion is the tutorial program he founded 16 years ago to help school age children with math and reading skills.

More than 15,950 students have benefited from the year-round program, and nearly 7,000 tutors.

"This country puts too much emphasis on building bigger and better jails. What we need to do is send more kids to college. Education is the key to bringing about change in this country," Jackson said. "This tutoring program brings people together from all walks of life to teach these kids. It's a big diverse group, and when you put them all together you get a real good unit."



Bridgett Siter

Lonnie Jackson plants flowers at the Veterans Memorial Park in Columbus as one of many of his 'pet' projects.

Jackson frequently uses words like 'diversity', 'unity' and 'communication' when he talks about the organizations to which he devotes his time.

"When I was sent to Korea I was green from Alabama. I had never crossed the Mississippi. What I saw there amazed me. I saw unity in their way of life. When a bunch of prisoners had to run from one place to another, they would link arms and run as one, pulling the injured along with them. That was unity at work. That's what we have to do with our brothers and sisters here in America. All nations and colors may be represented here, but it's still America. We've got to pull together."

Jackson has attempted to do just that — pull communities together — through the institution of his various projects and programs throughout the area.

Brad Castleberry, community relations officer, public affairs office, said Jackson's determination to "see it through" is the reason for his many successful ventures.

"I've known Lonnie for about 20 years. I knew him back in the 70s when he was wearing leisure suits," Castleberry laughed. "He's never changed. He's still relentless and dogged in his determination to see his causes through to the end. He's always been an overachiever."

Jackson paused momentarily when asked his own formula for success.

"You just have to work at anything you want to do. You have to put emphasis on what's

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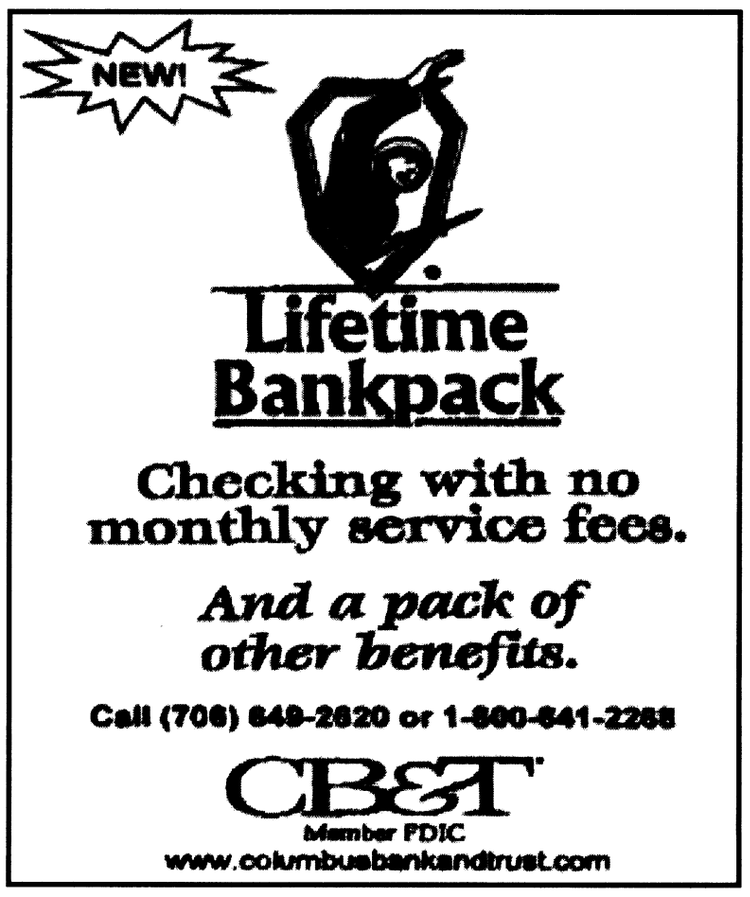



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Panel polls Soldiers on total Army team

Task force assesses Army programs

Karen Taylor
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Soldiers voiced opinions about their units, their bosses and Army culture this week to the Human Relations Task Force.

The task force was conducting a study to address issues about Army culture, to assess the climate and see if the Human Relations Action Plan Initiatives are effective, said Master Sgt. John Johnson, Fort Benning project officer.

The Human Relations Action Plan Initiatives were developed and implemented as a result of highly publicized sexual misconduct cases in 1996 and the findings from a 1997 report by the Senior Review Panel that researched the Army's human relations environment and sexual harassment.

These initiatives are everything from surveys commanders take before they take command, to sexual harassment, equal opportunity and consideration of others training, said Col. Robert Woods, team leader of the Human Relations Task Force.

The study aims to find out if these programs have been effective or does the Army need to re-focus, said Johnson.

This is a follow up to the Senior Review Panel's research done in 1997, Woods said.

During its four days here, the task force met with various companies, training battalions and individual Soldiers for data collection.

"We conducted two types of research. One was focus groups, which are small groups of interviews with groups of people E-1 through E-4s, junior NCOs, senior NCOs, lieutenants, captains and field grade officers; and I'll be conducting interviews with the commanders and command sergeants major," Woods said. "We also conducted surveys with Soldiers.

The surveys collectively address human relations in the Army. They ask, on a variety of topics, everything from individual perceptions of what the Army is like; is it what they expected; what he thinks of the boss," he said.

Each survey is comprised of multiple choice questions and a section where the Soldier can write his opinion or comments.

"The good thing about that is the Soldiers are taking the time to do that. Within each group Soldiers are explaining their opinion on a variety of subjects. Some have to do with an individual case — some positive, some not so positive — but also about the future of the Army, what their perception is from their viewpoint, whatever level they're at," Woods said.

Soldiers also expressed opinions during focus groups.

"We have some very standard question that we ask, but we ask about human relations, how are things in units, what's working when and what doesn't, that type of thing ... we've gotten some good feedback from that, too," he said.

A senior NCO was partnered with a research psychologist from ARI during the focus groups to help facilitate and, at times, to clarify Army language while Soldiers answered the questions.

"As a part of the team I served not only as a note-taker, but also as a facilitator for the discussion group," said Master Sgt. Gloria Sims, senior NCO of the Human Relations Task Force. "Soldiers may make a statement and (the research psychologists) don't quite understand what they're saying because they are speaking in military terms. So, I'll ask them another question to get them to clarify their meaning."

"She also knows how to come through the ranks for the rest of the story, sometimes. And press the harder issues that they may not open up on their own. That's where the NCOs are really, really good," Woods said.

The task force was careful to minimize the skew, bias and margin of error during analysis by taking a large and diverse sample of the Army population.

The task force visited 15 installations including FORSCOM units and TRADOC units. Fort Benning was chosen because it has both a FORSCOM and TRADOC units.

Installations ranged from Fort Hood to Korea.

"When we get to an installation it's very important when we go back, we've spoken to the Army, so we've talked to combat arms, combat support and combat service support," he said.

The team was even well-balanced.

"I'm a combat arms officer myself and the NCOs we have are combat arms, combat support and combat service support, so we have a representation of everybody on the team also."

The data taken from the study will be analyzed over the summer and presented in an out-briefing to the Army chief of staff in the fall.

"The intent of that out-briefing, of course, will be to express findings on how well those Human Relations Action Plan programs are working in the Army," said Woods.

From the results of the study the Army will make decisions about policy, doctrine, programs and training as far as changes or modifications.

These findings also will hopefully reveal if there have been any changes in Soldier attitudes or experiences since 1997.

Hollywood producer seeks Army rags-to-riches stories

Man behind *Rescue 911* wants to know how military changes lives

Amy Bailey
USAA project coordinator

Arnold Shapiro, the Oscar- and Emmy-winning producer of *Scared Straight, Inside America's Military Academies* and *Rescue 911*, will soon produce five videos under the working title *How The Military Changed My Life.*

Each video will focus on one of the military services: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, and will profile true stories of men and women whose lives have been changed for the better as a result of the opportunities afforded them by serving in that particular service. These profiles will be of young people currently in uniform, or successful civilians whose lives were changed and improved because of their military service.

This project will be funded by The USAA Educational Foundation, which will make the videos available to each military service for duplication and distribution to bases and recruiting officers throughout the country and the world. In addition, after videos are produced, Arnold Shapiro Productions plans to edit several of the stories into a television special, which will be shown on one or more cable networks.

Arnold Shapiro Productions is launching an extensive search for stories to include in this important project. The production staff is looking for those with inspiring stories about ways in which military service has enriched or positively changed their lives. They are particularly interested in young people (preferably under age 30) currently serving in the military; or those who credit the military for their post-service success in the civilian world. Anyone interested in participating should send a brief written account to: Arnold Shapiro Productions, 520 Broadway, Suite 220, Santa Monica, CA 90401 (please clearly mark envelope with which service served), or e-mail aspproductions@aol.com.

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School: Will close its doors, reopen as new DoD facility

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House bills have yet to meet for joint approval of the bill during a special conference.

Both versions call for basically the same renovations for the school, said Nicolas Britto, the school's public affairs officer. The dispute now lies in naming the school.

Because Congress chartered the school, the Army had to seek its approval for the school's reorganization.

Since the school began operation in Panama in 1946, the school has trained more than 60,000 Latin American Soldiers and police personnel.

Opponents of the school believe some of those graduates have committed civil rights atrocities and abuse.

Congress has vowed to answer the call of the protesters in the new bill by requiring the school to teach at least eight hours of instruction in human rights education in each course the school hosts.

Doug Graham, press secretary for Rep. Mac Collins, said the bill should be returned from the joint conference by August and will be returned to Congress for final approval later this fall.

"I think we could expect to see it signed by September," Graham said.

USARSA slates conference

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

The U.S. Army School of the Americas will host the second annual Latin American — U.S. Senior NCOs Conference, June 25-30.

The SNCOC establishes a forum for Latin American NCOs to exchange ideas regarding roles, missions and standards of the NCO Corps, said Command Sgt. Maj. Manuel Valdes, USARSA's command sergeant major.

At a strategic level, Valdes said the SNCOC promotes several U.S. Southern Command program objectives.

He said the conference increases an understanding of U.S. military organization and force structure.

The conference will assist regional militaries to meet future mutual challenges by emphasizing the diverse missions of each country's NCO Corps.

Attending the conference will be the senior NCO of each Latin American country's army, navy and air force.

Key U.S. participants expected to attend includes the Sergeant Major of the Army and the Command Sergeants Major for Training and Doctrine Command, U.S. Southern Command, Combined Arms Center and the U.S. Army Infantry Center.

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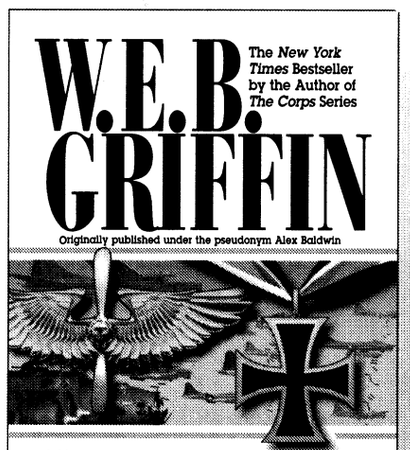

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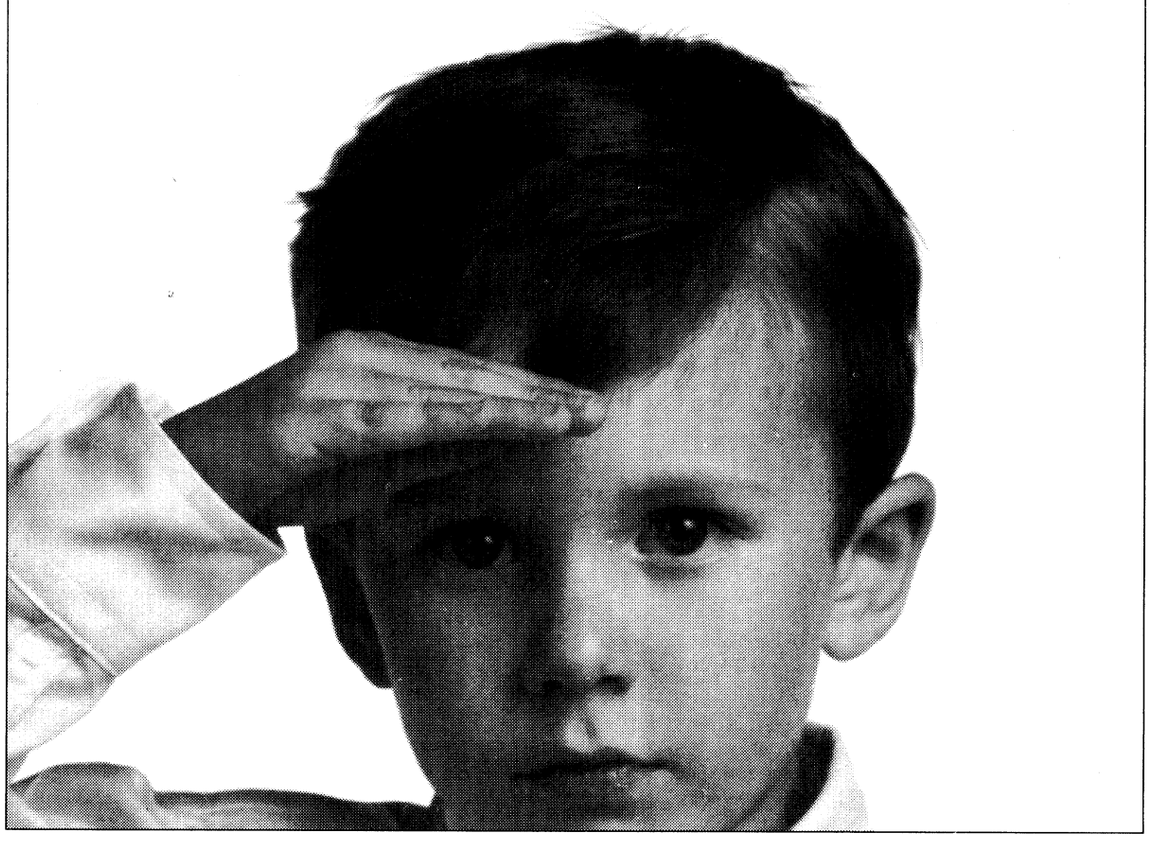

Protesters continue to plague USARSA

Police apprehend 11 demonstrators Wed. morning

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Toting signs reading, "new name — same shame," 11 School of the Americas protesters exited a van in front of the U.S. Army School of Americas Wednesday morning in hopes of showing their disdain for school and its planned reorganization.

However, a Department of Defense police officer at the school was quick to dash those hopes as he apprehended the protesters shortly after 10:30 a.m. as they exited their rental van in front of the Latin American training facility.

"We had information that told us they would be here this morning," Col. Don Salo, Fort Benning's provost marshal, said Wednesday afternoon. "We positioned a DoD police officer on the school grounds and had military police patrols loitering in a three-block radius of the school.

"We were ready for them," he said.

Apprehended were David Jessop, 19, Oberlin, Ohio; Brandon Stroman, 21, Glouvesterma, Mass.; Oren Casdi, 29, Kent, Ohio; Rebecca Johnson, 20, Cincinnatti, Ohio; Christiani Goodwin, 21, St. Louis, Miss.; Sarah Bania-Dobyns, 21, Denver, Colo.; Riva Pearson, 20, Shokan, N.Y.; Sarah Saunders, 19, Lake Orion, Mich.; Emilia Baldoni, 20, Perrysburg, Ohio; Kathleen Baldoni, 44, Perrysburg, Ohio; Martha Baldoni, 70, Perrysburg, Ohio.

All of the protesters were permanently barred from post and may face charges in federal court of disorderly conduct, criminal trespass and obstruction of a law enforcement officer, Salo said.

Wednesday's protest marks the first time members of the protest group, SOA Watch, have shown their disapproval for the Congressional-mandated overhaul of the school planned for later this year.

Col. Glenn Weidner, commandant of the school, said he didn't believe the proposed reorganization would halt the group's persistent protests.

"The problem is so loaded with emotion and misunderstanding, I don't think we will ever see (the protests) end," Weidner said.

The Wednesday protest tallies the third protest at the school this year.

post briefs

Clinic plans opening

Love Dental Clinic will be open for patient care today.

This is a change due to the water line repairs required for Salomon Dental Clinic.

For more information, call 544-3954.

Veterans plan Memorial Day celebration

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park Committee and the Combined Communities of Southeast Columbus will present a pre-Memorial Day Celebration at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park, at the corner of Lawyers Lane and Buena Vista Road, Columbus.

The speaker will be retired Col. Robert B. Nett, Medal of Honor recipient.

The public is invited. Donations for the upkeep of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park are welcomed.

For more information, call 687-5357 or 321-9596.

Promotions draw review

The Department of the Army selection board will convene May 31 to consider Soldiers for promotion to sergeant first class. The board will also review elimination under the Qualitative Management Program.

Zones of consideration for promotion are all staff sergeants with a date of rank June 30, 1998, and earlier with a basic active service date between May 31, 1981, and May 31, 1994.

For QMP, all staff sergeants with a date of rank May 31, 1999, and earlier and basic active service date of May 31, 1981.

Soldiers who meet eligibility must have a current photo. To schedule a appointment, call 545-1381.

Those NCOs who meet the eligibility criteria must review their personnel records and authenticate their personnel qualification record, which goes to the selection board.

Contact the personnel sergeant or call the Adjutant General Personnel Services Readiness Division at 545-8861 or 545-5640 for an appointment.

Post plans Memorial Day Ceremony

There will be a Memorial Day ceremony at 9 a.m. Monday at the Main Post Cemetery.

There will be a performance by the U.S. Infantry Center Band and a wreath placed at the grave of the unknown Soldier.

For more information, call 545-9734.

Commissary plans Memorial Day closure

The Fort Benning Commissary will close at 6 p.m. on Sunday. It will be closed for Memorial Day and will re-open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday.

Rangers plan retirement ceremony

Lt. Col. Eric D. Hutchings, 75th Ranger Regiment deputy commander, will retire from active military service at 5 p.m. June 5 at the Ranger Memorial.

He has served for 23 years and will become the commandant of the Virginia Military Institute following his retirement.

29th Infantry plans blood drive

There is a blood drive scheduled for 8 a.m. June 5 in Infantry Hall.

The drive is sponsored by 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment.

OCS accepts applications

The next local board for Officer Candidate School here will be July 5- 11. The deadline for applications is June 16.

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CID seeks information

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Education Center offers classes

The FAST instruction is for Soldiers who want to raise their GT scores. Classes are offered for morning and afternoon classes at Building 9004.

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For more information, call 544-1716.

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TSU offers classes

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SF seeks volunteers

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Enlisted Soldiers E-3 - E-6 with a GT score of 100 or higher and commissioned officers in year group 1995-1998 can apply for training.

For more information, call 545-3079.

Post plans Drill Sergeant of the Year ceremony

The Drill Sergeant of the Year ceremony will be held at 1 p.m. June 12 in Marshall Auditorium in Infantry Hall.

Program accepts nominations

The Ten Outstanding Young Americans Award Program is now accepting nominations of Soldiers and Department of the Army civilians between 21- and 39-years old who have made an outstanding contribution to the local community.

All nomination must be received by June 15.

For more information, call DSN 221-4764 or (703) 325-4764.

Golden Knights seek skydivers

High flying Soldiers are invited to participate in the Golden Knights' on-going six-week selection program in Fort Bragg, N.C.

Interested Soldiers must be enlisted and on active duty with a Class C international parachuting license or the equivalent.

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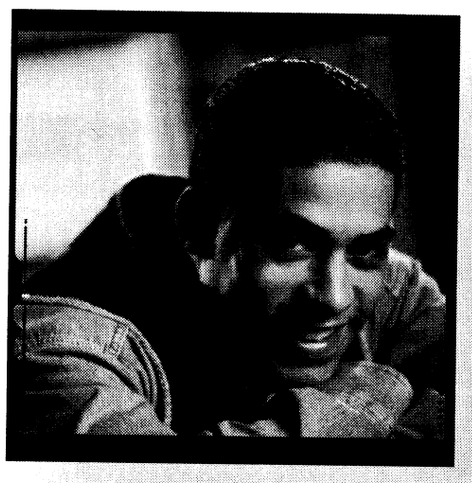

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MPs' 10-mile run supports Special Olympics

15th annual Torch Run builds teamwork

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

While most Soldiers were participating in their regular PT activities Tuesday, Soldiers from the Military Police Activity embarked on a journey.

Their journey began at the Information Center on Fort Benning Road when they took up the torch during the 15th annual Law Enforcement Torch Run in support of the Georgia Special Olympics.

Before they began the run, Lt. Col. Don Salo, provost marshal, asked if anyone had run the Riverwalk, which was where the run took place. Most hands went up. Several hands dropped though when he asked how many had run more than six miles, and nearly all the hands went down after he asked who had ever run 10 miles.

"It is a unit cohesion run," he said moments before they took off. "The idea is not to see how fast we can make it, but just to make it together. It also is a confidence builder."

As a member of the Criminal Investigation Command handed off the torch to Sgt. Laura Cashion, a U.S. Army Infantry Center MP, the formation began the 10-mile run.

The runners planned two stops to drink a quick cup of water and then continue on their way.

Two stops and two hours later, the formation arrived at the Public Safety Building in Columbus via the Riverwalk.

With several hand-offs along the way, Spc. Shamus McKnight, with 3rd Brigade's Military Police Platoon, brought the torch to the building where the MPs finished their torch-bearing obligation.

In a brief ceremony, the MPs were thanked for their contribution.

"The Army is the driving force for many good things, which happen in the community," Muscogee County Sheriff Ralph Johnson said.

Also thanking the MPs for their contribution was the Columbus Police Department.

"We really appreciate the help of the MPA," Wesley Mott, assistant chief of police said. "There is no greater deed than to get on one knee and help someone out.

"The Soldiers are continuing the tradition of helping out at the Special Olympic games, and for many of the participants, that day will be the greatest of their lives because many of them won't live (long). They won't have the chance to grow up and be a Soldier or policeman."

Salo said he was happy to participate in the run.

"I was honored to pass the torch along," he said.

"(By participating), the Soldiers feel they were part of the festivities. There is pride and honor (in helping out). For the younger Soldiers, this shows them what the Army is all about —selfless service."

Other Soldiers really enjoyed the run and the participation as well.

"I really liked the run," 1st Lt. Kate Bielak, a USAIC MP said. "The other Soldiers helped raise money by donations and from T-shirts (for the games).

"It was a symbol of MPs doing something for the community and a good cause," she said. "The run was a great way to build esprit de corps and build motivation.

"The only time we were worried about anything on the run was when we crossed a wooden bridge and it started to bounce like a trampoline," she said jokingly.

Overall, Salo thought the run was a success.

"No one fell out and we finished within four minutes of the time we set. I was really pleased with the run. There is a lot of pride and honor in participating."



Pfc. Mark Watson

Spc. Shamus McKnight, 3rd Brigade Military Police Platoon, leads the way for military police personnel from across post during the Special Olympics Torch Run last week.

Competition bolsters teamwork for officer candidates

Military Appreciation Week activities build esprit de corps

Officer Candidate David Sheronas
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment (OCS)

When Officer Candidate Mathew Feehan crossed the finish line with a time of 15:19 to place first in the General's 5K Fun Run May 19, it was the third time he'd done so in less than two weeks.

Feehan, like many of his classmates in Officer Candidate School Class 4-00, gladly and proudly volunteered to represent his class, and A Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment (OCS) as a whole, in various athletic events throughout Military Appreciation Week.

Feehan first competed in and won the 3-mile run May 6, with a time of 16:13, at the Joint Military Athletic Competition, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., when Army OCS competed against the Navy and Air Force Officer Candidate and Training Schools.

He also won the mile run at the Fit-To-Win Competition in Doughboy Stadium May 17 with a time of 4:45.

When asked why he was willing to compete, Feehan said, "Because it's a way I can contribute to our team — our class." Such sentiment has been echoed by all of Feehan's fellow competitors and classmates.

OC Robert Walker, who anchored an undersized but victorious tug-of-war team for Class 4-00 at the Fit-To-Win Competition, said it wasn't just the teamwork aspect that motivated him to compete, but the chance to perform under pressure.

Although it was only a tug-of-war contest, Walker said, "Winners and leaders produce under stress." Similarly, though team success is most important to her, OC Uche Heyward said she feels "very competitive and likes to be challenged physically and mentally."

In speaking with officer candidates, it quickly becomes apparent there are certain threads tying them all together: a desire to be the best at whatever they do and an understanding of the value of teamwork. Though the two can often be at odds, it is common principal at OCS to bring both the concepts together to produce the best results.

"I don't put much value on being first by myself, but I'm more interested in being part of a winning team and contributing to the overall goal," said OC Traci Belcher, who placed first in the mile with a time of 6:02. "Most leaders aren't satisfied or shouldn't be if they're not giving 100 percent — they need to set the example. How can you be satisfied if the finished product isn't what it could be?"

While events like these give candidates the chance to get out of the everyday training school environment, it also provides the opportunity to build esprit de corps through competition to help build further confidence in their leadership abilities.

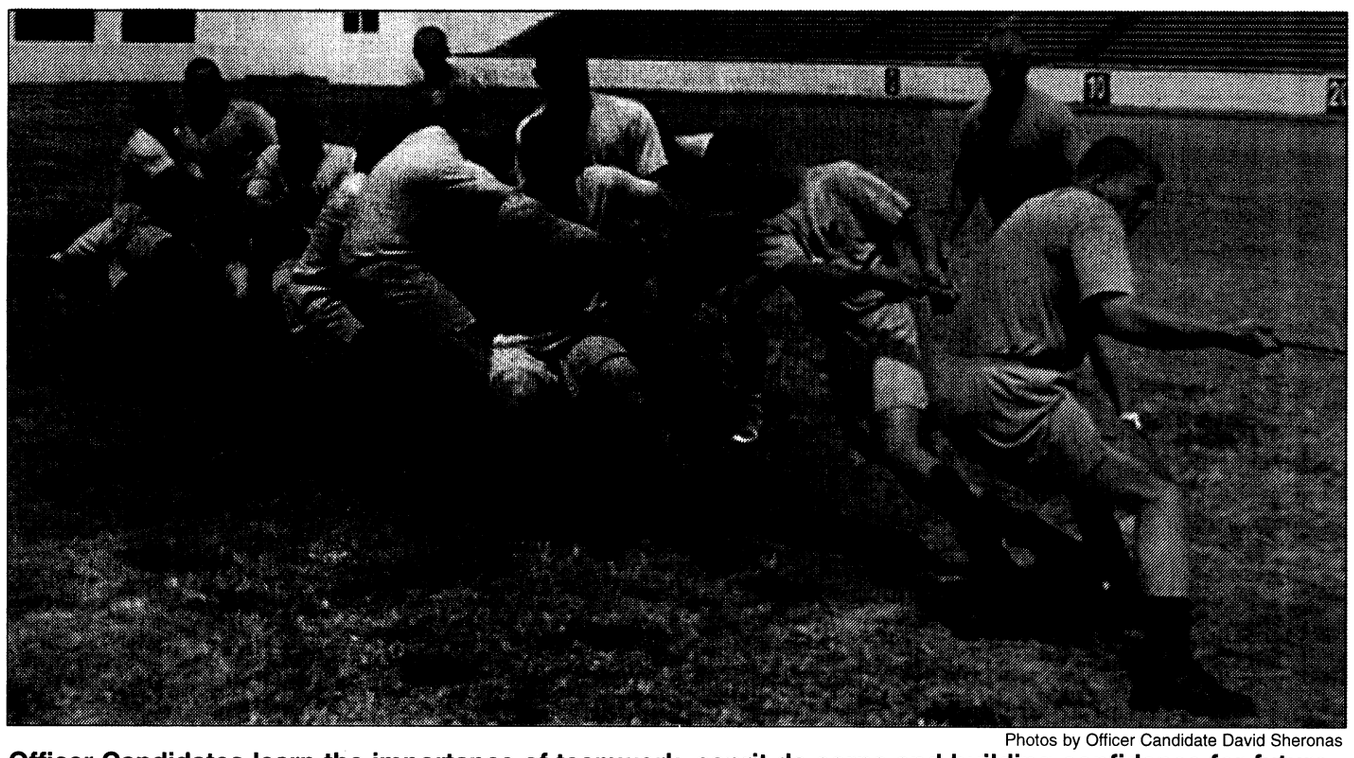
"Most candidates know they must lead by example, and to do that, they must demonstrate the quality to get out in front," said Capt. Wesley Dumas, senior TAC officer, A Co., 3rd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt. (OCS). "These events give the candidates the opportunity to set the example."

"As future leaders, we at Army leadership schools stress fitness," said Capt. Ronnie Preston, company commander, A Co. "We emphasize and stress to the candidates the importance of leading from the front in all aspects of life. We can not ask Soldiers to be fit if we are not fit."

Leading from the front is reinforced daily at OCS. Candidates are placed in positions of leadership to bolster development at every level of soldiering.

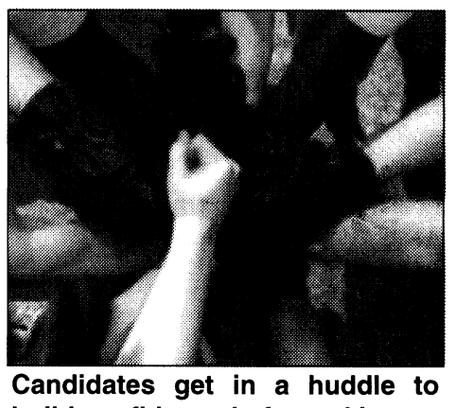
Working together as a team is a major developing tool used at the school. Teamwork is utilized to achieve the mission everyday.

"In the case of competitive athletic events," said Feehan, "physical fitness and discipline ties in with the OCS mission of creating and fostering the ideas of leadership and teamwork."



Photos by Officer Candidate David Sheronas

Officer Candidates learn the importance of teamwork, esprit de corps and building confidence for future leadership positions during activities like the Fit-To-Win competition held at Doughboy Stadium May 17. They also applied those skills during Military Appreciation Week May 15-19.



Candidates get in a huddle to build confidence before taking on the tug-of-war.

Jane Wayne Day allows spouses to experience Ranger training

Capt. Breck Paris
4th Ranger Training Battalion

Wives from the 4th Ranger Training Battalion recently had the opportunity to demonstrate that being a Ranger wife is not for the weak or faint-hearted.

The 4th RTB hosted its annual Jane Wayne Day May 6. The purpose of the event was to bring families together and allow the wives to experience some of the activities their husbands do on a regular basis.

The day started out with registration and a welcome brief at Eubanks Field. The wives were then divided into squads led by Ranger instructors. The ladies were organized into round-robin stations where they learned about actions in an aircraft, parachute landing falls, how the main and reserve chutes deploy, and tackled the 34-foot tower.

The wives then moved to the Hurley Hill demonstration area.

After polishing off an MRE for lunch, they were afforded another set of demanding challenges.

The squads conducted camouflage techniques and rappelling from the 60-foot tower. The women practiced Zodiac boat operations in Victory Pond and also completed the log walk rope drop and suspension traverse.

The day ended with a cookout where all the families were able to swap their "war stories."

The wives said the day was a great opportunity to get a better understanding of their husbands' jobs.

"By participating in Jane Wayne Day, I was able to get a better understanding of what it takes to be an Airborne Ranger," said Mattie Paris. "I was nervous, but proud of overcoming my fears with the help of the cadre."

The day seemed to be a big success for all of the families and the wives of the 4th RTB proved to everyone that they have what it takes to meet the challenge of being Ranger wives.

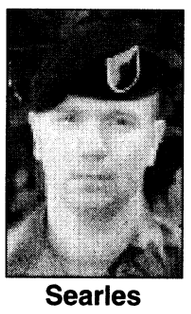


Capt. Breck Paris

Mattie Paris takes on the 60-foot tower during Jane Wayne Day.

excellence in training

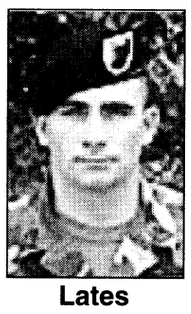
Sgt. 1st Class Stephen Searles
C Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion
Award: Instructor of the Cycle.
What do you find most challenging about being a Ranger instructor? It is an awesome responsibility and is extremely rewarding training Ranger students. I take this mission very seriously, knowing that I can directly influence the leadership of the Army — that a Ranger I trained could very well be my future NCO, platoon leader or even my company commander.


Searles

Staff Sgt. Steve McBride
C Company, 5th Ranger Training Battalion
Award: Instructor of the Cycle.
What do you find most challenging about being a Ranger instructor? The most challenging aspect of being a Mountain Ranger instructor is knowing the success of the students has a great deal to do with how well you teach, coach and mentor them.


McBride

Sgt. 1st Class Randall Lates
C Company, 6th Ranger Training Battalion
Award: Instructor of the Cycle.
What do you find most challenging about being a Ranger instructor? My greatest challenge as a Ranger instructor is instilling into the Ranger student the concept of train as you fight. My overall goal is to have the student treat everything from pre-combat inspections to final execution of the mission as real as possible in a training environment.
It's important for them to realize that in training you can make mistakes and learn from them because in combat mistakes cost lives and the littlest mistake such as falling asleep on security could get your fellow Soldiers killed.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Officers overcome odds during FTX.

Bradley battle leaves students feeling success

2nd Lt. Steele McGonegal
3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

The Infantry Officer Basic Course defense field training exercise normally ends with several Opposing Force Bradley Fighting Vehicles sitting among the overrun remnants of an IOBC Company defensive position, said Capt James Hewitt, one of the Senior Platoon Trainers for IOBC Class 2-00.

Hewitt even drew a quick sketch of the action that drew uncomfortable laughter from the lieutenants of 3rd Platoon.

But the task remained for B Company to defend Bush Hill against the impending attack by the OPFOR.

The company had two and a half days to execute the plan created by 2nd Lt. Doug Taylor, student company commander for the mission.

His operations order included a counter-reconnaissance plan that compensated for the predictable limitations of platoon's defensive operations.

"The terrain around Bush Hill (is) not ideal (for defensive operations)," said Taylor. "It lends far too much maneuver area to vehicles, which is detrimental to dismounted (defense)," he said.

"It's your best guess what the enemy is going to do, so you place your defense where you think the enemy will maneuver," Taylor said.

Taylor and 4th Platoon leader 2nd Lt. David Wilmore had to move the platoon's position because the enemy had too much maneuver room.

The move strengthened the company position and proved instrumental in the battle that followed later in the week.

Wilmore said the new position allowed his platoon to set up a linear ambush along Box Springs Road.

"We had mission success as a result of the move," said Wilmore.

Fourth platoon's linear ambush meshed with 3rd Platoon's blocking position; effectively slowing the movement of the OPFOR unit.

2nd Lt. Brian Lassetter planned the emplacement of two major wire obstacles along Box Springs Road.

Lassetter said the idea was to slow the OPFOR at the first obstacle, allowing the anti-armor assets to attack one or two Bradley vehicles.

He then wanted to stop them at the second obstacle where his platoon would create a roadblock out of killed OPFOR IFVs.

According to Taylor, B Co. killed seven Bradley vehicles during the battle.

Three of those were destroyed in the 3rd Platoon kill zone.

This is not to say that the defensive operations were without problems, he said.

Perhaps the biggest dilemma was a lack of radio communications between platoons and command networks.

Additionally, at least a few breaches of operational security occurred when students communicated too loudly while in the defensive posture.

As Staff Sgt. Robert Chavira explained in the after action review, the platoon must have an internal communications plan.

Over the course of the three-day field problem, B Co. destroyed two HMMWVs, eight Bradley vehicles, and over 40 enemy personnel.

Overall, the company "was undoubtedly successful," Taylor said.

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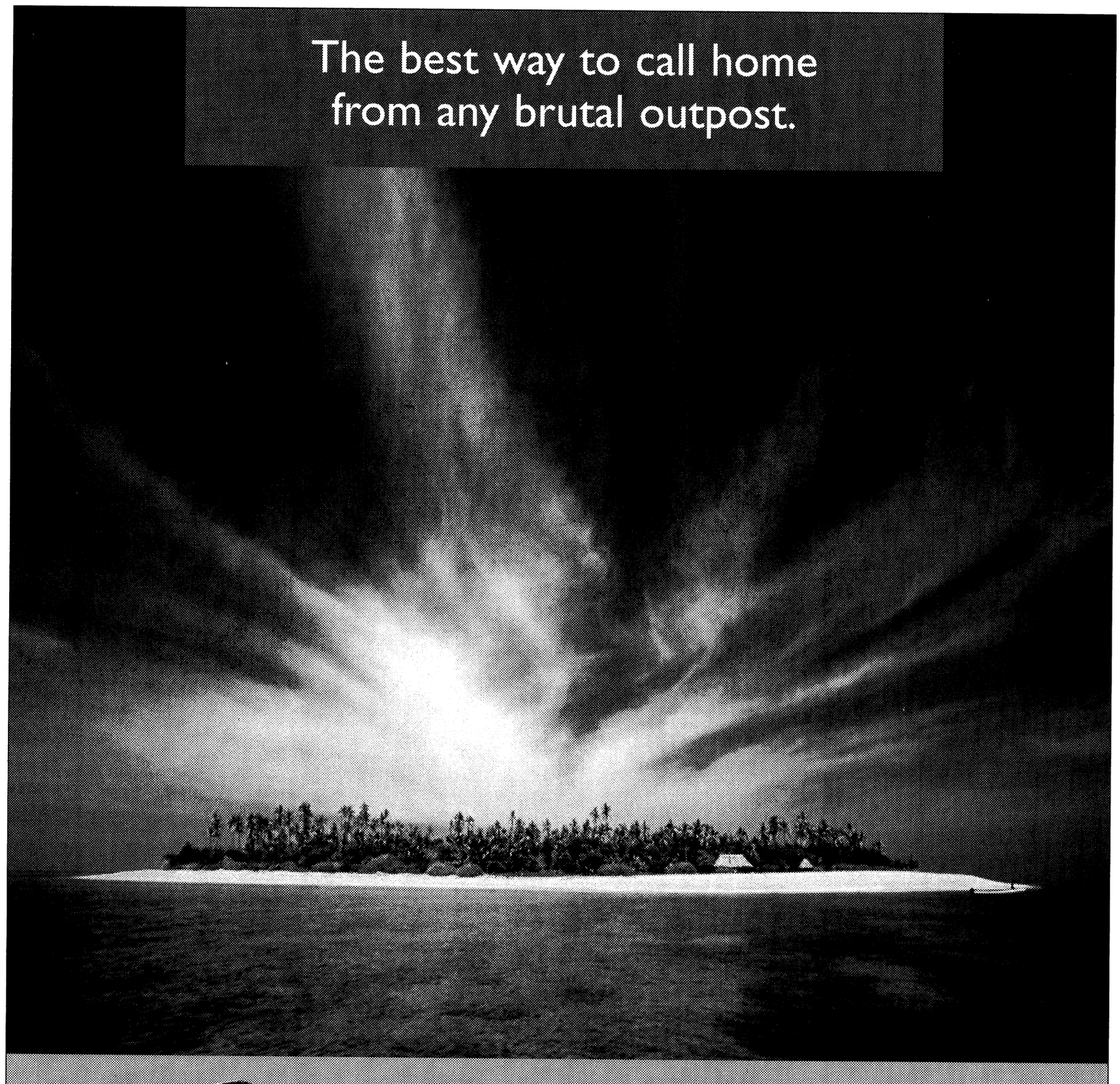



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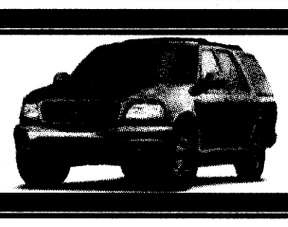

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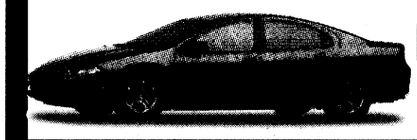

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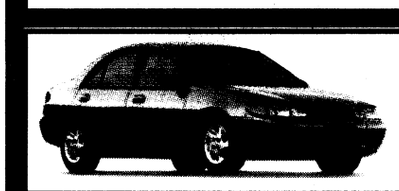

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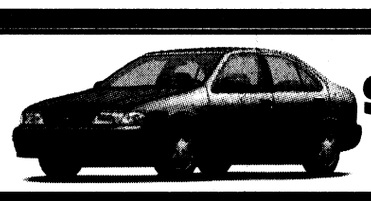

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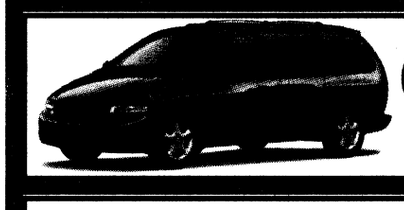

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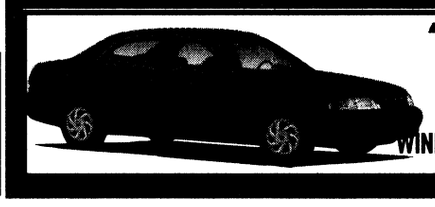

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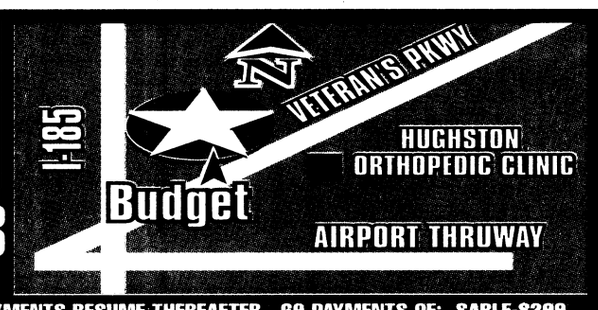

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DoDEA names Stowers' principal best

Hughes earns top honors for caring about staff, students

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Fearing the worst, teachers and faculty members of Stowers Elementary School gathered in the media center before the start of school May 19. They waited apprehensively to hear the news that had warranted a personal visit from the superintendent of Fort Benning schools.

A visit such as this, at the end of the school year, often signifies a change of staff, and the Stowers faculty dreaded to hear their principal would be transferring to another school. Instead they were relieved and ecstatic when Dr. Dell McMullen announced Glenn Hughes had been named the Department of Defense Education Activity Distinguished Principal of the Year.

Ray Tolleson, interim director for DoDEA schools, called Hughes May 18 to inform him he had been selected as the top principal by the National Association of Elementary School Principals.



Hughes

"I was speechless," Hughes said. "I'm rarely at a loss for words, but when I got the call I was speechless. I think all I could say was 'Thank you very much. I'm honored.'"

Nearly a week after receiving the news Hughes was still at a loss for words when asked about his award. He talked freely about the things that are near and dear to his heart — his students, his faculty, his family, his faith. But he was obviously reticent to speak about the qualities and qualifications that earned him this honor.

"What's really important is that this brings recognition to Stowers," Hughes insisted. "The teachers here work so hard and do such a terrific job. I'm excited and appreciative, and I'm going to enjoy representing Stowers and Fort Benning. But it makes me feel uncomfortable to talk about this (award) as a personal accomplishment. I look at it as 'our' accomplishment, because we all work well together."

Hughes apparently works well with whomever he associates. Fellow principals, school parents and community members submitted glowing letters of recommendation to the Distinguished Principal selection committee. But it was Hughes' history of successful leadership that cinched the title.

"In the six, years he has been principal, not one member of his staff has come to me with a concern," said McMullen. "Quite to the contrary, staff members tell me their principal listens to their concerns and constantly supports their efforts. He has an exceptional talent for bringing about harmony and productivity."

A Columbus native, Hughes has spent nearly all of his 21 years as an educator within the Fort Benning school system. He had worked at every school on post, either as a teacher or assistant principal, before becoming principal at Stowers in 1994.

At Stowers he has implemented various programs to facilitate parent involvement and a strong relationship between the school and the Fort Benning community. He has also instituted leadership programs, such as the Golden Stallions, that have been modeled by other DoDEA schools.

"If I have a platform it would be recognizing children for their good behavior," said Hughes, who continually promotes Stowers' philosophy that "Everyone is a Champion!"

"In this day and age when we have kids killing kids, I believe it's very important that we celebrate good citizenship, because in the long run that's more important than making the Honor Roll all the time. We need to not only recognize and reward good behavior, but we need to teach our students the skills they need to be good and productive citizens."

McMullen said Hughes exemplifies his philosophy for the staff and students at Stowers.

"Mr. Hughes actively models a strong sense of purpose to (his) students," McMullen said. "He embodies the best qualities of a professional educator: honesty, integrity, enthusiasm and commitment. Stowers' school mission 'lives' rather than just adorning a wall."

Though happy with the success of his career, Hughes said he still strives for improvement as a principal and an educator.

"I believe each person has a mission — a calling — on earth. God's plan for my life was to be an educator. I've always enjoyed teaching," he said. "As a teacher I felt that I knew what good teaching was about, and I really wanted to help other teachers discover that. That's my mission as a principal."

Hughes' desire to achieve his goal led him to apply for the opportunity to attend a Harvard Leadership Seminar in Boston in July. He was the only DDESS principal selected to attend the workshop, another honor he dismisses as "a great opportunity

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Parents, districts oppose change

Schools could fall under local districts in future

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Military parents are strongly opposed to local school districts taking control of post schools.

The Secretary of Defense conducted a study in 1995-1996 to collect information concerning the possibility of transferring the Department of Defense Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools to local education agencies. Results reveal both parents and local districts are not in favor of the change.

Various delays, including funding deficiencies and the complication of coordinating data between the Office of Management and Budget, Department of Education and the Department of Defense General Counsel hampered the expedient progress of the study. After surveying parents, local education agencies, school superintendents and commanders at 15 military installations, including Fort Benning, the study was completed in October 1997 and results were released in January of this year.

More than 12,000 parents, randomly selected, were questioned using a mailed survey. Results show that the parents of children enrolled in DDESS schools have a very high opinion about the quality of education their children are receiving, the safety and discipline provided by DDESS schools, and the school's encouragement of parental involvement.

The study summary also addressed parents' concerns about student safety, the inability of local schools to meet the special needs of military children, the possibility of busing and the loss of neighborhood schools, as well as the quality of education.

The survey concluded that "parents of DDESS students strongly and overwhelmingly oppose transferring DDESS schools to the local school districts." Moreover, 50 percent of DDESS parents gave their child's school an "A" and only 21 percent of public-school parents did the same.

"Relative to their opinions of U.S. public schools in general, DDESS parents had higher opinions of the quality of DDESS schools. DDESS parents rated these schools more highly than parents in other surveys rated their own child's public school. In addition, given parents' awareness of the potential for transfer of the DDESS schools ... these ratings may partially reflect parents' opposition to a transfer," according to the *Survey of Parents' Opinions on DDESS Schools.*

Opinions regarding the possibility of the transfer were also collected during on-site interviews at 15 military installations with DDESS schools and 24 education agencies adjacent to DDESS schools. Installation commanders

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Looking for answers



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Kelly Mueller (left) and Michael Hertig attempt to question officials during the post town hall meeting May 23 at Faith Middle School. More than 100 people attended the meeting.

Advisers assist with Tricare claims

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

The phone rings constantly in the Health Benefits Advisers office, Building 9204, next to Martin Army Community Hospital.

Military health care beneficiaries with questions about claims and bills from civilian providers call Nancy Lance and Patricia Wood for answers.

"We talk to at least 30 a day," Wood said.

Both have worked in the medical insurance field for about 15 years — the last four dealing with Tricare and issues related to the military's current managed health care system.

All military hospitals have government employees who serve as HBAs on staff to assist beneficiaries with claims problems and answer any questions about benefits.

"Any military installation or civilian provider will have a person there who can point you in the right direction," Lance said. "Go to the business office and seek out the person who handles claims."

Dealing with bills and trying to understand and follow prescribed procedures sometimes results in frustrated beneficiaries.

"Don't let the frustrations and bills pile up," Wood advised. "There are people out there who can help you, and there are plenty of places to go for information."

Knowledge is the key.

"You have to be knowledgeable of the system. Read the literature and updates that are published in retiree newsletters and other military publications," she said.

Tricare has web sites — www.tricare.osd.mil and www.tricare_help@amedd.army.mil — and a toll-free number, 1-800-444-5445.

Often individuals are surprised when bills arrive in the mail because they didn't understand their responsibilities as beneficiaries in the first place.

Wood recalled that she once helped a woman who brought a shoebox full of bills to her office, all unopened.

"We sat down and went through them and she really didn't owe all that much," Wood said.

Tricare Prime enrollees — including all active-duty personnel — must seek a referral and authorization for care they receive from anyone other than their primary care manager.

Authorization tends to be the number one issue

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Time capsule to be opened after 25 years

Lee Strickland
Faith Middle School

Faith School alumni and teachers will return to unearth a time capsule they buried 25 years ago during a ceremony June 2 at 1 p.m.

Prior to the "Grand Reopening," a Reunion Mixer from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. will take place at the Fort Benning Officers' Club. Former students and staff will then go to Faith to unearth the capsule.

An assembly for current Faith students will be held at 2 p.m., and they will bury another capsule to be opened in the year 2025.

Alice Martin, chairperson for the event, said, "This event will finally answer the question so many current students have asked about the contents of the capsule. The school day will include cultural flashbacks for students to get a better perception of America in 1975."

Faith School Principal Tom Dignan said that actual school records of the capsule's contents were not kept, but several former students have contacted the school requesting information about attending the event.

Alumni from California, Indiana, South Carolina and Georgia have expressed great interest in attending the affair, said Martin.

One former student, now living in Indiana, plans to return to Faith for the event with his children, she added.

The event is open to all those who attended Faith Middle School, especially those who attended during the years of 1973-1977.

For more information, call Alice Martin at 545-5524 at Faith School or e-mail the school at amartin@benning.odedodea.edu.

Child care facilities plan improvements

Linda Kozaryn
Armed Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Already hailed as the best of its kind in the nation, DoD's child development program will be even better in the future, according to Linda Smith, head of DoD's Office of Family Policy.

The White House lauded the military program last year as a model for the nation. This spring, the National Women's Law Center cited the program for its quality, affordability and availability.

Center co-director Nancy Duff Campbell, released a report, "Be All That We Can Be: Lessons From the Military for Improving Our Nation's Child Care System," at a May 16 Pentagon press conference. The 40-page document, based on a six-month study, calls the program a model for national child care reform and highlights lessons that policymakers, advocates and others can use to improve civilian child care.

Smith, who's devoted a 22-year government career to child care and family issues, attributes DoD's success to the countless people throughout the services who have worked to improve the child care system over the past decade.

"There was a collective will in DoD to change child care," the family policy director said. "Along with the leadership's commitment, many people at all levels of DoD worked to fix the problems."

The Military Child Care Act of 1989 authorized funding for child development centers, set fees based on family income and government matches and set up subsidies for family child care. It tied caregivers' wages to training requirements and established an accreditation initiative, inspection regime and child abuse prevention and safety procedures.

Smith, who became head of DoD's child care and youth programs in 1989 and director of the Office of Family Policy in 1995, worked with Pentagon policymakers, commanders and child care providers to develop a comprehensive system that would meet families' needs. While the law primarily focused on child care centers, DoD went beyond the law in applying its requirements across the board.

"The law seeded the effort," Smith said. "The leadership supported it. We, in policy, determined the need to create the

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Hughes: Gives all to students

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to work with seasoned principals from all over the nation."

With the school year coming to an end, and a challenging leadership course lined up for mid-summer, one might think Hughes would be looking forward to relaxing with his wife and 11-year-old daughter during the month of June.

"Actually my wife says she won't see me until August," laughed Hughes, who will spend the latter part of June teaching Bible classes and constructing a church for villagers in the Dominican Republic.

Hughes is accompanying a mission team from Lakewood Baptist Church where he and his wife teach Sunday School and direct a preschool Bible program.

"It's just something I feel very strongly that I need to do," he said. "I don't come from a wealthy family, but we always had food and clothing and a roof over our heads. I've been able to give back to my community in various ways over the years, but this is my opportunity to give back to God."

Hughes will be recognized for his accomplishments at the May 30 school board meeting and at the General's Command Retreat July 27.

He will also be honored at a presidential reception in Washington, D.C. next fall.

Study: Proves schools success

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and DDESS personnel reiterated the concerns of parents, typically opposing the transfer and citing similar doubts about the outcome of such a transfer. The survey said commanders generally feared the loss of DDESS schools would be viewed as a degradation of current quality-of-life programs at their installation.

In order to facilitate the transfer of DDESS schools to civilian control, the federal government would have to pay local school districts $83 million to offset tax revenues lost to the local community. Another $118 million would be required to prepare facilities for transfer.

The study concluded that present funding levels do not provide sufficient reimbursement to offset the cost of transferring DDESS schools to local districts, and state and local education officials "do not actively seek a transfer of DDESS schools."

With neither parents, DDESS personnel or local school districts adamantly supportive of the transfer, Congress is content to put the issue to rest for the time being. According to the May 22 issue of Army Times, based on the findings of the report, assistant secretary of defense Alphonso Maldon Jr. stated that transferring schools to local communities "is not feasible at this time." However, Fort Benning Schools superintendent Dr. Dell McMullen said she feels strongly that this is an issue that will be addressed again in the future.

"I certainly believe that the closer scrutiny the DoD budget comes under, the closer scrutiny we (DDESS schools) will also get," McMullen said during the April 24 school board meeting. "This subject has been addressed in the past and I'm sure we can expect it to arise every four or five years. It's just incredibly reassuring to know that parents still feel our schools are the best at meeting their needs."

Tricare: Help available at HBA

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with beneficiaries, Lance said.

"It may be because they didn't seek it in the first place, or they called and it didn't get processed correctly and things fell through the cracks."

If correct authorization is not given, a non-active duty beneficiary will have to pay at the Point-Of-Service level — which can include a $300 deductible and 50 percent of the allowable charge, she said.

"We don't have a lot of repeat offenders on that," Lance said.

Appeals may be filed, but in the meantime bills may start to pile up. Lance advises beneficiaries not to risk ruining their credit rating by not paying anything on the bills and having them turned over to a collection agency.

"Check with the provider and see if they will accept a small retainer while you are appealing the claim," she said.

For Tricare Extra and Standard beneficiaries, non-availability statements are required for inpatient care and fall under the umbrella of the HBAs.

You must obtain a statement to receive inpatient care from a civilian provider if you live within the 40-mile catchment area of Martin Army, you require non-emergency inpatient hospitalization for more than 24 hours and you do not have other primary health insurance.

If you don't get the non-availability statement prior to admission, Tricare may not share the costs.

It is the responsibility of the beneficiary to initiate the non-availability process with the HBA. They will need patient and clinical information from the civilian provider. If the needed care isn't available at Martin Army, the HBA issues the NAS and then notifies the provider.

The beneficiary can call the HBA and check on the status of the non-availability statement.

Lance and Wood give briefings all over post to various organizations explaining how the Tricare system works. Any unit can schedule a briefing by calling the Marketing Services Division at 544-4950.

For questions about claims, call Lance at 544-1347 and Wood at 544-3461.

Care: Delivers quality for kids

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whole system. And everybody in the services worked to find the money and fight for the changes."

Today, the military child development program links child care centers, family child care homes, after school programs and resource and referral services.

What was once an underfunded, loosely organized effort is now a top military priority.

Military and congressional leaders acknowledge the link between child care and operational readiness.

About half of today's service members have one or more children below school age, Smith said. The military community includes about 500,000 children under age 5, 440,000 ages 6 to 11, and nearly 295,000 ages 12 to 18.

Despite its success, however, Smith stressed, it's not time for DoD to rest on its laurels. "To move the program forward, we need to keep re-examining the program. We do have things left to do."

For example, she noted, about one-third of military children are cared for not in businesses, but in private homes.

"We can do a lot more to support family child care providers," she said. "We still have some work to do to reassure parents that family child care homes offer the same quality and are as safe as child development centers."

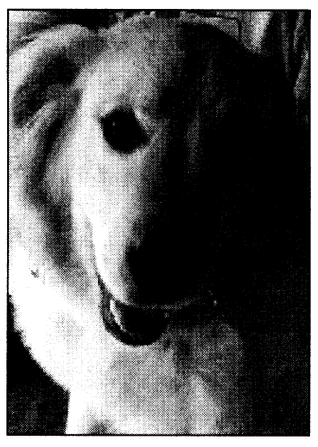
DoD currently meets 58 percent of military families' need for child care, Smith said.

The goal is to meet 80 percent of the need by 2005.

"The military has successfully focused on quality and affordability, but we now need to focus on availability.

To meet its goals, Smith said, DoD needs to work with the civilian sector to improve child care.

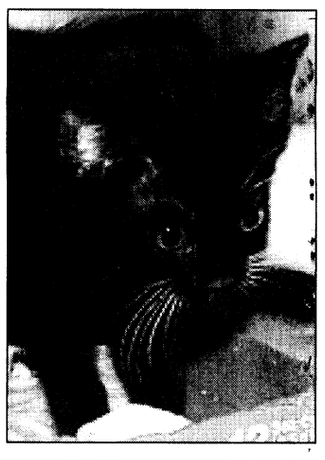
"One of the biggest obstacles to us making these moves off base is the inconsistent quality of civilian child care," she said. "The law center report highlights the need for civilian child care reform."



Pets of the Week

A 8-month-old male golden retriever and a 6-week-old female kitten are just a few of the animals available for adoption. Many more are in need of a good home.

For more information about these or any other pets ready to be adopted, call the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic at 545-4826.



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Penny O'Conner
Directorate of Public Works

Power outage notice

Flint EMCS will conduct a series of scheduled power outages today in the area served by the Baltzell Power Substation. This area runs east to west from the golf course to Edwards Street, and north to south from Mountain Division Road to Dixie Road.

The purpose of the outages is to map the extent of the underground feeds out of the substation. Currently, the precise coverage of each feed is not known. The determination of the exact coverage area for each circuit will help reduce the length of unscheduled outages in the future.

A 30-minute outage is scheduled for each of the five underground circuits as follows:

- From 7 to 7:30 a.m. — Baltzell and Rainbow avenues.
- From 7:30 to 8 a.m. — museum area.
- From 8 to 8:30 a.m. — golf course and Iron Triangle.
- From 8:30 to 9 a.m. — Wold, Ingersoll and Vibbert streets, Miler and Austin loops, Officers Club and Quarters 1.
- From 9 to 9:30 a.m. — Lumpkin and Blessing roads and Zukerman and Perkins streets and the area between Edwards and Ingersoll. For more information, call Benny Hines at 545-4310.

Memorial Day schedule

Family Housing Branch: Offices will be closed Monday. For more information, call the Family Housing Office at 545-2988.

Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center: All sections will be closed throughout Monday. The Center will reopen at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Yard Waste collection: There will be no pick-up in family housing on Monday. The next scheduled yard waste pick-up will be June 5. For more information, call the DPW Construction Inspection Branch at 545-4232.

Garbage and Recycle collection: No pick-ups Monday; areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday instead.

Garbage and recycle collection in family housing for Tuesday through June 2, will occur as normally scheduled.

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Students go back in time

Pioneer skills highlight annual Colonial Days

Wilson Elementary School

The second annual Colonial Day was held at Wilson School April 13.

Fourth-graders, dressed in colonial costumes, enjoyed a day filled with fun and learning. Students participated in a variety of activities throughout the day including quilting, pottery making, and butter churning.

Students learned how colonial children made dolls from cornhusks and enjoyed games such as a watermelon roll, hoop race, and jump rope rhymes.

Students especially enjoyed fourth-grade teacher Julie Miller's One Room Colonial School complete with dunce cap and stool. Students were amazed to learn that children of all ages learned in the same class, and promotion as well as demotion could occur several times in one school term.

Retired Master Sgt. Leonard Bast provided a Revolutionary War living history demonstration for the children.

Bast showed the students how a typical colonial Soldier would have to live.

He explained how the Soldier would have to carry everything he needed with him — from his plate and fork and corn meal to his candles, bedroll, and firestarter. Children marveled as Bast demonstrated how to start a fire using flint and steel.

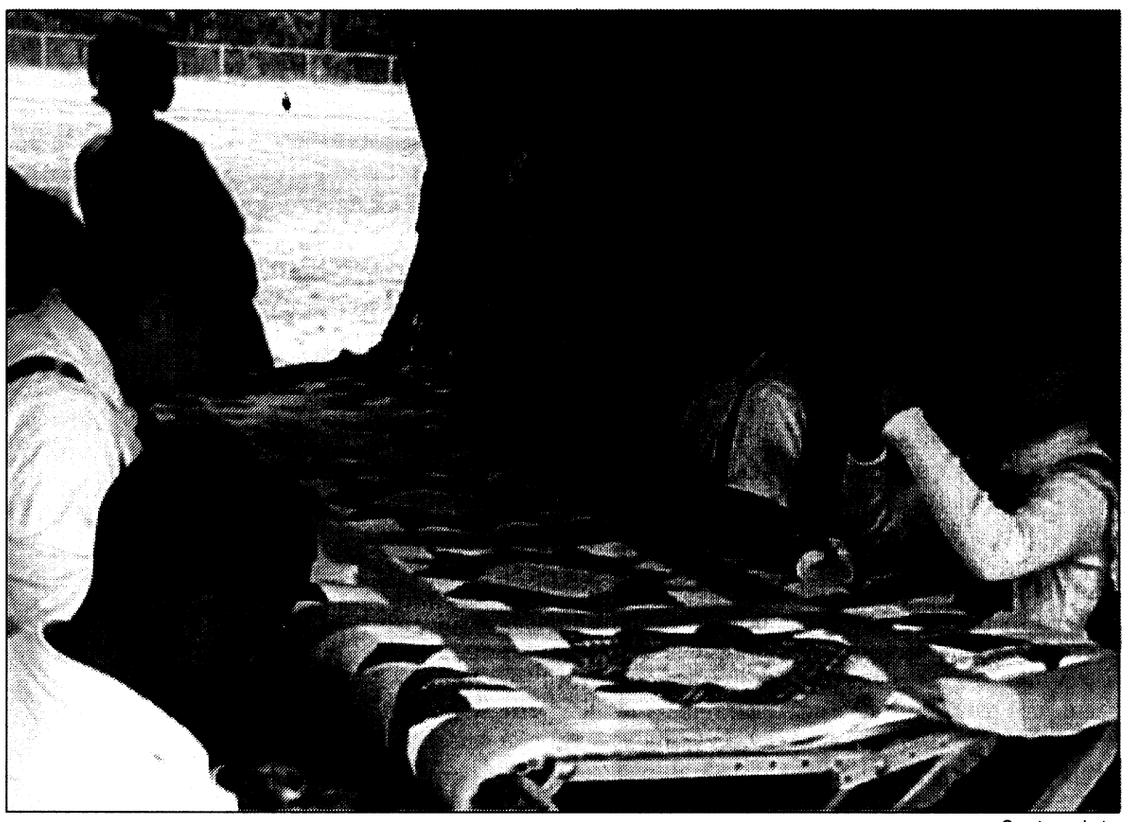
The highlight of his demonstration was the firing of a blank cartridge with his "Brown Bess" muzzle-loader.

Fourth-grade students tried their stitches on a colonial quilt with the help of parent Elizabeth Salvi and her quilting club. This is the second year that Salvi has participated.

Boys as well as girls enjoyed the quilting and gained a new appreciation for the time and effort involved in the craft.

Created as a culminating activity for a social studies unit on Colonial America, the day has become a tradition at Wilson, and something that children eagerly anticipate all year.

"Any time students can become actively involved in their learning, the more likely they are to remember and apply the subject being taught. Colonial Day brings to life the social studies curriculum that our students have been studying," fourth-grade teacher Kirven Boyce said.



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Wilson Elementary School students learn the basics of quilting during Colonial Days.



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Student council members look on as a Carpenter's Way Ranch resident introduces them to his pet rabbit, Elvis.

Students visit volunteer project at Carpenter's Way Ranch

Wilson Elementary School

Students from Wilson School had a unique opportunity to see the the fruits of their volunteer actions recently at the Carpenter's Way Ranch in Harris County, Ga.

As a member of the Kids Care Network, a national organization that promotes philanthropic deeds among young people, students at Wilson worked on projects that aided others in the community, the state, and the world.

Proceeds from the school store, which is manned by student council members, were donated to the Carpenter's Way Ranch.

Members of Wilson's Student Council, the Principal's Advisory Committee, and the Wilson MONARCHs, an environmental action group, visited the ranch May 16 to see how the monies generated by their volunteer fund-raising efforts have been used.

The Carpenter's Way Ranch currently serves eight boys ranging from fourth to ninth grade.

These boys live on the premises and are educated through "aquaculture," a project-based learning venture, which requires that the students use their academic skills to solve real problems, such as how to raise catfish of appropriate number and size for commercial uses.

Their activities have a very practical purpose — twice a month, the boys take the catfish they have raised to market and sell their fish. In addition to the traditional academic program, students at Carpenter's Way also travel to extend their learning.

They have developed a link with Auburn University and routinely go to the campus to work at the school's Aqua Center. They also travel to Atlanta, Tuskegee, and other areas for research purposes.

Plans are underway for the partnership between Wilson School and the Carpenter's Way Ranch to continue next fall.

Wilson students plan to take several trips to the ranch in the fall to gather and analyze water samples from the ponds and to work collaboratively on other research projects. In addition, the Student Council intends to continue its support of the ranch by contributing a portion of school store profits to the ranch. Fifth-grader Chris Ivey said, contributions to the ranch are beneficial on several levels.

"Knowing that I'm contributing to the Carpenter's Way makes me feel joyful inside that I've done something good," Ivey said. "I think they are using the money we've contributed for good things. Someday, they will probably remember this and do something good for other people."

Students become MONARCHs

School's environmental action plan helps campus, community

Wilson Elementary School

The Monarch butterfly is unique among North American butterflies in performing an annual two-way migration in vast numbers from one area of the continent to the other.

No other North American butterfly, and probably no other insect among the millions of species on Earth, performs a similar migration.

At Wilson School, students have the opportunity to become MONARCHs.

The acronym, which stands for Making Our Neighborhood A Really Cool Home, is an outgrowth of the school's environmental school-community action plan.

This environmental undertaking, appropriately named The Butterfly Project, is now in its third year at Wilson.

This is the first year the students have had the opportunity to earn MONARCH status, and much like the monarch butterfly, Wilson's MONARCHs have the opportunity to travel great distances and impact many.

To become a MONARCH, students must accumulate at least 20 points in a given month.

Points can be earned in three ways.

Students can perform community service, such as working in the common areas of their neighborhood, planting a garden, or helping to promote better recycling habits.

School service can encompass a variety of things as well.

Students can work around the school campus, help with the landscaping project, monitor classroom use of resources, or help to beautify the interior as well as the exterior of the building.

The third way that students are able to earn points is by performing random acts of kindness.

"We are looking at our total environment," said Margaret Koger, project sponsor.

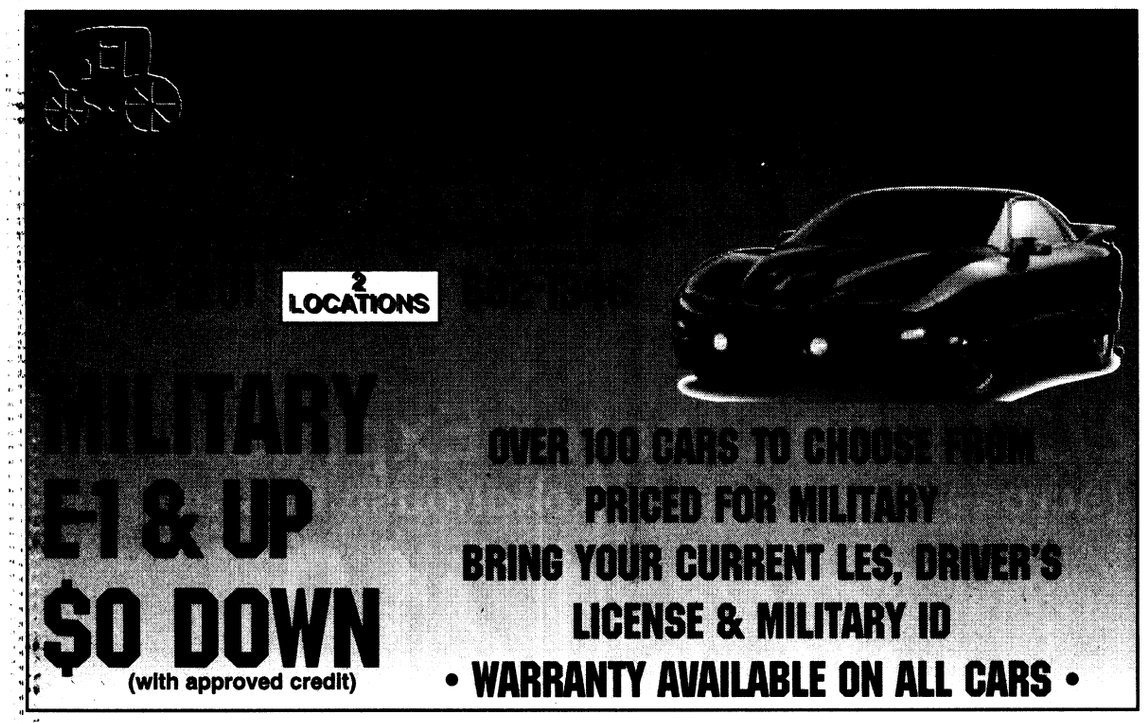
"We want to foster in our students the belief that it is up to them to create the kind of world in which they will soon be caretakers. With the mobility of our population, students have the potential to have far reaching influence."

The program has been successful so far. In the first MONARCH ceremony May 5, six distinguished students were inducted.

With school superintendent Dr. Dell McMullen as the keynote speaker, students watched as their peers were recognized for their outstanding achievements.

Honored during the ceremony were Tamara Becker, Brittany Critelli, Kylie Frederick, Joshua Olive, Rhiannon Pegan, and Tanesha Santiago.

The next induction ceremony will be held in June.



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ask the judge

Carolyn Moller
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: When I was younger, I was very careless with my credit history. I didn't care if the creditors were paid on time because I thought "What's the big deal, they got their money."

Now I want to purchase a home, but I can't qualify for a loan based on my credit history. I've seen advertisements for quick credit fixes, do they work?

A: No. According to the Federal Trade Commission, www.ftc.gov, there is nothing a credit repair company can do to fix your credit rating that you cannot do yourself.

The only way to fix bad credit is time together with regular payments. What harms a credit rating the most is the length of time bad information stays on your record.

Credit bureaus can list negative information up to seven years; however, there are some exceptions to this rule.

Bankruptcies may be listed for 10 years, lawsuits or judgments may be listed for seven years or until the statute of limitations runs out, whichever is longer, and criminal convictions may be listed indefinitely.

All of these factors are considered when a creditor is determining whether to extend credit.

Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the creditor must provide you written notice that your application for credit was denied. Further, it must tell you the name and address of the credit bureau that supplied information used to make the determination that resulted in the denial of credit.

You have 60 days from the date of notice to request a free copy of the credit report that was used in your case.

Once you receive the credit report it is important to review it carefully for inaccurate or incomplete information.

If the report does contain some negative information that you believe is incorrect, you must notify the credit bureau in writing.

The credit bureau is required under the FCRA to investigate your claims, unless they deem the dispute as frivolous.

Further, the credit bureau must forward all relevant information pertaining to your dispute to the information provider.

This is usually done within 30 days of your written request.

The information provider also has an obligation under the FCRA to investigate your dispute.

The information provider must provide the results of its investigation to the credit bureau, which then forwards this information on to you.

If your dispute is substantiated, the negative information must be removed from all credit reporting agencies.

On the other hand, if the matter is not resolved to your satisfaction, you have the right to place a summary (not more than 100 words) on your credit file.

This summary will be attached to each credit report that is requested.In order to further protect your rights, it is a good idea to write to the information provider that you dispute the information that was reported to the credit bureau.

If the information provider reports this information to a credit bureau, it must also submit a copy of your dispute.

If it is discovered that you are correct, then the information provider cannot use this information again.

A credit repair agency cannot do anymore than the items listed above.

Rather than spend the money for this service, it may be far wiser to use the money to pay your debts.

As always, the best way to avoid credit problems is to pay your bills regularly and on time.

If you need additional information on this topic, contact the Legal Assistance Office to make an appointment.

The telephone number is 545-3282 or 545-3281 or come by Building 5 on Friday mornings to make an appointment for the following week.

births

Girls

Shavonne DaNae Cole — born May 3 to Spc. Alberta Cole.

Sabrina Nicole Blake — born May 5 to Sun and Sgt. James Blake.

Le'nya Oddessa-Denise Buford — born May 6 to Sherita and Sgt. Clarence Buford.

Chardonnay Brianna Williams — born May 7 to Niccol and Spc. Brian Williams.

Catherine Lindsey Thornburg — born May 9 to Sandra and Sgt. John Thornburg.

Jaelyne Marie Gibson — born May 9 to Pvt. 2 Jennifer Gibson.

Kylie Lynn Gates — born May 11 to Kelley and Sgt. Terry Gates.

Cathryn Ann Edson — born May 12 to Melena and Staff Sgt. William Edson.

Sadie Mae Siegel — born May 12 to Mary and Staff Sgt. Robert Siegel.

Kailei Marie Caggins — born May 14 to Chandra and Capt. Elliott Caggins Jr.

Monique Lysette Marshall — born May 16 to Vivian Perez-Marshall and Spc. William Marshall.

Boys

Gordon Lewis Mathiesen — born May 5 to Jeanine and Sgt. 1st Class Brian Mathiesen.

Miles Oliver Henderson — born May 6 to Chief Warrant Officer Maude and Oliver Henderson.

Jackson Ross White — born May 8 to Rebecca and Capt. Spencer White.

Ponce De Leon Shepard Jr. — born May 9 to Carla and Staff Sgt. Ponce Shepard.

Cameron Hunter Colbert — born 10 to Tiffany and Sgt. Nathan Colbert.

Justin Jamir Griffin — born May 11 to Cassandra and Spc. Donnie Griffin.

Zion O'Brien Martin — born May 12 to Bridget and Spc. Tory Martin.

Elliott Cole Smith — born May 13 to Chole and Spc. Eric Smith.

Evan Christopher Jones — born May 15 to Deborah and 2nd Lt. DeWayne Jones.

Jared Michael Chatham — born May 16 to Spc. Jennifer and Sgt. David Chatham.

Kaleb Namiah Williams — born May 16 to Spc. Lakiesha Roberson and Spc. Ricky Williams.

Emmanuel Lee Green — born May 17 to Martha and Sgt. Anthony Green.

Clayton Walker Kerlin — born May 17 to Tracy and Staff Sgt. Terry Kerlin.

Shane Tanner J. Price — born May 17 to Samantha and Sgt. Eric Price.

Colter Jonathan Dale Cammack — born May 19 to April and Pvt. 2 Jamie Cammack.

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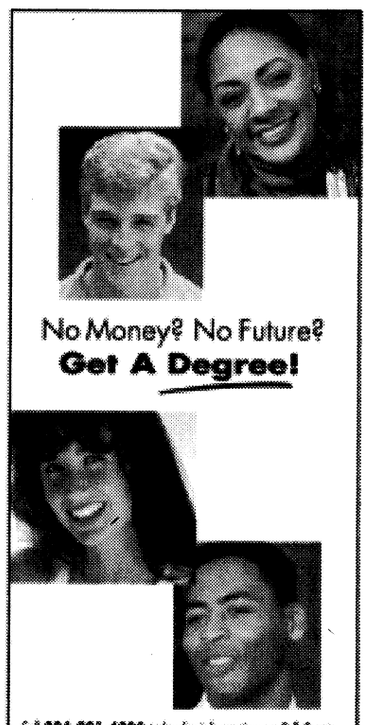

community briefs

on post

School board plans meeting — There will be a chool board meeting at 1 p.m. Tuesday Faith Middle School.

For more information, call 545-7276.

Graduate school accepts appointments — The National Graduate School of Quality Management nnounced the selection of Patrick Meehan to serve as ts admissions and site director for Fort Benning. Meehan will conduct admissions counseling for ndividuals and units on an appointment or walk-in asis.

For more information, call 682-6004

MACH presents class — Martin Army Community Hospital presents a quarterly Advance Directives Class t 3 p.m. June 7 in the Family Practice Conference oom.

For more information, call 544-3066.

Patch holds registration — Patch Preschool is olding registration through June 9 for the 2000-2001 chool year.

Hours for registration are 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday rough Friday. Children must be 3 years old by Oct. 1 nd must be registered with the Central Registration ffice.

For more information, call 687-2404.

ACS offices move — The Army Community Service onsumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program nd the Relocation Program have relocated from uilding 2624 to Building 2633 in Soldier's Plaza.

The phone number to schedule appointments is 545-485.

The Army Community Service Relocation Program as relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2629. he new phone number is 545-4485.

For information, call Rebecca S. Welch, Family dvocacy program manager, at 545-7517.

Girl Scouts seek unwanted clothes — Girl Scout roop 69 is collecting unwanted clothes to donate to olumbus shelters.

Clothes of all sizes will be accepted as well as toys, oes and other items.

For more information, call 687-8643.

Alcoholics Anonymous provides support — The ort Benning Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at 7 m. every Monday, Thursday and Saturday.

Meetings are conducted in the basement of the irectorate of Community Activities, Building 241 xt to the National Infantry Museum. Individuals terested in attending meetings can use the rear trance to the building.

For more information, call 545-4993 or 545-1138.

Nature conservancy seeks volunteers — The ature Conservancy of Georgia is seeking a volunteer ucator to present environmental awareness lessons to cal schools. Familiarity with the Fort Benning mmunity is essential. Experience teaching or rking with youths is highly desirable.

For more information, call 545-7549.

First Steps seeks volunteers — The Family dvocacy First Steps Office at Martin Army mmunity Hospital is seeking mothers as follow-up phone callers.

Some categories needed by First Steps are mothers who have had premature babies, mothers who have had multiple births, those who were teenage moms, single moms and SIDS moms. Mothers of all descriptions are needed. The basic requirements are that they be caring and willing to contact new mothers to give them helpful information, emotional support and referrals to services they need.

If interested, call the First Steps Office at 544-2020.

Tot Town seeks applications — Tot Town Child Development Center is seeking applications of children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old.

For more information, or to reserve a spot, call 689-8698.

off post

Red Cross offers classes — The American Red Cross offers classes to anyone interested from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday the class is Babysitter's Training for ages 11 and up.

Also from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on May 27, there will be a Community First Aid and Safety class at the Columbus Chapter at 3940 Rosemont Drive

For more information, call 545-5195.

Miss Georgia Forestry Pageant — The 61st Miss Georgia Forestry State Scholarship Pageant will be June 16-17 in Tifton, Ga.

There will be six age groups for contestants from 1 to 22 years old. The pageant gives more than $60,000 in college scholarships to contestants from all over the state.

To enter, or for more information, call (912) 386-2681.

NCOA hosts job fair — A Job Fair sponsored by the NCOA will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 6 at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis, 265 Peachtree Center in Atlanta.

There will be unlimited, nationwide job opportunities for military personnel, veterans, family members, government employees and officers and enlisted all services, including National Guard and Reserves. Meet recruiters and hiring managers of your choice from America's leading employers.

The NCOA Mini Resume is required for admittance to the job fair and can be obtained from your nearest NCOA Representative, at the fair or off the NCOA web site.

Bring several copies of your completed mini resume along with copies of your personal resume.

For more information, call (210) 653-6161 or an answering machine at 563-4706. The web site is www.ncoausa.org. Email at ncoavea@ncoausa.org.

Exchange students need hosting — High-School students from Brazil, Germany, Spain, Russia and other countries, all who speak English, need to be hosted.

Students, male and female of ages from 15-18 all with various interests and hobbies can be matched to families.

For more information, (877) 846-5848.

Westville offers free tickets — Westville, Georgia's own working 1850s town, offers free tickets to all military personnel and their dependents with proper military identification.

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Memorial Day provides time for reflection

Chaplain (Capt.) Terry Romine
1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery

reflections

Memorials are an important part of our lives. They are important to remind us of lessons learned, for honoring those who have gone before us and remembering what our current responsibilities are.

We often do special things for memorials. We put pictures on the wall, erect monuments and make special memorial contributions to various organizations for the purpose of remembering special people and events.

One of the things I enjoy is getting the box of photographs out and discussing them with my family. I like to explain the event or the special person pictured to my daughter.

Likewise, I enjoy the older box of photographs at my mother's home. She enjoys telling me about her granddad and other family members who are special to her.

Memorial Day is that special day once each year when the nation pauses to remember the special contributions of those who have given their lives defending the freedoms of this nation.

God told Joshua to take stones from the Jordan River and build a memorial pillar so that when the time comes and your children ask the meaning of the pillar of stones you will have the opportunity to explain the deliverance of God to them.

We should take the opportunity of Memorial Day for some great family time. A trip to a veterans memorial ceremony, monument or museum would be the opportunity to explain to our children what others have done before us, what great lessons we can learn from them and what our responsibilities are now in defending these same freedoms.

It just might make our children understand what being a Soldier is all about.

chapel notes

Sunday School meets at White Elementary — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Vacation Bible School needs volunteers — Vacation Bible School will be at White Elementary School from 9:30 a.m. to noon June 19-23.

The theme this year is "In the Race with Jesus, Road Rally 2000."

There will be classes for students from 4 years of age through junior high and middle school.

Volunteers are needed in all positions — musicians, teachers and assistant teachers, recreation, refreshment and administrative personnel.

To volunteer, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The program includes prayer, praise, bible study and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The Junior High and Middle School Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The Senior High group meets Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

church briefs

Local church plans Memorial Day Service — Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church, 222 Fifth Street, Columbus, is having its fifth annual Memorial Day Service Monday at 6:30 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Chaplain (Capt.) Norman Jones.

For more information, call the church at 324-2055.

God is key to long lasting marriage

Chap. (Maj.) Frederick M. Rupel
Family Life Ministries Center

It has been my honor to write a weekly article for *The Bayonet* for the past two years. However this will be my last as I'm headed to Belgium on a new assignment. So, let me take this opportunity to express a few words on what I believe to be the most important aspect of great, lasting relationships.

Over the course of nearly 15 years of service as a chaplain, I have counseled with thousands of couples and it has been my observation that those who allow God to have an active role in their relationships do so much better. God never intended that we live our lives separate from him.

In Genesis, we are told that in the cool of the day, God would join Adam and Eve in the garden.



Rupel

However, this first couple decided that they wanted to do things their own way regardless of the consequences and humanity has gone downhill ever since.

It is God's desire that he have preeminence in each life, each marriage and each family. At best, when God is excluded, life is only a shadow of what it could be.

In his book, *The Christian Family*, Larry Christenson writes, "The secret of good family life is disarmingly simple: Cultivate the family's relationship with Jesus Christ. There is no phase of family life outside of this relationship. There is no problem a family might face which does not find its solution within the scope of this objective."

I come from a family of six children and I am the only one that is still married to his or her original spouse (for nearly 26 years I might add).

Yes, we've had our share of conflict but our faith in God has been and continues to be bigger and stronger than any problem we face. I can say without a doubt it is because Margaret and I committed ourselves to each other and to allowing God to be an equal partner in our marriage.

Finally, families who put their faith and trust in God will never be disappointed because our heavenly father will always, always, experience his love, dedication and care. It is living in the care and power of the one who has never lost a battle and never will.

God bless you and may the God of creation keep your hearts and minds in perfect peace.

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." — *Hebrews 11:1*

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10:10 a.m	Religious Education, Dexter School, Building 1400

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
11 a.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Soldiers' Chapel, Building 3420

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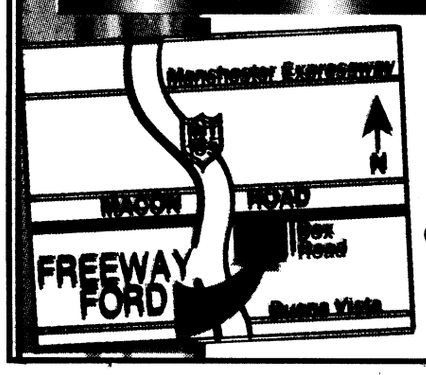

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SPORTS

Post finishes Military Appreciation Week with run



Sgt. Michael Maddox

Fort Benning Soldiers help close out Military Appreciation Week by participating in the General's Fun Run May 19. The run was part of the five days of competition.

Friendly competition comes to halt after five days, 18 events

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Soldiers across Fort Benning participated in 18 different events during the five days of Military Appreciation Week.

Soldiers, alongside retirees, family members and community members participated in track and field events, volleyball, bowling and softball tournaments, a golf tournament and a combat cross country run.

The games began at 8 a.m. May 15 at Doughboy Stadium with the track and field events.

While those events were taking place, Soldiers gathered at the O' Club for the sand volleyball preliminary matches.

Later in the day, softball preliminary matches were held at Engineer field and hoopsters gathered at the Briant Wells Field House for the first day of the three day long tournament.

Ending the first day of Military Appreciation Week was the Celebrity Softball Tournament which was a intense competition between colonels and sergeants major.

After scoring 11 runs in the second inning, the colonels continue to open their lead during the seven inning game until time expired leaving the colonels on top, 27-7.

Soldiers gathered at Carey Swimming Pool for a triathlon May 16. The softball matches continued while the sand volleyball tournament wrapped up with Shane Aki, Calvin Flinta, Shane Tulatona and Ieremia Masaga, all from E Company, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, bringing home the win.

The midway point of the week brought Soldiers out to participate in the soccer preliminary matches as well

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Veteran strikes post bowling record

Passion fuels former crewman to comeback

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

In the dim light you can see him approaching his mark. He moves quietly, methodically, never taking his eyes off his target as he slowly raises his weapon. He strikes from a mere 60 feet away, knocking down all 10 with one shot.

He's good, very good. Some would say the best they've ever seen on Fort Benning.

He says he's better now than he was when he retired nine years ago as an indirect fire crewman at Kelley Hill.

Despite the hip replacement surgery in 1994, he's still not someone you want to face in a dark alley — a bowling alley that is.

Les Ferrell has justifiably earned a reputation on Fort Benning as a bowler extraordinaire. At the age of 47, he has been bowling for more than 35 years.

Now an ATM specialist for a local armored car service, Ferrell devotes about 25 hours per week to the sport.

Ferrell said his bowling skills were at their peak and he was "in the zone" April 30 when he bowled a three-series game with a combined score of 825 out of a possible 900 points, a Fort Benning record.

"I was ecstatic," Ferrell recalled. "It was the last night of the league and we already had first place locked in. I was just out to have some fun. But the lane conditions were great, I had a few lucky breaks and I was in the zone."

Fort Benning bowling program manager Jim Cantrell said Ferrell's feat was a first here.

"I've been here 36 years and I don't ever recall anything over 800," Cantrell said. "It's quite an accomplishment. You just don't usually see that kind of bowling."

Ferrell, who holds the highest game average on Fort Benning (221), also helped lead his league teams to two first-place finishes. But he's quick to point out that he hasn't always been an exceptional bowler.

Six years ago, Ferrell underwent a complete left hip replacement as a result of a degenerative bone condition.

He was unable to bowl for more than 15 months. When he did return to the lanes, Ferrell had to learn to adjust his bowling technique to compensate for his disability. The result, an unorthodox right-foot approach, earned him the nickname "wrong-foot" among his teammates.

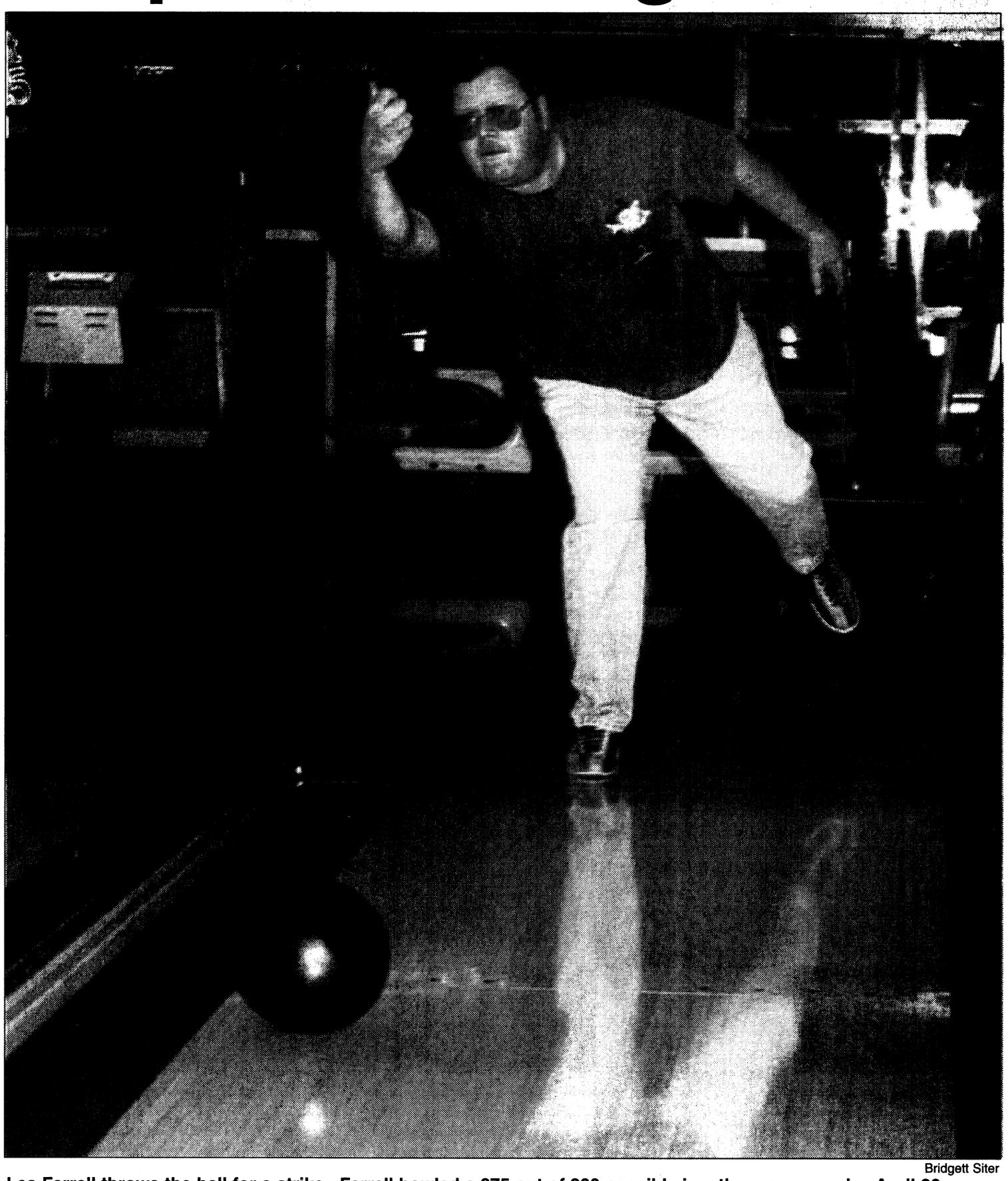
He took a lot of good-natured teasing about his awkward bowling style, but his perseverance paid off. Ferrell had the last laugh May 20 when he and teammate Bob Kaiwi earned a first-place finish at Fort Benning's 117-team bowling tournament.

"It was tough having to start over and relearn my approach. I kept trying to bowl the right way, but I couldn't do it. I cracked my ankle with the ball quite a few times," he laughed. "My average was down in the 120s and 130s when I came back, but I just kept practicing. It took me two years to get it back."

Whatever "it" is, Ferrell's definitely got it. You certainly can't credit his equipment — he's bowled in the same "house" shoes for eight years, he uses only one bowling ball — a rather generic model his sister gave him for Christmas 10 years ago — and he carries a worn bowling bag with a Tasmanian devil on the side.

Ferrell, who is single, calls bowling his "one and only," a passion he discovered as a 12-year-old boy in New Orleans. He describes himself as a very casual guy, one who enjoys "blue jeans, T-shirts and beer."

"There are a lot of good bowlers on Fort Benning, a lot of them retirees like myself," he said. "We just like to get together, have a smoke, share a joke and bowl a few rounds. We don't take ourselves too seriously and we have a real good time."



Bridgett Siter

Les Ferrell throws the ball for a strike. Ferrell bowled a 875 out of 900 possible in a three-game series April 30.

Shooters blast competition away for international match positions

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Shooters from around the military have won slots on the 2000 Shooting Team to compete at the Conseil International du Sport Militaire Shooting Championships in Ankara, Turkey, July 17 to 26.

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit hosted the recent CISM Team Selection Matches, conducted May 12-14 for the Pistol Team and May 17-19 for the Rifle Team. Sixteen shooters will make up the CISM Shooting Team.

USAMU rifle shooters were the only competitors at the men's rifle trials thus taking every slot on the team. Glenn A. Dubis was the winner, followed by Troy A. Bassham in second, Thomas A. Tamas in third, Stephen C. Goff in fourth and Michael E. Anti taking the fifth slot.

Eric A. Uptagrafft and Robert E. Harbison are the alternates.

In the pistol trials, USAMU's Steven M. King took first place overall in the men's competition, followed by Carl W. Trompeter II of USAMU in second place, David Vondrak in third, USAMU's Daryl L. Szarenski in fourth and Marine Eric Poe in fifth.

Marine Dexter Conrad and USAMU's Grant E. Saylor were chosen as the alternates.

In the women's pistol competition, Roxanne Conrad was first, USAMU's Rhonda L. Bright was second and Army Reservist Sandra Utasy was third.

Secret of success discovered in game of golf

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Some say golf is life, and the rest is just details. One Fort Benning retiree says life is indeed a lot like a golf game, but it's in the details that one learns the secrets to a successful life. He and others like him have set out to prove their theory by teaching local youths the secrets of success — via golf.

Sam Link, manager of Seniors For Kids, Godwin Creek Golf Course, and a group of local retirees are using the game of golf to teach kids respect, responsibility, honesty, integrity and a myriad of other values that will contribute to the success their students seek in all areas of life.

Seniors for Kids is a non-profit organization founded 12 years ago by the late Bill Godwin, a Jordan High School football coach, affectionately known as "Coach" in the Columbus community. When Godwin died in 1998, his son John, a PGA Master Professional, took over operation of the organization. The younger Godwin said the golf course, once a thriving center for youth activities, fell into complete disarray during his father's illness.

"The program dwindled away to almost nothing. Before he died we had more than 200 kids involved in the program," said Godwin, the chairman of Seniors For Kids and the Director of Players for U.S. Kids Golf in Atlanta. "It looked more like a cow pasture than a golf course when I came on board. I knew we would have to renovate if we were going to stay viable."

Godwin applied for and received a grant for $100,000 from the U.S. Golf Association, who rated the Seniors For Kids one of the best youth golf programs in the country. The grant was conditional, requiring Godwin and his associates to "match" the grant by

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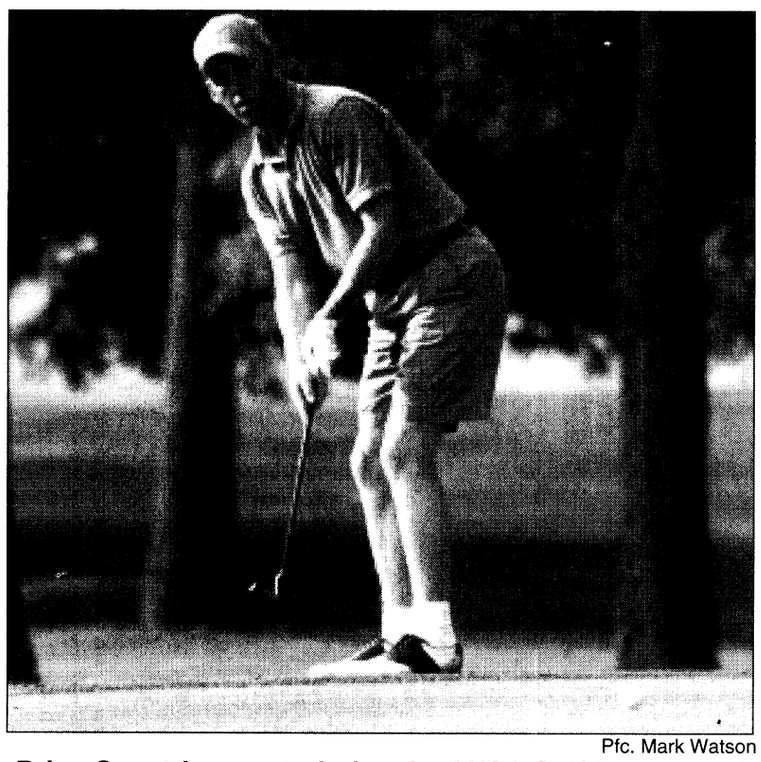
AUSA tournament swings for greens



Pfc. Mark Watson

Brian Grey tries a putt during the AUSA Golf Tournament.

Soldiers chip for top spot during MAW

Pfc. Mark Watson
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Golfers swung into action May 18, as the Follow Me Golf Course opened its greens to Soldiers participating in Military Appreciation Week's AUSA Golf Tournament.

After a short briefing, 41 four-person teams headed to out to play for their chance of one of the $19,000 in prizes.

Prizes went to the top seven military teams, as well as several drawings and side competitions. There were two drivers awarded to the players who hit the longest and most accurate drive.

A putter went to the person who hit the ball closest to the pin.

The top team of the military sub-chapter competition was from the Ranger Training Brigade whose team members were Harry Ikner, Jed Hawkland, Wayne Perkins and Mike Moore.

"The tournament was run real well," Ikner said. "They put it together good and there were people ensuring the game moved along well.

"Our team played great together," he said. "We cooperated good too. No one carried the game for the rest of us and we shot a 55 which was 17 below par."

Following RTB was the Criminal Investigation Detachment team with members of Juan Bustamante, Kenny Dell, Jared Garrity and Jim Adanski.

Winning the honor as top corporate team were Chad Glanton, Dusty Wilson, Skip Henderson and Robert Anderson.

Soldiers participate in Spring Golf Tournament

11th Infantry Regiment

The 11th Infantry Regiment sponsored the Spring Golf Tournament May 13 at the Follow Me Golf Course.

The winning team was comprised of Jeff Keffe, Thurston Sheffield, John Giglio and Stephen Leebern.

The tournament was intended primarily to strengthen esprit de corps among the Soldiers of the 11th Inf. Regt., and to convey the regimental commander's appreciation to those Soldiers by saying, thanks for the job well done, said Maj. Doug Moriarity, the regiment's deputy commanding officer.

"Colonel (Michael) Ferriter wanted give our Soldiers a tournament like no other," Moriarity said.

There were 35 teams totaling 142 participants.

More than 67 percent of the participants were Soldiers of the 11th Inf. Regt., with other Army units and civilians entering 12 and 21 percent respectively.

All ranks from privates first class to colonels were represented alongside military spouses, retired military persons and civilians.

The youngest participant was 15-year-old Larry Lewis of Stewart County, Ga.

The tournament was organized as a four-man scramble. Teams competed for best team score, longest putt, longest drive and most accurate drive. Players also had several opportunities to win valuable prizes for a hole-in-one, including a Buick Sedan, a golf vacation, golf clubs, a vehicle maintenance package and a lifetime supply of golf balls.

Other prizes raffled to participants ranged from golf clubs to grills, gift certificates to cell phones and savings bonds to cigar gift boxes.

Prizes were donated by Columbus area businesses that support the troops.

Local businesses also provided all the snacks and beverages. A buffet style lunch was provided in conjunction with the awards ceremony.

The tournament was such a success that next year's tournament will have a tough act to follow.

Volunteers: Teach children life's values

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raising another $100,000. Godwin began soliciting tax-deductible donations from local businesses and requested assistance in renovating the course from various sources, including the Fort Benning community.

Two months ago, Link, a retired Airborne Ranger, noticed the poor condition of the golf course in its early stage of renovations while driving past the course.

"They looked like they could use the help, and I needed the work. But I told John I wasn't giving away my time for nothing. He has to pay me a dollar a year," Link laughed.

Link, Godwin and a handful of other volunteers now spend their days clearing and seeding the 20 acre, 9-hole course, hoping to have it completed before their July 4 grand opening. They actively seek help from anyone interested in helping restore the course and the Seniors For Kids program to its former glory.

"We're looking for anyone to help. No one will be turned away," Godwin said. "We're in the mad dash to the finish now and we need all the help we can get. We need people to rake and mow and plant grass.

"You don't have to know anything about golf. You just have to be willing to work and have an interest in helping kids," he said, once again turning the conversation back to his primary interest and the purpose behind all the hard work.

"Golf is not usually a kid-friendly activity. There just aren't enough places for kids to golf or learn to play golf in this area. And it can be costly," Godwin said. "When Dad's health was failing, we decided we couldn't abandon the program. It just wasn't the right thing to do. The youth struck a cord with me like they did with Dad, so I couldn't just let it go."

Godwin and Link are anxious to put the business of renovating behind them so they can get on with the business of mentoring kids.

"It's about so much more than teaching golf," Link said. "It's about teaching them to set goals and meet them. It's about teaching them honesty by allowing them to score themselves. It's about courtesy on and off the course. We'll talk about these and so much more when we work with these kids."

Since 1988, more than 2,000 children have been taught to play golf at the Seniors For Kids course.

Link said they have come from all walks of life — some from affluent families who help contribute to the ongoing success of the program by paying a nominal fee for lessons, and some from underprivileged homes where paying for lessons is not feasible.

"No one will be turned away. We've had kids from 7 to 17 come here for lessons. There's no criteria for joining the program. We welcome whole families who want to get involved," Link said. "Our goal is to reach out to the whole tri-community — Fort Benning, Columbus and Phenix City. It's for anyone and everyone."

Anyone interested in helping can visit the course at 403 42nd Street, Columbus, or call Seniors For Kids at 324-0583. They can also be reached at www.skyboom.com/seniorsforkids.

Week: Builds esprit de corps in ranks

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as the Fit to Win competition, a multiple event competition which attracted more than 75 participants.

In the 100 meter sprint competition, Kyen Hill won for the males and Eunice Brow for the females.

The 11th Infantry Regiment knocked out 605 push-ups for the win in the push-up competition.

The one-mile run was next up and Mathew Feehan and Traci Belcher took the top spots.

With the final event, the team tug-of-war, the 29th Inf. Regt. walked away with the win.

As May 18 rolled around, Soldiers gathered at Kelley Hill for the Combat Cross Country competition.

The AUSA golf tournament was also held which was won by the members of the Ranger Training Brigade team.

The soccer finals were held at French Field.

The last events of Military Appreciation Week were the General Fun Run and the awards ceremony for the Ms. AUSA competition which was won by Spc. Rebecca Quick who represented the Basic Combat Training Brigade and Spc. Makita West from the Infantry Training Brigade.

sports briefs

Kelley Hill invites chess players — There will be a three round chess tournament at noon Saturday at the Kelley Hill Recreation Center. The games will last 25 minutes.

The entry fee is $4.

There will be three categories, rated open, rated scholastic and unrated for non-members.

There will be prizes given.

For more information, call 687-6483.

Rugby team tournament starts Saturday — The Columbus-Fort Benning Cruise-A-Matics will play in a tournament Saturday.

For more information on the matches and training, call Gary Kent at 324-4924 or Jim Muldoon at 327-6544.

Rifle and Pistol Club offers class — The Rifle and Pistol Club offers a free Ladies Defensive Pistol class from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at English Range.

The class will cover introduction to firearms safety, basic marksmanship and emergency measures for high threat encounters.

Interested persons may use a club pistol, but 100 rounds of ammunition is needed.

To register or for more information, call 689-3371.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for summer basketball coaches. Anyone interested in coaching should stop by Youth Services, Building 1056 or call 545-3070 or 545-3540.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services. Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and above, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

For more information, call 545-3070.

Fort Gordon announces road race — The eighth Annual Spring Challenge Road Race is scheduled for June 17.

There will be a 10 kilometer walk or run, a 10 kilometer six-member relay and a one mile run or walk for youths 13-years-old and under.

There will be first, second and third place prizes awarded for each category.

For more information, call (706) 791-7038.

Hospice sponsors sporting clays event — The Columbus Hospice will hold its second annual Sporting Clays Invitational from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 17 the Three Oaks Plantation on Dennis Smith Road in Pine Mountain, Ga.

The event provides a 50-target course with 10 stations.

The entry fee is $100. The proceeds benefit the Columbus Hospice Building Endowment.

For more information, call (706)569-7992.

Girls softball camps seeks players — The Higher Ground Girls Softball Camps is holding two camps in Columbus.

There will a Super Camp on June 25-30. The camp will focus on advanced skills.

The Ultra Camp will accept players by recommendation only July 9-14.

For more information, call (800) 892-7360.

Callaway Gardens offers clinic — The Callaway Gardens Fly-Fishing School is conducting two-day clinics that include a group classroom session, field instruction and fly-fishing for rainbow, brown and brook trout in one of the Garden's premiere private lakes.

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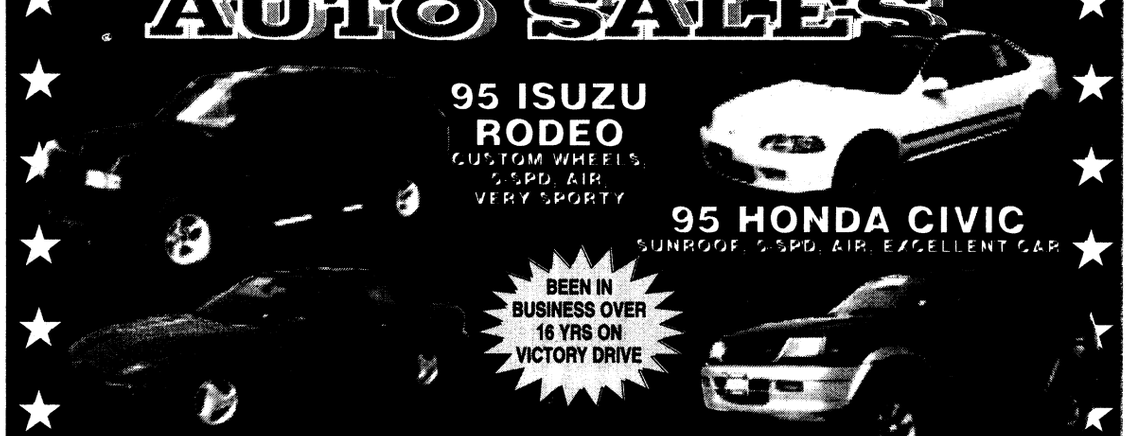

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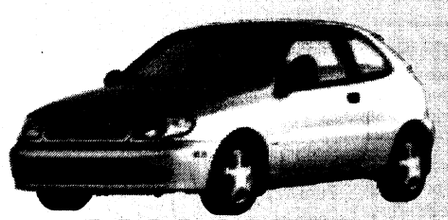

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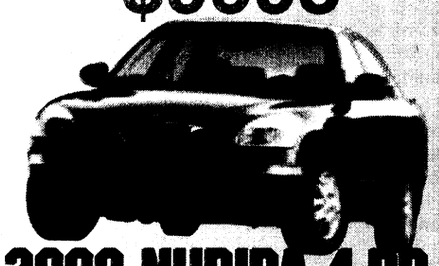

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215 Austin loop, furniture, clothes and toys, 8-12. 682-7840. (F26)

106 McAfee St. (Indianhead Terrace) Sat May 27th, 8:00 - 2:00 (F26)

104-A Kessler Drive. Sat. June 3rd, 7:30-5:30. Boys clothes 1-4 a lot more. Plus toys and household items. (F26)

Close-Outs

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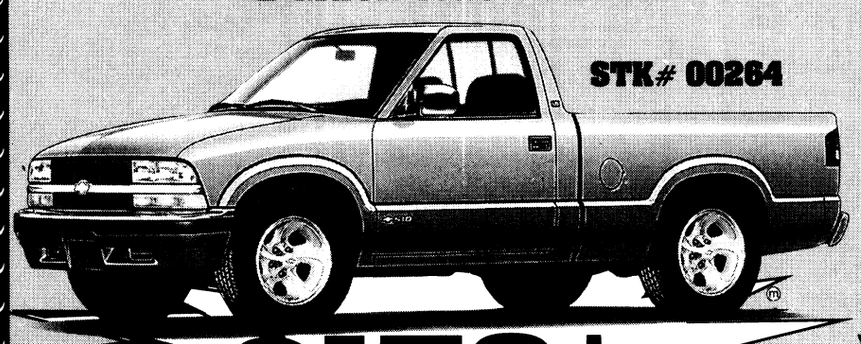

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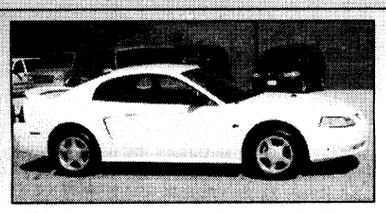

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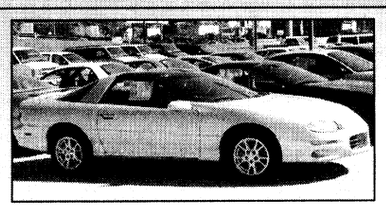

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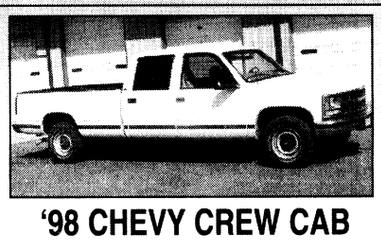

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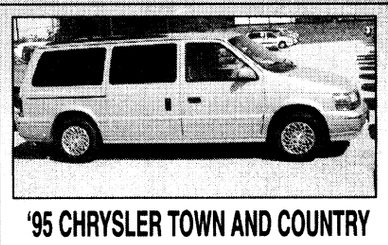

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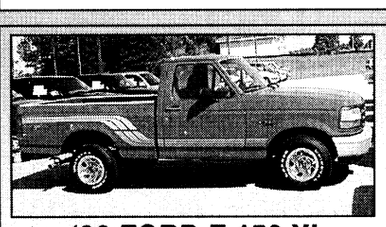

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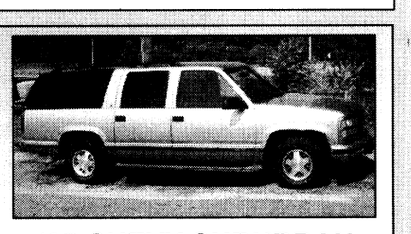

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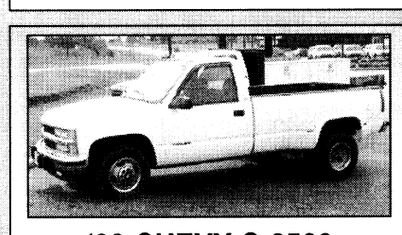

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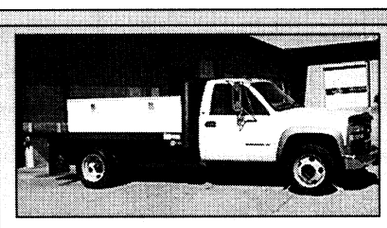

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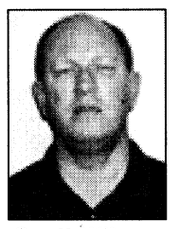

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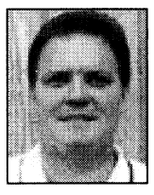
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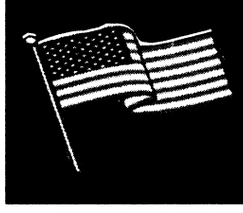

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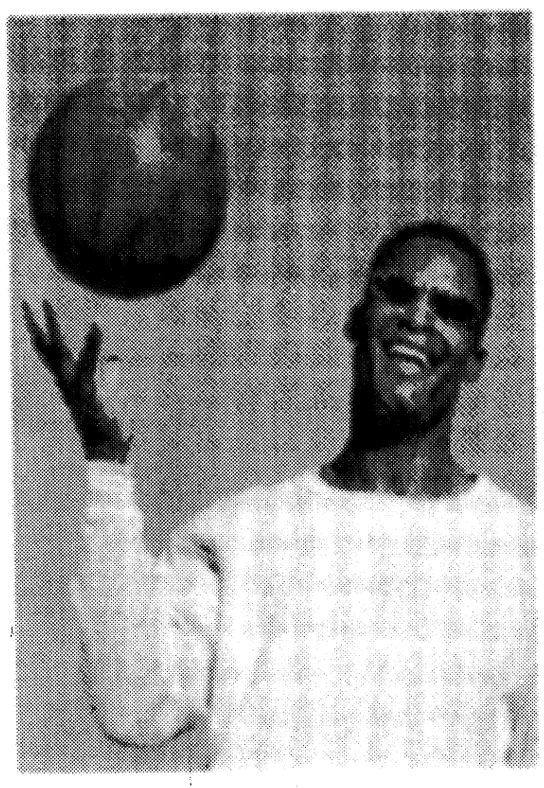

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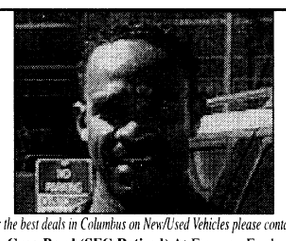

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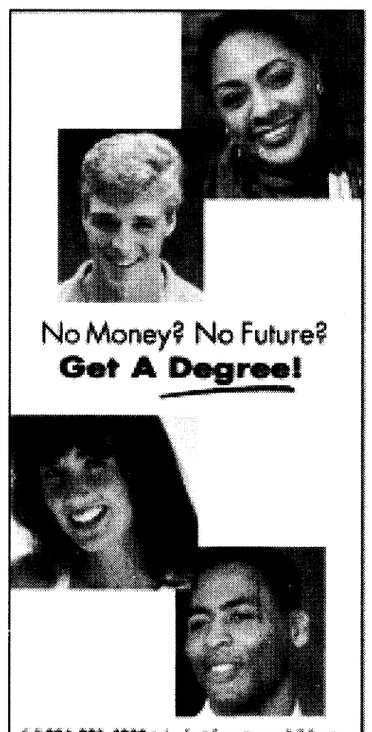

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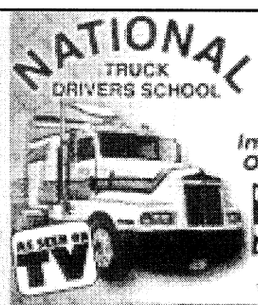

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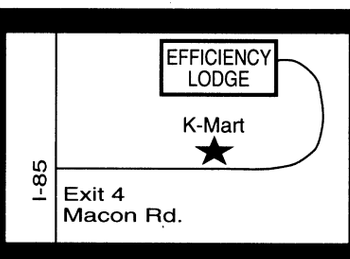

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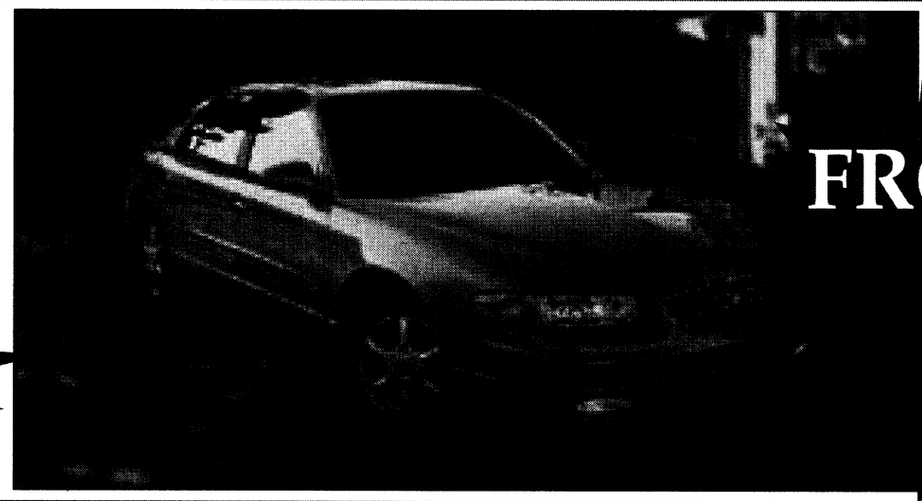

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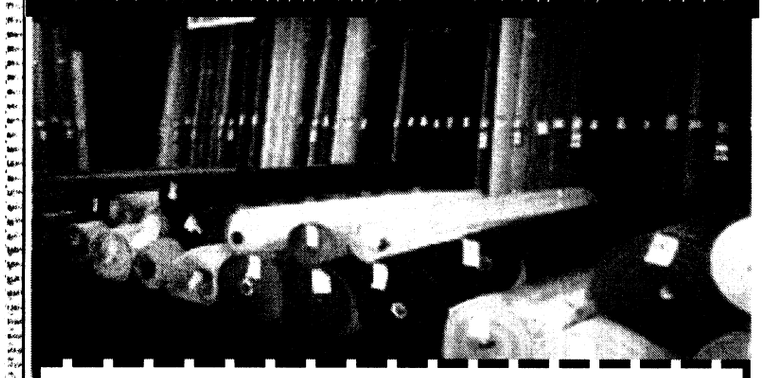

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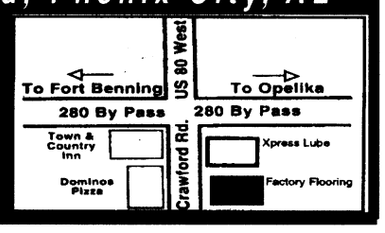

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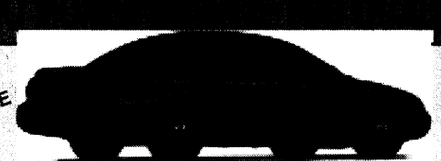

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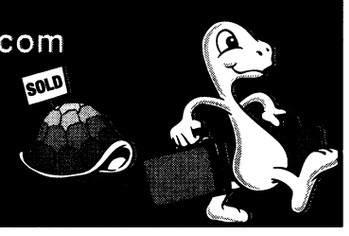

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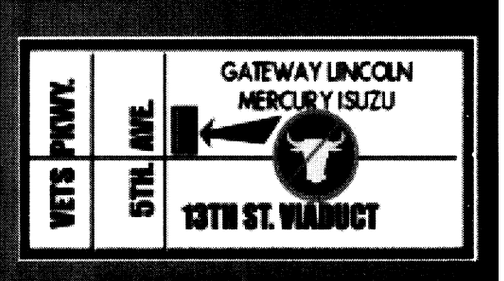

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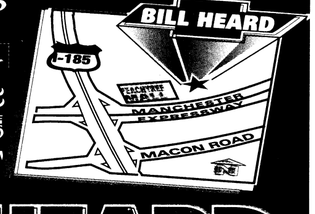

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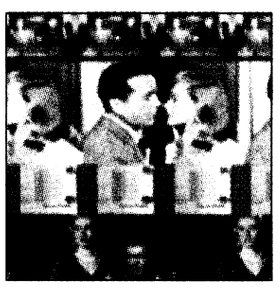

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Friday — high 93, low 72

Saturday — high 95, low 70

Sunday — high 93, low 77

National Weather Service

Civilian benefits automate July 31

New system allows web, phone access

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Members of Fort Benning's civilian workforce will be able to change their heath insurance and other benefits over the phone or on the Web starting July 31 thanks to a new regionalization effort by the Department of Army.

The Army Benefits Center for Civilians (ABC-C), located at Fort Riley, Kan., is already servicing more than 87,000 civilian employees in the Southwest, North Central and Capital regions.

"The ABC-C is an effort to maximize the use of technology and promote efficiency through the consolidation of resources," said Kathy Cole, chief of the new center. "It uses state of the art technology similar to automated systems used by banks, colleges and health insurance carriers."

The new system, which will replace the face-to-face career counseling now offered to civilian employees, will offer personnel two ways to access personal and general information and process benefits transactions.

The Interactive Voice Response System (1-877-ARMY-CTR) allows personnel to access the system through a touch-tone telephone; and the Employee Benefit Information System, a customized web application (www.abc.army.mil), allows customers to access the system via the Internet.

Both are designed to guide employees through their benefit and entitlement needs. The system will provide personnel with the ability to file for retirement, update information about a thrift savings plan, health benefits, life insurance and survivor benefits, she said.

Employees may use either system from any location to access information and process transactions.

Barbara Filbert, a spokesperson for the new system, said redundant operations and duplicate data entry will decrease with the new system as personnel actions will be electronically routed and tracked between the desktops of managers.

People needing assistance will be able to transfer to one of 30 national career counselors via the telephone-based system.

"Transition from the current system to the two new applications will be excellent on the 31st," said Dan Clauson, director of the Southwest Personnel Operations Center and ABC-C. "We will turn on all of the access to the two systems for the entire Southeast region and load all the personnel files on that day."

Although Clauson called the transition excellent, he said there are challenges associated with

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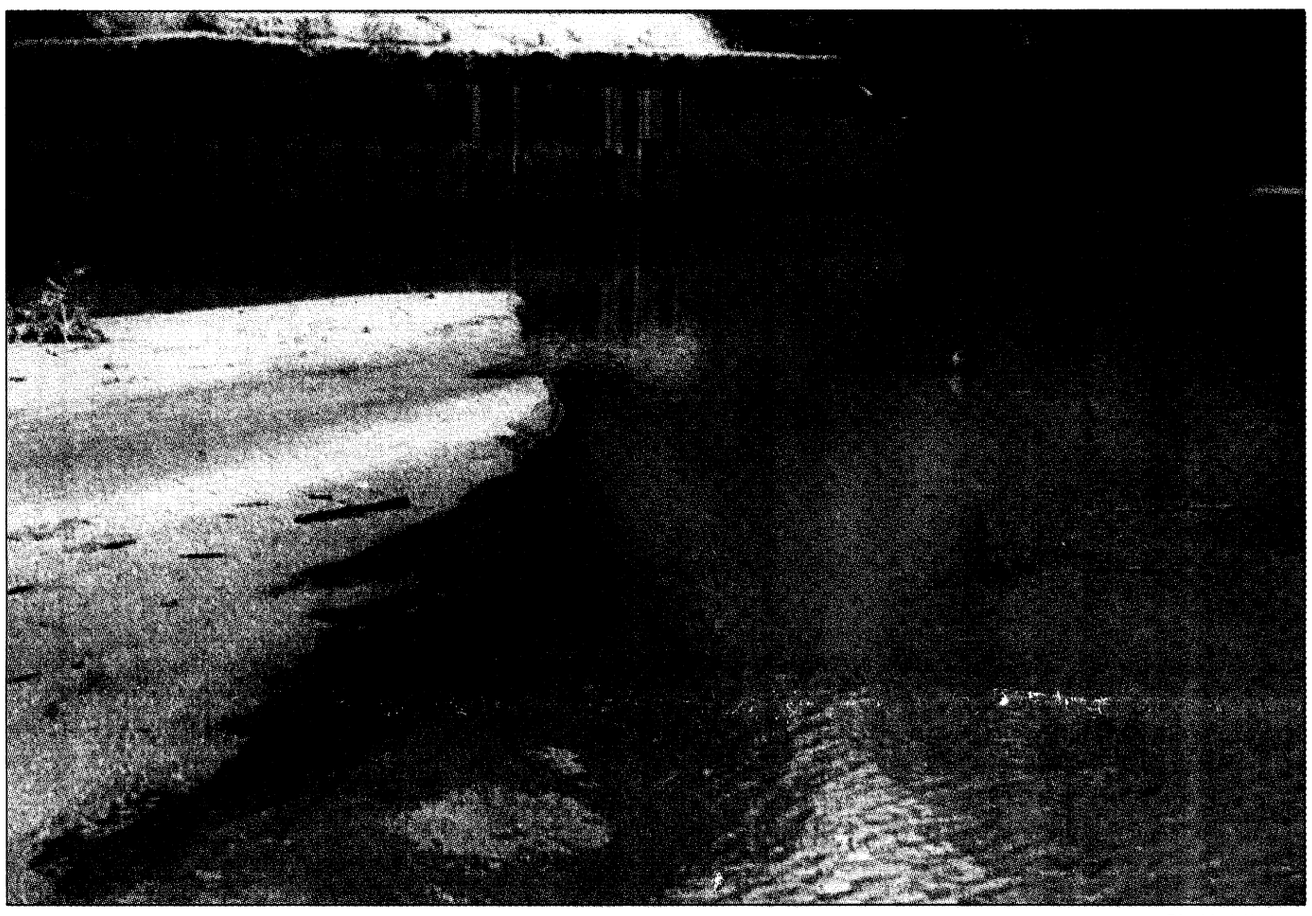

Pfc. Mark Watson

The water level at Fort Benning's water collection inlet reached what officials call a 'critical level' July 7 prompting post officials to release new water restrictions effective today.

New restrictions now in effect

Plummeting water triggers additional limits

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Despite water conservation efforts across the state of Georgia, water resources continue to decline.

That decline has forced Fort Benning officials to impose further water restrictions to ensure an adequate supply of water for post residents.

The new limits will replace the current three-day a week watering schedule for post residents and limit use of outside watering to only two days a week.

The new schedule aimed at lowering water usage an additional 10 percent will allow even-numbered addresses to water on Mondays and Fridays and odd-numbered addresses on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

"We are in a critical water situation," said Col. Keith A. Stelzer, director of Public Works. "The flow in the source of water to Fort Benning has continued to decline."

The flow rate dropped below 60 million gallons a day July 7, triggering the post to take a more restrictive response to ensure the quantity and quality of drinking

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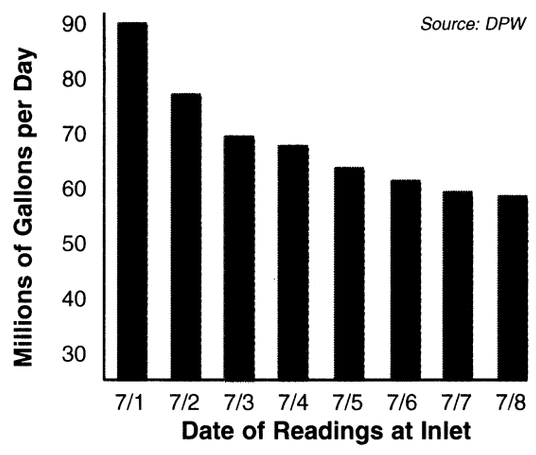
Dangerous drop

The Fort Benning water supply has seen a dramatic decrease since July 1, prompting post officials to implement the new limits.



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Army granting more waivers

Recruiters say influx not about meeting mission

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

From behind steel bars to inside steel tanks — it's a move that seems inconceivable, even impossible for a fighting force that is the smallest in history and claims to have the best of the best serving.

But that move is now reality as more recruits with felony crimes in their police history are entering the ranks of America's Army.

The number of recruits with felony arrests in their backgrounds has risen from 166 in 1999 to 357 so far this year, and with the recruiting year ending Sept. 30, officials said that number is likely to rise.

Although the number of waivers have more than doubled, recruiting officials deny the presence of more felons entering the ranks.

"The increased number represents a change in the way the Army defines a felon, not a change in policy," said Doug Smith, a recruiting command public affairs officer at Fort Knox, Ky.

Last year recruiting command redefined what the Army considers a felony offense, making any crime punishable by more than a year in prison a felony in the eyes of the Army, he said.

Some of those misdemeanors the Army now labels as felonies include domestic violence and school firearms violations, Smith said.

"Most of the waivers we are

See **WAIVERS**, A-9

Martin Army feeling woes of deployments

Docs working longer hours to fill vacancies

Sally Shutt
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A year ago there were 21 family practice staff physicians assigned to Martin Army Community Hospital.

This summer, that number has dropped to 10.

Relief will arrive by Labor Day as new doctors in-process later this summer, but even with the new replacements, the Department of Family Practice and Community Medicine will see two slots unfilled as 19 physicians work on staff, said Col. Steven E. Reissman, the department chief.

"For part of the summer, we are down theoretically to close to 50 to 55 percent of our staff," Reissman said.

Several factors have contributed to the shortage, including summer transitions, overseas deployments, additional taskings to regional National Guard sites and a redistribution of doctors across the service.

A new requirement to fully staff divisions and operational assignments first has had an impact on TRADOC medical facilities, Reissman said.

"A lot of doctors were diverted to brigade surgeon positions and flight surgeon slots," he said. "Most of the places where family physicians are assigned, especially the larger installations, all took what we hope are temporary cuts for this year," Reissman said.

"Where are the docs? The docs aren't going to the training posts. The docs are going to FORSCOM posts — the Fort Hoods of the world — where you have the troop populations, and they are going to Korea and Germany," said Capt. James Boxmeyer, the department's administrator.

"We aren't getting filled at the MEDDACs anymore at 100 percent, because per the Chief of Staff of the Army's guidance, the divisions are to be filled first."

Summer is the prime reassignment season in the Army, and many doctors, like other Soldiers, are either leaving or in the process of signing in to post. Other doctors remain assigned to Martin Army but are deployed for three to six months. One is in Germany to backfill for a physician serving in Bosnia and Kosovo. Another was sent to Korea.

This year Martin Army also received an additional staffing at the Alabama National Guard and Reserve Training Center at Fort McClellan, Ala. From May to September, a doctor is assigned to the troop medical clinic there. The duty used to fall to the active component at Fort McClellan, but that post closed last year.

Other taskings during the summer have included

See **DOCTORS**, A-9

Boredom tests parental control

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary



Remember how you couldn't wait for summer vacation when you were a kid? No matter what the calendar said, summer didn't officially start until the bell rang on the last day of school.

That's when you ran home as fast as your legs could carry you, eager to begin what was surely going to be the most exciting summer vacation in the history of, well, summer vacations. And waiting at home was Mom, with a tall glass of lemonade and a willing ear. She listened to all your big plans — swimming, ball games, fishing trips, camping in the back yard and endless hours of bike riding. Ahhhh, summer.

But shortly after the Fourth of July it got too hot to play outside, and one day began to melt into the next in a series of sizzling disappointments. Boredom set in, and Mom had to dig deep in her bag of tricks to find something to relieve the monotony of summer.

Maybe she let you stay up an hour past your bedtime and supplied the glass jars for catching fireflies in the back yard. Perhaps she organized a neighborhood game of hide-and-seek or taught you how to turn an empty detergent bottle into a great squirt gun. At one time or another, she probably showed you how to twist the stem of a dandelion just so, snap fast, and send a yellow projectile spinning into the air.

And after she found something — anything — to keep you occupied for a little while, she headed back to the kitchen to finish mopping, canning, scrubbing, dusting, ironing and cooking before you grew tired of the temporary diversion and came crying boredom again.

Traditionally moms have always served as activity directors during summer vacation. That's really not changed all that much since we were kids, but now moms often have to work outside the home at a job that helps make ends meet but doesn't pay enough to hire a nanny, cook or housekeeper. Add a TDY dad to the formula, and things get a little crazy.

It's nearly impossible to entertain Junior, sometimes even impossible to know what he's up to while you're at work. And chances are he's not as easily entertained as you and I were. Dandelions and fireflies can't compare to the lure of Nintendo games and personal computers. And even when monotony sets in, there's no appeal in playing hide-and-seek when you've been playing search-and-destroy on a virtual reality screen. Sad but true, today's kids are growing up faster and more worldly then we did a generation ago.

We're not always there to guide their steps when they get bored with the endless games, videos and CDs we've provided them. That's why Fort Benning's juvenile court gets a little crowded during summer vacation. Kids go looking for the wrong kind of fun when no one's keeping tabs on their extracurricular activities.

But the modern family doesn't have to forfeit traditional values for the advantage of two incomes. There are ways to make sure Junior's not out destroying public property when you're out working to pay for his pleasures.

First of all, set some ground rules. This is no place for wimpy parenting. "You will not leave the yard, have your friends in the house or surf the Internet while I'm not home," is really not an unreasonable code of conduct for any child old enough to be left home alone. Don't be afraid to enforce the rules by establishing fair punishment for breaking them.

Know who your kids are socializing with and get acquainted with their parents. Feel uneasy about the kid with the tattoos and nose ring? That's intuition, and it's probably a good idea to send him home. Better safe than sorry.

And when you are not physically present, make sure you call frequently and check up on the kids. This is a good time to remember the days of your own youth, when you got too old for freeze tag and hopscotch and decided to test the limits of Mom and Dad's parental control. Love them, teach them, raise them well, but don't hand them the reins in the name of trust until they reach maturity — say sometime after they're 30.

Make sure your children know their role within the family. Give them responsibilities when you're not there. Keep a list posted on the fridge — "make your bed, run the vacuum, clean the kitchen, leave the television off and read a book." And stick to your guns, because they will challenge you.

Try to share at least one meal together every day. That's the perfect time to ask direct questions about their day. Plan some family activities together whenever possible, even if it's playing board games or walking the dog.

I'm no expert on the subject, but I've spoken with some who are, and they'll tell you exactly the same — don't relinquish control of your household when you walk out the door. You're the boss at home even when you're reporting to the boss at work. Make sure the kids know that before you leave each day. Then kiss them and tell them you love them.

Soldiers' good deed ignites hope

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

commentary



My glass is usually half empty. I wouldn't necessarily call myself a pessimist, but like a friend once said, "I'm not negative, I'm just realistic."

Unfortunately, reality isn't always as perfect as those "happily ever after" movies, which is why I usually look at things for what they're worth.

I can't remember the exact moment I decided to abandon my rose-colored glasses, but I'm guessing it was pretty early in life. Because my mother was a foster parent, I grew up surrounded by children whose families put the "dys" in dysfunctional. Most of them were forced to abandon fantasy for reality shortly after birth.

While these children taught me reality isn't always fair, and in fact can be mighty cruel, they also showed me being realistic doesn't mean giving up hope.

In a world where so many of our realities are weather-beaten by fear, anger and disappointment, hope is the distant lighthouse flagging us on and keeping us going.

When I joined the Army and left my safe haven in Minnesota, I immediately smacked head-on into the world's door.

It didn't take me long to figure out that assuming and expecting the worst is much easier than hoping for the best. After all when you hope, there is a chance of having those hopes crushed.

I walked around in my little bubble, like I'm sure many of us do, accepting the world and things as they were and never expecting too much out of people.

It was just recently I encountered a situation that opened my eyes and made me realize I needed to pop my little bubble. It actually ignited a hope in me about the goodness of humankind.

Driving home from a movie my friend and I saw an older lady and her mother stranded on the side of the road close to where I live. There was a man already assisting them, but I decided to stop and ask if they needed anything to drink.

Since my friend knows a little bit about cars, she immediately went to work alongside the gentleman trying to figure out the problem.

As I eased into conversation with the lady, I watched in amazement as car after car stopped and asked if we needed any help. Not only that, but people from the apartment complex filtered out with oil, water and tools — anything to help fix the mysterious ailment.

Soon we were surrounded by people of all ages ready to lend a helping hand. The neatest part about the whole situation was every single person who stopped was in the military.

Like a chorus, we all chimed in at once asking which unit everyone belonged to and where we were originally from. Soon the atmosphere became almost festive as we stood around joking and exchanging experiences.

It wasn't much later the team of "analysts" had identified the problem in the car, and the lady and her mother were on their way.

As everyone departed I couldn't control the smile I had inside.

I'll admit I have never felt prouder to be in the military or to be human. A chunk of my cynicism dissolved that day and I realized I had to keep what I learned from those foster children close to me.

While I will always remain realistic I will also keep my hope burning strong. Reality is big, but I am convinced hope is a million times bigger.

letter

I hope through this letter I can convey some degree of the gratitude I feel toward all the volunteers, colleagues and commanders of Fort Benning.

For the past two years I enjoyed your support, willingness to serve, eagerness to assist and above all, your friendship.

Your kindness was greatly appreciated, and you fully deserve all the credit for setting such an incredible standard of excellence.

Through all the deployments; the family readiness group and family support group briefings; OPERATION: FSG!; the Volunteer Management Council meetings; Army Family Action Plan symposium; town hall meetings; Volunteer Appreciation and Celebration Week activities; and the day-to-day "just showing up and helping out" — you reaffirmed my belief some of the finest Soldiers, families, employees and retirees associated with the Army are right here at Fort Benning.

It was an absolute honor to be included in your volunteer efforts and to witness your selfless service.

My last day on the job as the Installation Volunteer coordinator, Family Readiness Group liaison, AFAP coordinator and Mayors' advisor was Tuesday. I've accepted another position in Columbus.

I do wish each of you continued success and unconditional happiness. I know the incoming IVC will experience the same fine tradition!

Jill Sanders Crider
Installation Volunteer coordinator 1998-2000

for the record

In last week's addition of *The Bayonet* the date was wrong for Lt. Col. Brian Stephenson and Lt. Col. Jeffrey Terhune's change of command ceremony. The ceremony was held Thursday. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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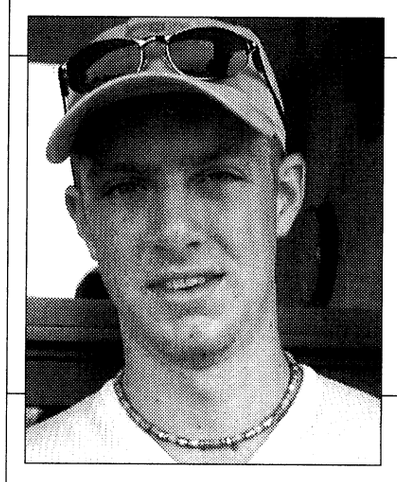
VARIOUS VOICES

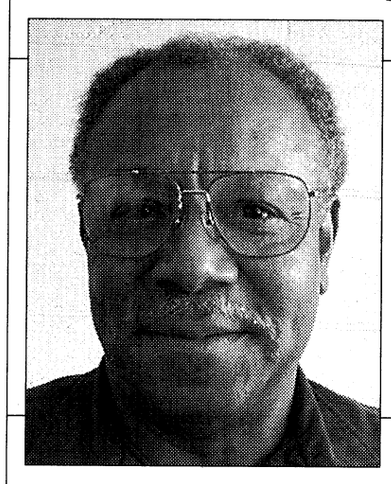
How can parents keep their children entertained during the summer?



Spc. William McGinnis, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "In my opinion all you need for kids is something steady. If you get them on a schedule then it shouldn't matter, because they will have something to look forward to everyday."



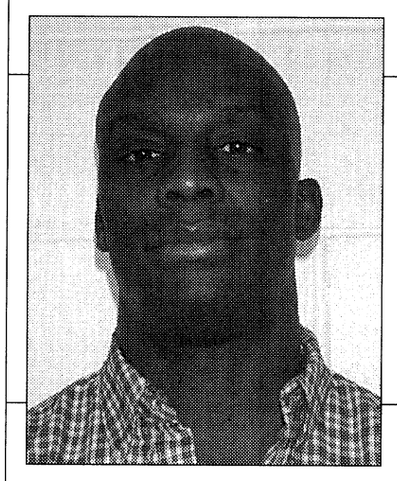
Claudia Rentz, family member — "We just spend time with our children. We go to movies, go bowling and even go to the laundromat together."



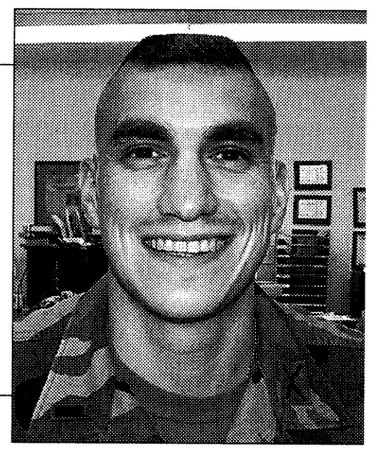
James Harris, Morale Welfare and Recreation — "Parents need to get involved in activities where they can spend time with them, because the people children want to see the most are their parents."



Retired Staff Sgt. Gloria Ashe, Columbus — "I keep my 2-year-old entertained by playing a lot of one-on-one games with him. We also take nature walks and watch GPTV together."



Staff Sgt. Marke Harris, A Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion — "It depends on how old the children are. Parents can spend time with them, send them to summer camp and get them involved in youth programs."



1st Lt. Jesse Losoya, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — We just do stuff together as a family. We go to the park. We went to Six Flags the other weekend, and we have the zoo coming up."

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Families reap benefits of ACOE award money

$500,000 will fund more than 15 new local projects

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

A list of approved projects for funding by last year's Army Communities of Excellence money is hot off the press and Soldiers and family members will find themselves reaping the benefits.

The $500,000 award will go toward more than 15 projects — all of which will directly impact the quality of life for Soldiers and their families, said Sara Hodges, chief of Quality Management Division, Directorate of Resource Management.

Most of the projects involve upgrading and renovating Fort Benning facilities, such as neighborhood parks and pools and fitness centers, she said.

Award money will also be used to replace and buy equipment for a number of other post complexes.

Some examples of what the money will buy are playground equipment for Bouton Heights and McGraw Manor Outreach Centers, six new internet computer stations for the Sayers Library and physical fitness equipment for Kefurt, 5th and 6th Ranger Training Battalion gyms.

All of the ideas for how to use the money came directly from the people of Fort Benning, said Pat Porter, quality management analyst. More than 60 project proposals were considered and then narrowed down to the current list.

The decision concerning which projects to proceed with was made by the post's senior leaders during this year's Quality Executive Steering Team conference held June 27-28, Porter said.

"It was really a democratic process," she said. "Everyone (senior leaders) had the opportunity to vote."

Once current projects are completed it won't be long until DRM asks for more suggestions as how to spend the $200,000 purse from this year's ACOE win.

Hodges said everyone on Fort Benning should feel secure knowing the money is going back to help the community.

Demonstration steers direction of modernization

NATO gathers data on Soldier modernization

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

A group from Fort Benning's TRADOC System Manager Soldier and nine Rangers from the 75th Ranger Regiment returned from a trip to the Netherlands where they participated alongside 11 other NATO countries in the Soldier 2000 Demonstration, June 27-30.

The purpose of the demonstration was to show NATO Army Armaments Group what each country is doing in terms of Soldier modernization so they could decide if they want to move forward in improving Soldier interoperability, said Mike Tryon, deputy TSM Soldier.

During the demonstration, each of the countries set up their own static displays and conducted briefings on their modernization programs. The U.S. showed off its Land Warrior capabilities with the help of the Rangers by participating in live-fire and tactical demonstrations.

Tryon said the Soldier 2000 Demonstration was an overall success and a lot was learned about the direction of modernization.

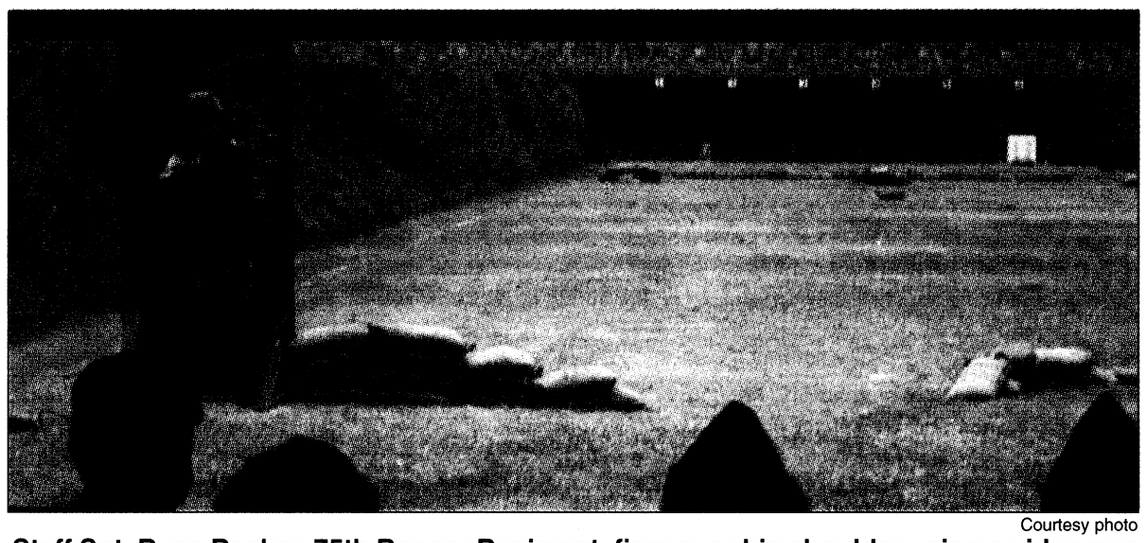
"We were successful in that they (NAAG) were very impressed with what all the countries are doing, but also noting we still have more work to do in interoperability," Tryon said.

"For example, combat identification — being able to tell from one country to another the friendly guys on the battlefield versus who the enemy is and where the enemy is."

While most countries have come a long way in vehicle and aircraft identification, Soldier-level identification has been lacking, which is something TSM-Soldier is currently addressing, Tryon said.

"Take a look at Kosovo right now where some of the countries' forces are working together in terms of population control and patrolling and things of that nature," he said.

"In the event you have to work together, you want to be able to exchange information on where you are and where the enemy is. You need to work in conjunction with one another."



Courtesy photo

Staff Sgt. Ryan Recker, 75th Ranger Regiment, fires over his shoulder using a video gun sight that demonstrates the Army's indirect firing capabilities.

Learning about the need for interoperability wasn't the only thing attendees learned during the conference.

Each of the countries were able to see where the other stands and also exchange ideas on improved equipment.

"While the U.S. is still ahead in many areas, we are also learning from other countries," he said. "There are a lot of good ideas with body armor, cold weather gear, boots and so on."

Many of these ideas, he said, TSM-Soldier will look at to see how they can be incorporated into the U.S. system.

For Staff Sgt. Justin Johanson, one of the Rangers who participated in the demonstration, the experience was beneficial because it allowed him to see "the bigger picture."

"It was a really good experience being able to mingle with the other countries, seeing what they had and showing them what we have," Johanson said. "It was also good to see that we are definitely ahead in the race."

Even though the U.S. may be slightly ahead in the race, he said seeing other countries aren't far behind is a wake-up call.

"It keeps you on your toes, because you know there are other countries out there, whether they are NATO or not that have similar technology, and they are trying to get a step ahead," he said. "Seeing that pushes you forward so you don't get caught short."

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New state program takes impaired drivers off roads

Barnes' zero tolerance plan mirrors Benning enforcement efforts

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Georgia Gov. Roy Barnes has no tolerance for drunken and drugged motorists, and his new initiative is aimed at taking them off the roads.

"Operation Zero Tolerance: You drink and drive and you lose" is a 15-month sobriety checkpoint and public information campaign that incorporates the efforts of more than 350 law enforcement agencies across the state to wage the war on impaired motorists and take them off Georgia roadways.

"Georgia has an enviable record of aggressive highway safety programs," Barnes said.

"We are proud of our ability to implement effective measures to combat DUI and related highway crimes.

"With the cooperation of local and state law enforcement agencies, concerned individuals and community organizations, we believe we can impact the numbers of deaths that occur on our roadways as a result of alcohol or drug-impaired driving."

Despite not being included in the campaign's $1 million federal funding, Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, law enforcement, said Barnes' plan equals the intense efforts Fort Benning takes daily on removing dangerous and impaired motorists from the roadways.

"We are continuously focusing on drunk drivers," Kelley said, "and have always maintained a zero tolerance policy on impaired drivers."

That hard stand on drunk drivers has taken 351 drunk or drugged motorists off Fort Benning roadways since October.

"By taking these dangerous motorists off the road, we are ensuring the safety of Soldiers, family members and civilians and are protecting the people who protect our world," he said.

While Kelley said some of those cited for driving under the influence may feel like they are capable of driving, he said even after one drink, reaction times begin to slow and a driver's ability to be able to recognize dangers are significantly decreased.

"Many times we pick someone for DUI and they don't realize how intoxicated they are," he said. "But in the state of Georgia the legal limit is .08, and if the intox 5000 shows a BAC reading of .08 or more, they are driving while intoxicated."

Kelley said those who indulge in an alcoholic beverage on occasion are not exempt from the intoxicating effect of a social drink.

"Everyone who drinks is susceptible," he said. "You don't have to go out and get staggering drunk to be legally intoxicated.

"My best advice is if you are going to drink at all — don't drive."

Kelley also said the best time to decide who is going to be the designated driver is before going out.

"If you have already been drinking, it is too late to decide who is going to drive," he said. "Drinking and driving is gambling with your life and your career.

"What happens if you lose?"

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Window of opportunity for voting narrows

Request for ballots should be made 45 days in advance

Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

Election Day, is less than five months away.

That may seem like a long time, but voting officials recommend absentee voters request ballots 45 days in advance, even further in advance if they haven't yet registered to vote in their home district.

Hmmm ... that window of opportunity is starting to narrow.

Officials with the Federal Voting Assistance Program have put a tremendous amount of information about absentee voting on the Internet at www.fvap.ncr.gov. Some specific links military voters may find helpful are below.

How To Do It — Vote Absentee! http://www.fvap.ncr.gov/publications/howtoinfo.html

This page consists of an electronic version of the useful pamphlet "How To Do It — Vote Absentee." The pamphlet answers such questions as: Can I vote absentee? How do I apply for an absentee ballot? When is the best time to apply?

The pamphlet is also available through unit and installation voting assistance offices.

Online version of the Federal Post Card Application http://www.fvap.ncr.gov/othertools/onlinefpca.htm

This recent addition to the site was added to make voting easier for those without immediate access to a voting assistance office.

The only down side to using this version is individuals must pay their own postage. The printed, card-stock version can be sent postage-free.

Toll-free voting assistance numbers in foreign countries http://www.fvap.ncr.gov/tollfree2000.htm

This page includes toll-free phone numbers to the Federal Voting Assistance Program from nearly 60 different countries. DoD voters can also transfer to the DoD Voting Information Center, which, in turn, can transfer individuals to the office of their elected officials in the U.S. Congress, and their state governors and chief election officials.

DoD plans program to provide computers, college for troops

Caldera hopes new initiative will boost recruiting efforts

Kathy Hoffman
Special to Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera has announced a $600 million distance-learning initiative to help Soldiers complete college "anytime, anyplace, anywhere they can take their laptop."

Caldera called on colleges and universities, Internet companies, hardware and software companies and others to prepare and submit bids to the Army offering technology and extensive curriculum for Soldiers.

The resulting program — Army University Access Online — is expected to help Soldiers to obtain college degrees or technical certifications through Internet-based courses while they serve using laptop computers and vastly expanded learning opportunities.

"The Army's greatest competition in recruiting and retaining Soldiers is not the hot economy but the desire for and availability of higher education to today's young people," said Caldera.

Making the announcement at Washington's high-tech Ronald Reagan building, Caldera said the revolutionary distance-learning program will run initially at two or three selected installations to be announced later this summer.

Distance learning is an increasingly popular form of schooling that uses communications technologies to harness the vast array of educational resources available and stimulates the development of life-long learning skills.

The Army has budgeted nearly $50 million for AUAO and its website, eARMYU.com, in fiscal 2001, with another $550 million over the next five years. Caldera's goal is to see the program implemented Armywide.

The potential to reach students is overwhelming at 1 million-plus possible students. The program will be available to all active-duty, Reserve and National Guard members. Soldiers will be provided with such resources as tuition assistance, textbooks, laptops, printers, Internet access, academic counseling, help desk, course offering and a command climate that creates a true life-long learning community.

Expansion of the program could eventually make it available to Army families as well.

Caldera will host an Industry Day Aug. 2, also at the Reagan Building, to seek ways to achieve the plan. A preliminary Request for Proposal will be issued Aug. 11 to prospective industry and education providers. A final Request for Proposal will go out in September, and officials expect a contract to be awarded in December.

"We have specific requirements that need to be met," Caldera said. "For example, we need to wire barracks and other facilities where soldiers can get easy online access. We also need to provide the optimum technology package to students — equipment that is durable and portable, and ISP service that is reliable and accessible."

Potential vendors must provide a technology package that will include a laptop computer, printer, Internet Service Provider account, maintenance and warranty of equipment.

Korea ... forgotten war remembered

Jim Caldwell
TRADOC News Service

July 13

Gen. MacArthur reports 488 American casualties since U.S. forces joined the fighting in South Korea — 42 killed, 190 wounded, 256 missing.

In contrast to press reports of many American troops fleeing in panic from North Korean forces, he called the U.S. retreat "one of the most skillful and heroic holding and rear-guard actions in history."

He pointed out American Soldiers were often outnumbered 10-1, but they have inflicted far greater casualties upon the communists. MacArthur also says South Korea would have been overrun already without U.S. Soldiers.

He announces the Eight Army, commanded by Lt. Gen. Walter H. Walker, will command all U.S. ground forces in Korea from Taegu.

July 13-14

Secretary of Defense Louis A. Johnson ordered the services to stop releasing information on troop and unit movements.

However, the departure of the 1st Marine Division from San Diego on July 14 is widely reported.

On July 14 Johnson says he has ordered 500 military doctors to Japan and Korea at MacArthur's request.

July 14

In Los Angeles Brig. Gen. William L. Roberts, commander of the U.S. Military Mission to Korea before the invasion.

He says the reason the U.S. didn't give planes, tanks and heavy guns to South Korea was "to prevent the South Koreans from attacking."

North Korea invaded the Republic of Korea, because the South's economic growth "could no longer be tolerated," according to Arthur C. Hunce, U.S. economic cooperative chief to South Korea, speaking in Tokyo.

He says in 1949 South Korea had lowered inflation, upped industrial output by 50 percent and exported rice for the first time.

July 15

Russian Premier Josef Stalin offers to negotiate a peace in Korea in return for kicking Nationalist China out of the UN and replacing it with Communist China.

The U.S. government rejects the offer as simply a move to get another communist country membership in the UN.

July 15-19

The 34th and 19th Regiments of the 24th Infantry Division engage two North Korea divisions in the hills and rice paddies around Taejon. They would pull out the next day, but MacArthur says the two undermanned regiments have set back the invaders' timetable.

About 500 North Koreans seize the Samgyo bridgehead on the Kum River July 15. At other sites along the river, U.S. Soldiers kill hundreds of Reds trying to cross in banzai-like charges.

North Koreans in captured American fatigues, led by English speakers, cross the river and hit U.S. positions. GIs assume they're ROK Soldiers until the guerrillas pull guns and start shooting. More Reds wearing fatigues and South Korean civilian clothes cause havoc against other positions and supply roads for the next five days.

With heavy artillery support, North Koreans cross the Kum at Kongju and attack the middle of the U.S. line. As GIs fall back to eight miles from Taejon, they have to clear out nests of snipers who infiltrated their lines.

On July 17 American Soldiers take up defensive positions west of Taejon. The U.S. Army field headquarters evacuates the city and the airfield is closed. The South Korean government had left July 14 to reestablish the national capital at an unreported location. There is no fighting for the next two days as the Reds consolidate their forces.

They're forced to bring heavy equipment over the Kum at night to keep from being attacked by U.S. fighter planes.

July 16

South Korean troops repelled an attempted amphibious landing by North Korean forces near Yongdok. MacArthur calls it a "devastating" defeat and the "most conclusive setback" of the communists. The ROK Army also holds off several Red divisions around Chongu, Hamchang and Audong. Their efforts protect the 24th's withdrawal to Taejon.

Refugees from Seoul said the first thing North Koreans did when they entered the city June 28 was to destroy the jail. Many released prisoners join the Red army.

One freed prisoner, Kim Chung Che, former Seoul police official jailed for communist activities, is made chief of police of Seoul. The invaders also entered peoples' homes and took nearly all their food.

North Koreans massacre 30 U.S. soldiers and a Catholic chaplain north of the Kum River.

July 17

The Army drops the required score on entrance exams for volunteers from 90 to 70. Half of all New York volunteers scored below 90.

The Senate Banking Committee announces an investigation of "unreasonable" price hikes on food and other goods immediately after the Korean War began.

July 17-19

U.S. and Australian fighters and bombers hit North Korean forces all along the front.

American pilots down two Yak-9s July 17 and three more on July 19, making 31 air kills for the U.S. Air Force.

July 18

The U.S. 1st Cavalry Division lands at Pohung. Part of the division heads north to Yongdok, while the rest moves inland through guerrilla-infested mountains to Yongchon and Taegu.

MacArthur announces that the 25th Infantry Division has landed at Pusan.

The general also declares there will be no press censorship of news media reporting on the war in South Korea.

He says he will trust reporters not to reveal information that is damaging to the UN war effort overseas.

Several reporters already banned for writing about certain developments have their credentials restored.

At the same time, MacArthur directs the Japanese government to continue the ban on communist publications.

The U.S. Army reveals that Russian military advisors are serving with North Korean units fighting in South Korea.

July 19

President Truman requests $10 billion to beef up the American military for not only Korea, but to be able to confront communist challenges in other parts of the world.

The Army and Air Force agree to let prior service reserve officers volunteering for duty to keep the one-grade promotions given at the end of their World War II active service.

MacArthur receives another title to go along with CINCUN and U.S. commander in Korea. ROK President Syngman Rhee names him commander of all South Korean military forces.

At the end of the week, the North Korean advance is along a line across the peninsula beginning on the west coast just below Taejon and running just slightly northeast.



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Army moves toward new civilian education

DoD plans to fill baby boomer gap before loss

Rudi Williams
American Forces Press Service

DoD has a potential civilian employee problem, and Jerome Smith is working on preventing it.

The problem is that thousands of highly skilled "baby boomers" will become eligible to retire shortly. Any mass exodus would leave a giant "skills gap" in DoD's civilian workforce. Smith said DoD should starting planning to fill the gap now, before it's too late.

When Smith was sworn in as DoD's first chancellor of civilian education and professional development on Oct. 2, 1998, Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen touted the appointment as a new era in DoD's education of its civilian workforce.

He tasked Smith with creating a world-class education and professional development system for civilian employees patterned after the best aspects of the military system and corporate America.

"We're looking at the lessons corporate America has learned and is willing to share with us about being world-class competitors," said Smith. "We'd like to take the best of what they've learned and incorporate it into our system."

He noted that a lot of the baby boomers' replacements are already in DoD's workforce and looking at a new era of tremendous technological and socioeconomic change. Smith said DoD must ensure its education and professional development programs prepare these new leaders and managers to do as well or better than their predecessors.

And then there's another high hurdle to cross — recruiting.

"We must compete with a robust economy for top-quality people we need to make the department operate effectively," said Smith, the principal advocate for the academic quality and cost-effectiveness of all DoD civilian education and professional development activities.

Successful world-class companies know their workforce is their most important asset and so they use education and professional development programs to attract and retain quality people, he noted.

"That's what we need to do if we're going to be competitive with those same corporations for the workforce," Smith emphasized. He said potential employees need to know what DoD can offer that would make defense the place they want to work.

Smith visited several firms in Northern California's Silicon Valley to see how those high-tech, high-performance companies treat their employees. "They offer wonderful education and professional development to their people for many reasons," he said. "Part of it is to help them get their product out. Part is to keep their people at the front of the technological revolution, and part of it is to meet their employees' personal needs for their own personal growth.

"That's our competition," he emphasized. "If we want to play in that market, we have to provide the same type of high-quality education and professional development for our workforce."

Smith said all DoD civilian employees should know they will receive the appropriate training required for advancement and to do their jobs as well as they can be done.

He said he's working toward an education and professional development system that will be personally rewarding for DoD employees.

"We're going to provide a system that makes us competitive," Smith said. "And, it will make our people enjoy their work and feel that they are current and are building their own educational portfolio as they progress through their defense career.

"We want people to feel good about working in DoD because it's an important enterprise and critical to our nation's survival."

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Ensuring that all of DoD's educational institutions gain accreditation is Smith's first goal. The second is to publish standards that DoD demands of institutions and identifies programs that are suitable for the workforce.

"Another goal would be to build a true community of DoD civilian educators," he said. "We need coherence because that's what characterizes the good parts of our volunteer education program, K through 12 program, and our military education and training program. We need the same thing on our civilian side."

Smith said his office has become a broker for accreditation of DoD institutions through the voluntary accreditation process in use in American higher education and recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Some DoD educational institutions, such as the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences, lead the way with multiple accreditations. The university, in Bethesda, Md., has regional and specialized accreditations for its doctor, nurse and doctorate programs.

War colleges and military academies have been accredited for a long time, said Smith, a former leader of a couple of colleges at the National Defense University, a fully accredited institution authorized to give master's degrees.

"We have other institutions that have specialized accreditations, such as the Defense Information School at Fort Meade, Md., which trains military journalists, broadcasters and photojournalists," Smith said. "It has been accredited by the Council on Occupational Education, a specialized accreditor recognized by the Department of Education."

But, he pointed out, not all DoD institutions are accredited — yet. "We can do it," he said.

Since DoD is moving toward an information-based department from a production-based operation, Smith said DoD's workforce should be educated in the jobs workers will have in the new information age.

DoD also has a superb voluntary education program that allows service members and civilian workers to attend off-duty classes at civilian education institutions, according to Smith.

"What we really don't have is a similarly organized civilian education program," he noted. "That's what we're focusing on improving now."

Smith said since becoming chancellor, he has established a fully manned office and created a Web site.

He and his staff planned and hosted the first DoD conference on civilian education and professional development and scheduled the second for Aug. 8-9 at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

He has also organized the DoD Metrics of Excellence Task Force, which is laboring to produce standards for DoD educational institutions. The third steering committee meeting is scheduled for June 28 at Smith's office in Arlington, Va.

Smith wants his legacy to be an education and professional development system that results in a world-class civilian workforce.

He said the workforce should be comparable and suitable for the support of DoD's already world-class military.

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Graduation

There will be a graduation ceremony for A Company, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, at 9 a.m. July 21 on Kanell Field.

There will also be a graduation ceremony for E Co., 2nd Bn., 58th Inf. Regt., ITB, at 9 a.m. July 28 on Kanell Field.

For more information, call 544-8166.

EO planning meeting

There will be a planning meeting for the observance of Women's Equality Day.

The meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. July 19 in Building 2509.

The Equal Opportunity Office requests that all organizations and units send a representative to the meeting. For more information, call 545-6596.

Off-limits businesses

There are several businesses the Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board has placed off limits to all military persons in the Fort Benning area.

They are the All Breed Dog Training Academy at 1302 Sandusky Drive and Mr. Transmission at 3137 Macon Road in Columbus and The Pen Dixie Pit on Old Perry Road in Clinchfield, Ga..

Retirement

Col. Randy Buck, director Public Works will retire at 9 a.m. July 31 at the Follow Me Statue.

University of Maryland

The Director of Military outreach from the University of Maryland University College will be available at 10-11:30 a.m. Monday in the Education Center, to talk to interested personnel concerning on-line degrees.

For more information, call 545-4863 or (301) 985-7717.

Two Star Breakfast

The next Two Star Excellence Breakfast will be at 8 a.m. July 27 at the O' Club. Tickets can be purchased in Infantry Hall Room 547. The cost will be $6.25 The next Command Retreat Ceremony will be at 4 p.m. July 27 at the Follow Me Statue.

For more information, call 545-1018

TSU classes

Troy State University offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during non-traditional hours and dates.

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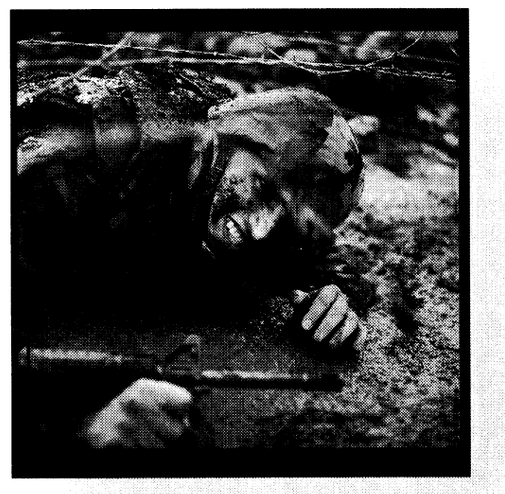

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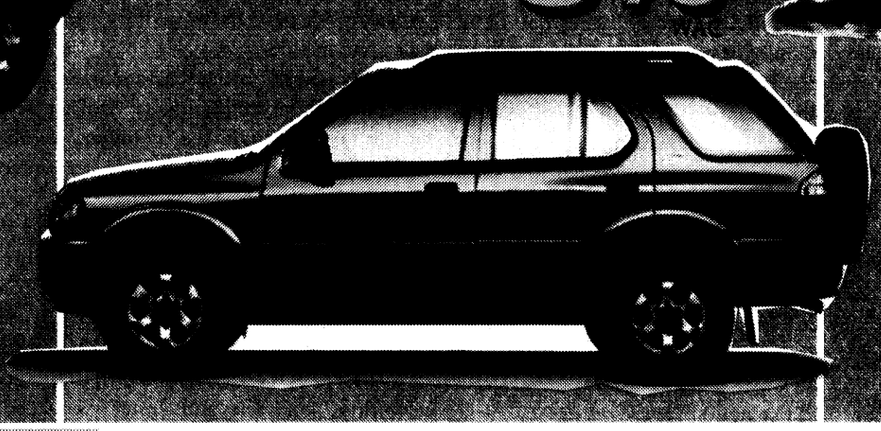

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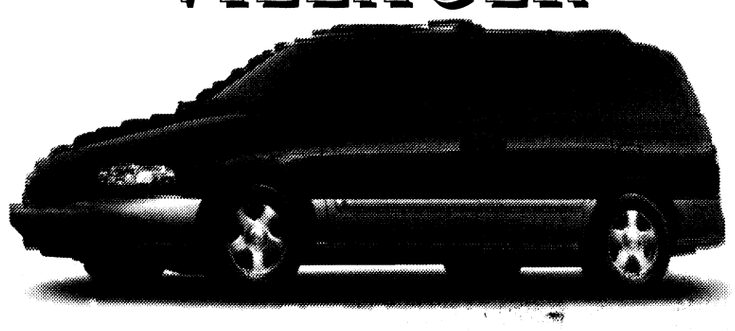

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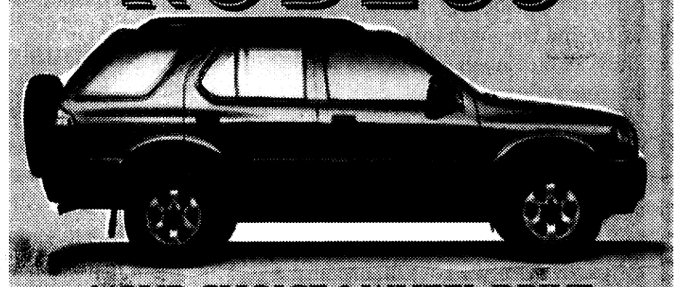

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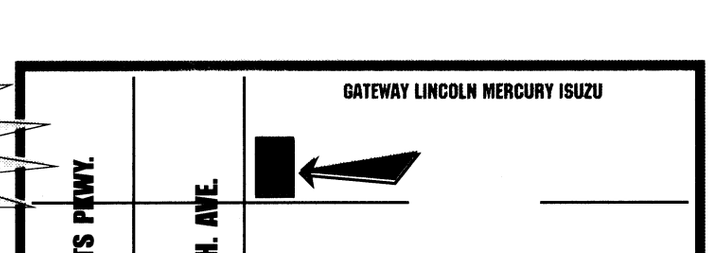

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System: Gives civilian employees automated career access

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making the change from a local-based personnel system to a national automated system.

"There are a lot of challenges associated with the automation," he said. "But the web application is great, and if employees get stuck in a situation they can always reach a career counselor via the telephone system."

The 30 career counselors at the Fort Riley center have access to the website and can walk employees through any troubles they may encounter, he said.

Locally, Fort Benning will also help alleviate the troubles that may arise during the transition with workshops designed to answer any questions people may have about the new automation.

All workshops will be held in Marshall Auditorium on the following dates and times:

- Tuesday, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Willie D. Varner, chief, Management Services Division, is spearheading the transition effort here and said the switch to automation could be initially cumbersome.

"The transition might be initially difficult for employees who are used to dealing with their career counselor face to face," he said. "But I think they will find the computer or the toll-free telephone system easy to use."

The program stems from a 1994 Department of Defense initiative that reckoned automation technology was a way to improve efficiencies while cutting the personnel workforce.

Since that decision by Army planners, 10 civilian personnel regions have been created across the Army, and the personnelist workforce has been reduced by 41 percent.

Varner said no personnel positions here are slated to be cut as a result of the automation introduction.

A CLOSER LOOK

The new Army Benefits Center-Civilian will provide civilian government employees with a system accessible from the worldwide web and via a touchtone telephone. Employees will be able to access and update the following information:

- Retirement (Civil Service and federal employees retirement systems).
- Thrift Savings Plan
- Federal Employees' Health Benefits
- Federal Employee's Group Life Insurance
- Survivor Benefits (death and dismemberment)
- The web-based system can be accessed via Internet at www.abc.army.mil, and the phone-based system can be reached at (877) ARMY-CTR.

Waivers: Are in no way lowering standards, officials say

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granting now are for crimes considered misdemeanors at the local level by juveniles who have maintained a clean record since the incident," he said.

Since the move to make more crimes felonies in the eyes of the Army officials, the number of misdemeanor waivers processed has dropped nearly 1,000, a number Smith said is representative of the change in the definition of a felony.

"It's just because we are calling more things felonies now," he said.

Despite the granting of the additional felony waivers, Smith said the Army isn't compromising any standards.

"We aren't bringing rapists and murderers into the Army," he said. "The rise in felony waivers has nothing to do with recruiters making mission."

"Making mission" for recruiters on the streets of Columbus means selling the service to at least two civilians every month.

Despite the challenges in meeting high recruiting demands in a booming economy where the job market is nearly saturated, recruiting officials here said they do whatever it takes to keep civilians with a felony in their backgrounds from ever stepping into the ranks.

"Usually if they have one felony arrest on their record, that's not all," said a local recruiter. "If they show up with a felony on their record, we show them the door."

Smith said the Army will only grant a waiver for one felony per applicant and will not grant a waiver to anyone who has been involved in the sale or transfer of drugs.

"We are not compromising our standards or lowering the bar by any means," he said.

At the end of June, the Army was 30,000 recruits short of this year's recruiting goal of 80,000 new troops by October, a number Smith said is achievable.

Doctors: Could see additional help at Martin Army by fall

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supporting National Guard annual training at Camp Shelby, Miss., and backfilling for a physician at the Anniston Army Depot Clinic in Anniston, Ala.

In the meantime the doctors on staff are working long hours and foregoing any extended leave until reinforcements arrive.

"We are holding up well," Reissman said.

The shortage affects the Family Practice Clinic at Martin Army, Aviation Medicine and Winder Health Clinic.

Aviation Medicine is down from three to two doctors; Winder from five to four. A few doctors are pulling double duty during the summer. For example a physician on the teaching staff of the family practice residency program is also serving as the OIC at Aviation Medicine.

"Each clinic is trying to be incredibly flexible to meet the access demands, and they are doing a good job," Reissman said.

"We are bending over backwards to try to work patients in and make sure they are not inconvenienced."

Access standards are set for Tricare Prime enrollees under the Tricare Managed Contract. Standards fall under three categories: same-day appointments are to be seen within 24 hours, routine appointments within seven days and wellness appointments within 30 days.

Non-Prime enrollees are given appointments on a space-available basis.

Since the shortage began, "most non-Prime enrollees and a small percentage of Prime enrollees are being referred to the Health Care Finders at Martin Army Community Hospital to assist them in finding physicians in the civilian network or other military treatment facilities," said Carol Cain, chief of Beneficiary Services, Healthcare Management Division.

"If Prime enrollees require a wellness appointment and Martin Army is unable to schedule them within 30 days, the beneficiaries may enact their right under Health Affairs Policy 97-023 to waive their access standard, with the medical clearance from their primary physician or specialist, whichever is the case," Cain said.

While acute and routine appointments can not be delayed, patients wishing to schedule wellness exams — like physicals or annual pap smears — may consider waiting until September.

"If patients can be a little flexible and not make the wellness appointment until fall, that would help. Those are 30-minute slots, whereas other visits are scheduled for 15 minutes," Reissman said.

Those who can't wait, for whatever reason, will be given wellness appointments. However, they may have to see someone other than their assigned primary care manager.

Letters were mailed recently informing patients they were being reassigned to a new primary care physician, one replacing their current doctor.

"Patients know this is the time of year when moves happen," Cain said

"We work real hard with patients to try to accommodate them as best we can, so they don't see the major transition that is happening within this facility."

Limits: Make sure water supply stays

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water on post, Stelzer said.

Upatoi Creek has historically provided adequate water flow to serve the post, with a flow of nearly 319 million gallons of water a day. That number dropped to 56 million gallons a day July 7, nearly 30 million gallons a day less than the June figure, prompting the new measures, Stelzer said.

The drought has left the South reeling for rain since finishing last year with a 11.5 inch rainfall deficit. And, according to the National Weather Service, there is no relief in sight as forecasters call for continued below-normal rainfall.

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources mandated Georgia to begin conservation measures last month, but Stelzer said the present measures are in effect to ensure ample amounts of water are available in the future.

"It is not really a matter of how much we take in, it is about ensuring we have water in the future," he said.

Fort Benning's water treatment facility is the only large consumer of water located in the creek whose headwaters begin in Talbot County, said Joe Wilkins, an environmental specialist at DPW.

"Fort Benning residents have done an excellent job reducing consumption already," Stelzer said. "Since we implemented the original restrictions, post residents have reduced water usage over 2 million gallons a day.

"They really have done an excellent job, but we still need to reduce our consumption by at least an additional 1 million gallons per day," said Col. John Latimer, chief of staff.

While Fort Benning will continue to monitor residents to ensure compliance with the new restrictions, Stelzer offered the following suggestion to keep water use to a minimum.

Keep toilet flushing to a minimum, he said. Toilet flushing uses as many as three gallons per flush.

"Across Fort Benning's 4,000 households and 6,221 barracks rooms, this can make a difference," Latimer said.

A CLOSER LOOK

Fort Benning's new water limits are now in effect. A recent drop at the water supply collection point has prompted post officials to issue the following restrictions.

- All outdoor watering is limited to 30 minutes or less.
- Outdoor watering will be limited to Mondays and Fridays for residents with an even-numbered address.
- Outdoor watering will be limited to Tuesdays and Saturdays for residents with an odd-numbered address.
- All watering will be done by hand.
- Sprinklers are prohibited in family housing areas.

Officials recommend the following water conservation tips to reduce the post's water intake an additional 10 percent:

- Keep toilet flushing to a minimum. In some cases flushing the toilet uses as much as three gallons of water.
- Refrain from watering lawns. The shallow rootbase of grass allows it to absorb enough moisture from sporadic rainshowers.
- Keep showers brief. An average shower uses 2.5 gallons per minute.
- Refrain from washing partial loads of laundry and dishes.
- Turn off the water while brushing teeth, shaving and washing hands.
- If washing dishes by hand, do not let the water run.
- Fill a plastic one-quart bottle with water and place it in the toilet tank. This can save five or more gallons per day per a family of four.
- Keep a jug of water in the refrigerator so the tap doesn't have to be run until the water cools.

REMEMBER: **Fort Benning has issued new water restrictions. All outdoor watering will be limited to 30 minutes or less. Even-numbered addresses are now allowed to water on Mondays and Fridays only while odd-numbered addresses are restricted to Tuesdays and Saturdays. All watering must be done by hand.**

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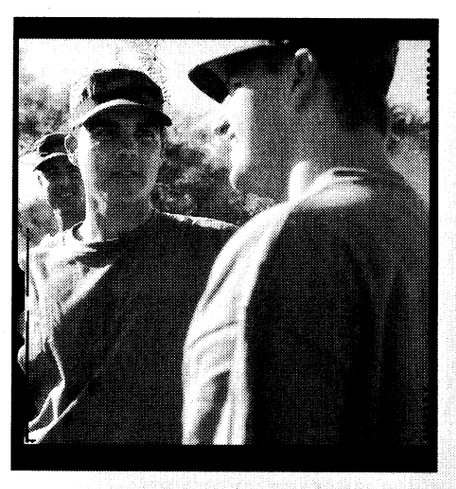

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Soldiers aim high during qualification

BRM phase marks high point of Soldier's training

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

This is the third story of a six part series, which takes an in-depth look at basic training.

Soldiers from D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, faced what has been called one of the most mentally demanding parts of basic training Saturday — basic rifle marksmanship.

The one-day test is said to be more stressful on the Soldiers than any other part of basic, said 1st Sgt. James Luze, company first sergeant.

"The day of qualification is mentally the hardest for the Soldiers," Luze said. "They are just scared they won't qualify."

To cope with the stress, drill sergeants play a different role when it comes to qualification day.

Trainees will be pampered the night before qualification, Luze said. The drill sergeants make sure the Soldiers are prepared and tell them they need to be confident but not too cocky.

"The drill sergeants will also loosen up any nervousness by telling jokes and using other humor," Luze said.

The day before the actual qualification, the Soldiers have one last practice to work on their nerves and learn the course of fire.

"They build the range up to be some sort of monster," Luze said. "As long as they keep their focus, they will do well. We tell them just to do their best and to go for it."

Pvt. Alan Lawry shot the first expert qualification of the day.

"I did great," he said. "I got a 36 (the minimum for an expert score). I really wanted to get a 40, but I am really happy about the 36," he said.

After he fired his first magazine, Lawry said he was worried he wouldn't do as well as he hoped.

"I only hit 17 in the fox hole," he said. "The 100 meter target really got me, because I just wasn't taking my time and concentrating.

"I just talked to myself and started to breathe deep and hit 19 while in the prone unsupported position.

Pvt. Michael Stanley said he never fired a weapon before joining the Army but he did what he was told and shot better than he expected.

"Yesterday I barely passed, but today I felt good," Stanley said. "I did exactly what the drill sergeants told me to do and got expert. I am so proud."

Although two expert scores and many marksman and sharpshooter scores were taken, not all the Soldiers qualified on their first try.

Those Soldiers were sent to a drill sergeant who calmed their nerves to get them ready to qualify the next time.

"We tell them to relax and just to have a good time," said Staff Sgt. Stanley Mitchell, one of the D Co. drill sergeants. "The Soldiers who didn't make it the first time will be sent to retrain, tighten up their shot groups and work on their fundamentals, then will go again."

Even if the Soldiers don't qualify their second time out, none are written off as a failure.

"It is possible for the Soldiers to attempt to qualify two times today," Luze said. "If they still don't make it, we focus on them and work with them.

"They will get a chance to get back out and qualify prior to graduation," he said. "We don't write any of the Soldiers off."

> "The day of qualifications is mentally the hardest for Soldiers."
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> **— 1st Sgt. James Luze**
> D Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt.



Pfc. Mark Watson
Pvt. Jeremy Reed admires his Sharpshooter Badge while 1st Sgt. James Luze pins him after BRM qualifications.

13th CSB takes away more than dust from NTC

Soldiers learn readiness, limitations

1st Lt. Raquel Riley
13th Corps Support Battalion

The wind storms have quieted and the howls of the coyotes have faded since the Soldiers from the 13th Corps Support Battalion wiped their boots off from another rotation to the National Training Center.

Many stories have been written about the great work Soldiers did out at the National Training Center, but one question remains — did they learn anything?

Transporting millions of supplies over a distance equating to a little over one time around the earth the "Road Dawgs" had their fair share of lessons learned, said Capt. Lisa Saulsbery, commander of the 104th Transportation Company.

"The Soldiers learned their limitations," Saulsbery said. "We were running a 24-hour a day mission — some Soldiers would start a mission at 8 a.m. and not even return until maybe 3 a.m. the next morning. It was a challenge."

A cook from the 104th said he learned lessons on cooking in larger quantities.

Feeding more than 4,000 Soldiers was really good training, said Staff Sgt. Toby L. Floy, a section sergeant.

"In doing so, I had the chance to meet a lot of different Soldiers from different duty stations."

Other Soldiers learned a few skills outside of their daily jobs.

While the 598th Maintenance Company provided support to 3rd Brigade, they also went above and beyond their normal duties. "Sling load operations" were added to their resumes.

"When routes were cut off due to 'enemy' contact, and parts for vehicles were still needed, our Soldiers helped get the parts to their destinations via aircraft," said Capt. Janelle Woodbury, company commander.

All lessons learned did not come directly from the training center.

Though only a small element from the 608th Ordnance Company traveled to the training center to give ammunition support, many lessons were learned from those supporting the mission here on.

As the acting rear detachment commander during the rotation, 1st Lt. Mike Hearn learned a few lessons of his own about readiness.

"Soldier Readiness Packets and Family Care Plans were a big issue," Hearn said.

"The better we prepare ourselves and our families for deployments, the easier the deployment will be on everyone."

One family member agreed communication with her deployed fiancee, was a major key to their wedding.

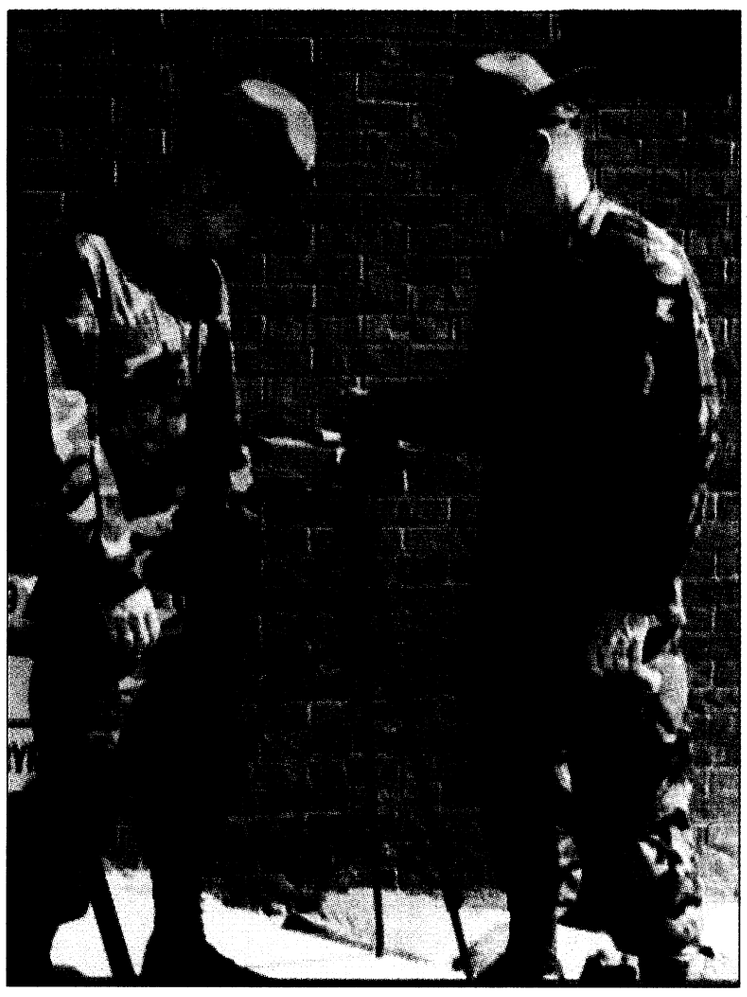
Tina Copelin, wife of 608th Soldier Sgt. Alphonso Copelin, said the phone calls she received from her, husband, were imperative to planning their marriage.

"I talked to him every other day, so I was able to send necessary paperwork to him to get the ball rolling.

I was glad I was able to talk to him so often. It made the process easier for both of us to deal with."

All these lessons and many more learned from NTC will follow the 13th CSB to their next NTC rotation in May 2000. Training as they fight, they are truly prepared for war.

Safety first



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Staff Sgt. Daniel Gomez (left) and Staff Sgt. Keith Quesnell, drill sergeants from B Company, 2nd Battalion, 333rd Infantry (IT), 84th Division, calculate a wet bulb to determine the heat category index.

Soldiers hone warfighting skills through books

Joe Burlas
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Army leaders are hoping today's warriors will continue to hone their warfighting skills and learn more about the Army's heritage beyond the normal duty day by undertaking a voluntary, self-paced reading program in their spare time.

The new course of study is the Army chief of staff's recommended professional reading list. It was released in mid-June to major Army commands for further distribution down to company-level units.

"The professional reading list is a list for all leaders," said Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, Army chief of staff, in the list's cover letter.

"We can never spend too much time thinking about our profession. There is no better way to develop the sure knowledge and confidence required of America's most demanding occupation than a disciplined, focused commitment to a personal course of reading and study."

The list contains the titles of 40 books divided evenly among four hierarchical and progressive smaller lists.

Which list Soldiers should start depends on where they are in their careers in terms of experience, education and the level of responsibility they currently hold. For example, a cadet or sergeant would start with the first list, while a division commander or sergeant major would begin reading the last list.

The various titles on the list also complement each other and the required reading found in the formal study of the officer and enlisted schools, according to Brig. Gen. John S. Brown, commander of the Army Center for Military History and the Army's chief of military history.

While the Center for Military History was assigned as the program's executive agent, Brown quickly pointed out the list truly was Shinseki's.

"The chief has been involved all throughout the process of developing this reading list. It was his idea and it serves the purposes he stated he wanted when he had us start work on the list."

Brown explained the purposes — encourage habits of reading and reflection; sustain intellectual growth between attendance at the various formal institutional schools; facilitate officer and NCO professional self-development; and deepen each Soldier's appreciation of their military heritage.

List one

For cadets, Soldiers and junior NCOs — *Band of Brothers* by Stephen Ambrose, *The Long Grey Line* by Rick Atkinson, *The Greatest Generation* by Tom Brokaw, *This Kind of War* by T. R. Fehrenbach, *America's First* Battles by Charles E. Heller and William A. Stofft, *A Concise History of the U.S. Army: 225 Years of Service* by David W. Hogan Jr., *The Face of Battle* by John Keegan, *We Were Soldiers Once and Young* by Harold Moore and Joe Galloway, *Once An Eagle* by Anton Myrer and *The Killer Angels* by Michael Shaara.

List two

For company grade officers and company cadre NCOs — *Citizen Soldiers* by Stephen Ambrose, *The War to End All Wars* by Edward Coffman, *The Soldier and the State* by Samuel P. Huntington, *Embattled Courage: The Experience of Combat in the American Civil War* by Gerald F. Linderman, *Company Commander* by Charles B. MacDonald, *Men Against Fire: The Problem of Battle Command in Future War* by S. L. A. Marshall, *For the Common Defense* by Allan R. Millett and Peter Maslowski, *Certain Victory* by Robert H. Scales Jr., *General George C. Marshall: Soldier-Statesman of the American Century* By Mark A. Stoler, *Buffalo Soldiers (Black Saber Chronicles)* by Tom Willard.

List 3

For field grade officers and senior NCOs.— *East of Chosin by Roy Appleman, Army for Empire* by Graham Cosmas, *The Evolution of U.S. Tactical Doctrine, 1946-76* by Robert Doughty, *Jomini and His Summary of the Art of War* by Antoine Henri Jomini, *Three Battles: Arnaville, Altuzzo, and Schmidt* by Charles B. MacDonald, *Battle Cry of Freedom* by James McPherson, *The Challenge of Command* by Roger H. Nye, *Summons of the Trumpet* by Dave Palmer, *Supplying War* by Martin Van Creveld.

List 4

For senior leaders above brigade level — *On War* by Carl von Clausewitz, edition by Paret and Howard, *Command Decisions* by Kent Greenfield, *War in European History* by Michael Howard, *The Rise and Fall of Great Powers* by Paul Kennedy, *Diplomacy* by Henry Kissinger, *Military Innovation in the Interwar Period* by Williamson Murray and Alan R. Millett, *Thinking in Time* by Neustadt and May, *Makers of Modern Strategy* by Peter Paret, *An American Profession of Arms* by William Skelton, *On Strategy* by Harry Summers, *The Peloponnesian War* by Thucydides.

Training brigade welcomes commander

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Ranger hospitality has improved in two decades. At least that's the conclusion Col. Hazen Baron reached Monday morning upon assuming command of the Ranger Training Brigade.

"In January of 1978 when I reported in as a prospective Ranger student, I received a somewhat different reception at the Ranger Training Brigade," Baron recalled. "It's encouraging to see Ranger hospitality has improved immensely in the ensuing 22 years."

Col. Frank Helmick relinquished command of the RTB to Baron in front of the Ranger Memorial.

Helmick's next assignment will be with the Joint Staff, Combating Terrorism Directorate, in Washington, D.C.

Citing Helmick's personal touch and leadership, Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne said the RTB commander always found a way to spotlight the Ranger instructor and not himself.

"Frank, you believe Ranger School is the toughest there is in the Department of Defense, in the world. You have lived it, experienced it, and you have proven that Ranger School is probably the best life insurance any Soldier or Marine can have," Le Moyne said.



Sally Shutt

Col. Frank Helmick (left), outgoing Ranger Training Brigade commander stands with Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne and new commander Col. Hazen Baron.

During Helmick's two-year command, the graduation rate for Ranger School increased from 66 percent to about 74 percent, Le Moyne said.

In his farewell remarks, Helmick thanked "first and foremost" the Ranger instructors who served under his command.

"They are the best in the business. They do more and ask for less than any other group of Soldiers I've ever been associated with," he said.

Helmick also recognized commanders and leaders from the RTB's three battalions — the 4th Ranger Training Battalion at Fort Benning, 5th Ranger Training Battalion at Camp Frank D. Merrill in Dahlonega, Ga., and the 6th Ranger Training Battalion at Camp James E. Rudder, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

"This is the last time I will wear the black beret," Helmick said. "It has been an honor to serve the Ranger community, to serve Fort Benning, to serve our Infantry and to serve our Army."

Roses were presented to Helmick's wife, Melissa, and the couple's daughters, Jane and Christina, for their contributions to the brigade.

Baron comes to Fort Benning from Washington, D.C., where he served as the chief, Army Initiatives Group, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, Department of Army.

He has held command and leadership positions at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Fort Richardson, Alaska, and Fort Bragg, N.C. He has also served in a variety of staff positions from battalion to Army and joint levels.

Joining Baron at Fort Benning are his wife, Jolyn, and son Kenton. Daughter Karissa is a junior at Wake Forest University, and son Hazen is a freshman at Northeastern.

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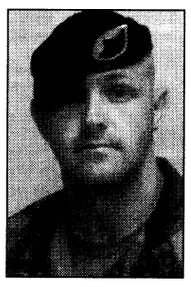
Sgt. 1st Class Thomas G. Siter
Lake City Fla.
Ranger Training Brigade



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Award: Ranger Instructor of the Cycle

What is your greatest challenge as an Ranger Instructor: The toughest part of being a Ranger instructor is providing a rigorous training that will push each Ranger student to his physical and mental limit.

But the same time motivate him to exceed those limits and stretch the boundaries of what he thinks he is capable of doing.

I have Soldiers during zero week who arrive from duty stations all over the world.

Many have not acclimated to the extremely dangerous heat in this region. That further complicates my mission as safety is always the first consideration.

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EXCELLENCE ACCOMPLISHED...

The following describes major improvements made during the last two fiscal years in the investment of Soldier and family dollars. These improvements are key Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) Capital Purchase and Minor Construction (CPMC) accomplishments and are not inclusive of all improvements made during this reporting period. Our annual goal for total CPMC investment of Soldiers and family MWR program dollars is 100 percent of the NIBD earned Our CPMC investment for FY 97 was 97 percent of the NIBD earned and 120 percent in FY 98.

Destin, Florida
To better serve our customers we:
• Added 20 motel units
• Purchased 3 paddle boats
• Replaced boat motors
• Conducted environmental assessment
• Painted exterior of cabins
• Installed carpet in lobby and office areas
• 'Upgraded computer to include reservation system
• Replaced pool furniture
• Replaced carpet in 14-unit motel
• Purchased 4 jet skis
• Installed in-room phone system in all lodging units
• Completed $2.6M NAF major construction project to provide a model facility with underground utilities, paved driveways and roads, modern security gate, a new bathhouse and low maintenance attractive landscaping
• Initiated repair of seawall which is ongoing and should be completed Jan 00
• Completed the design of and began construction on a complete renovation of the marina; makeover should be completed by Mar 00
• Completed 46 paved RV pads with full hook-ups (including cable TV, internet access and phone) on all sites

Uchee Creek
With more and more customers using the Uchee Creek
Campground and Marina, we:
• Added 20 additional campsites complete with full hook up
• Paved additional roadways, driveways, and parking aprons as well as the patio area for 43 campsites
• Replaced and added grills, lantern hangers, picnic tables, and benches throughout the campground
• Expanded the campground, while continuing to landscape the area to ensure a pleasant and attractive environment for our camping customers
• Constructed comfort station for a total of three installed sewage mound systems
• Installed sewage mound system
• Renovated two well houses to meet EPA standards
• Constructed fishing dock with handicap access
• Purchased 10 flat bottom boats and replaced furniture in cabins
• Removed dead trees
• Replaced outboard motors
• Replaced computer equipment
• Replaced TVs and VCRs in cabins
• Purchased three 20' campers, two bass buggies and ten canoes

Clubs
In response to our customers' preferences for leisure activities, the Fort Benning club system:
• Replaced HVAC system in Building 129
• Prepared area for a name brand pizza concession to serve all Soldiers and families on main post
• Renovated the Officers' Club swimming pool.
• Renovated the Sand Hill NCO Club with new carpeting, paint, furniture and fixtures
• Established a Pizza Hut concession in the Sand Hill NCO Club to support all Soldiers and families in the Sand Hill area
• Established Subway Sandwich Shop concession as part of the Sledgehammer Lounge NCO annex to support all Soldiers and families in the Kelley Hill area (commence operations Jan 2000)
• Renovated Players Lounge in the Main NCO Club
• Started renovation to right size the Officers' Club, Lexington Room, Rally Point; maintain the Regimental Room ceiling and modernize kitchens to support all catering at Fort Benning

Automotive Skills Center
A new state-of-the-art automotive skills center opened in November 1998. This facility provides
Soldiers and family members with the latest in automotive skills development The $3.9M NAF
major construction project provides a comprehensive facility consisting of:
• 42 bays
• 36 general repair bays
• 4 body shop bays
• 2 welding bays
• Parts washing area and paint booth
• Tool room, classroom, two restrooms with showers, a lobby area, admin office, storage, and mechanical rooms
Patrons are able to purchase auto parts and accessories on the premises, which is open seven days a week for customer convenience

Bowling
In keeping our bowling program #1 in TRADOC and customer satisfaction we:
• Renovated Main Post Bowling Center snack bar and concourse area
• Renovated Mall and Main Post Bowling Center bathrooms

Follow Me Golf Course
Our customer focus during this reporting period has been on providing quality fairways, greens and tees, as well as the necessary equipment for maintaining high quality course conditions. More specifically, we are seeing course conditions improve substantially over the past two years as a result of new maintenance equipment and intensive management by the greens superintendent and his crew for continuous quality service to our golf customers we:
• Renovated 50 percent of the irrigation system and course itself
• Purchased Re-sprigged nine fairways
• 35 new carts
• Removed damaged trees
• Renovated greens
• Developed a master plan for the course based upon an evaluation performed by a PGA consultant
• Purchased new equipment
• Replaced air conditioner in club house
• Replaced 20 sets of golf clubs
• Purchased aerator

Fitness Centers
To provide customers with the latest in exercise machine technology:
• Purchased $80,000 in new fitness equipment
• Reduced Building 4 fitness center in size; excess equipment moved to other gyms and CONUS Replacement Center
• Refinished gym floor at Briant Wells Field House
• Bought $40,000 of exercise equipment and distributed to Dahlonega Ranger Camp, Kelley Hill Fitness Center and other gyms

Fort Benning Guest House
To modernize our facility we:
• Installed a state-of-the-art reservation system
• Added a new Sprint telephone system with feature buttons for local advertisements, an automated attendant; voice mail and wake-up call service
• Internet service provided at no charge to the guest

Fort Benning Transient Lodging Facility
To better serve our out-of-town guests and family members we:
• Renovated 72 guest rooms in Building 399 at a cost of $1.4M and should be completed in early spring of FY 00
• Replaced guest furniture in Building 83, first floor, approximately 100 guestrooms.
• Replaced carpet in 96 guestrooms within Building 399, "(3" Section.)
• Hairdryers are being added to each room
• Updated common areas, i.e., guest laundry rooms, guest latrines and stairways in Buildings 83 and 75
• Added a new state-of-the-art reservation system
• Installed a new telephone system with Internet service provided at no charge to our guests
• Opened a new in-house laundry facility

Youth Services
The Installation Middle School and Teen Program operating in conjunction with Youth Services provides:
• Designated areas within the youth centers to enjoy air hockey, foosball and 32" television.
• Customers who have 11 and 12-year-old family members take advantage of free structured programs during after-school hours and full-day hours on school out days.
• A computer/homework center has been added and is being used by all age groups.
• Educational, tutorial, game, cooking and defensive driving software is available
• A monitoring system has been installed in the Youth Services gym to ensure the safety of participants

Car Wash
To better serve our customers we:
• Renovated self-service car wash bays with state-of-the-art equipment
• Completed a new "roll-over" drive through car wash

Other Activities
Other areas of customer focus include the following:

Laundromats
In direct response to customer feedback we:
• Air conditioned the laundromat
• Replaced washers and dryers
• Replaced hot water heater, consolidated Main Post and Kelley Hill Laundromats
• Bought three commercial size washers

Amusement Center (Arcade)
• Added outdoor basketball at the arcade
• Added Cybernet CafÈ with 6 computers featuring e-mail, internet service and the latest computer based interactive games

Equipment Rental
• Began construction of self-storage units at the Equipment Rental Office; scheduled to be completed by Feb 00

Russ Pond
Using ACOE dollars we:
• Removed 150 20-ton truckloads of materials
• Realigned drainage between lake and installed a new drainage system
• Increased lake level from 4 feet (before construction) to 13 feet deep, utilizing emergency spillway
• Re-landscaped and exposed underground sewage and drainage
• Hydro-seeded all exposed dirt
• Opened the landscape to provide a more aesthetic view

CONUS Replacement Center
• Provided games, computers, pool table, books. TVs, movies
• Established and operate a recreation center for Soldiers being in or out processed for contingency operations
• Excess equipment from Building 4 fitness Center

FAMILY PROGRAM EXCELLENCE...

Army Community Service (ACS) will celebrate its 35th birthday on July 25th, 2000. Fort Benning's excellent community service programs are designed to assist commanders in providing family support services to Soldiers and their families. The following represent some of the Fort Benning ACS accomplishments during the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

Family Advocacy Program (FAP)
The FAP focuses on child and spouse abuse prevention and education. The "First Steps" program has expanded, reaching more than 1200 family members, primarily assisted by 14 trained volunteers. The FAP serviced more than 3,000 Soldiers and family members during 19 pre-deployment briefings. The FAP sponsored the second Domestic Violence Conference in March 1999 for local tri-community (Fort Benning, Columbus, and Phenix City) professionals. The FAP staff now includes a training specialist and Victim Advocate.

Army Emergency Relief (AER)
Army Emergency Relief provides emergency financial assistance in the form of grants and loans to members of the Armed Forces and family members. AER provided $654,147 in loans to 799 clients and $86,738 in grants to 103 clients to assist Soldiers (active duty and retired) and widows of the community. The 1999 Annual AER Campaign received contributions in excess of $178,295.

Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)
The FMEAP offers assistance to family members who are seeking employment. It is provided through employment information that includes private sector job bank, personal training development workshops, individual job search assistance, and counseling for skill identification and employment options. In the FY 99 time frame, 667 Soldiers and family members placed in jobs, which resulted in $6.87 million in additional income for military families.

Consumer Affairs/Financial Assistance Program (CAFAP)
The CAFAP ~ offers information, education, and individual counseling, and assistance in consumer issues, financial planning, family budgeting, and debt management matters. During the FY99 period, 1,584 individuals received training in 121 classes. The CAFAP also sponsors consumer workshops, such as the quarterly car-buying seminar. Soldiers/families returned a total of $130,259 to creditors in debt liquidation programs.

Utility Coordination Center (UCC)
The UCC allows newly arriving Soldiers to obtain utility services (water, power, gas, and telephone) at a single location. The UCC in/out processed 6,563 Soldiers and returned $122,054 to the participating utility companies in FY99. The UCC provides the convenience of one-stop utility connections and disconnections. Soldiers with good credit standings are not required to pay deposit to have their utility service initiated.

Relocation Assistance Program (RAP)
During the FY99 time frame, RAP provided relocation information to 5,533 Soldiers; assisted 25 family members in completing citizenship classes; provided Lending Locker assistance to 125 Soldiers and their families; and conducted Newcomer/Spouse Orientations for 375 Soldiers and spouses.

Emergency Food Locker
The ACS Food Locker assisted 224 clients with a two-day supply of emergency food during FY99.
During the holiday season, turkeys were provided to needy Soldiers and military retired families. Food Locker items are made available through the generosity of private organizations, food drives, commissary vendors, and local businesses.

Army Family Team Building (AFTB)
Designed as a survivor course for Army spouses, AFTB is targeted toward new people in the Army, leaders in the community, or anyone interested in updating personal skills or basic knowledge. AFTB, a total volunteer program under the auspices of ACS, celebrated its fifth birthday on December 16, 1999. All AFTB courses and materials are available and free to Soldiers, family members, and DA civilians. During the FY99 time frame, 1,544 individuals participated in AFTB training at Fort Benning.

School Age Services (SAS)
During the summer FY99, the SAS program offered various educational/recreational activities for children. This was at no extra cost to the parents. The SAS Computer Lab instructor designed, implemented and trained staff (CDC, FCC, SAS) on basic computer skills to help meet training requirements. Effective 1 October, the program added the USDA Food Program. This allows for a nutritious breakfast and snack to be served to all children enrolled in the program. A bowling league was implemented in the fall of FY99. Demand increased from one league to two. An ACS Food Drive was set up within the SAS program to donate canned goods to ACS. In FY00, SAS children will volunteer to Christmas Carol around the installation and provide a "Tree of Giving" to give items to the needy. In FY00 the engineers are expected to have completed designs to install an air conditioning unit at Patch Hall.

These types of programs help to improve the quality of life and the well being of Fort Benning's community.

IDENTIFYING AND REWARDING EXCELLENCE...

Soldiers, family members, and dedicated employees are our reason for existence. MWR stays in touch with patrons' needs, wants, and desires with the aid of the Mystery Shopper Program, comment cards, a new website addition, formal and informal research, and direct interaction.

Mystery Shopper Program
Facilities are shopped anonymously by use of telephone and in-person visits. Customer service elements such as store appearance, courtesy of employees, and quality of product and services are evaluated. The Fort Benning MWR Mystery Shopper Program measures excellence, drives the training program, and provides incentives to employees who deliver superb customer service.

Employee Recognition
Employees demonstrating excellent customer service receive a DA Certificate of Commendation and monetary award, recognition as superb employees of the month, quarter, and year, quarterly CG Breakfast recognition, and recognition at the retreat ceremonies.

Comment Cards
Comment cards are one of the older methods of gathering data; yet still one of the most effective. In FY99 we received over 5,821 comment cards from patrons. The cards are analyzed and many suggestions are implemented into the MWR system. Recently, a Customer Service Report Card was designed to display customer comment ratings for each activity with specific comments to employees shown on the Report Card. The document has proven to be a very beneficial tool for employee feedback (an area identified as weak in our DCA Climate Survey)

Fort Benning MWR Website
Our patrons can now access the Fort Benning MWR from around the globe at http\:www.benningmwr.com. This site provides a world of information, both of a local and national scope, and will serve to gather patrons' feedback from around the world. This site currently receives over 50,000 visits per year.

Marketing Research
The Fort Benning MWR has led the way within Department of Army MWR operations in listening to, and acting upon feedback from Soldiers and their family members. DCA uses a variety of formal and informal research methods to determine objective and scientific based needs of our patrons. The Fort Benning MWR performed its first triennial survey in 1988. Following the 1988 survey, there have been four Triennial Needs Assessments performed and include the 1991, 1994, 1996, 1999 surveys. The 1994 and 1996 assessments were both administered by the Department of the Army Community and Family Support Center while the 1991 and 1999 were performed locally. Historical five-year planning and execution data, coupled with financial results and customer utilization rates, clearly show the wisdom of using formal research in making business based investment decisions.

"Standards of Excellence"
"Standards of Excellence" are written goals for each facility. Each "Standard of Excellence" is placed in common areas for viewing by patrons. "Standards of Excellence" are not limited to just MWR locations, but have been implemented post-side. MWR's "Standards of Excellence" vision is that all customers who visit our facilities leave with assurance that we are friendly, helpful, and appreciative of their business.

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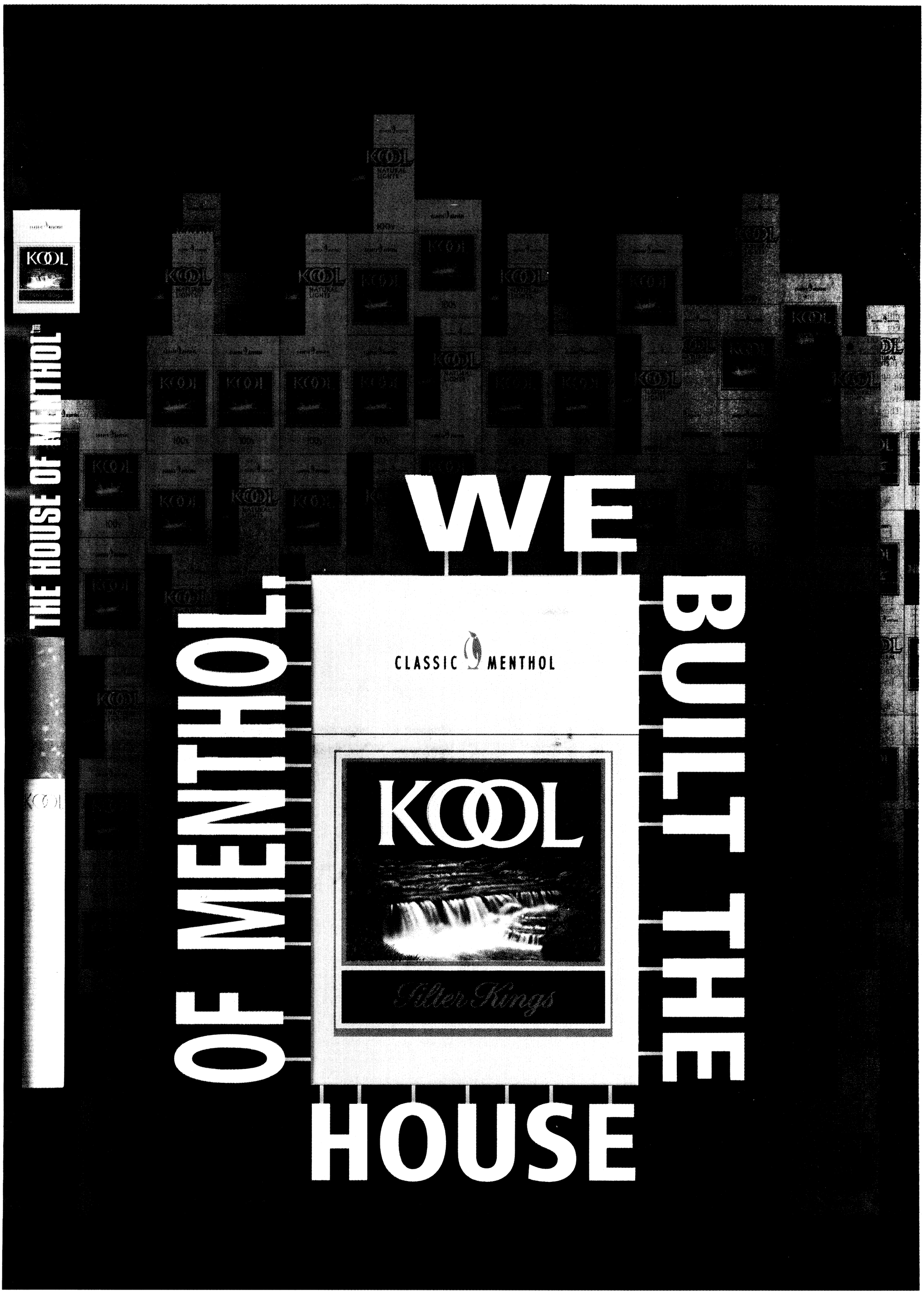

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COMMUNITY

Pack 'em up, move 'em out

Transportation, Housing officials busy with moving

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Moving is a rite of summer for military families. Moving vans started lining the streets in housing areas on post almost as soon as school ended back in June and will continue to be familiar sights until September.

For transportation, housing and lodging officials, this is peak season.

About 200 people a day are dropping by the transportation office to schedule pick up or delivery of household goods, said Liz Hervey, transportation assistant.

Three local moving agents went out of business earlier this summer, affecting moving dates for about 25 families, Hervey said.

"We've had a lot of upset people," she said. "This is one summer we won't forget."

Other carriers, many already booked, were called upon to take on the additional jobs, but even then delays resulted and schedules were affected in the shuffle.

One option available to people who are pushed to reach their next assignment by a certain date is to move it themselves, and transportation officials are encouraging many to rent their own trucks.

"If they can't wait, we encourage them to do a DITY (Do It Yourself) move," Hervey said.

To avoid some problems, she suggested as soon as orders arrive, Soldiers should contact the transportation office to set up an appointment to come into the office and talk with an assistant who will set up a date for pick up.

A CLOSER LOOK

For PCSing assistance:

- Call the Transportation office at 545-4900 or drop by Building 280 on Transportation Lane.
- Family Housing Office can be reached at 545-2990 or visit the Fort Benning Home Page at www-benning.army.mil/FBHOME/ and click on Housing on the web index.
- Call the Guest House for reservations at 689-0067, extension 1142.

"Don't wait around thinking you have time," she said.

The Family Housing Office will turn over about 1,700 quarters this summer or about 41 percent of its inventory of homes.

"That's a little higher than in past years," said Ron Smith, chief of the Family Housing Branch, Directorate of Public Works.

The turnover time for quarters varies from four to 20 working days depending on the amount of work required after occupants leave.

Families arriving at Fort Benning will find waiting lists exist for all housing areas. The waiting times for junior enlisted is running from three to six months with 332 families on the list.

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Sally Shutt

Issac Edmond, Phenix Moving and Storage, straps a box closed Tuesday while packing for a family from Norton Court.

Soldier becomes Colonist for film

Engineer takes leave for *The Patriot*

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

One Fort Benning Soldier answered a "call to arms" last fall and found himself on the front lines of a revolution.

While stationed at Fort Jackson, S.C., Capt. Craig Sumners responded to an advertised casting call for Roland Emmerich's production of *The Patriot* starring Mel Gibson. More than 1,000 men auditioned for the parts as extras, and Sumners was one of several hundred selected to play a Colonial Soldier in the film about the Revolutionary War.

"It's really funny how I ended up getting a part," said Sumners, now the engineer branch chief at the U.S. Army Infantry School. "My wife actually called the casting department when she read about it in the newspaper. They didn't need any women at that time, but she called me at work to tell me they were looking for men to play Soldiers. At first I just laughed it off. But then I thought, why not? You only live once. So I decided to give it a whirl."

Sumner's audition was a series of grueling sprints up and down hills and a few quick measurements to see if he "fit the suit."

"They needed men who were in pretty good shape because of the physical demands of filming long hours in the hot sun, running up and down hills and doing hand-to-hand combat," he said.

"And they were only hiring people who fit in the costumes they already had on hand. If you were too big or too little they just couldn't use you."

Having qualified in both categories, Sumners took two weeks leave and traveled more than two hours daily from his Fort Jackson home to Rockhill, S.C., where filming began each morning at 3 a.m.

After making his morning rounds to the wardrobe, prop, accessories and make-up departments, he joined the hordes of cast members in the breakfast tent where they were briefed on the day's agenda before boarding buses that carried them to the various locations where the battle scenes were filmed. Sumners called this the "most unglamorous, glamorous part of the business."

"We worked 12-hour days, six days a week. We wore wool overcoats, vests, shirts, breeches, hats and wigs. It was hot and grueling," he said.

A typical day of filming involved hours of rehearsals and walk-throughs before film actually began rolling. The actors portraying Colonial and British Soldiers practiced choreographed battles for hours to ensure safety and historical accuracy, often

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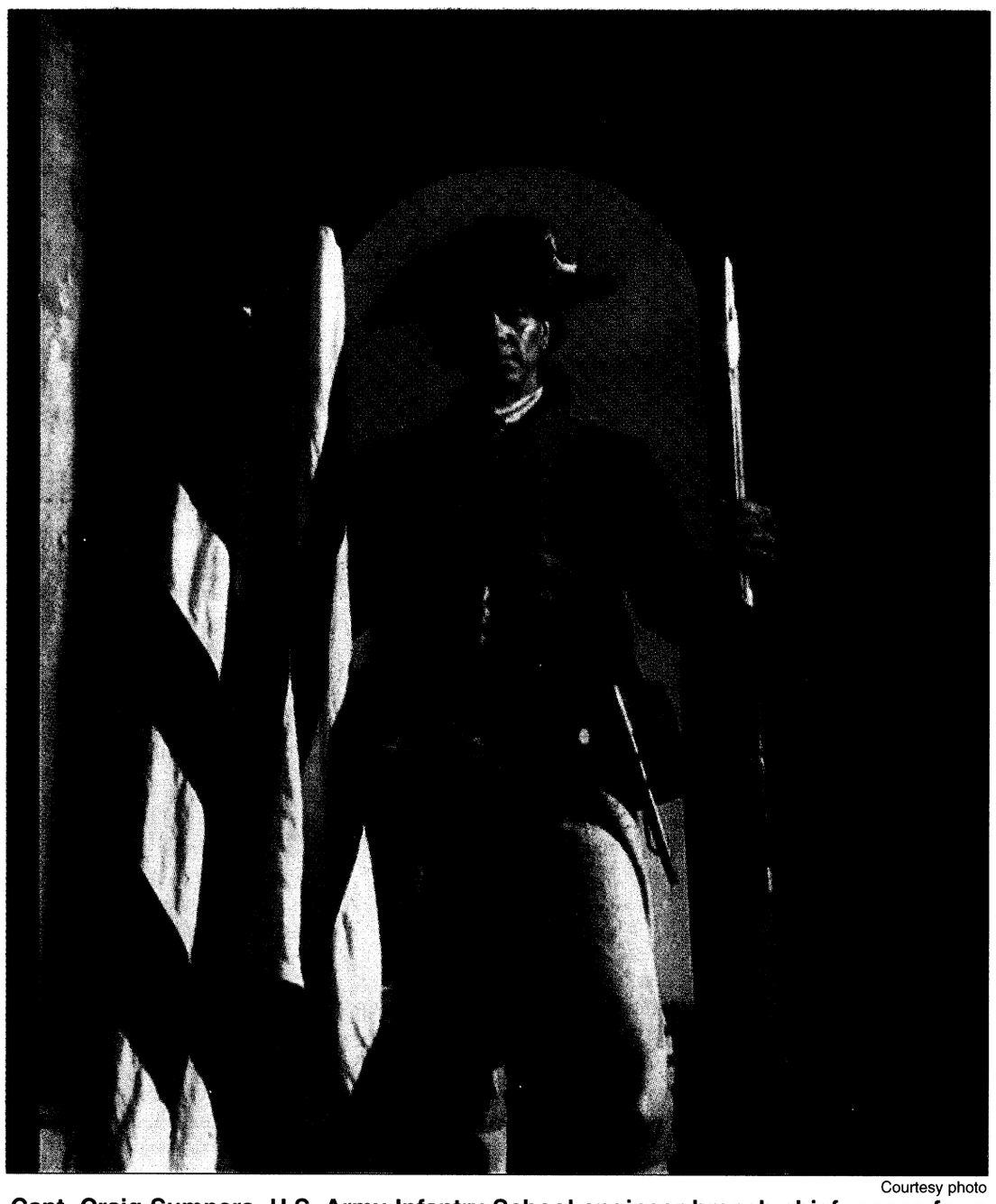

Courtesy photo

Capt. Craig Sumners, U.S. Army Infantry School engineer branch chief, poses for a picture while acting as a Revolutionary Soldier. He was an extra in *The Patriot*.

Protect furry friends from heat

Tips help keep animals safe from high temps

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

If Soldiers think they have it bad this summer having to wear BDUs, they should try spending the summer without sweat glands and wearing fur coats.

That's what dogs and cats have to do during the grueling heat of Georgia's summer months.

Without any sweat glands, dogs and cats keep cool by panting. But panting is just one way for dogs and cats to dissipate heat, they also use their instincts.

Many dogs dig holes close to the home's foundation or under a bush to create a cool place to lay.

For cats — traditionally more independent and more mobile than dogs — as long as they have access to inside the home or other shaded areas they should be fine during the summer, said Spc. Eric Zwicker, veterinary technician at Fort Benning Veterinarian Clinic.

Just because a pet shows signs of independence and good instincts, however, it doesn't mean that pet owners should dismiss the basics: shade, shelter and water.

Dogs especially need these three things during the summer in order to prevent heat exhaustion because they are confined to a fenced yard.

Shade comes in many forms: trees, bushes and overhangs.

One shade alternative for yards without trees or shrubs is to use an old tarp, or some other material that doesn't absorb too much heat, and put a cabana up, said Pamela Green, assistant shelter manager at the Muscogee County Humane Society.

She also suggests spraying down the ground to create a cool surface for the dog to lay on.

Many dog owners place a plastic kiddie pool in the yard for the dog to dip or soak in during the day.

Although a doghouse provides shade and shelter for the dog, it can still get very hot during the summer.

"Put the doghouse in the shade, under trees or bushes, otherwise it's kind of like a little hot box," said Dr. Jim Thorsen, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, a volunteer with the Muscogee County Humane Society.

The doghouse should be placed in a shaded area, but sometimes

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Living in quarters requires diplomacy

Community NCO helps to resolve neighbor conflict

Bridgett Siter
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Neighborly, by definition, means to behave in the manner of a neighbor, and our concept of neighborly behavior is traditionally defined by those we perceive as model neighbors — Lucy and Ethel, Fred and Barney — even Tim Taylor and his friend Wilson, always ready to lend an ear and impart a bit of his worldly wisdom over the backyard fence.

But when the family next door behaves more like the Hatfields and McCoys — threatening and belligerent and even physically violent — the word "neighborly" becomes a singular oxymoron.

"I'm afraid of my neighbor," said one Fort Benning resident, during the May 23 post-wide town hall meeting. "She's threatened me and my children and keyed my car two times. What can be done to stop her?"

The woman, who requested anonymity for fear of retaliation, said the hostile relations were rooted in a disagreement over parking spaces in front of their homes.

"She was using three parking spaces and apparently thought she had a right to do so. When I parked in front of my door in the only space available, she came into my yard and threatened to beat me up. She used racial slurs and cursed at my children."

That set the trend for a series of angry encounters and the frightened resident believed it was her neighbor who keyed her car twice while it sat in front of their homes. She called the police on numerous occasions, filed a written complaint at the military police station and used a hidden camcorder to catch her neighbor in the act of vandalism.

> "I'm scared to be alone, scared to go outside and scared to let my children play outside."
>
> **Fort Benning resident**

"I would move off post if it were feasible for us to do so right now," she said. "As it is, I'm scared to be alone, scared to go outside and scared to let my children play outside."

"Neighbor rage" is the catch-phrase of the day — the neighborhood equivalent of "road rage" — and an all-inclusive term for volatile behavior one neighbor exhibits when dealing with another.

Though Fort Benning has not experienced the same degree of violence as Columbus and surrounding communities, parking shortages and the living conditions unique to military families can cause potential problems in a confined community.

"A lot of our problems stem from misunderstandings about housing regulations," said Master Sgt. William McKithean, community life NCO for East Main Post. "Maybe it's people who are new to the military and don't understand what's expected of them when they live in quarters, or maybe it's the fact that school is out and parents are getting involved in the bickering that goes on between kids who have more time on their hands."

Whatever the reason, McKithean said community life NCOs are doing a lot of "baby-sitting" these days, responding to calls from residents who are angry at their neighbor or feel threatened by their neighbor about issues that can be resolved with common sense.

"What we're typically seeing is bad relations escalating over trivial problems. Say the kids squabble for a while then go back to being friends, but their parents can't let go of the hostility and they compound the problem by involving other neighbors who take sides with one

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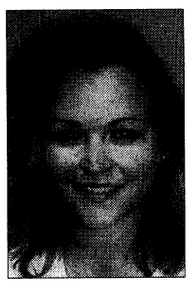
garden tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet correspondent



The County Cooperative Extension Service is offering a Master Gardener Program sponsored by the State of Georgia. This is an opportunity for anyone interested in gardening and volunteer service to get involved with their community.

The Master Gardner program is an organization that offers 40 hours of horticulture training in exchange for 50 hours of volunteer service. The volunteer service will be completed after a 20 session training program. The training program will cover such topics as landscape design, propagation and organic gardening.

There are a variety of choices for completing the 50 volunteer hours.

Volunteer assistance is needed for tasks ranging from phone work to conducting workshops. Enrollees will have until December 2001 to complete their volunteer hours.

Once the sessions and volunteer hours have been completed, each enrollee will receive a master Gardener Certificate. This certificate may be transferable to the state of you next duty station. People with Master Gardener certification in another state are encouraged to transfer their certification to Georgia by visiting the Extension office.

Master Gardeners are a welcome addition to Extension offices in many states. There is a strong need for skilled volunteers to complete area beautification programs. In addition to certification, graduates of the Muscogee and Chattahoochee program receive a one year membership to the Master Gardener state Association. Those interested will be given the opportunity to be charter members of developing the Muscogee Master Gardener Association.

The sessions will begin Sept. 12 and run through Nov. 30. Classes will be held at the County Extension Office on Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Interested residents can contact me at Columbus Gardener@ aol.com. There is no prior education or training in horticulture needed to enroll. There is a $70 fee for the books and materials required for the course. The deadline for application is Aug. 24.

If you would like more information or an application contact ColumbusGardener@aol.com.

Editor's note: *Jennifer White is a student at Columbus State University and enrolled in the Columbus Cooperative Extension Service's Master Gardner Program.*

Neighbors: Impact community life

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party or the other," he said.

"They are doing the right thing by calling us, but the situation could be defused if they just realized the impact their behavior could have on their spouse's career."

Post residents must live in harmony with their neighbors, and to disrupt community harmony constitutes a violation of housing policy according to garrison regulation. Fort Benning policy is to notify the garrison commander when a resident has violated housing regulations or failed to heed warnings about regulation infringement three times.

"We're not going to move everybody around until they're satisfied with the people they live next to," said Command Sgt. Maj. Kenneth Graham, garrison command sergeant major. "We get these kind of complaints in our office about twice a week, and we take them very seriously. We can't regulate how someone feels about their neighbor, only how they behave toward them. We don't tolerate violence or any kind of behavior that disturbs the harmony of the community."

Graham said the majority of problems that reach his office are minor issues, such as barking dogs and disagreements over parking spaces.

"Most of the time it becomes a matter of tattletelling back and forth, a 'he said — she said' kind of situation that can easily be resolved when we involve their chain of command. We have 4,000 sets of quarters on post, so when you look at the big picture, we really get along very well on the whole."

Fort Benning rarely experiences the kind of violence civilian communities face, said 1st Lt. Esteban Gutierrez, chief of law enforcement operations.

"We have maybe two or three calls a day from people complaining about their neighbors, and it rarely stems from violent behavior. It's usually dogs barking or loud domestic disputes," he said. "For the most part, people abide by the rules, because they know they have to do so in a military community."

Gutierrez said cases are assessed on an individual basis, and actual physical violence would result in assault charges according to the Georgia state code. Like Graham, Gutierrez said more often than not, one call to the resident's company commander will end any further problems.

"We (MPs) don't have the resources to follow up on every situation we encounter like the unit does. When we respond to this kind of call and it's a nonthreatening situation, we always recommend that the chain of command gets involved."

The first step toward resolving bad relations is to approach the neighbor in a non-violent manner and discuss the problem, Graham said. If that doesn't work, he recommends calling first the area coordinator or the community life NCO for your housing area.

The CLNCO will assess the situation and attempt to help both parties come to an agreeable solution. If necessary the CLNCO will contact the resident's unit commander or the garrison commander.

"We haven't had a situation yet that couldn't be resolved by involving both service members who reside in the quarters and their chain of command," Graham said. "Living in post quarters is a privilege and once they realize they are jeopardizing that privilege, they come to an agreement as quickly as possible."

Movie: Teaches Soldier about acting

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repeating one scene eight or 10 times before the director was satisfied.

"It was dangerous at times because there were so many people on the battlefield at once and there were horses on the field and simulated explosions everywhere," Sumners said.

"The worst part was inhaling all the pyro-dust. When the explosives went off the air became very dense with dust and dirt. Then we'd take a break until everyone cleared their eyes and stopped coughing."

Though Sumners didn't get the chance to meet the star of the film, he did find himself standing next to Gibson during filming. He said there appeared to be an understood hierarchy among the cast, and extras weren't often given the opportunity to mingle with the character actors.

Sumners, his wife and two sons, ages 12 and 13, saw the movie when it opened at the Wynnsong Theatre on Fort Benning. Though he didn't recognize himself on the screen and didn't find his name among the credits — an honor reserved only for those with speaking parts — he said he enjoyed the experience of watching the finished project and knowing he had played a small role in its completion.

"I learned a thing or two about patience and tolerance," he laughed. "But it was really neat to learn all that goes on behind the scenes and all the work that goes into developing every single scene of a movie.

"When you see the final product it looks so simple and runs so smoothly that you don't realize all the work and sweat that went into every detail."

Faith Middle School registration open now

Fort Benning Schools

School begins Aug. 17 and registration is currently being held for students who plan to attend Faith Middle School from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the school.

All students planning to attend Faith Middle School during the 2000-2001 school year must be registered.

Registration for students who will be attending an elementary school will begin July 31 and continue through Aug. 11. Register elementary students at the school they'll attend.

If your child attended Fort Benning Schools last year, you must register by presenting an ID card. If your child is new to the Fort Benning Schools, you must register by bringing proof of Fort Benning residence or housing slip, ID card, any records from the previous school year and current immunization records, including the Varicella vaccine.

Keep water use to a minimum — Fort Benning is under a water restriction.

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on post

Spouse Orientation — The next Spouse Orientation program will be held at 8:45 a.m. today in Building 359, the Family Network Center. Newly assigned personnel will receive information about the installation's services and facilities.

For more information, call 545-4485.

First aid class — There will be a community first aid and safety class from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 22 in Building 2626. The cost is $34.

Class must be paid in full before the day of the class.

For more information, call 545-5195.

Road closure — Stewart Avenue will be closed between Running and Madden Avenues Monday-July 25 for the installation of sewer lines.

For more information, call 545-0333.

Troy State computer seminar — Troy State University and Solutions Technology will host a free seminar to discuss details of obtaining a Microsoft Certification from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Infantry Hall.

For more information, call 685-4500.

OWC sign-ups — The Officers' Wives' Club is seeking vendors, organizations and membership sign-ups.

They are also seeking instructors for activities such as basket making, drawing, painting and other activities.

For more information, call 682-5319.

ACS birthday — The Army Community Service will celebrate its 35th birthday July 25. the post ACS is hosting an open house from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Building 2624 and will serve free cake and refreshments.

Tot Town applications — Tot Town Child Development Center is seeking applications of children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old.

For more information, or to reserve a spot, call 689-8698.

ACS offices move — The Army Community Service Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program and the Relocation Program have relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2633 in Soldier's Plaza.

The phone number to schedule appointments is 545-5485.

The Army Community Service Relocation Program has relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2629. The new phone number is 545-4485.

For information, call Rebecca Welch, Family Advocacy program manager, at 545-7517.

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Literacy program volunteers — The Adult 1:1 Literacy program is seeking volunteer tutors and students.

The tutors will be trained and matched with adult students following a confidential assessment by the program coordinator.

Tutoring services are offered at different locations around Muscogee County and surrounding communities for convenience.

For more information on how to become a volunteer or a student, call 633-0369.

Police officers — The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department is seeking 75 law enforcement officers.

Testing for the positions will be at 9 a.m. July 26 in Building 2634 in Soldier's Plaza.

For more information, call (877) 525-6145 ext. 229.

Torch relays — There will be several Spirit of ADA Torch Relays in the area.

The relay supports the Americans with Disabilities Act and the 25th anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

On Saturday the relay will be in Montgomery, Ala.

On Wednesday, the relay will be in Warm Springs and Thursday through July 21 it will be in Atlanta.

For more information on the race in Montgomery, call (334) 353-0333.

For Warm Springs information, call 655-5718 and for information about the Atlanta relay, call (404) 350-7708.

Special Forces Association meeting — The Special Forces Association will hold a meeting at 5 p.m. Saturday at the VFW post 665 on Victory Drive.

For more information, call 707-0313 or 545-5634.

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Animals: Suffer heat exhaustion, death if not monitored

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even that's not enough during a 100-degree day.

"Many people air condition their doghouses," said Teresa Hedger, office manager of the Muscogee County Humane Society.

Here's how it works: Fill a gallon jug of water and put it in the freezer. Once it's frozen, place it inside the doghouse.

"It's instant air-conditioning. It cools down really fast," Hedger said.

"Dogs can even lick the water off the jug," Thorsen said.

After water, shade and shelter are taken care of, it is important to still watch the dog's behavior and habits for signs of heat exhaustion.

Although dogs cannot speak English to their owners to tell when they are overheating, they give other signs that are just as clear as if they said, "Help! It's hot, and I don't feel so good!"

Some of the telltale signs of heat exhaustion are:

- Rapid panting and heartbeat
- Dry nose
- Lethargy
- Tongue out to side and excessive "foamy" slobber on sides of mouth.

If the pet is experiencing any combination of these symptoms, it needs to have its body temperature lowered and taken to a vet immediately for treatment.

If heat exhaustion goes untreated, pets can suffer brain damage or even death.

To lower a pet's body temperature apply ice packs or cold towels to the head, neck or chest and give the pet ice cubes or small amounts of water.

Every dog acclimates to the heat differently, and therefore its time outside and its amount of exercise should be monitored. Sometimes longer-haired dogs such as chows or sheep dogs require a "summer haircut" to further help alleviate the heat.

"Dogs can tolerate ranges of (temperature) discomfort the same as we can," Thorsen said.

This is important to keep in mind when dealing with exercising or traveling with a pet. For example if a 30-minute run in the afternoon is stifled because of the heat, chances are it would be for the dog, too. If getting into the hot car before a road trip is unbearable, it is probably the same for the dog.

When traveling with a pet, either by plane or car, take the following precautions to ensure it arrives safely and healthy:

- Check with the vet for any paperwork needed for travel.
- Pets should wear two ID tags, one with a home address and one with a destination address.
- Carry pet medical records in case of problems.



Karen Taylor

Australian shepherds, Ben and Striker, cool off in a hole they dug near the base of their house.

- Check airlines or hotels ahead of time to ensure they take pets.
- Use appropriate airline-certified pet carrier (for cats) or crate (for dogs) for transporting pets.

For comfort and safety a pet should be able to stand up and turn around in its crate.

These crates are not only required for airlines, but also recommended for vehicular travel so the pet is not jumping around in the car or even thrown from it in an accident.

Carrying a pet in the back of a pickup without a crate is not recommended, Thorsen said.

A big travel "no-no" is leaving a pet inside a parked car unattended — crate or no crate. According to the U.S. Humane Society, the temperature in a parked car can reach 120 degrees in a matter of minutes, even with the car windows partially open.

A pet can quickly suffer brain damage or die from heatstroke or suffocation when trapped in high temperatures.

"It only takes a few minutes," Zwicker said.

This also applies to crated pets in parked pickups.

The crate gets hot when left baking in the sun and can cause injury or death to the pet if left unattended.

Thorsen said it is not recommended to sedate pets anymore during car or airline trips because of the health and safety risks.

In hot temperatures dogs and cats have to pant to keep cool and cannot if sedated. Also, sedation affects its balance and the pet can roll around in its traveling crate and get hurt.

"We used to do it, but it has been falling by the wayside in the last 10 to 15 years," he said.

Conditions warranting the sedation of a pet would be incessant howling or constant rattling of the cage.

Even in that kind of situation, it is only to quiet the dog during a car ride so the driver can concentrate on the road, he said.

Cat owners, however, are not likely to have this problem.

"Cats travel very well. They ball up in the corner (of the crate) and stare at everything. They're pretty peaceful," Thorsen said.

A CLOSER LOOK

Some of the telltale signs of heat exhaustion are:

- Rapid panting and heartbeat
- Dry nose
- Lethargy
- Tongue out to side and excessive "foamy" slobber on sides of mouth.

"Dogs can tolerate ranges of (temperature) discomfort the same as we can," said Dr. Jim Thorsen.

Every dog acclimates to the heat differently, and therefore its time outside and its amount of exercise should be monitored.

Although a doghouse provides shade and shelter for the dog, it can still get very hot during the summer.

To air condition a doghouse: Fill a gallon jug with water and put it in the freezer. Once it is frozen, place it inside the doghouse.

If a dog gets too hot, place cold towels or ice packs to its head, neck and chest to lower its body temperature. Also give small amounts of water.

Moves: Can take longer than expected during peak season

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There are 32 names on the senior NCO list, and they can expect to wait about three months. Company grade officers, with 124 families waiting, are getting on-post quarters in about eight months. The field grade list has 74 names, and the waiting time is running about 16 months.

Fort Benning Schools will allow children to enroll if the family will be in military housing within 90 school days.

"Once we have a firm projection on quarters and can tell a Soldier when the family can move in, we can issue a school slip that will allow them to enroll their children in on-post schools," Smith said.

With all the comings and goings, Guest Housing is running at capacity.

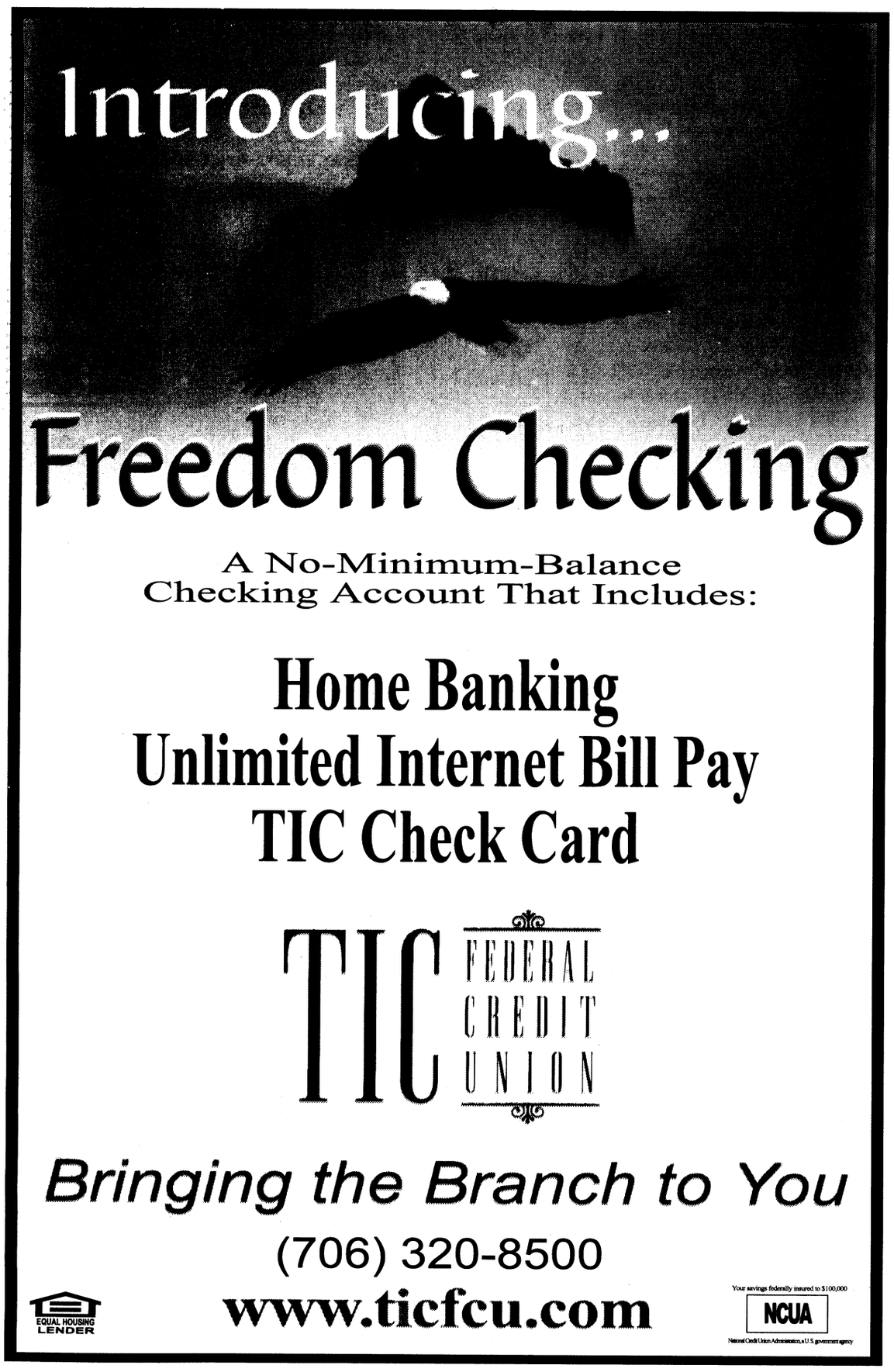
"Every summer is busy with families rotating," said Terry Walls, manager of Fort Benning Lodging.

Incoming personnel may stay up to 30 days in Gavin Hall and on Richardson Circle. Outgoing families may stay up to seven days.

Walls encouraged families moving to call the Guest House for reservations.

"If guest housing is unavailable, we have contract hotels in Columbus that meet the Army Lodging Standards," she said. "When booking reservations through the Guest House, guests will receive the contract rate."

To make a reservation call 689-0067, extension 1142.



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Program provides intense training for chaplains

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It's all part of training for the chaplains in the U.S. Army Family Life Chaplain Training program.

Army counseling services cover everything from crisis to family wellness.

The role of the Family Life Chaplain on an Army post is to teach family wellness training programs to unit chaplains and take on advanced counseling situations, such as a couple with serious marital problems or a survivor of child sexual abuse.

"Our counseling specializes more in pastoral marriage counseling and family counseling," said Chaplain (Lt. Col.) George Onstad, director of the U.S. Army Family Life Chaplain program.

Onstad explains, however, counselors do not have all the answers, and their role is not to make decisions for the family.

"We don't fix a marriage. What we are is a consultant, and we form a team with the people who come in. We all work together on it," he said. "If we had all the answers, we'd all be very, very rich."

"It (the program) better equips us to understand underlying issues couples and families face. It provides us with the theory and techniques to provide positive intervention," said Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond Koop, Family Life Chaplain class of 2000.

"It's the best thing the Army's ever done for me. I was honored to be selected. It was the greatest honor that has been bestowed on us," he said.

Koop is assigned to Fort Benning after graduation and will be the post's Family Life Chaplain starting Sept. 1.

The U.S. Army Family Life Chaplain Training Program works in partnership with the Department of the Army's Chief of Chaplains program, Columbus State University, Pastoral Institute, and U.S. Army Family Life Chaplain Training Center.

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> U.S. Army Family Life Chaplain program

"They are doing a two to three-year program in 15 months. It's very intensive," Onstad said.

Fort Benning is one of only two sites in the entire Army that have this kind of program. The other is Fort Hood, Texas.

"They come here and start right away and go steady for 15 months," he said.

The Family Life Chaplain Training Program has been at Fort Benning with classes at Columbus State University since 1994 after its move from Kansas State University. Onstad is the third director of the program.

Chaplains are selected for the program through a Department of the Army competitive board. Requirements for selection include each chaplain is either a major or captain promotable, complete the Graduate Record Exam and the Chaplain Career Course.

The primary mission of the program is to train chaplains in advanced counseling skills.

Classes at CSU cover the secular side of counseling, while workshops at the Pastoral Institute cover the pastoral side.

In addition the chaplains spend counseling hours at the training center. There are six counseling rooms equipped with video cameras and microphones.

Many of the rooms also have two-way mirrors to observe sessions. All families are informed of this equipment prior to a session.

These are all tools to help the family fix the problem brought to counseling and confidentiality is a priority at the center.

"All staff are dedicated to protect the confidentiality of those whom we serve," Onstad said.

"This is a very high-speed, high-tech training center.

"It would cost on the outside $80-150 per hour for the kind of counseling we do here," he said.

Each session is also supervised.

Onstad, who has credentials from the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy and American Association of Pastoral Counselors, provides the counseling supervision for the chaplains.

"Our education is always updated and that's why it helps it to be such a good program and so good for families," Onstad said.

Chaplains graduate from the program with a master's degree in counseling from CSU. Between Fort Hood, Texas and Fort Benning, 12 Family Life Chaplains graduate every 15 months and are assigned to any of the various Army posts worldwide as the post's sole Family Life Chaplain, whose services are in high demand.

"When I was in Fort Bragg, N.C., I had a three-month waiting list for people to come in and see me. People can't wait three months for marriage counseling," Onstad said.

He would have to refer the people to other counselors outside of the Army until he was available for an appointment.

There are no waiting lists at the U.S. Army Family Life Chaplain Training Center, however, for appointments at the center because of the six chaplains in the program.

The 2000 class will graduate at 10 a.m. Aug. 4 at the Main Post Chapel. Soldiers, family members and DA civilians who wish to receive counseling at the center, call 545-1760 to make an appointment. The center is located in Building 2606 on Dixie Road.

ask the judge

1st Lt. Aimee Hobby
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I bought a car a few months ago, and now the monthly payments are more than I can afford. I got the loan from the dealership to buy the car.

One of the guys in my platoon told me all I have to do is bring the car back to the dealership and I'll be off the hook for the rest of the loan. Is this true?

A: This is absolutely not true! It's a common misconception. Once you sign a contract to borrow money to buy a car you are required to pay back all of that money back. Simply returning the car to the dealership does not satisfy the debt.

When you surrender your car to the loan company it is called a voluntary repossession. The loan company then takes possession, cleans up the vehicle and sells it to a new buyer.

The proceeds from this second sale are credited to the amount you owe on the original loan. Repossessed cars are typically sold at auction, and bought by other dealerships at low prices.

The proceeds from the sale usually do not fully pay off the car loan. You, as the original owner, are responsible for payment of the outstanding loan balance, even though you no longer have the vehicle.

For example, you buy a car for $20,000 and make a few payments on the loan. You then realize you can't keep it up, so you surrender the car to the loan company. When you surrender the car you still owe $18,000 on the loan.

The loan company then sells the car at auction to a dealership for $10,000. That is subtracted from the amount you owed when you surrendered the car.

You, the original owner, must still pay the remaining $8,000, even though the car is no longer in your possession.

If you fail to pay the outstanding balance, the loan company can file a lawsuit against you and place the default on your credit report.

Once the loan company obtains a court order from the lawsuit, it can seek enforcement of the judgment through your chain of command or garnish your paycheck.

Even if you do pay, the voluntary repossession still goes on your credit report and you will have a negative impact on your credit worthiness.

If you are unable to make the loan payments you do have a few options.

One option is to sell the car to someone else. It is very important this new buyer get his own car loan so you can pay off your loan.

Occasionally the original owner is desperate to sell quickly so he transfers the car to the buyer with the "understanding" the buyer will make the payments each month on the original owner's loan.

Unfortunately, if the buyer misses a payment or two, and they often do, the original owner is still responsible for the loan.

The loan company will still expect each payment from the original owner even though he gave possession of the vehicle to the new buyer.

A second option is to contact your loan company and explain the financial difficulties you are experiencing. Depending on the circumstances, some companies will let you refinance the loan or restructure your payments.

This will allow you and the loan company to come up with another plan, one that you can afford.

Many companies are willing to work with borrowers to avoid a default on the loan, other loan companies will not do this.

It all depends on who the lender is and how willing they are to work with you. The only way to determine your lender's policy is to ask.

The bottom line is you should give a contract serious thought before you sign it. If you are unsure as to whether you can afford to make the payments, walk away from the car.

Chances are it will still be there if you decide you can afford it, and you want to buy it.

The time to ask questions about financing is before you sign the contract to buy the car.

For more information, call the Legal Assistance Division at 545-3281 and make an appointment to meet with an attorney.

Be sure to bring all of the loan paperwork with you for your scheduled appointment.

Pets



Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

An 8-week-old male orange tabby and shorthaired female along with a 1-year-old male black lab are just a few of the animals available for adoption at the vet clinic.

There are still more in need of a good home.

Pets can be adopted by Soldiers and civilians.

For more information about these or any other pets, call the Fort Benning Veterinary Clinic at 545-4826.



births

Boys

Corbin Alexander Youngblood — born June 17 to Tracey and Sgt. 1st Class Warren Youngblood.

James Oliver Weaver — born June 18 to Angela and Sgt. Clinton Weaver.

Collin Alan Payne — born June 20 to Connie and Sgt. Barth Payne Jr.

Devin Estes Niebler-Hawkins — born June 20 to Spc. Kristine and Spc. Kenneth Hawkins.

Matthew Perry Pool — born June 20 to Jamie and Chief Warrant Officer John Pool II.

Jacob Alexander Landry — born June 21 to Paula and Capt. Randy Landry.

Nicholas Peter Evan — born June 22 to Cheri and Sgt. Peter Evan.

Noah Marx Packard — born June 22 to Emily and Pvt. Emily Packard.

Sean Conley Revesz — born June 23 to Tammy and Spc. Frank Revesz.

Michael Eladio Ellis — born June 27 to Pfc. Nancy and Staff Sgt. Kiel Ellis.

Girls

Sadie Sylke Noyes — born June 23 to Patricia and Capt. Jack Noyes.

Stinson Lee Burton — born June 24 to Carmon and Sgt. Christopher Burton.

Alexandra Lilja Jackson — born June 24 to Holmfridur and Staff Sgt. Jimmie Jackson.

Amarri Simone McLaurin —born June 25 to Sgt. Monique and Mark McLaurin.

Allison Nicole Tuten — born June 26 to Christina and Sgt. Kelly Tuten.

Caitlyn Alexis Keaton — born June 27 to Carla and Maj. Austin Keaton Jr.

Sarah Jayne Augustine — born June 27 to Christine and 1st Lt. Christopher Augustine.

Ayanna Shaliayah Franks — born June 28 to Tiffany and Spc. Ernest Franks.

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Healthy perspective helps control concerns

Chaplain (Capt.) Timothy Smith
2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment

reflections

There's tremendous Biblical truth in Dr. Richard Carlson's idea and books *Don't Sweat the Small Stuff.*

This counselor has helped thousands of people in their quest to determine what is not worth worrying about.

In my counseling with Soldiers on Kelley Hill, I have found that Soldiers carry burdens and concerns they were never meant to carry.

My perception of life and all it holds has a profound acknowledgment of God and his direct involvement in my life. And, God has his hand in Soldiers' lives. What I try to show my Soldiers is they can only worry about those things they have control over and a healthy concern must have boundaries in itself.

There are situations you must keep a hand on, and others you must let go.

When one has an excessive concern for a situation or a challenge, and when that concern stretches over a prolonged segment of time, many physical, mental and emotional feelings can begin to affect that person.

The Lord has commanded Christians to place their trust in God, especially in time of trouble. I Peter 5:7 says: "Cast all your cares on him for he cares for you." In Psalm 56:3, the Psalmist writes, "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee."

We put our trust in God through prayer and we continue to trust by believing that God has our best interest at heart.

The writer of Corinthians states this wonderfully in I Corinthians 10:13.

Over concern for our situation or trial negatively alters a person's attitude for the present or future.

I feel sorry for people who do not have the Lord in their lives, having only themselves or others to turn to. I have experienced a calm in the midst of a storm, and I have seen others with that same calm or resolve.

Yet on the other hand, I have seen people who are totally engulfed in their own personal conflicts, whether small or large, and this problem or these problems, eventually consumed them.

Don't get me wrong, there are times when challenges of the present are so great or serious, that 100 percent attention must be given to them. For the most part though, we should not be managing 90 percent of life's challenges in the emergency mode.

Not everything is an emergency. If a person operates his life continually by crisis, it won't be long until he is physically, mentally and emotionally burned out.

Then the simple pleasures of living and the joy of life will leave him. When it comes right down to it, it's a choice — a choice to worry or not to worry.

We need to determine which problems need our undivided attention, and which ones need less attention. One cannot worry about everything all the time. Whether the problem is great or small, the Lord wants our dependence on him; for he delights in hearing and answering our prayers.

It is also the Lord's desire for his children to experience peace and joy, no matter what life may throw at us.

Chapel notes

Pianist sought — The Funds Custodian is seeking a pianist for the Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. and a child watchcare provider from 9:15 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

Interested and qualified personnel should contact Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Contract jobs — The Funds Custodian is accepting applications from all interested and qualified contractors to fill the following contract positions: chapel organists, chapel pianists, choir directors, children's choir directors, child care providers, child care provider supervisor, Sunday School/CCD Custodians, Sunday School bus drivers and chapel musicians.

Applications must be received not later than Aug. 15 at the NAF Office, Room 512, Infantry Hall.

Those interested should contact Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at the aforementioned location.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The junior high, middle school Youth of the Chapel are having small group meeting during the summer.

For more information and meeting times and places, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

Sunday School — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes prayer, praise, Bible study and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided.

For more information, call Heidi Cerjan at 689-9211.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

Discipline gives children security

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Chaplain Family Life Training Program

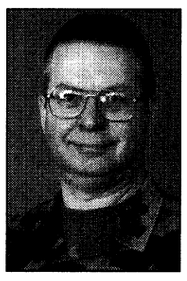
The purpose of discipline is not to punish, but to discipline. A disciplined child is able to do the right thing for the right reasons even when you are not present.

Here are some guidelines to help you discipline your child.

First, help your child know the difference between right and wrong. Your child relies on you to understand what is acceptable and what is not.

Be consistent in what you say and what you do to your child, and be an example for your child to follow. Help your child learn to make good decisions.

Second, understand what may be causing your child's misbehavior. Your child may not know that the behavior is unacceptable. Your child may be teasing you rather than testing your limits. Or, your child may be tired, sick, hungry or bored, rather than angry or defiant.



Koop

Third, help your child stay safe. Never discipline your child in anger. Step in when necessary to protect your child. As your child grows older, teach your child to obey the law and to engage in non-risky behaviors.

Fourth, help your child develop important values and qualities that last a lifetime. Some of these are self-control and self-discipline; confidence and self-esteem; self-respect and respect for others; duty, commitment and responsibility; honor and integrity; loyalty and commitment; and selfless service, candor and competence.

In addition, don't limit your responses to your child's misbehavior. By saying, "If you do that one more time, I will have to discipline you," you are able to choose from a variety of options rather than resort to physical punishment when your child misbehaves. Finally, help your child feel loved and secure. This involves providing routines and structure, consistent parental role models, as well as safe and stable surroundings.

Furthermore, it means to avoid shaming your child. Yelling, insults and name-calling vent your anger and make your child feel bad, but they don't teach better self-discipline. Focus on the behavior and not the child. For example, tell your child that hitting is wrong, rather than say that your child is a bad girl or bad boy.

For more information, call the Chaplain Family Life Training Program at 545-1760 or e-mail Chaplain Koop at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Church Directory

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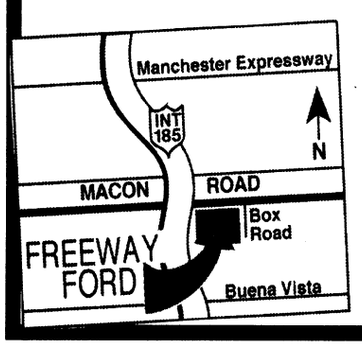

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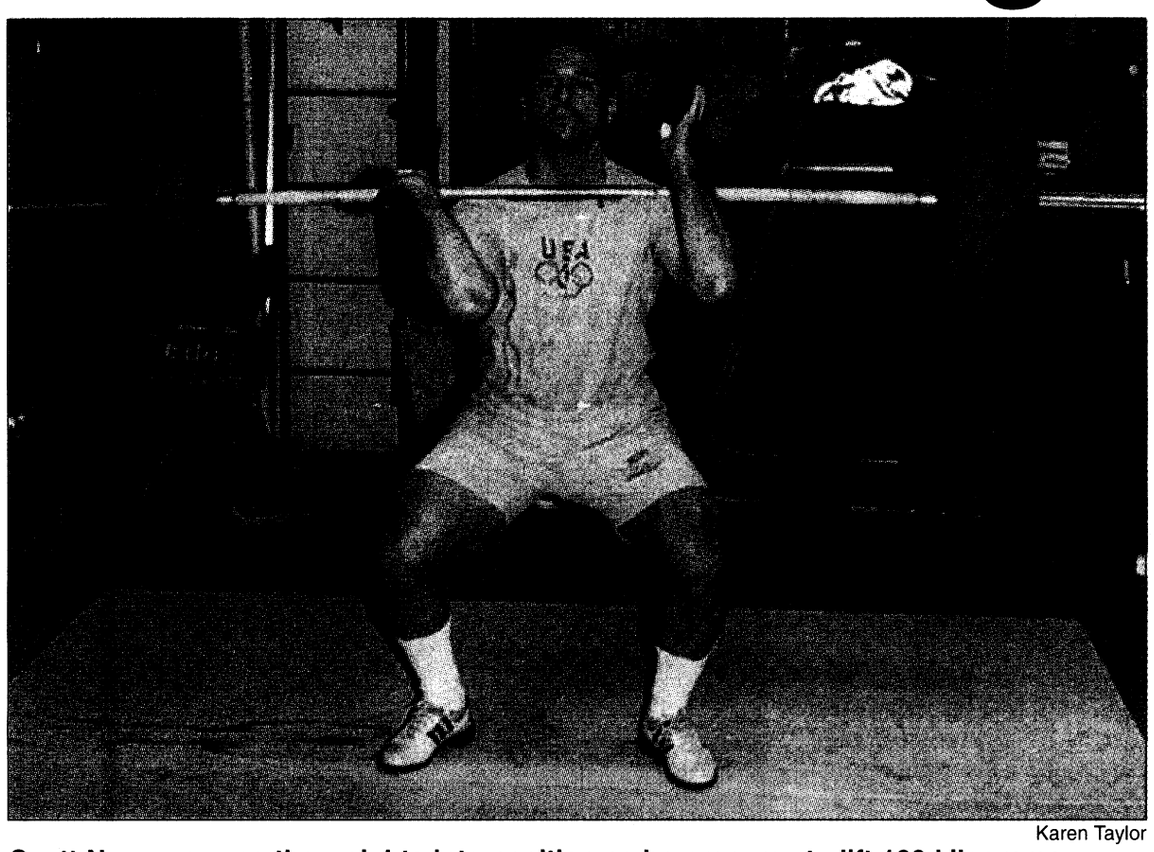

Karen Taylor

Scott Norem moves the weights into position as he prepares to lift 100 kilograms.

Oral surgeon trains for Saturday's national competition

Karen Taylor
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Like clockwork he comes in to Audie Murphy Gym at 4 p.m., changes and heads to a room where he trains for two hours, four days a week.

It's nothing fancy. The converted storage room has enough space for his homemade platform and his equipment.

On hot days he just opens the side doors to the basketball court and catches the breeze.

He even covers the platform with a tarp overnight to prevent the dripping air conditioner from warping the wood.

He appreciates the room — though it's not like training in the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs — because in there, he's been doing something he's been hooked on for a long time — weightlifting.

Scott Norem is an oral surgeon at Salomon Dental Center. He stands just slightly under 5-feet 8-inches and weighs in at about 84 kilograms, or 185 pounds, is a national-caliber weightlifter.

He competes in a sport where people peak at about 27 years old, but he's far from past his prime at 40.

Formerly a cross-country runner in high school competing in the mile and two-mile events, he started doing the lifting sports and "got hooked."

He started powerlifting when he was 21.

"It's a strength sport, but it's not the same (as weightlifting)," he said.

Powerlifting events are the squat, the bench and the dead-lift, all static movements requiring raw strength.

Weightlifting events are the snatch and the clean-and-jerk, both overhead lifts that require balance, strength, speed, flexibility and timing.

It's a sport where many women gymnasts have transitioned into because of the similar techniques.

The snatch especially is a gymnastic-type movement, he said.

In competition the weightlifter gets three tries at the snatch and clean-and-jerk, and the most lifted in each are totaled for a score, or total weight.

Weightlifting uses the metric system and weights are measured in kilograms — one kilogram is equal to 2.2 pounds.

Noren's switch from powerlifting to weightlifting came soon after 1994, when he saw the U.S. Weightlifting Nationals in Kansas City.

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Shooters gather for match

Tactical competition attracts many

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

More than 35 people gathered Sunday at English Range for the monthly tactical rifle match.

In addition to the normal three-stage match, two side matches were held.

The first was a timed competition where shooters needed to hit multiple paper targets and knock over bowling pins set at 200 and 300 yards.

Then the shooter had to turn a card over, look at a picture on the back of it, and shoot the corresponding target.

The second side match was for .22-caliber shooters only. Targets were placed at 50 and 100 yards and required 10 shots placed in each of the two targets.

Rusty Rossey, a competitor in the first side match, said the course of fire was an excellent challenge.

"It is a great course," he said. "It really makes you think, and you definitely have to know your equipment.

"It is great for tactical shooters, because the course required good shape identification and knowledge scope settings."

A regular to the shoots, Diana Waldon, said the near 100 degree temperatures hurt her shooting some.

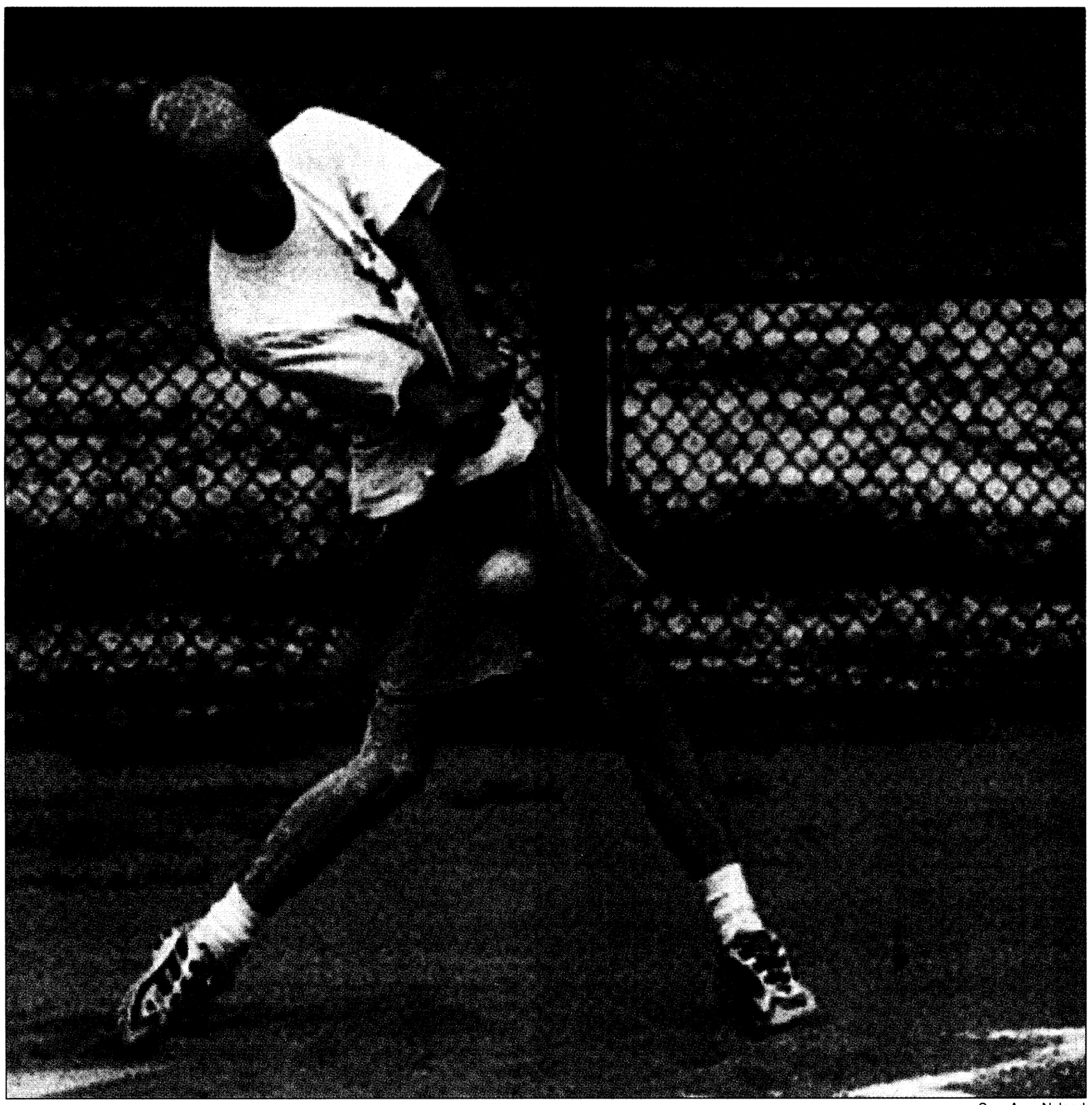
"I really didn't shoot as well as I wanted to do," she said. "I did pretty well at the 100 and 200 yard targets, but lost it at 300 yards. The heat really affected me personally, and the wind affected the dope (the settings of the scope) on my rifle."

Although some competitors were affected by the heat and wind, not everyone was. Several of the competitors shot near perfect scores.

In the competitor bolt action class, Shawn Wadkins walked away with the win and was followed by T.W. Fuller and Henry Wadkins.

In the bolt action precision class, Eric Brown won, Karl Tuthill received second place and Michael Hood shot a third place score.

In the professional class, the semi-auto precision class and the all others class, the winners were Bill Huskey, Chuck Cobb and Stephen Waligora.



Spc. Amy Nyland

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery catcher, Robert Wilson swats the ball into the outfield for a single.

Marne's A Co. take home win

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

In a heated battle to the finish, 3rd Brigade's A Company managed to squeak by Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 9-8, by driving home two players in the last minutes of the game.

With HHB, 10th Field Artillery, leading by one at the bottom of the seventh, A Co., 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment's right fielder, Gregory Polk drove the ball down the center to bring in the tying run, and catcher Kevin Brown's single brought in another runner to secure the win.

Things started out slowly for HHB when they were only able to score one run to A Co.'s three in the first inning.

It wasn't until second baseman Jason Cook and pitcher Kenneth Whitehead scored singles that HHB was able to bring in two runs to level the score 3-3 at the bottom of the third.

The teams remained neck and neck until A Co.'s left fielder Wilfredo Gonzalez stifled any chance of play for HHB by ousting the first three players at bat — all who hit fly outs. HHB stepped up the heat when left fielder Cerry Murray smacked a homer to bring himself and another player in at the bottom of the fifth taking the score to 5-3. With no significant leads made in the sixth inning, the teams advanced to the seventh where the pressure was put on HHB to answer

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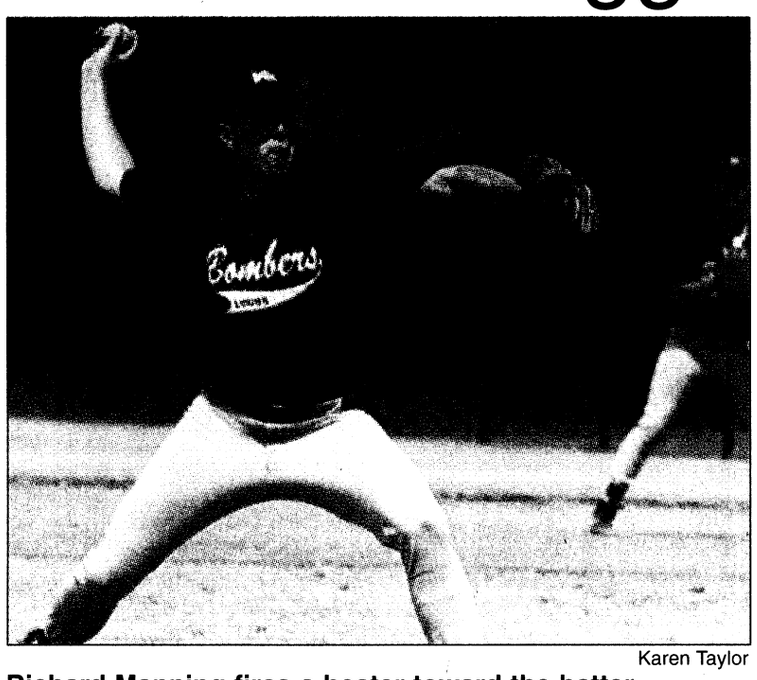
Bombers struggle in weekend doubleheader



Karen Taylor

Richard Manning fires a heater toward the batter.

Team struggles in first game, again in second

Karen Taylor
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After losing the first game of a doubleheader 11-1, many teams would lack the momentum for a competitive second game.

But the Bombers did quite the opposite and kept the second game within reach before finally surrendering it to the Rangers, 11-8.

"Don't ever quit ... whether your down 15-0, or 3-2," said Bombers' catcher James Pippin, 3rd Battalion 75th Ranger Regiment.

Pippin should know, he consistently played hard and aggressive ball even when the team was suffering a 7-0 deficit by the third inning of the first game. By hustling around the bases, he took advantage of Ranger mistakes and turned what should have been a ground-out into a place on first base and finished a usual single standing on third.

During the second game, his energy-shifting play brought life back to the Bombers and the fans. Pippin dove for a high pop up behind the plate and caught the third out that halted the Rangers' third-inning rally.

"We were in it. We were in it in the first game except for the first inning," said Matthew Dillon, B Co., 1st Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., Bombers' coach.

The first game's disastrously deflating first inning opened with the Bombers batting first, and they were retired one-two-three, all strikeouts. By the inning's end, the Rangers had a commanding 4-0 lead, which included a three-run homer by Chris Holland.

The Bombers played a decent defensive game, but were stymied in the batter's box. The Bombers' only run came from a solo homer hit by shortstop Chuck McGarry, Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 2nd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., which also stole the shutout from Ranger pitcher Jason Kreisler.

The second game, however, proved to be a whole new ball game.

"The second game is more the way I know we can play ball," Dillon said.

The Rangers took a 3-0 lead at the

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Riverwalk offers history, exercise, accessibility

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

outdoor corner



When I first got to Fort Benning, I was convinced "The grass was only green on the other side."

I couldn't wait to hit the open road and find a new and interesting place to explore. It wasn't until I was forced to graze in my own pasture I found the greenest grass doesn't always have to be on the "other side."

While the Chattahoochee Riverwalk remains a staple of Columbus culture, it is often overlooked and taken for granted. But just as sure as the Georgia humidity, the Riverwalk is always there providing an avenue of entertainment for those who want, or have to stay close to home. I found this out firsthand recently when I hurt my shoulder and had to trade in my mountain biking trails for something a little less injury-inducing.

The Riverwalk ended up being the perfect place for me to get some exercise and pass the time. Not only is it scenic and easily traversable, it's also completely free of cars — one thing I know everyone can enjoy. And although it isn't exactly outside the city, you still get the feeling you've escaped the city once you are rolling along.

The Riverwalk offers 12-miles of paved walkway that starts in downtown Columbus and ends up at Fort Benning.

Besides being a great place to ride bikes, roller blade, run or walk, you can find a wealth of historical and cultural information just waiting to be unearthed along the entire stretch of walkway.

History buffs can delve into Columbus' past by taking time to explore historical markers and monuments, such as Dillingham Street Bridge and the cotton warehouses.

A pit stop at the Civil War Naval Museum allows visitors a glimpse of two rare and historical gun boats used by the Confederacy.

An authentic 1880s paddlewheel riverboat called the Chattahoochee Princess Riverboat provides relaxing cruises down the river and embarks at a popular meeting place called the Riverwalk Pavilion.

If you're looking for some educational fun you can explore space technology at the Coca-Cola Space Science Center or learn all about wildlife at the Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center.

You can also enjoy some super sporting action at the Columbus Softball Complex, Golden Park or at Rigdon Park.

Virtually the entire stretch of Riverwalk is inhabited by something worth doing or seeing and I am always amazed to discover something new each time I go out.

Of course, it doesn't always have to be about getting exercise or having a thrill-filled time. Sometimes it's nice just to sit back on one of the many benches and watch out over the river as birds, fish and a host of other wildlife go about their business.

It's also neat to watch moms and dads out with their children enjoying family time, or fishermen crowding the banks patiently waiting for the big catch.

No matter what your fancy is you will no doubt find a way to tickle it exploring the Riverwalk.

For more information about the Riverwalk, call the Columbus Convention and Visitors Bureau at 322-1613.

Cannons' aggressive defense key to doubleheader victory

Baseball club wins in back-to-back weekend victories

Karen Taylor
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The Cannons looked cool, calm and collected last Saturday as they defeated team Sally in a doubleheader, 7-1 and 16-5.

"We're settling down into a rhythm and making fewer mental mistakes," said Allan Preizer, 3rd Battalion, OCS, 11th Infantry Regiment, acting Cannons coach. "We're playing better together as a team."

The Cannons appeared to have the chemistry of a veteran team on the field Saturday. Infielders sealed the diamond by scooping grounders headed for pasture.

Outfielders robbed team Sally of a few deep fly balls that held promise of turning extra bases.

Fielding, however, wasn't the Cannons' only weapon on Saturday.

Pitcher Orlando Vega-Torres, B Co., 203rd Forward Support Bn., stunned team Sally in the first game with his speed and accuracy, keeping them scoreless until the fifth inning, where Sally scored their only run from a runner on third tagging up after a fly out to deep, left-center field.

Although Vega-Torres' pitching surprised Sally, his teammates were expecting it knowing his past.

Vega-Torres played professional baseball from 1992 to 1995 in the minor leagues with the California Angels.

Unfortunately his baseball career came to an early end because of a hurt shoulder, but he has since healed and he is back in the game.

"I wanted to play baseball again and I'm glad there is a team in the Army," he said. "It feels great to be back playing baseball."

Vega-Torres struck out five and walked six in the five innings he pitched. But more important than the stats is the timing. He stifled Sally's momentum in the early innings, with two strikeouts in the first, and forced them to leave men on base with a strikeout in the fourth that ended the inning.

The left-hander Steve Bielak, family member, came in to relieve Vega-Torres in the sixth inning to close the game.

Vega-Torres not only pitched his way out of a few innings, but also went 2 for 2 that game, a single and a double, with two RBIs.

The Cannons' put the bat on the ball from the start of the first game. They quickly took a three-run lead in the first inning and added one more run in the third.

But it wasn't until their fifth-inning rally that Sally was silenced.

Bats came alive for the Cannons as they put three more runs on the board.

Sally's breaking point came, however, when the Cannons had two outs. Sally thought they were almost out of the inning when Brian Baker, 1st Bn. 10th Field Artillery Regt., hit a two-run homer over the right-field fence.

After the fifth the total came to 7-1 and stayed that way for the remainder of the game.

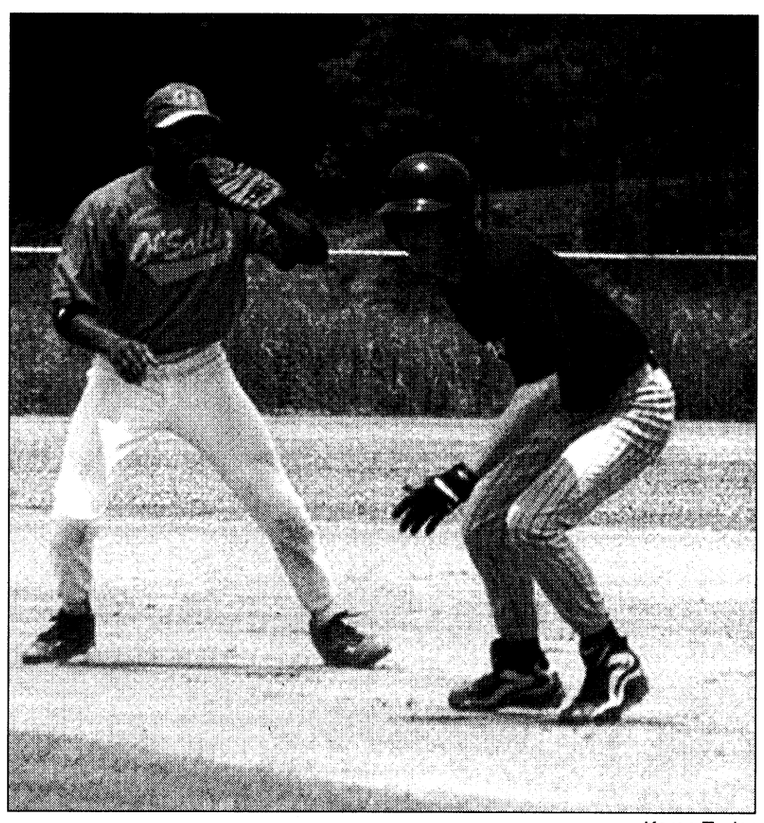
The Cannons carried their momentum to the second game with Bielak on the mound as they continued to pound team Sally.

Preizer attributed the team's second win to Bielak's solid performance as well as aggressive base-running.

The most notable offensive play was a dramatic steel home by Anthony Ferraioli, 3rd Bn. 75th Ranger Regt., which ended in a cloud of dust and a Cannons' run.

"He totally surprised them," Preizer said.

The Cannons hope to continue their winning streak tomorrow in a doubleheader against the Bombers starting 1 p.m. Saturday at Spencer High School.



Karen Taylor
Ed Swiger, Cannons' left fielder is caught in a pickle.

Weightlifter: Balances training, work

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meeting some of the competitors at nationals, he decided he would like to try it.

"Once I started doing the Olympic-style weightlifting, I absolutely got hooked," he said.

It wasn't until 1997, however, that he got a weightlifting coach in Overland Park, Kan., and he entered his first competition.

Noren said his departure from powerlifting was due to the drug use among athletes and lack of a central governing body in the United States to enforce one set of rules and regulations.

"In weightlifting there's one, it's USA Weightlifting. Not all the people agree with them all the time, but they make up the rules and the bylaws.

"I think it's a much fairer sport, the rules are all international rules and they're always the same wherever you go," he said.

Although Noren's youthful stature belies his years, he has felt its burden during his weightlifting career.

"It kind of went in a couple cycles. There was a point at which I felt, maybe I'm just too old. At that point I think I was 38," he said.

He was lifting with his last coach out of Norman, Okla., and trained with Shane Hamman, a super heavy weight destined for the Olympics in Sydney.

"It was exciting lifting up there ... I progressed up to a point, and then it kind of stagnated. I thought to myself 'well this is maybe as far as I'm going to get,'" Noren said.

He switched coaches looking to improve, and since 1998 he has been training with Dr. Lon Kilgore, a regional Olympic coach and a physiology professor at Midwestern State University in Witchita Falls, Texas.

"My lifts just exploded. After training with him, everything just took off," he said.

"So instead of giving up and deciding 'hey I'm too old for this,' I stuck with it and now I'm competing on a national level," Noren said.

His first national-level competition was in December 1999 at the American Open, one of the two national meets.

The other, Nationals, requires lifting a total of 255 kg to qualify.

"In the past I actually missed qualifying for the American Open the first couple times I tried, but now, that total is easily achievable for me," he said.

Noren's current best total lift is 235 kg, and the total lift needed to qualify for American Open is 215 kg.

He has currently been training for the Georgia State Meet in Newnan, Ga., Saturday, where he hopes to meet or surpass his total score of 235 kg.

His training regiments are slightly unconventional because his coach is still in Texas. He gets his routines via e-mail, and he sends Kilgore videotapes of workouts and talks with him the phone.

"It's difficult, because it's the kind of sport where you really need somebody right there and that's the best way to do it," he said.

But long-distance coaching was the least of his worries when he knew he was coming to Fort Benning this year. He had to find a place to train here.

The sports director at Fort Sill, Bruce Burgamy called Andrew Snoddy, chief, Community Recreation Division at Fort Benning, a year in advance to see if there was a facility available for Noren to train in.

"We asked ourselves, 'How could we support this Soldier?'" Snoddy said.

All he needed was a 8-by-8-foot area.

"I called Fred Wood, facility manager of Audie Murphy Gym and he said, 'Yeah, we can support him,'" he said.

The storage closet off the basketball court was converted to a place for Noren to practice.

"We just rearranged some stuff in the room, we didn't have to do anything extravagant," Snoddy said.

The room was ready when Noren arrived in May. He continues to devoutly train at Audie Murphy Gym without the critical eye of a coach and on borrowed time between work and family.

"It's difficult, because I have a family, (wife and four children). Between that, my work and studying for the (oral surgeon) boards, coming up in February, it's difficult," he said.

Noren plans to continue weightlifting for at least another three or four years. "That's when I'm going to reach my peak, sometime in the next three, four years," he said.

Weightlifters usually peak after six or seven years of serious training, he said. For now he looks to the meet on Saturday and hopes to qualify for the 2001 Nationals.

For information about weightlifting or the meet tomorrow, log onto www.usaweightlifting.org.

Army shooters take top spots in matches

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Shooters with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit scored some major victories recently. The following results are some of their accomplishments:

In the U.S. Olympic Shooting Team Selection Matches, held June 22 to July 1 in Atlanta, international pistol shooter Daryl L. Szarenski won a Free Pistol Olympic slot and Lance D. Dement took an Olympic Running Target slot.

International rifle shooters Jason A. Parker and Kenneth A. Johnson won the Air Rifle Olympic slots, Glenn A. Dubis and Thomas A. Tamas got the Free Rifle Prone slots and Dubis and Michael E. Anti won the Free Rifle Three Position slots. Shotgun shooters Todd Graves and Michael E. Schmidt Jr. took the two Skeet Olympic slots and William H. Keever got an Olympic slot in Double Trap.

At the USA Shooting National Championships, held June 22 to July 1 in Atlanta, Szarenski won the National Free Pistol Championship and Parker won the National Air Rifle Championship. International rifle shooter Eric A. Uptagrafft won the National Free Rifle Prone Championship and Dubis won the National Free Rifle Three Position Championship.

During the Ohio State Highpower Championships, June 24-25 in Camp Perry, Ohio, Service rifle shooter Dwayne Lewis won the National Match Course and Emil Praslick, III took second place. Erik A. Burge won the 1,000-Yard Individual Service Rifle Championship and William R. Cale was third.

Norman L. Anderson won the 1,000-Yard Individual Match Rifle Championship, followed by Grant L. Singley in second place.

Game: Lasts until final inning runs

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the two point deficit.

The outcome looked promising for the team when first baseman Robert Garcia knocked a double and was brought in later by a pop fly. With the bases loaded, Cook stepped up to the plate and nabbed a spot on first while bringing in two more runs.

HHB headed into the bottom of the seventh with a one point lead, but wasn't able to stop A Co.'s offense.

"We had good fielding and some really strong batters, but as a whole team we really need to watch the ball," said HHB coach Scott Spangler. "But for going to the field a lot we have a pretty good team."

A Co.'s coach Rick Robak said he is proud of his team and contributed the win to their base hits, lack of errors and good outfielding.

"It was a great game," he said. "The only way to win softball is by base hits and that's what I felt won our game for us. The entire outfield also did a great job of keeping the ball in front of them."

Bombers: Lose twice to Rangers

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top of the first, but by the bottom of the first, it was tied.

Lead-off batter T.G. Taylor, B Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., got on first due to a Ranger error, followed by Walter Edwards, C Co., 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., who walloped a home-run in left-center — quickly bringing the Bombers back to a one-run game.

Pippin capitalized on Ranger error and got to third. Then center fielder Troy McBride, E. Co., 1st Bn. (Airborne), 507th Inf., hit a sacrifice fly to bring Pippin home to tie it up.

The Rangers had a lead of as much as five and as little as one during the game.

The end result was three-run lead over the Bombers, 11-8, and Ranger coach Matt Young cheered in relief after the strikeout that ended the game.

The Bombers, however, were just getting started and could only wonder "what if" to the prospect of having a few more innings.

"We were coming back," Dillon said.

Recent losses aside, the Bombers look to redeem their record as they take on their fellow Soldiers and rivals, the Cannons at 1 p.m. Saturday at Spencer High School

sports briefs

YS schedules soccer camp — Youth Services is hosting a soccer camp for children 5 to 15 years old. The camp will be 8 a.m.-noon July 17-21 and will cost $30. For more information, call 545-3070

Golf course announces winners — The Follow Me Golf Course held the Firecracker Scramble July 2 on the Lakeside course.

The winners were Arch Arnold, Linda Wilson, and Charles and Elke Ray. In second place was Jerry and Diana Tolbert, and Dan and Nancy Mims.

In third place was Brad and Jodie Arnold, and Tom and Jennifer Thomas.

In fourth place was Ron and Nina Greene, and Micheal and Doi Durtshci.

Cancer Society offers golf passes — The American Cancer Society is offering a golf pass.

Each pass is $30 and is valid through Dec. 31. For more information, call (800) 227 2345.

Kelley Hill plans chess tourney — There will be a three-round chess tournament at noon July 29 in the Kelley Hill Recreation Center. The entry fee is $4, and there will be three categories with prizes to the winners. For more information, call 687-6483.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for football, soccer and cheerleading coaches. For more information, call 545-3070 or 545-3540 or stop by Youth Services, Building 1056.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services. Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and older, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

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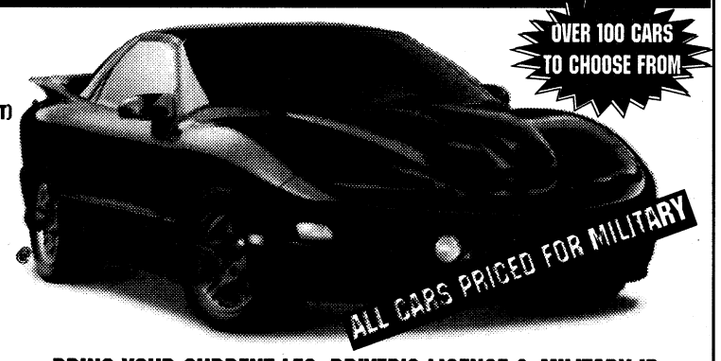

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138 Bryant St. 8a.m.-?. House hold goods and kids clothes. (F14)

126 Derrickson St, Indian Head Terr. 8am-? clothes, toys, treadmill, freezer, ab machine and lots more! (F14)

130B Kessler Drive, 8am-? Lots of children's clothes, books, crib, etc. (F14)

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127-C Baker St., 3 family yard sale on the 15th from 3am till ? (F14)

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Lauries Daycare has openings for toddlers, preschool, and school aged kids. 6a.m.-6p.m. M-F. Call now to register your child. 682-0821. (P14)

Children's Items

Little Tikes treehouse with slide over $400. new. Will sell $200. firm. 596-8168 8a.m.- 8-p.m. (F14)

Boys powerwheels quadrunner $75.00, flip top alphabet desk $10.00, large dumptruck with hard hat $5.00, other toys too. 689-6509. (F14)

Children's wooden tree house with slide, rope, fire pole. Excellent condition, payed $650, asking $150. First offer we'll sell. Please call 689-7078, lv. mssg. (F21)

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5-pc. Children's Bedroom Suite, cute for a little girl, tan with floral border, like new, paid up to $400, will take $185. Call 682-1806. (F21)

Furniture

Mahogany picture/easel stand. Asking $150.00 o.b.o. 561-0415. 6-9 p.m. (F14)

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Kenwood stereo set with turn table, tuner, CD, amp/receiver, and cassette, with 2 large speakers. $250. firm. 596-8168. 8a.m.-8 p.m. (F14)

Apt. size gas range amd A/C for sale. $150.00 each o.b.o. (F14)

Sleeper sofa, brown $60.00, various rugs, 9X12, 11X12, $15-40. excel. condition. Nintendo game super play action football $6.00, Sega Genesis game, 32X, new, Shadow Squadron $5.00, 15" computer monitor $15.00 689-6803. (F21)

Genuine GUCCI two-toned silver and gold ladies watch, almost new, GREAT GIFT, $350. obo. 221-5222. (F21)

Golden Eagle heavy duty 3-wheeled electric scooter for handicapped adult. Electric brakes, headlight and carrying basket. Used less than 1 hour. Original cost, $3000. Will sell for $1500. Call 682-7499 (F28)

Murray 20" push mower, Tecumseh 3.5 hp Vantage engine. runs good $40.00 687-9708 (F21)

PCS'ing, need to sell table w/four chairs and china hutch $100, baby bed $15, swing set w/slide and two swings $15, white patio table w/glass table, three chairs and covers $20. Please call Christi 706-683-0721 (F21)

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BMX bicycle for sale, 20" boys or mens freestyle bike, ridden twice, have helmet and all pads, $200. 706-682-1080 (F21)

FIREARMS: Para-Ordnance, P14-45, NIB, includes 2 Hi-cap clips, $685. Taurus M608, 357 Magnum, SS, NIB, factory ported, $485. 41AE conversion kit for Browning Hi-power, includes one box of ammo, $185. Call 685-0052 after 12:00 noon. (F21)

Tupperware for sale. Big discount. Call Vivian at 855-0465. (F14)

Land for sale by owner, one acre lots 4/10 from water, Lake Harding Place, restrictions, stick build house, 1,500 sq. ft., no trailers. Geronimo Formby Ret. E-7, 298-6404m 480-0806 (F14)

Lost & Found Pets

A Domestic Short Haired Adult Blk F Cat w/ teal collar and ID/Rabies tag Named "Princess" is dearly missed by her family. Answers to the tapping of a food can. Last seen in Indianhead Terrace. Please contact 682-7618 if seen (F14)

Free Pets

Free Kittens to good home.1 black, 1 black and white, 3 gray with stripes. Very cute, sweet and healthy.I will deliver to Ft. Benning. Call Vivian at 855-0465.Not available until July 18th, Born Early June. (F14)

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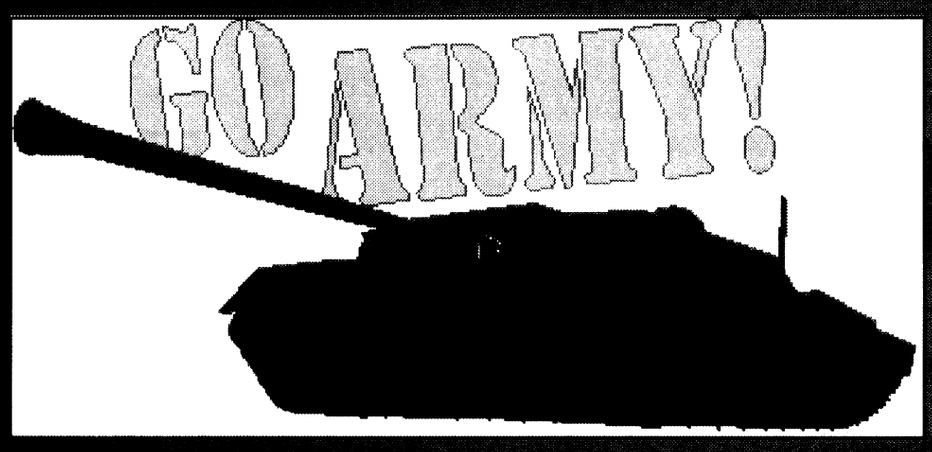

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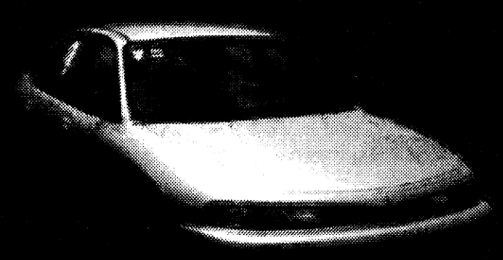

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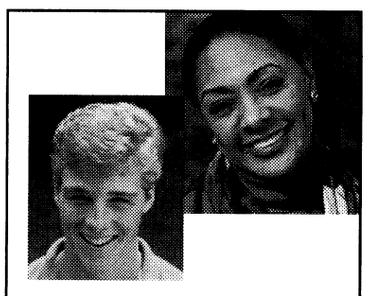

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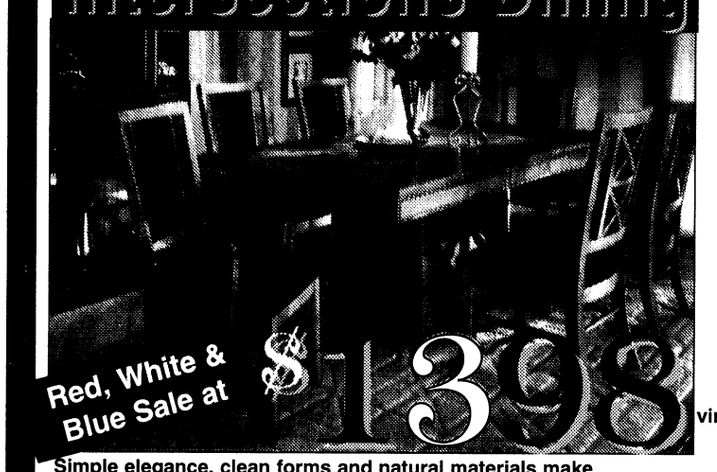

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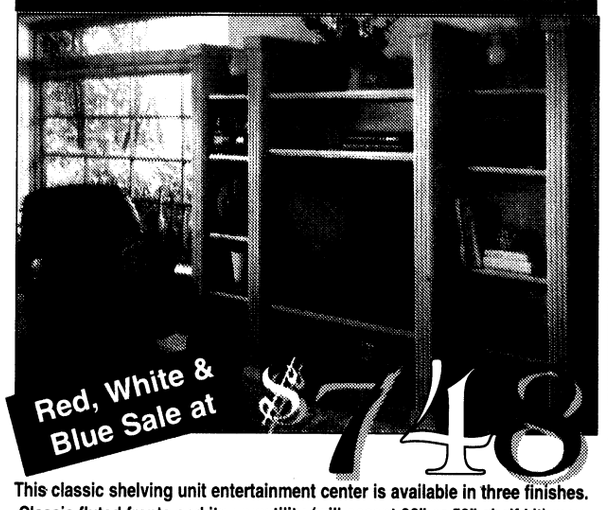

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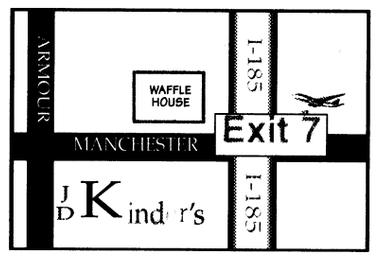

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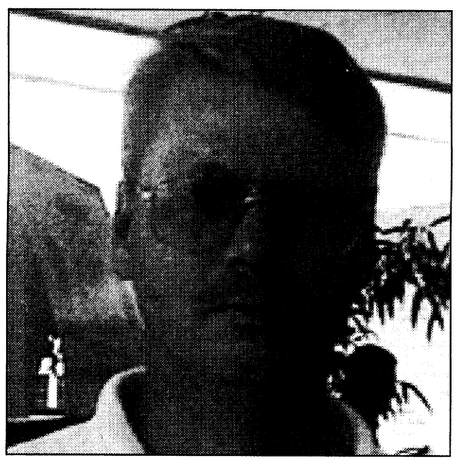

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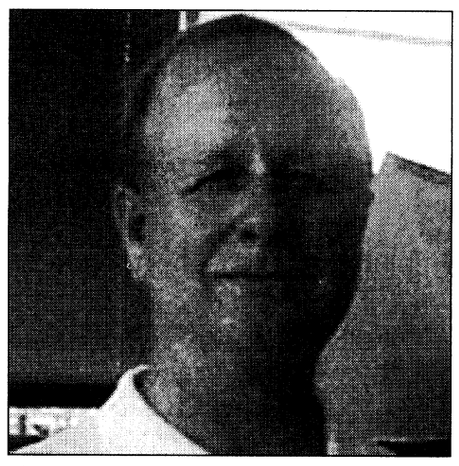

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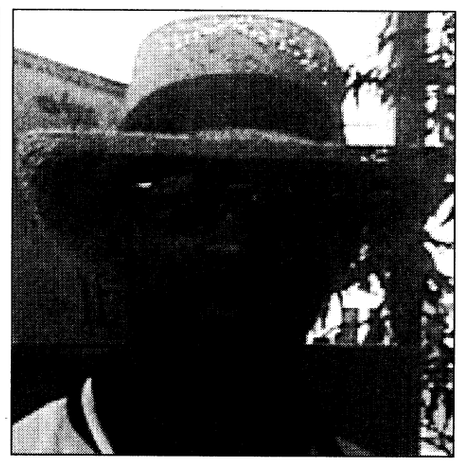

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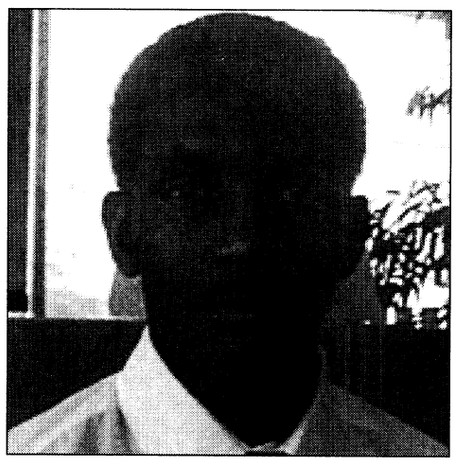

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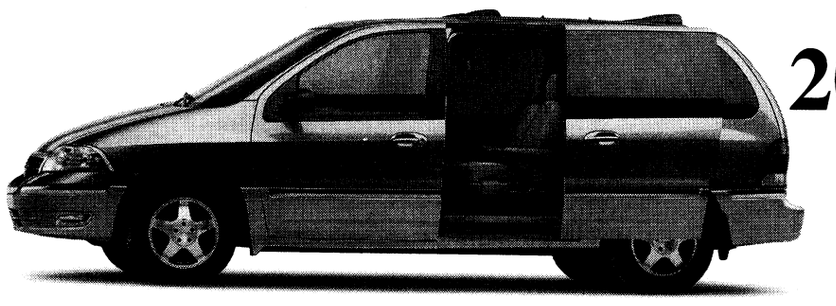

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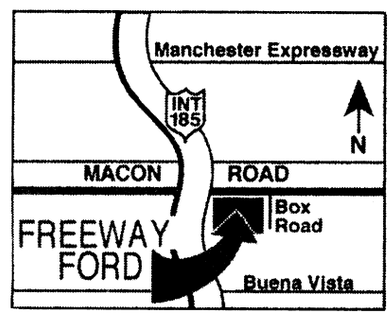

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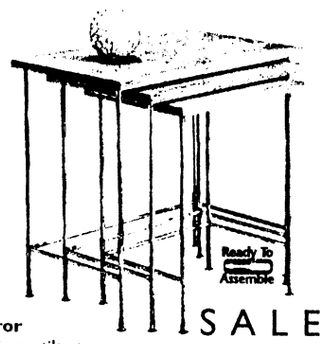

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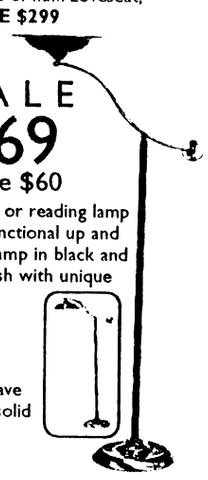

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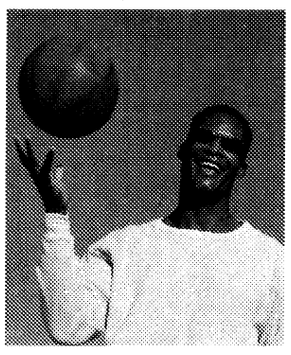

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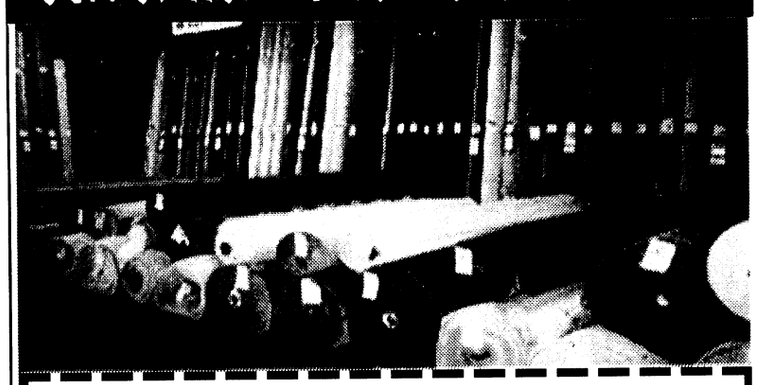

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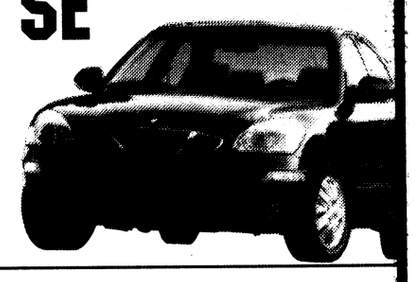

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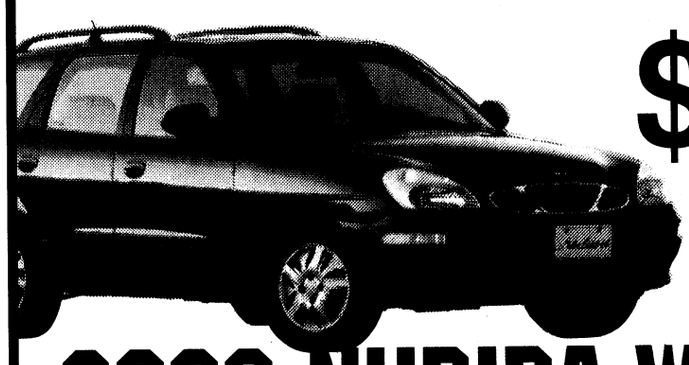

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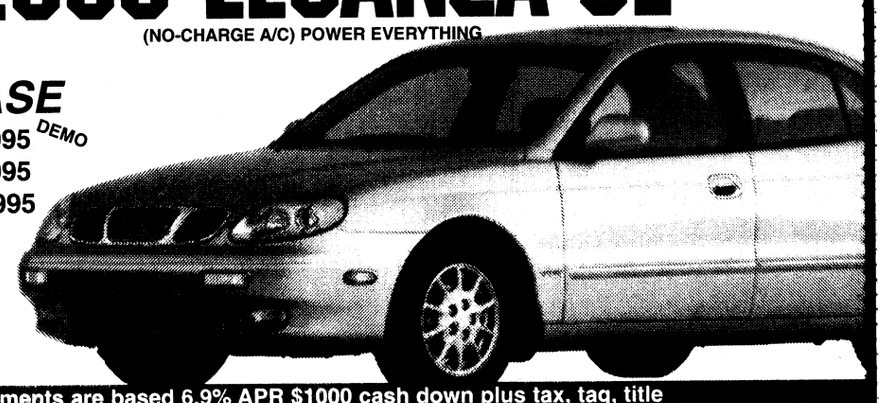

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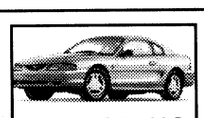
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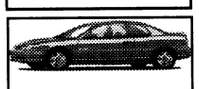
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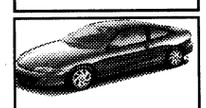
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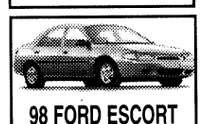
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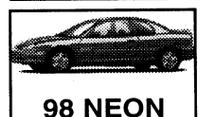
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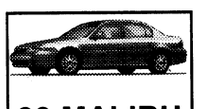
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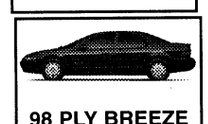
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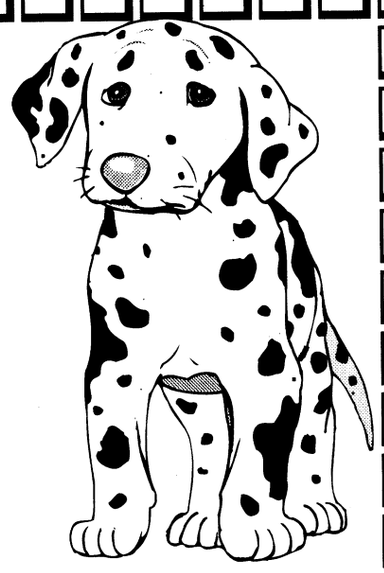

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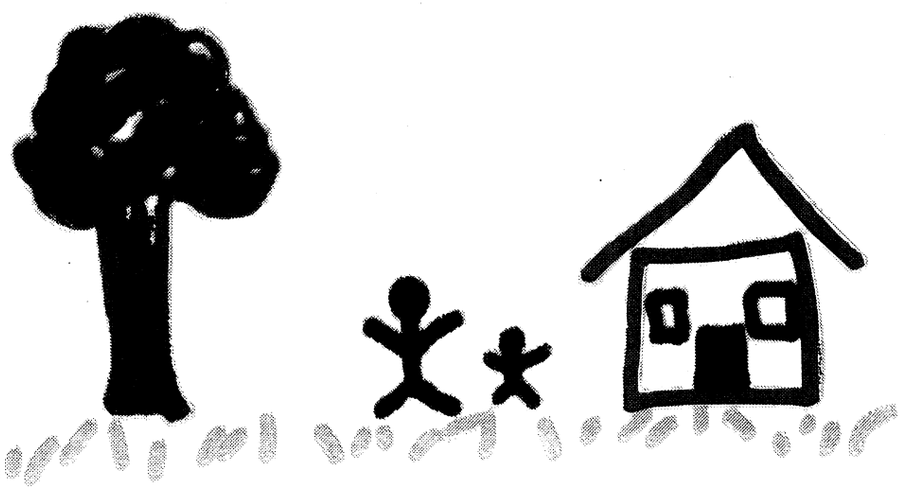

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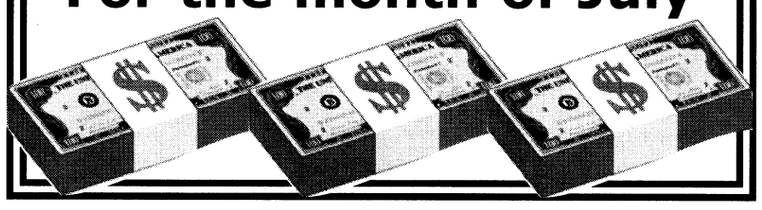

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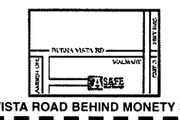

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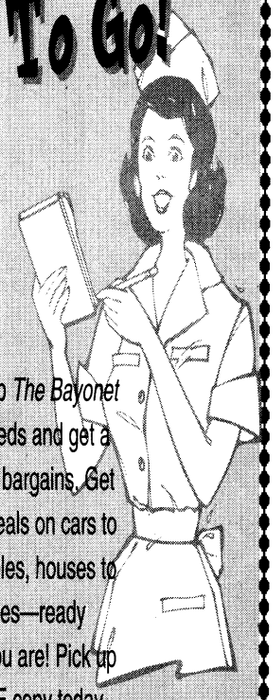

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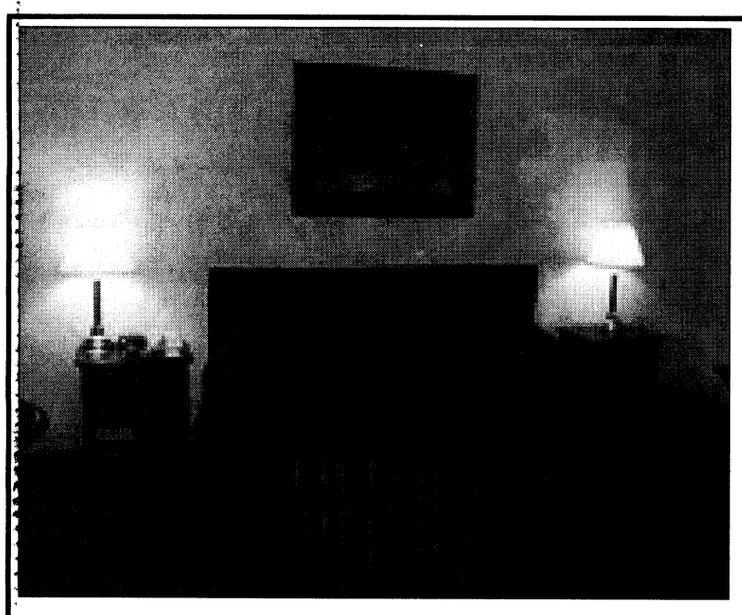

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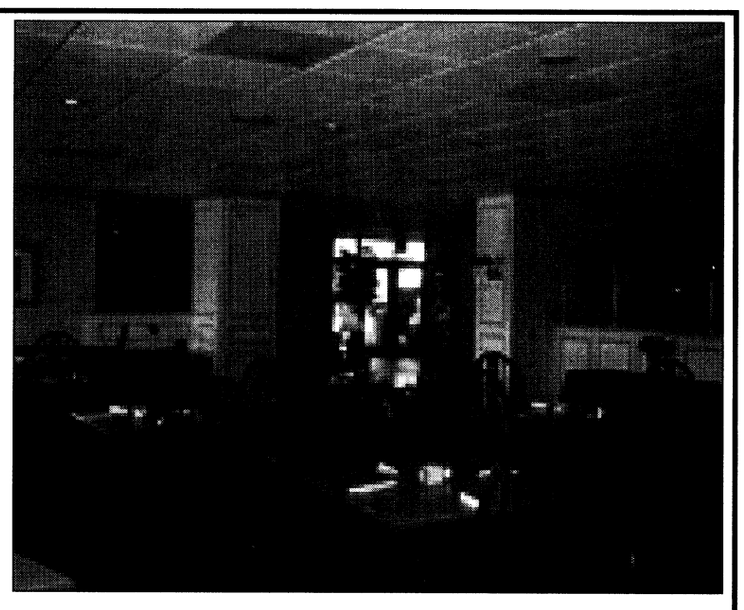

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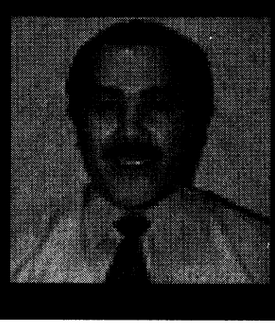

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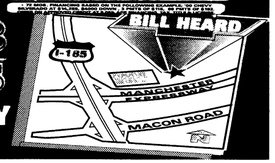

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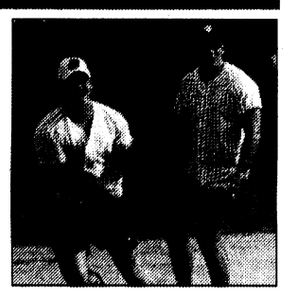

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Defense budget nears approval

Soldiers may see 3.7 percent pay raise in '01

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

More money, additional housing allowances, better education opportunities and an overhaul of the U.S. Army School of the Americas could be on the way thanks to a vote by Congress July 13.

The Defense Authorization Act could net the Department of Defense a $310 billion purse in 2001 if it can clear a final House-Senate conference later this month.

The July 13 vote came after a brief meeting between the House and Senate as the two versions of the bills met for the first time. But the combination of the two drew little debate as both House and Senate leaders found little controversy in the proposed defense spending plans.

The plan gives service members a 3.7 percent pay raise across the board, a figure Congress claims to be .5 percent more than inflation.

Service members will also see a boost in housing allowances under the new plan.

Congress hopes to eliminate the required 15 percent out-of-pocket expenses a service member must pay now if living off a military installation.

The move comes after the DoD proposed to reduce average out-of-pocket expenditures from the current level of 18.9 percent to zero by 2005.

Service members trying to decide whether to continue serving Uncle Sam could have an additional enticement to stay in uniform.

The plan allows those serving 10 years or more to transfer G.I. Bill benefits to their dependents. The final move to transfer the benefits however will be left to the service's secretary.

Under the new plan, both active-duty and reserve members will also be allowed to participate in the federal Thrift Savings Plan.

Medical benefits for active-duty families will also see a boost under the plan.

The plan eliminates the co-payments for active-duty family members on Tricare and expands Tricare Prime Remote to include active-duty family members.

"Our men and women in uniform are big winners in this legislation," said Sen. Max Cleland. "Quality of life consideration for our service personnel are my highest priority. The 3.7 percent pay raise is a significant step in the right direction toward properly compensating our people in the military.

"With declining retention in the services posing a severe threat to our overall readiness, addressing quality of life measures has never been more critical to our national security,"

See **BUDGET**, A-5

Training turns real



Spc. Mitch Frazier

Columbus Paramedic Art Simmons Jr. and Staff Sgt. Kyle Jenkins perform CPR on a simulated drowning victim Wednesday at Victory Pond. Jenkins and Staff Sgt. Robert Knaggs, rear, both members of Fort Benning's Special Reaction Team and search and rescue dive team, helped save a Columbus man Tuesday after he leaped from a bridge on Columbus' northwest side.

Divers help rescue jumper

Training dive gets scrapped to save life

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Shortly after 1:30 Tuesday afternoon Staff Sgt.s Kyle Jenkins and Robert Knaggs are busy preparing a boat for a training dive with Columbus' Emergency Medical Services dive team.

Little did they or the other five dive students know the training exercise they were about to embark on would be scrapped only minutes later for a real rescue mission.

Jenkins and Knaggs are military police who pull double duty as Special Reaction Team members and members of the search and rescue dive team who have been training for months with the Columbus EMS.

Tuesday morning, the two had only three days of training left until they were certified public safety divers.

But as the emergency radio began to wail at 1:45 with details of a jumper on the nearby J.R. Allen Parkway Bridge, Robert Futrell, the instructor of the dive course and Columbus' assistant chief of EMS, told the team of trainees to scrap the training mission and to load the gear and get ready to move to the scene.

"I didn't even think of this as being our first real dive call," Jenkins said Tuesday. "All I could think about was to get there and get in the water."

As police negotiators attempted to talk the man out of leaping off the bridge high above the Chattahoochee River, the students along with the Columbus dive team, moved into position only minutes after receiving the initial call.

"We put Jenkins and Knaggs under the bridge as swimmers in case the man decided to jump to an area we couldn't reach in the boat," Futrell said. "Then we took another student with us just south of the bridge and waited."

See **DIVERS**, A-5

Combat Team to attend course

Leaders will look at tactical issues for IBCT

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

The Interim Brigade Combat Team from Fort Lewis, Wash., will attend the Senior Leader Course next week to study the Infantry.

"Most of the people coming are not Infantry," said Col. Paul Melody, director of Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate. "Our focus is to give an Infantry perspective on the brigade. They're here to get how Fort Benning and the Infantry fits in and how the rest of the brigade works with the Infantry."

There are 65 of brigade's senior leaders attending the course, including the two Infantry battalion commanders, the brigade commander and staff, and the brigade support battalion commander and staff, said Capt. Michael Schaefer CATD operations officer.

The five-day course begins Monday with a briefing of military operations in urban terrain followed by a demonstration by the 75th Ranger Regiment on how platoons fight in cities.

The IBCT will then have a chance to conduct reconnaissance missions in the uptown Columbus area and Lawson Army Airfield as a part of a training exercise without troops.

Other aspects of the course include a collaborative planning exercise focusing on what was learned the first day of training and another TEWT at McKenna MOUT.

See **TEAM**, A-4

Drought brings un'bear'able problem to area

No rain causes wildlife to come closer to home

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

There are some visitors that are just not welcome in the neighborhood.

A black bear would be one of them.

"It's usually young male bears dispersing out from their original birthplace," said Pete Swiderek, chief Conservation Branch, Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Public Works, on which bears are most likely to enter a neighborhood.

"It's a natural occurrence that it's looking for its own territory and the drought may exacerbate the situation. Whether it's natural dispersal or exaggerated by conditions, it's hard to say," he said.

Although black bear sightings in residential areas are rare, there have been three sightings in the last year.

One was a year ago on Fort Benning that Swiderek verified by its foot prints; the second was last month, but Swiderek couldn't find evidence of its presence and, the most recent sighting was two weeks ago in a North Columbus neighborhood.

Black bear populations are in three surrounding areas, north in the Georgia mountains, south of Macon along the Ocmulgee River and southeast in and around the Okeefenokee National Wildlife Refuge.

The black bears that come into the Columbus area are coming from the mountains or the Macon populations, Swiderek said.

"Severe weather changes — dryness or wetness — change patterns of movement," said Jim Trostle, coordinator of wildlife, trails and grounds, Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center.

It is logical to assume that if food or water supply diminishes in an area, an animal will travel to where the food and water are more plentiful.

Swiderek has not seen anything unusual regarding the amount of wildlife nuisance complaints or sightings during the continued drought conditions, which would indicate a change in wildlife travel patterns.

Why then do these creatures wander into a residential area?

"With wildlife it's difficult to determine why they do something," Swiderek said.

Contributing factors that might tempt wildlife to roam into a residential area are the combination of the drought, and lawn-watering, unkempt yards and unsecured, outside trash.

The most common wildlife seen around residential areas are

See **BEARS**, A-5

Challenge makes for great story

Sgt. 1st Class Pamela Smith
USASOC PAO

commentary

"I don't know, but I think I might, jump from an airplane while in flight." You can hear this cadence most mornings during physical training at Fort Bragg, N.C., where more than half of the Soldiers are on jump status.

I sang this song for three weeks during my recent training at Fort Benning's Airborne School.

As a sergeant first class with 14 years in the service, I was asked constantly, "Why are you here?" Believe me, I asked myself that question daily as I woke at 4 a.m. for a dose of training in "The Pit," a training bay filled with sawdust.

So what makes a seemingly otherwise sane person want to jump from a "perfectly good airplane?"

Perhaps it's dedication to the Army or the esprit de corps that comes from belonging to a proud and glorious team. Or maybe it's the thrill of flying through the air. Then there's also the money.

And of course, there are the stories Airborne Soldiers earn with every jump. Those tales of twists in suspension lines, of landing in the trees and of blood on the risers. These anecdotes get more interesting as time goes by.

A story about how an Airborne Soldier missed the drop zone and landed hard, soon becomes, "My main chute didn't open, then my reserve didn't open, so I assumed a good landing position, did a perfect parachute landing fall and double-timed it back to the turn-in point."

For me, as a journalist, I've often had the chance to view all the "cool" training, but never participate. So when the opportunity to attend Airborne training came around, I jumped at it (literally). Plus I knew I would no longer have to feel guilty about wearing the beret without wings on my chest.

I started training months before my school date. As others in my company heard about it, I was privy to everyone's "Airborne stories." Some were amusing, others were downright terrifying.

I arrived at Fort Benning as ready as I'd ever be. Of the more than 300 students, only 18 were female. That number would dwindle to eight before our three weeks were up.

We were welcomed by our sergeants Airborne and given numbers. I was no longer Sgt. 1st Class Smith, but November 13.

Ground week flew by and I felt good I'd made it through with just a few bruises and a little hurt pride after being told that my parachute landing falls looked like "doo doo."

I decided after day three that I never wanted to run in boots again. I thought I'd never get all of the mole skin off my feet.

Our instructors continued to encourage us saying, "Speed it up, you're moving like pond water." They challenged us to "Move like lightning and sound like thunder." The eight-count pushup was the "reward" for not achieving this goal.

Tower week loomed before us as we prepared to face the 250-foot towers. But first we had to complete the Swing Landing Trainer; a device used to teach proper landings, but looks more like a torture device used in a medieval dungeon.

We all started getting a little cocky after making it through tower week. We had the weekend to recover from the Swing Landing Trainer and to ponder what lay ahead in jump week.

Finally, Monday morning of jump week arrived and we ran to the airport, nearly a mile away. Spirits were high as we lined up for parachute issue.

Tensions started to rise as we neared flight and jump time. We all marched anxiously into the C-130 airplane and buckled in.

Some people slept during the short flight to the drop zone, while others nervously rubbed their Saint Michael (the paratrooper's patron saint) medallion.

The 10-minute warning was issued. Then the jumpmasters called the order for all outgoing personnel to stand up. This was it. We were going to do our first jump.

I kept saying, "This is so cool," but my legs, which were shaking uncontrollably, were about to give away how I really felt.

The next thing I knew we had hooked up our static lines and checked our equipment. I barely heard the jumpmaster's call of, "Stand by," to the first person at the door.

Suddenly I was next, my heart was in my throat and then my body was swept out and away as I stepped into nothingness.

I remember thinking, "Wow, I did it." Then I looked up to see the perfectly round canopy on my T-10 parachute. Believe me that was a beautiful site.

I landed without incident and double-timed it back to the rally point. We all stood around telling the amazing stories of our first jump.

There was number 115, who landed in the creek. And November 213, who missed the drop zone and landed, "like a sack of potatoes," in the field. Just four more jumps to go until graduation.

Our lives had changed in that moment it took to step from the plane and put our feet and knees in the breeze.

We would no longer be "legs" or "NAPs" (non-Airborne personnel). We were now "Super Duper Paratroopers." We would proudly wear silver wings upon our chest.

So why would anyone want to jump from a perfectly good airplane? The answer isn't that simple.

Indeed it might be the camaraderie you feel once you become a member of the Airborne corps. And it certainly is a rush and a thrill throwing your body into space with only a thin piece of silk to protect you.

Also, there's the money. Plus you can now wear the beret with pride, knowing you earned it.

But whatever the reason — esprit de corps, thrill seeking or the money, most super duper paratroopers would agree, it's unlike anything you'll ever experience, and you'll have some pretty good jump stories to share when you're through.

Squirrels conjure up big trouble

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs

commentary



I was almost 11 when I met my first squirrel. Up until then, the closest things to squirrels I had encountered were mongoose.

For those of you whose only encounters with mongoose are *Rikki-Tiki-Tavi* or mountain bikes, real mongoose are neither as outgoing as Rikki or ridden on backwoods trails.

That's probably why the chubby little squirrel begging for peanuts in Golden Gate Park was so appealing. He was far from furtive, and he certainly had "it" going for him in the cute department.

All of that changed when we moved here. Now I see the little critters for what they really are — rats with fluffy tails (probably fake) and good P.R.

I didn't mind when they methodically plucked all of the plums out of our tree, especially since they weren't very good plums. Although I didn't think much of their technique ... taking one bite, throwing the rest down and then reaching for another. I did take exception when they moved to our blackberries, picking the ripe fruit while we were at work and leaving us half-ripe berries to survey every afternoon.

I was mildly amused when they learned to pull up our bird feeders so they could snack on sunflower seed from one end while the rest poured to the ground from the other side. One of them decided that was too much like work, so he graduated to biting through the cable holding the bird feeder.

When the feeder hit the ground he and his buddies reveled in a rodent equivalent of a frat party, minus the togas.

Then two of the little rodents started a campaign to drive one of our dogs to the brink of a nervous breakdown, teasing him mercilessly and enticing him to spend hours staring into a tree while they merrily ran down the other side. Often, before they escaped and evaded to the next yard, they would shower him with acorns or pine cones or whatever else they could lay their grubby little paws on.

Fruit theft, bird feeder raiding and dog harassment were innocent enough, but it seems to me they're escalating their efforts.

Take, for example, the little forest denizens along the Riverwalk, who have adopted a more direct approach. At first, when I saw one quivering on the side of the bike path waiting to dash across as close to my front wheel as he dared I thought he was playing "chicken."

The first time it happened, I missed the little beggar by less than two feet. Once the screaming and brake squealing was over, my biking buddies and I thought it was pretty funny. It stayed funny until our resident bicycling guru, Snively, pointed out small animals like squirrels and cats can't see the spokes when the wheels are turning, and think they can run through, then. With my vivid imagination and low pain threshold, this did not conjure up a very pretty picture ... not to mention what the squirrel might end up looking like.

Snively proceeded to recount a horror story about how a squirrel (probably related to the ones haunting the Riverwalk) ended the start of a bicycle race when he tried to run through the front wheel of the lead cyclist. When the leader went down, the rest of the pack went down too, posthumously earning the squirrel a place in the Rats with Good P.R. Hall of Fame.

And they're still throwing their puny bodies in harm's way. Just last week, one got so close I could count his eyelashes. I missed him by centimeters only because when I saw him on the side of the bike path setting up his ambush, I slowed down and disrupted his carefully planned timing sequence.

Not to be outdone, their suburban cousins are stepping up the pace too.

No longer content with harmless pranks aimed at individuals, their homes and their pets, they have set their sights on bigger targets.

In my neighborhood alone, several squirrels have sacrificed themselves on suicide missions, causing power blackouts by hurling themselves on the right combination of power lines and into transformers in their attempts to inconvenience their human neighbors.

They only do it during the summer, when no electricity means no air conditioning. On several occasions the closest theater's lobby has looked like a block party, courtesy of a kamikaze rodent.

As I type this, dangling from an overhead power line just up the street from my home, a small, desiccated corpse flutters in the breeze. For nearly a month now he has been providing mute testimony to the lengths his species will go to drive us from our homes.

How he managed to sink his teeth into the upper wire while planting his feet on the lower to complete the circuit, I will never know. Let's just say that he has given the phrase "death grip" a whole new meaning.

Now that I think about it, didn't the new Rocky the Flying Squirrel and Bullwinkle movie just open? As usual, the moose (a larger and much more powerful animal than a squirrel) has only second billing.

Is it just me, or does anyone else see a pattern developing?

for the record

In the July 7 addition of *The Bayonet*, in the Grip and Grins section Sgt. Gabriela Graham was identified as receiving an Army Achievement Medal. Graham was actually presented the Army Commendation Medal. *The Bayonet* apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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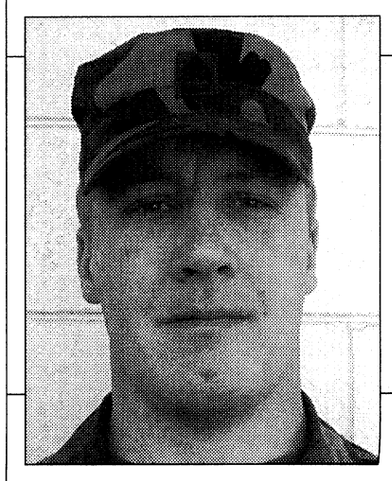
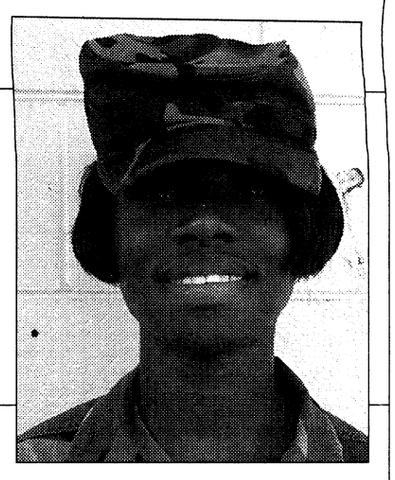
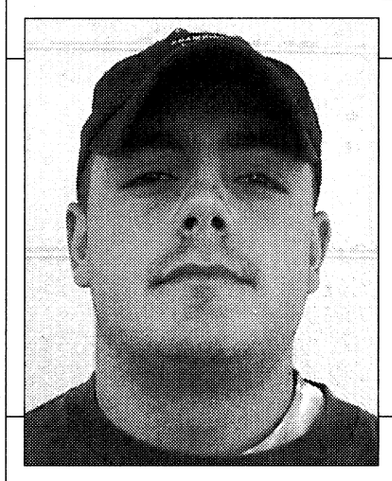
What has been the biggest challenge you've faced being in the Army?



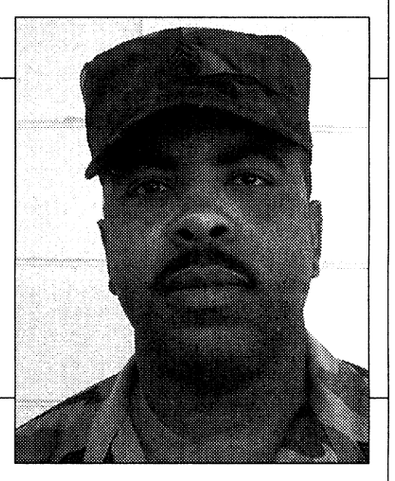
Staff Sgt. Troy Bentley, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade — "My biggest challenge is being separated from my family, so many times, in so many different places, it gets to be quite an adventure."



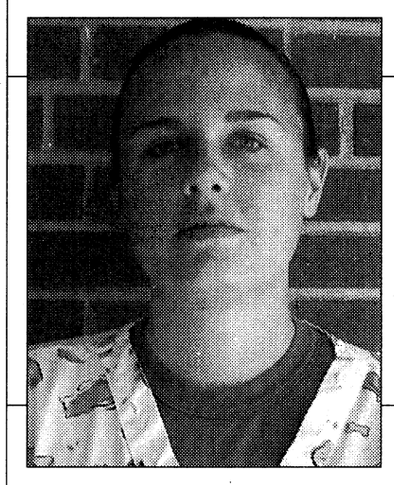
Spc. C'omaro Douglas, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "Deployments are my biggest challenge. Adapting to the people and the area and dealing with the fact you don't have all the conveniences you usually have."



Pvt. Jeffery Swoyer, 75th Ranger Regiment, Ranger Indoctrination Program — "Being away from my family and especially my fiancee is my biggest challenge."



Staff Sgt. Adrian Page, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "The biggest challenge is making sure I take the hard right rather than the easy left — so in other words instead of doing it the easy way do it the right way."



Spc. Beth Rothstein, Veterinary Services — "My greatest challenge was going through basic training, — getting into shape and learning how to shoot a rifle."



Officer Candidate Brian Barnett, A Company, 3rd Battalion (Officer Candidate School), 11th Infantry Regiment — The deployments are my biggest challenge. It definitely has to be the separation factor, being away from family."

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Irishman trades shamrock green for Army green

Former Irish soldier fulfills dream in U.S.

Bridgett Siter
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Some people just seem to have it in their blood — the desire to train, march, drill and lead the regimented life of a Soldier. When the 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, "turns green" during a ceremonial transition to Soldiers, Aug. 11, one graduate will stand out among the rest — his blood runs greener than most.

Pvt. Bernard Shevlin is fulfilling a lifelong dream of becoming a Soldier in the U.S. Army. At the age of 32, he's an anomaly — the oldest basic trainee in the split-option program at Sand Hill. But it hasn't always been so.

Ironically, at one time Shevlin was the youngest Soldier in his unit. That was in 1982, when he dropped out of high school to enlist in the Irish army at the age of 14.

Shevlin hails from Castleblayney, in County Monaghan on the northeastern border of Ireland, an area noted for its beautiful lakes and lush green vistas. It's also an area known for its turbulent history — centuries of civil unrest and violent opposition to British dominion. As a child Shevlin grew accustomed to the sounds of bombs and gunfire in the streets of Castleblayney.

The second of eight children, he watched as his father struggled to feed his growing family on a construction worker's salary. When his grandmother died, his mother's younger siblings also joined the Shevlin household.

"At one time there were 17 of us living in the house with no electricity and no running water. Times was hard, but we were a very close family," he said, with a thick Irish accent. "My father could barely keep food on the table. It was a tough life, but we didn't know any different. My dad never missed a day of work in his life, and he never complained. I always admired him for doing what he had to do and not grumbling about it."

Surrounded by violence and poverty and eager to ease his father's burden, Shevlin joined the army after his freshman year in high school. But after more than four years, he saw "no advancement, no future" in his chosen career, so he saved enough money for a one-way airfare to the U.S. At the age of 19, with only $100 in his pocket, he said good-bye to his homeland and headed to New York City.

"That was the first time I ever saw my father cry," Shevlin said. "I guess it's in the Irish nature to immigrate. I thought the streets here were paved with gold. All I knew about America was what I'd seen on the TV shows."

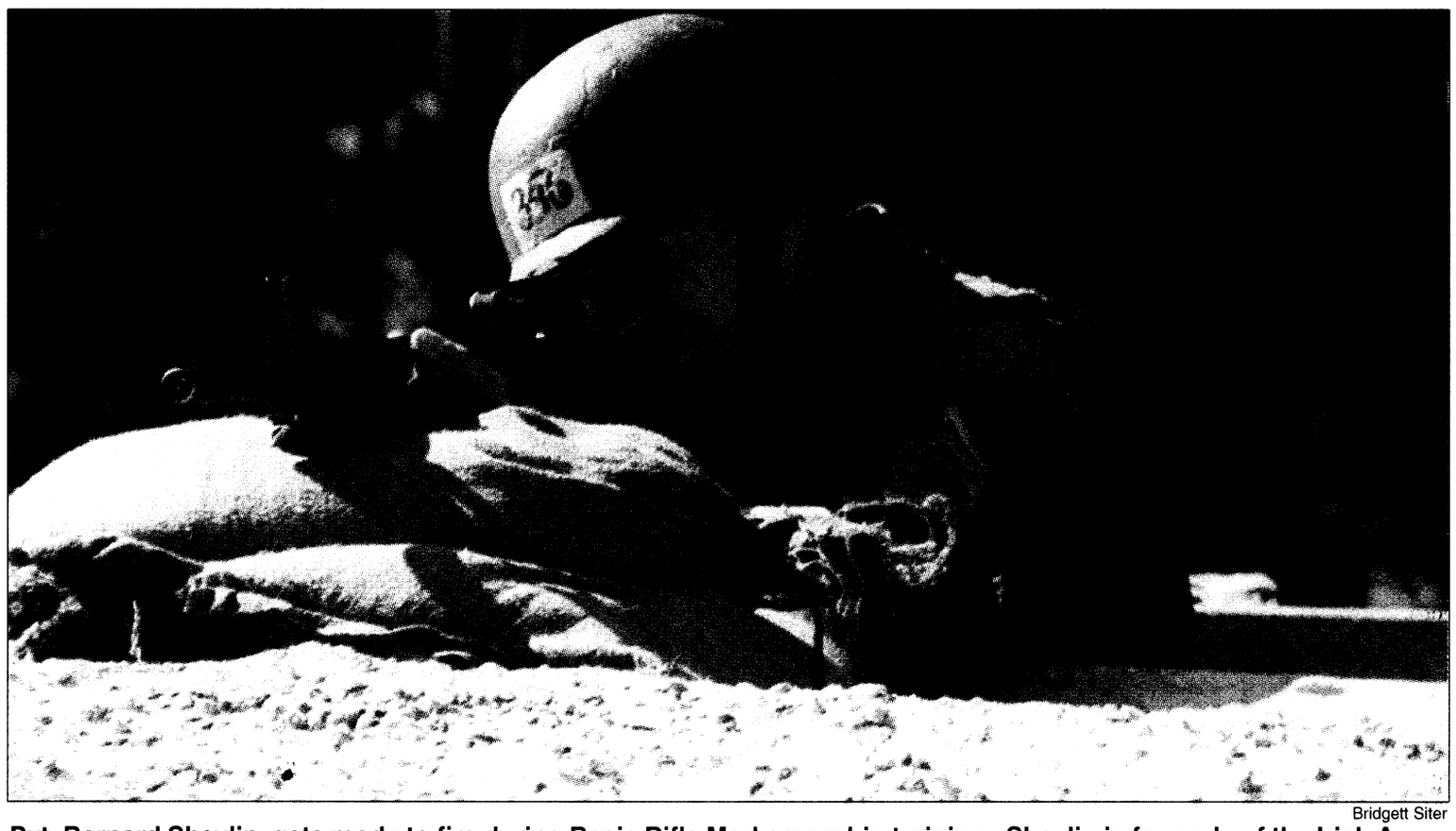
With no friends or family in New York and no place to stay, Shevlin wandered into an Irish pub. There he made friends with an Irishman who offered him a place to stay and a job doing construction — a job he kept for more than six years.

"It was pretty tough," he laughed. "New York looked better on TV. I got mugged the second week I was there. But the money was very good and there was enough to send a little back home."

On Saint Patrick's Day, ten years ago, a stroke of Irish luck landed Shevlin in a sushi bar — "It was just too crowded in the Irish pubs." — where he met his future wife, Kathleen, the granddaughter of Irish immigrants. After their marriage two years ago in Ireland, they moved to East Longmeadow, Mass., where Shevlin works as a correctional officer at a county correctional facility.

"She's the driving force behind me. She supports everything that I do," Shevlin said.

It was Kathleen who encouraged him to get his GED, and Kathleen who lauds his decision to go back to school next fall to pursue a degree in criminal justice.



Bridgett Siter

Pvt. Bernard Shevlin, gets ready to fire during Basic Rifle Marksmanship training. Shevlin is formerly of the Irish Army.

"Bernard's a courageous person," Kathleen said, during a telephone interview. "He jumps in with both feet and gives 100 percent. He's never been afraid to take risks and take on more responsibility to better himself. He's just an incredible man."

Though Shevlin says life in America "has been nothing but good," it hasn't been without sorrow. His father died five years ago, having seen his son only once since he moved to the U.S, and his mother died two years later.

Like his father before him, Shevlin finds himself raising his own sibling, John, who was only 4 years old when his brother left Ireland.

"He really didn't even know me. He spent the first few weeks crying his eyes out," Shevlin said. "But there was nowhere else for him to go. He had been through too much with losing both my parents at such a young age, and he'd seen too much violence in Ireland. It was best to get him out of there. Now he's in the best country in the world and he loves it. He's a great kid."

Shevlin and his wife are still trying to complete the lengthy adoption process that began nearly two years ago.

In the meantime, their family continues to grow. Kathleen gave birth to Grace Ann Margaret six months ago.

In June Shevlin once again left his family behind, temporarily, to join the Army — this time the Massachusetts Army National Guard.

"The hardest part is missing my family," he said. "But my wife is behind me 100 percent. She knows I always wanted to join the U.S. Army — the best force in the world. I've always been fascinated with it, and this was my chance to give something back to this country. That's why I joined."

Shevlin will return to Massachusetts in August, where he will continue working as a correctional officer and report monthly to his local Guard unit.

Next summer, he will return to Fort Benning for advanced individual training, phase two of the split-option program.

Though his employer and family support his endeavor, Shevlin said he had second thoughts when he first arrived at basic training in June.

"I was surrounded by 17- and 18-year-olds. I thought, 'What in the world am I doing here?'" he chuckled. "But I'm like a father to the whole platoon. They're a great bunch of lads. They tell me their problems, and I try to put myself in their shoes."

Staff Sgt. Frank Colleado said Shevlin's age and experience makes him a natural leader for the young Soldiers, mostly high school seniors, who opt to split their basic training and AIT into two summer phases.

"We made him the platoon guide because he's got a good idea about what a leader should be," Colleado, a drill sergeant, said. "He's motivated, and he motivates the others. They look up to him because he's the 'old guy.' They call him Moses."

What does Shevlin tell the young Soldiers who look to him for advice and solace?

"I tell them to take a deep breath when they get up each morning and drive on. That's what I do," he said.

In fact mornings are the favorite part of Shevlin's day at Sand Hill.

"Breakfast is incredible," he laughed. "The food is all excellent, but breakfast is the best part of the day. In the Irish Army you couldn't even eat the food. Here it's incredible, but that's the U.S. and God bless it."

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Army freshens up PT uniforms

Soldiers to see new, improved workout gear

Karen Taylor
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The days of soggy, pit-stained, dirty-bottomed PT uniforms will soon be over.

New PT uniforms will hit the racks of the Clothing and Sales Aug. 15.

"Everything about them is head and shoulders above what we had," said Sgt. Maj. Butch Hancock, TRADOC System Manager-Soldier sergeant major.

"The new design was developed primarily to bring Soldier uniforms into the 21st century," said Dr. Louis Tomasi, research physiologist at the Physical Fitness School.

The new uniform is a five-piece ensemble comprised of two shirts: a long-sleeve, turtle-neck and a short-sleeve T-shirt, shorts, pants and a jacket.

"The jacket is something we have needed for a long time," Hancock said.

The shorts and pants are black, the shirts are light gray and the jacket is dark gray.

The reason the pants and shorts are black is to not show the dirt that frequently stains a Soldier's posterior while doing sit-ups on the dew-covered ground, Tomasi said.

The black letters on the shirts, front and back, are reflective and the jacket and pants are made of a luminous material that will glow in the dark, Hancock said.

Despite the uniform's luminary properties, however, it's still recommended to wear a reflective belt during PT, he said.

For the materials used for PTs, the Army traded cotton for CoolMax and Supplex to create a more durable, comfortable and versatile uniform for Soldiers.

CoolMax is a soft, lightweight breathable material used for the shirts and the shorts-liner. Supplex is a nylon-based material used for the shorts, pants and jacket.

"It's the same materials that high-level amateur and professional athletes are wearing," said Sgt. 1st Class Richard Holladay, Physical Fitness School.

The materials provide the Soldier with maximum comfort during exercise because both CoolMax and Supplex resist the soggy, stay-wet properties that are typical of cotton.

"When the body perspires, CoolMax moves moisture out and air moves in through the fabric producing a cooling, drying effect," Tomasi said.

Of course Soldiers cannot expect to end a run in mid-August with a dry uniform, but the CoolMax will eliminate the post-workout chills when they enter their air-conditioned room, which also is a common trait to cotton.

"If the shirt is wet, just hang it and in 15 to 20 minutes it's dry," Tomasi said.

In addition, the CoolMax shirts are designed to be easily washed in a sink and to not retain body odor.

Supplex, used for the pants and shorts, also is a quick-dry material that enables the shorts, which are 3-inches longer than its cotton counterpart, to double as a swimsuit.

Not only is the uniform made of more durable and comfortable materials, but it's also more stylish and professional-looking than its predecessor.

Some of the features include: pit-zips and reinforced elbows in the jacket, an ID-card-size Velcro side-pocket on the lower part of the shorts and side-zippers up to the knee in the pants.

In these uniforms, there's a reason for placing every pocket, seam and zipper. For example, the short's side-pocket was placed on the lower part of the short so it would not interfere with sit-ups. Also, the pants' side-zippers allow easy removal without taking off the shoes.

The uniform's extensive feature list was determined after years of research and testing. Research for the new uniforms started in the early '90s but it wasn't until 1996 the Army started working with companies. The Physical Fitness School and TSM-Soldier participated in the preliminary research and Project Manager-Soldier out of Fort Belvoir, Va., did all the testing.

The uniform was tested by Soldiers in various posts from Fort Hood to Alaska during spring, summer and winter.

The primary designer of the uniform is American Player from Fall River, Mass., and UNICOR, a trade name for Federal Prison Industries, provided the manual labor to help sew the uniforms.

The Army will begin issuing new uniforms, except for the pants and jackets, to basic trainees between Aug. 15 and Sept. 1. During basic training, the Soldier will have a pair of sweat pants and a sweat shirt instead of the Supplex version.

"We don't want them to rip their jacket or trousers," Hancock said.

Unlike typical PT, basic training entails more activities for Soldiers, such as obstacle courses.

"They are rougher on it (the uniform) in basic training," Hancock said.

Soldiers will receive the new pants and jackets during Phase II of basic combat training.

The cost of the uniform is $108.75 and Soldiers must have the complete ensemble by October 2003.

Soldiers are reminded not to mix and match the present and new uniforms in accordance with Army regulation AR 670-1.

A CLOSER LOOK

The Army will make the new Army Physical Fitness Uniform available Aug. 15 to Soldiers. The uniform will be available at all Clothing Sales stores.

Here are the details.

- The new uniform is a 5-piece ensemble comprised of a long-sleeve shirt, a turtle neck, a short-sleeve shirt, shorts, pants and a jacket.
- The complete set will cost Soldiers $108.75.
- Mandatory possession date of the new uniform is October 2003.
- Trainees will begin being issued the new uniform in mid-August.
- The new uniform replaces the cotton uniforms with the high-tech materials CoolMax and Supplex.
- Army officials say the new materials make the uniforms more durable, comfortable and versatile than the present PFU.
- The addition of the new materials will also make the new uniform breathable ending the days of soggy, stay-wet PT sessions.
- The new uniforms are lettered with reflective print making it easier to see runners both during the night at times of low light.
- The uniform is similar to those worn by professional athletes making it a more professional looking uniform, officials say.
- The uniform is made by a Massachusetts-based company and by federal prisoners.

"(In terms of) hygiene, cleanliness, comfort and durability, it's a much better uniform," Tomasi said.

"There's no comparison on how you're going to look and feel," Hancock said.

Soldier faces felony charges

Man accused of stealing Army explosives

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

A Fort Benning Soldier faces eight felony charges after a search of his Americus home revealed he stole explosives from the Army.

Sgt. 1st Class Kevin M. Stevens, 32, A Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, is charged with three counts of felony possession of a destructive device, five felony counts of theft by taking and one count of disorderly conduct, said Danny Jackson, assistant special agent-in-charge of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Americus field office.

GBI investigators, bomb technicians from the Georgia State Patrol and ordnance experts from Fort Benning searched Stevens' home in Americus July 13 after neighbors told police the Soldier was detonating explosives behind his mobile home.

The search of his residence revealed blasting caps; booby trap, artillery and projectile simulators; and fuses, Jackson said Wednesday.

The explosives were stolen from the Army, he said, and are believed to have came from Fort Benning.

"This is probably not the first time a Soldier has taken these things home," Jackson said. "But what some Soldiers don't realize is just having the explosives in their possession off the installation is a felony offense."

Stevens was released from the Sumpter County Jail July 14 on $35,000 bond.

Team: Visits post

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Technology will play a role in the training as the IBCT will use a command post, which will replicate future tactical capabilities such as video teleconferencing, whiteboard capability and tactical Internet.

"No matter how technical it (the Infantry) is, it's a pretty rough business," Melody said.

Information technology is one of the key capabilities of this brigade, Melody said.

This technology will enable the brigade to plan faster and maneuver more independently than in the past.

Tools such as the tactical Internet will allow the IBCT to quickly obtain information about the enemy from other brigades that are miles away.

"The future is the brigade (will be) doing multiple things without a lot of help," he said.

The Senior Leader Course also addresses issues regarding combat with today's ambiguous adaptive enemy, similar to the Kosovo or Chechenya environment, Melody said.

This stop is the second to last stop on an extensive tour of military posts the IBCT is taking to train for its new duties at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The IBCT previously visited Fort Lee, Va., Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and Fort Knox, Ky., and will go to Fort Leavenworth, Kan., at the end of August for its final training.

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Budget: Will see final approval by Oct. 1

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he said.

The new plan also answers the calls of military retirees for increased medical care.

The plan allows retirees to participate in a comprehensive retail and national mail-order pharmacy programs.

The plan also reforms the U.S. Army School of the Americas here with a name change and revamping the curriculum.

Under the proposed plan the school would adopt the new name: Western Hemisphere Institute for Professional Education and Training. It would also be required to install a board of visitors that include members of Congress and human rights organizations.

The plan would require students at the school to take classes in a series of topics focusing on maintaining human rights.

It would also increase the recruiting of civilian staff and students.

The bill should make it to a House-Senate conference later this month.

"We expect to see its passage sometime in September," said Patricia Murphy, a spokesperson for Cleland. "The bill will more than likely see some streamlining in the medical benefits, but as far as monetary amounts, I don't think we'll see any major changes."

If approved the proposed authorization provides the DoD with a $20 million boost over last year's funding and nearly $4 million more than the president's proposed plan.

How Fort Benning is planning to spend the ACOE winnings:

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Divers: Save Columbus man from water

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The wait proved short for divers as the man who had been flirting with the notion of jumping for more than an hour asked police negotiators a question then jumped.

He asked police negotiators something to the fact that, 'Do you want to hear a joke?' Futrell said. They acknowledged, and the jumper said, 'Reach for my hand.' When the negotiator reached out for him, the man on the bridge jumped, Futrell said.

The water below was rocky, in some parts only 3 to 4 feet deep, Futrell said, but the man who told police throughout the entire situation he was "just having a bad day" fell into some luck when he leapt from the bridge.

He narrowly missed the rocks below landing in an area of the rocky river that was not only rock-free but more than 3 feet deep.

The man landed in an area Futrell estimates was at least 8 feet deep, a depth he said saved the jumper's life and caused only minor bruises.

"As soon as we saw him jump, we began to move in with the boat to pick him up," Futrell said.

Jenkins and Knaggs also swam to the jumper to assist the boat team in getting him in the boat and moving him to nearby ambulances.

"We were lucky," Jenkins said. "He didn't try fight or combat us at all. All he wanted to do was to was get in the boat."

Ironically, it was only the day before, the team had trained on what to do when a person jumps and is combative upon landing.

"It really hit us after the whole thing was over," Jenkins said. "This was a real-life situation, and this is what we have been training to do.

"Everything kicked in, and we proved we could do it," Jenkins said. "It was just great to be part of the operation."

"It went off without a hitch," Knaggs said. "It was one of the most professional operations I have seen in my military career."

The Columbus EMS dive certification program is one of only 12 programs of its kind across the country that trains police and fire personnel in public safety diving.

The incident Tuesday marks the first time a training class has been called to assist in a real rescue mission.

"These guys are all proficient divers, and I didn't feel uncomfortable at all about putting them out there on a real call," Futrell said. "They are all level-headed, physically fit guys very capable of the mission they had."

Jenkins and Knaggs complete the 120-hour diver certification course today.

"This combined rescue reflects well on not only the military, but it shows how well we work as a composite team when called upon to do so with our partners in peace in the tri-community," said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, law enforcement. "Staff Sergeants Jenkins and Knaggs are super guys who did a super job."

Bears: Come closer to more homes

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raccoons, deer, foxes, skunks, opossums, bobcats, snakes, armadillos and coyotes.

Lawn-watering, for example, can attract armadillos because they dig for food. The moist soil of a well-watered lawn presents a convenient feeding ground as opposed to the hard, dry soil found elsewhere.

Also, deer like to eat anything that's growing on the lawn as well as flowerbeds and shrubs.

"You can't fence off a deer. It can easily clear a 10-foot fence," Trostle said.

Some wildlife has learned to live around humans such as coyotes and raccoons.

Here are some ways to deter wildlife from wandering into the yard.

• Secure trash cans with a latch or rope.

• Keep yard clean of debris and mow grass short.

• Don't keep pet food outside.

Many of these animals such as raccoons, opossums, foxes, skunks or armadillos feed at night and do not pose a direct threat to residents if left alone.

More dangerous situations involving nocturnal animals are if they are feeding in the daytime or showing signs of erratic behavior, tiredness or fatigue.

These are signs that the animal is sick.

If wildlife is sighted in a residential area call the military police at 545-5222.

If a black bear is sighted, however, call the Natural Resource Branch at 545-7319.

One animal directly affected by the current drought is the alligator. The plummeting water levels have forced them to go elsewhere for food, water and shelter.

But it's unlikely that an alligator will wander into a residential area.

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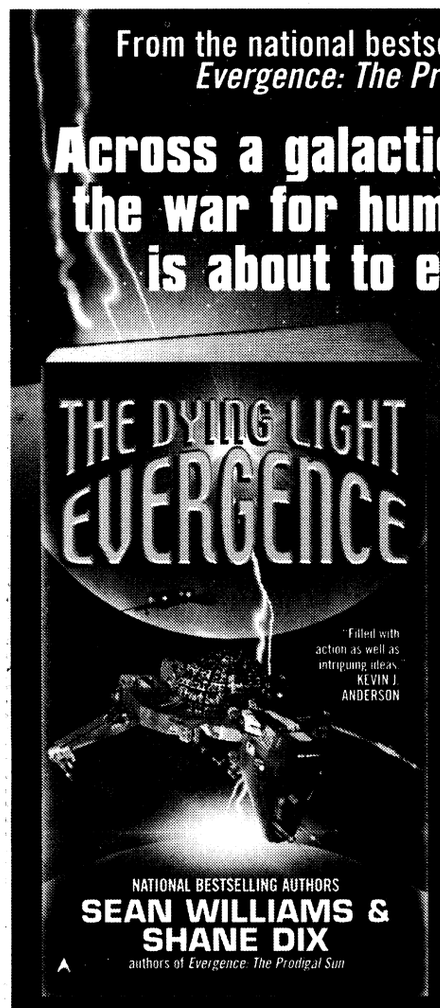

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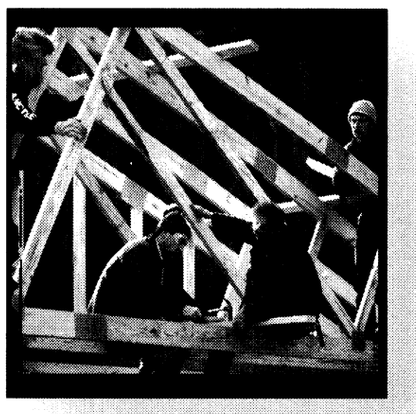
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Soldiers learn cornerstone of Army standard

Pfc. Mark Watson
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This is the fourth story of a six-part series, which takes an in-depth look at basic training.

Since the first day of basic training, the Soldiers of D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, have had seven words pounded into their heads.

The seven words are said to be the cornerstone of what today's Army is all about — the seven Army values.

Loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage — although these are just words to some, the trainees are finding out exactly what they mean to the Army first hand.

"I think we all had values on the outside, but once we got here, the values became a much larger part of our life," Pvt. Jimmie Lake said.

During the first seven weeks of basic training, trainees faced a barrage of tasks that bring out the Soldiers' values.

"The values training has run throughout all their training," Capt. Bill Burley, D Co. commander said. "Everything we do is dependent on values, whether it is crawling under live fire on Young Range, which shows personal courage, or having integrity when they do something wrong and needed to tell the drill sergeant, or displaying honor and doing the training right on the obstacle course."

Although the values were integrated with all of the training, including a formal block of instruction on each value, it wasn't until basic training was well under way the trainees began to apply them to their everyday life.

"It wasn't until we were two or three weeks into training that we finally understood what the values meant and began to apply them," said Pvt. Jason Achzigir. "Plus when we apply values, life is much easier on us."

"By serving there is one value — duty," Sgt. 1st Class Jeffery Todd said. "When they walk to the mall with their greens on and they strut around with their chests stuck out, they are proud of being part of the Army — there they are displaying another value —honor. Many times they didn't realize they had values before the Army, but I sit down with them and try to tie in their past experiences and how they relate to the Army values," he said.

All the Soldiers now realize the values and their importance, Burley said.

"Before I came in, I only cared for myself and only a few of my friends and no one else," Lake said. "The Army has changed me for the better. Now I have learned to care for others."

"They all have the Army values," Burley said. "The ones who made it this far without values are either not here or they are on their way out," he said.

The Soldiers will put all their knowledge and the values learned to the test Monday when they begin their field training exercise which will be their last blocks of instruction.



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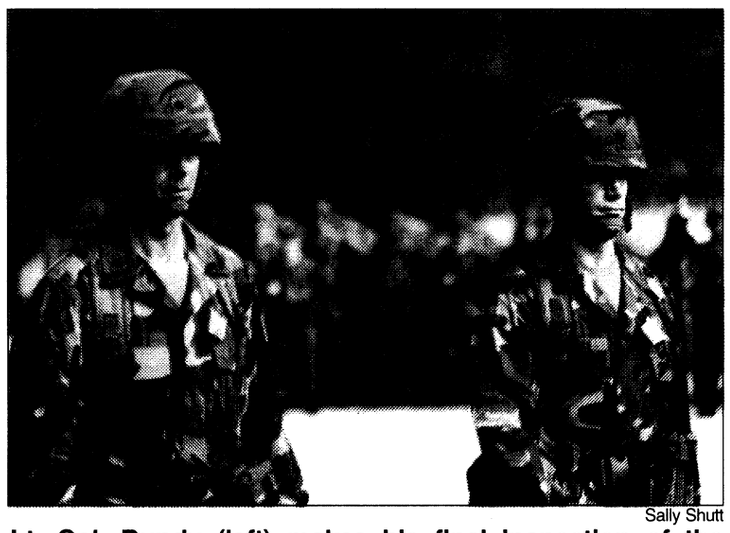
Pvt. Matthew Shorey high crawls through a sand pit during Individual Tactical Training. The training incorporates the seven Army values by demonstrating the need for teamwork and unity among the Soldiers



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Lt. Col. Bundy (left) makes his final inspection of the troops with incoming commander Lt. Col. Michael Hanley.

1st Bn., 19th Inf., changes command

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Lt. Col. Dennis Bundy relinquished command of the 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, to Lt. Col. Michael Hanley at Sand Hill's Kannel Field July 12.

Bundy now moves to brigade headquarters to serve as the ITB deputy commander.

One unique aspect of Bundy's two-year command has been a working relationship with the 84th Division (Institutional Training), which sends reservists to work as drill sergeants and in other positions within E Company, 1st Bn., 19th Inf. Regt.

Reservists from the 84th Div. (IT) joined the battalion's cadre in formation on the parade field, along with troops who have been training with the unit from one month to one week.

In his farewell comments, Bundy noted during his command there had been 46 company commanders — 16 from the active component and 30 from the reserve component.

"The professional working relationship between the ITB and the 84th Division is a real success story," Bundy said.

"Dennis Bundy is a man of principle, a man of character. He is truly a selfless commander who has led this unit to an absolutely amazing performance record," said Col. Rusty Schorsch, ITB commander.

Bundy and his wife, Carol, have two children, Dennis and Dena.

Hanley's most recent assignment was as the chief of the Forced Entry Battle Lab, Dismounted Battlespace Battle Lab.

Hanley was commissioned through Officer Candidate School in 1983 following four years of enlisted service with the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C. After his commissioning, Hanley returned to the 82nd Airborne Div. He commanded B Company, 6th Ranger Training Battalion, and A Company, 1st Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault). Other assignments include Korea, Fort Benning and Fort Polk, La.

Hanley and his wife, Emmy, have two children, Margaret and Alexander.

Airborne welcomes commander

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The 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry Regiment, welcomed a new commander July 13 during a change of command ceremony on York Field.

Lt. Col. Jeffrey W. Terhune assumed command of the Airborne School from Lt. Col. Brian P. Stephenson, whose next assignment will be as the deputy commander of the 75th Ranger Regiment.

Members of the original Airborne test platoon, who were the first men to train as paratroopers at Fort Benning 60 years ago, and of the 555th Parachute Infantry Battalion, the first black parachute battalion, attended the ceremony.

Col. Michael Ferriter, commander of the 11th Infantry Regiment, recognized the Airborne pioneers and called them a "living representation of the 'Greatest Generation.'"

"The paratrooper's place in history was paved by the blood of our Airborne forefathers, many of whom are sitting here today. It lives today in the paratroopers, Rangers and Special Forces who serve throughout our armed forces, and it will be perpetuated by these courageous students before you on the parade field," Stephenson said.

A year ago the battalion adopted a nickname — "Every paratrooper's regiment."

"That's because we train Soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines. And, even though they fill positions throughout the Department of Defense, if you want to become a paratrooper, you have to come here and join the 507th," Stephenson said.

During Stephenson's command, 23,105 paratroopers graduated from Airborne School.

"That means 105,525 safe jumps, no deaths and no serious injuries," Ferriter said.



Sally Shutt

Lt. Col. Jeffrey W. Terhune (left) accepts the colors from Col. Michael Ferriter during a change of command ceremony.

Stephenson and his wife, Victoria, have three daughters, Lauren, Kristen and Jennifer.

Terhune's most recent assignment was at Fort Benning as the chief, Office of Infantry Proponency.

"I am honored and humbled to command such an outstanding organization as the 1st Battalion, 507th Infantry Regiment, and the Airborne School," Terhune said.

A 1982 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, Terhune holds a master's degree in leader development from West Point.

His awards and decorations include the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with Arrowhead, and Master Parachutist Badge with combat star.

He commanded A Company and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, N.C., and served as the operations and executive officer of the 1st Battalion, 187th Infantry, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

A native of Kentucky, Terhune and his wife, Marty, have four children, Mary, William, Jeffrey and Danielle.

The ceremony started with eyes turned skyward as the Fort Benning Command Exhibition Parachute Team, the Silver Wings, performed for the last time. Nine members of the team jumped from 12,500 feet in a free fall demonstration.

Once on the ground, the unit presented Stephenson with one of two batons carried during the final jump in appreciation for his support.

The other baton will go to the Airborne School battalion headquarters as a memento of the Silver Wings' last demonstration.

Formed in 1959, the team was deactivated because of budget constraints.

Jake Holladay, 6, came to the ceremony because he wanted to see the Silver Wings.

"It was great. They all landed on the target," he said.

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MP Activity passes colors

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In what was by far the coolest change of command ceremony at Fort Benning this summer, the Military Police Activity passed its colors in the air-conditioned comfort of the Officers' Club July 14.

Lt. Col. Donald Salo relinquished command of the MPA to Col. Graves T. Myers IV.

Myers takes over not only as the leader of the MPA, but also as the director of Public Safety, which includes the fire fighting and safety branches of the Infantry Center.

Salo's next assignment will be to attend the Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Salo's wife, Stacy, is a personnel management specialist with the Fort Benning Civilian Personnel Advisory Center. The Salos have three daughters, Lindsey, Ashley and Katlin. The family will continue to live in Columbus while Salo commutes to the Air War College in Montgomery, Ala.

Myers was commissioned a Military Police Corps officer in 1975. He holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from North Georgia College and a master's degree in forensic science from George Washington University.

His assignments include several tours at Fort Bragg, N.C., where he commanded Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 16th Military Police Group, served as the provost marshal of the 82nd Airborne Division and commanded the 10th Military Police Battalion (Airborne) (CID).

Myers was the division plans officer, 3rd U.S. Army, Fort McPherson, Ga., and commanded the 3rd Military Police Group (CID) prior to moving to Fort Benning.

He and his wife, Susan, have two children, Trent and Elizabeth.



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Col. Graves Myers, left, receives the colors from Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander.

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'Can Do' battalion welcomes Smith to Kelley Hill

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Hot weather is nothing new to the Soldiers of the 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized).

During the last two years, the battalion, under the command of Lt. Col. Robert Pricone, has deployed to the deserts of Kuwait and southern California.

So it seemed appropriate the battalion said farewell to Pricone and welcomed a new commander in the sweltering Georgia heat at Kelley Hill's Essebagger Field July 14.

Lt. Col. Dennis Smith assumed command of the 1st Bn., 15th Inf. Regt. — the "Can Do" battalion.

In his farewell comments, Pricone thanked the leaders and Soldiers of the battalion.

"I could not have hand-picked a better team to lead Soldiers anywhere in the Army."

Calling the Soldiers the best in the Army, he added, "Thank you for your unyielding support, professionalism, self-discipline and dedication. My deepest respect goes out to each of you."

Pricone's next assignment is with the U.S. Infantry Center as the chief of Tactics. He and his wife, Dawn, have two children, Joey and Catherine.

The newest caretaker of the "Can Do" legacy, Smith has "an Armywide reputation for mental and physical toughness," Cucolo said. "And he knows deployment cold."

Smith comes to Fort Benning from Hawaii, where he served as the Chief of the Information Warfare Division, U.S. Army Element, Joint Intelligence Center, Pacific Command.

A graduate from Stone Hill College, Smith was commissioned a second lieutenant and began his career with the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Stewart, Ga.

Other assignments include the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment; 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry Regiment, 10th Mountain Division (Light); Joint Readiness Training Center, Fort Polk, La.; and 3rd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (Light), Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

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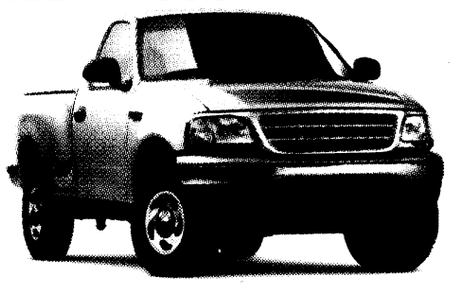

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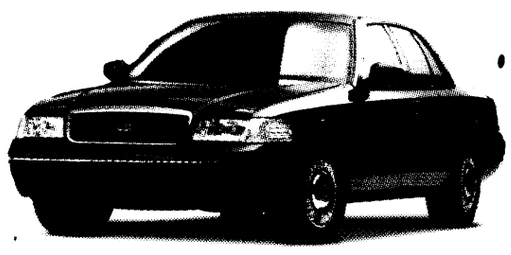

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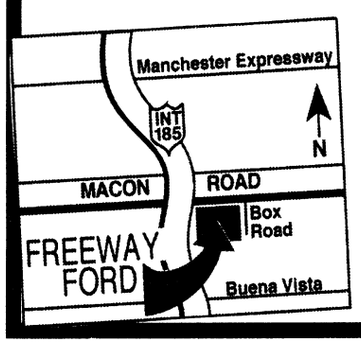

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State mandates chicken pox vaccine

Students need immunization before school

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School days missed due to chicken pox may soon be history thanks to a little shot in the arm.

Georgia has changed its immunization requirements, and now all children entering child care or school facilities in the state for the first time this year, regardless of age, will be required to receive the varicella, or chicken pox vaccine — or provide proof they are immune.

Parents moving to Fort Benning who think their children are up-to-date on their immunizations are encouraged to check out the state's new Certificate of Immunization, Form 3231, because the varicella requirement is one of several changes. Hepatitis B shots, for example, are now mandated for all new students, not just those born after January 1992. This vaccine is given in a three-shot series.

The state immunization forms are available at Martin Army Community Hospital's primary care clinics.

Fort Benning Schools follow the state's requirements for all immunizations. Parents can pick up an information sheet on immunizations in their child's registration packet. Faith Middle School is registering students now, and the post's elementary schools will begin Aug. 1. Post schools start Aug. 17.

Parents have 30 days to comply with the requirements and officials will be closely checking records this year and sending out notices if students' records are not up-to-date, said Tommye Woods, director of student services for Fort Benning Schools.

The changes adopted by the state follow the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Family Physicians, said Maj. Bryan Alsip, chief of Preventive Medicine, Martin Army Community Hospital.

With Fort Benning and Muscogee County Schools opening in about a month, parents are encouraged not to wait until the last minute to bring their children to the hospital's primary care clinics for shots, unless they are willing to wait in long lines.

The varicella vaccine requirement may be waived with a physician's diagnosis of the disease or a health care provider's interpretation that a parent's description of the child's chickenpox disease history indicates a past infection, according to the Georgia Department of Human Resources.

Although blood tests can be given to prove immunity, they are expensive and will only be given to students 13 years of age or older, and then primarily to females because of the possibility of pregnancy, said Robert Knight, a licensed practical nurse with Martin Army's Pediatric Clinic.

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DoD eyes laser surgery

Army may offer vision correction to dependents

Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — DoD officials are looking into the possibility of offering laser eye surgery to military beneficiaries.

Several studies are under way to determine if laser vision correction stands up to the rigors of military life, said Dr. John Mazzuchi, deputy assistant secretary of defense (health affairs) for clinical and program policy.

"Our first concern is for the active-duty force," Mazzuchi said. "If this method works for them, the eye is stable over time, and the military environment doesn't harm them, then I think this is something we will do for them as a readiness issue."

He said officials will probably relook the issue in two to three years, when preliminary data are available from ongoing studies. New DoD policy allows individuals who have had laser vision surgery to obtain a medical waiver before joining the military; previously they were barred altogether.

Providing the service to family members is a different ball game. While laser eye surgery might become a readiness issue for the active duty force, Mazzuchi said, it would be elective cosmetic surgery for others.

Laser eye surgery might be beneficial, but doing purely cosmetic procedures means having

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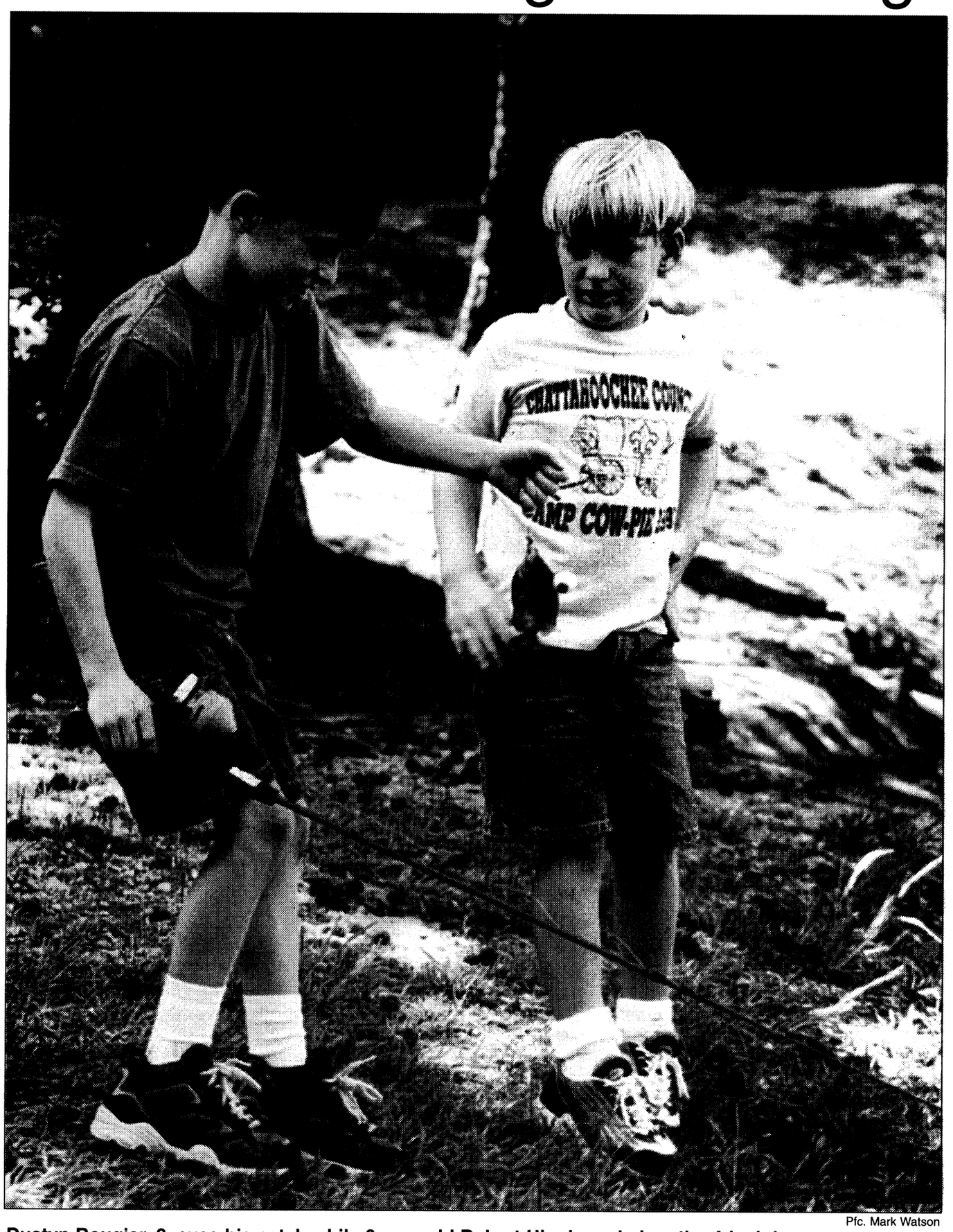
Scouts reel in 'big one' during fishing derby



Pfc. Mark Watson

Dustyn Rougier, 8, eyes his catch while 6-year-old Robert Higgins admires the 4-inch bream.

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Cub Scouts from Pack 54 of the Fort Benning Scouting district gathered Saturday morning to try their luck at fishing in Russ Pond for the annual Boy Scout Fishing Derby.

While the Georgia heat and other summer activities kept most Scouts away, Troop 41's Scoutmaster, Charles Ingram, who was also the derby's coordinator, was able to gather seven fishermen with a wide range of experience for the derby.

Dustyn Rougier, 8, Columbus, said he was confident that he would win the tournament with his knowledge and experience.

"I have a few things that will trick the fish," he said as he pulled out his tackle box to show fellow Cub Scout Braddrick Sanders his assortment of lures.

Although not as confident as Rougier, Sanders thought he would catch his fair share with a pole four times his height.

After a brief discussion of their strategies, the two went their separate ways to try to hook into the "big one."

The derby was held for the Scouts in the Fort Benning district, but only one Scout pack showed, Ingram said.

"We get all the units together to see who is the best fisherman," he said. "The idea is to teach them how to fish, how to bait their hooks and how to take the fish off.

"They really have a good time when they are fishing," he said.

More than teaching the Scouts how to fish, Dan Menefee, the district chairman, said the Scouts learn patience and discipline.

"It is great for them to come out and interact with the parent volunteers and with each other," Menefee said. "It gives them a chance to be outdoors instead of watching TV or playing video games. They have the opportunity to work in harmony and that is what Scouting is all about.

"More than that this gives them something they can pass along," he said.

Although most of the Scouts had never fished before, the adults were able to give the youths help.

"For a lot of the Scouts, this is the first time they have ever fished," he said. "Like James (Rose). He was catching the trees, but I worked with him for a little bit, and then he caught a fish."

The fish Rose pulled out of the pond was a 15-ounce catfish, which earned him second place in the big fish category.

Another newcomer to the sport was 6-year-old Robert Higgins.

"I hope I get him," he said as the bobber attached to his line began to move away from the bank and then back again. "I hope he is as big as a shark," he

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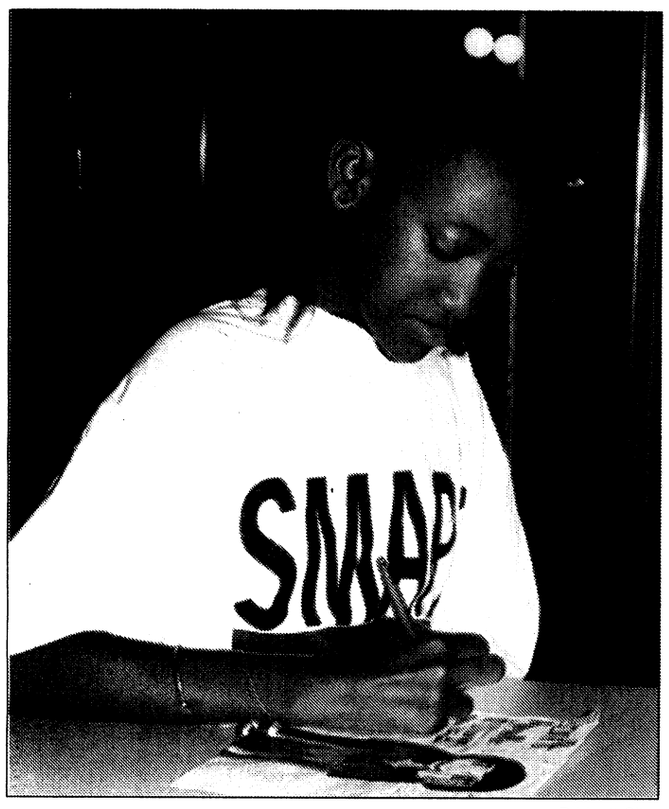

Bridgett Siter

Courtney Ranson, 11, creates a poster warning about the dangers of smoking.

Clubs unite to teach students SMART moves

Program helps keep youth off drugs, alcohol

Bridgett Siter
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The Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Columbus and Phenix City have united with Fort Benning's Youth Services to teach middle schoolers some SMART moves this summer.

Fifteen Fort Benning youths between the ages of 11 and 15 are participating in a nationally acclaimed awareness and prevention program called SMART Moves — Skills Mastery And Resistance Training. The program, sponsored by Boys' and Girls' Clubs nationwide, is designed to help young people avoid five of the most immediate threats to their well-being: alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, teen pregnancy, HIV and AIDS.

Based on research and best practices from prevention specialist across the nation, the SMART Moves curriculum has been used in schools and youth organizations throughout the country for more than a decade, but this is the first time it has been offered on Fort Benning.

Betty King, community service coordinator for the Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Columbus and Phenix City, calls the program a "nontraditional, thematic approach to teaching drug prevention and abstinence."

The theme of this summer's 10-week program is "Fun with a purpose," and King said it is the fun that helps the program accomplish its real purpose.

"The whole idea is to get them to come to the meetings because they're fun. That's their motivation," she said. "Then we have the opportunity to expose them to our comprehensive curriculum about drugs, alcohol and early teen pregnancy."

> "If someone tries to persuade me to do something I shouldn't, I'll just tell them 'I'm not down with that, man, I don't have time to go to jail, I don't want to be addicted, and I don't want to die over drugs.'"
>
> **Cameron Murdock**
> Program participant

The fun started in June when King began meeting with participants every Tuesday for one hour. At first, she said, only a handful of YS members attended, but as the word spread, more and more youth responded to the program.

"We have refreshments and guest speakers and field trips, but at first it was all about getting acquainted and feeling comfortable with each other so we could share ideas and information about these topics," King said. "It took us a while, but now we've got a great group involved, and we've formed a good relationship."

King said the informal structure and relaxed atmosphere of the program allows the participants to talk about problems or ask questions they might

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ask the judge

1st Lt. Aimee Hobby
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: There was a note on the bottom of my last LES that said I may be entitled to a refund if I bought an insurance policy from American Fidelity Life Insurance. Can you tell me what this is all about?

A: In 1997 the Florida Department of Insurance began receiving complaints from service members who had been doing business with American Fidelity Life Insurance Company and Trans World Assurance Company.

These insurance companies were targeting military personnel in a life insurance sales scheme. They were selling life insurance policies as savings plans.

The Florida Attorney General and Insurance Commissioner conducted an investigation and finally reached settlements with two companies Feb. 17.

These settlements entitled service members who purchased one of these insurance policies to file a claim for compensation (a refund).

If you are a Florida resident who purchased a "Flexible Dollar Builder" life insurance policy from American Fidelity Life Insurance or Trans World Assurance Company between 1980 and 1999, you are entitled to a refund.

It does not require you to have been stationed in Florida, or to have lived there when the policy was bought. It simply means that your LES must have stated that Florida was your resident state at the time you purchased your policy.

To receive your refund, you must write a letter to the appropriate insurance company stating that the agent who sold you the policy misrepresented the policy as a savings plan. In the letter you should request a claims form packet. The letter should be sent to one of the addresses below (depending on which insurer you used):

• Trans World Assurance Co., 885 South El Camino Rea, San Mateo, CA 94402, (605) 348-2300

• American Fidelity Life Insurance Co., Attention: Vicky Webb, 4060 Barrancas Avenue, Pensacola, FL 32507, (850) 456-7401

It should take three to four weeks for you to receive the claims form packet. Once you receive the packet, you must fill out the enclosed forms and submit them to the appropriate insurance company before Feb. 19, 2001.

The refund will be mailed to you once the claims form has been processed.

For more information about the scheme or settlements, you can call the State of Florida's insurance hotline at (800) 342-2762. They will need to record the date of purchase, as well as your policy number, so make sure you have the policy with you when you call.

If you need assistance filling out the claims form, call the Legal Assistance Division at 545-3281 and make an appointment to meet with an attorney. Be sure to bring all of the paperwork with you for your scheduled appointment.

SMART: Keeps youths free

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not feel comfortable addressing in a classroom setting.

"They have a lot of input and make a lot of decisions about what activities we'll do. Some of them have displayed genuine leadership qualities right off the bat," she said. "These are the ones we call 'peer leaders.' They've shown themselves to be responsible and reliable, and they're getting the word out to other kids."

With King's guidance, the peer leaders often initiate discussions about the various issues teens face. She offers viable solutions to help them deal with peer pressure and avoid unhealthy behavior as well as information about personal hygiene and etiquette.

"It's about their self-confidence. If they feel good about themselves and know how to behave properly in a social setting, they're more confident in themselves, feel more self-worth and are better able to resist the pressures they face," she said.

Cameron Murdoch said the program has given him the confidence to resist peer pressure.

"I know I don't want to do anything that will harm my body," the 12-year-old said. "If someone tries to persuade me to do something I shouldn't, I'll just tell them, 'I'm not down with that, man. I don't have time to go to jail. I don't want to be addicted, and I don't want to die over drugs.'"

All SMART Moves participants were required to take a pre-test before beginning the program to determine how much they knew about each subject addressed during the program. At the end of the summer, they will again be tested to evaluate the success of the program.

"We're very excited about being here on Fort Benning and we want to make this program work, not only for these kids, but so we'll be invited back again to reach more and more kids," King said.

Restrictions: **Fort Benning is still under water restrictions. All outdoor watering must be done by hand and on the post-mandated days. Sprinklers are prohibited.**

garden tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet corespondent

Many residents are unaware of the existence of the Cooperative Extension Office, let alone the benefits and services the office supplies.

The Cooperative Extension Service covers the Muscogee and Chattahoochee Counties. Fort Benning is included in the area serviced by the office.

The objective of the extension service is to educate the community on environmental and horticulture issues. There are numerous pamphlets and materials available at the extension office on a variety of subjects concerning your lawn and garden.

The office provides various services to the community as well as educational material. These services include soil testing, disease and pest analysis and plant identification. The office also provides recommendations for horticulture chemicals and plant selection.



In addition to the above mentioned services, the extension office offers seminars and programs. One time seminars concerning subjects such as lawn care or crop maintenance are available, as are more extensive programs like the Master Gardener program.

Although not every resident or employee on Fort Benning may need the services offered, any concerns for the environment can be addressed to the extension office.

Any questions involving horticulture, including ornamental or agricultural, can be answered at the office.

Karl Pearson is the Columbus Extension Agent.

He has a bachelor's degree in agriculture science and a masters of education degree in agriculture extension in international development.

The Columbus Cooperative Extension Office is located on the ground floor of the Columbus Government Center.

The office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The phone number is 653-4200.

Editor's note: *Jennifer White is a student at Columbus State University and enrolled in the Columbus Cooperative Extension Service's Master Gardner Program.*

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births

Girls

Chandler Reed Yarbrough — born June 30 to Lee Ann and Staff Sgt. Scotty Yarbrough.

Dana DeAnne Merritt — born June 30 to Denise and Sgt. 1st Class Marcus Merritt.

Breanna Kay Berry — born July 1 to Ronda and Sgt. Michael Berry.

Kaiah Shanelle Chambers — born July 1 to Spc. Ebony and Spc. Corey Chambers.

Georgia Katherine Watkins — born July 2 to Bethany and Capt. Mitchell Watkins.

Boys

Lucas Alexander Fontenot — born 15 June to Gina and Capt. Doyle Fontenot

Jalal Ali Sunndiada Jones — born June 27 to Montez and Pfc. Timothy Jones.

Kisean Montrell Grayes — born June 29 to Annette and Spc. Horace Grayes.

Xavier Michale Perez — born June 30 to April and Sgt. Raul Perez.

Anthony Louis Belen — born July 1 to Olga and Sgt. 1st Class Angel Belen.

Chase Daniel Bullock — born July 2 to LaShunda and Pvt. Aaron Bullock.

Jeremy David Stillwagner Jr. — born July 3 to Debra and Cpl. Jeremy Stillwagner.

Antonio Maxie Dallmann — born July 3 to Felisha and Staff Sgt. Theodor Dallmann.

Christopher Alonzo Smiley — born July 4 to Joan and Sgt. 1st Class Gary Smiley.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

mayors' forum

Jodie Bowers
Community LIfe Mayors' Program

The hot issue right now is speeding in the housing areas. School's out and drivers need to slow down. Children are busy playing and not looking for cars.

Also, as a reminder, post regulation prohibits children who are younger than 6 years old to be outside without parental supervision.

Residents who have an outside dog need to make sure their pet has shade and water.

Dogs get hot, thirsty and hungry just like humans and can also suffer from such things as heat stroke. If anyone sees a case of neglect or abuse, they should call their community life NCO.

During the recent storms a number of tree branches fell.

If anyone has a branch that is too large to remove, call the Directorate of Public Works and they will remove it.

The Community Life Mayors' Program is going strong and better than ever.

However, there are still two empty spots — one for a vice mayor for West Main Post and vice mayor for Custer Terrace.

If interested, call Jodie Bowers at 685-0030.

briefs

on post

First aid class — There will be a community first aid and safety class from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in Building 2626. The cost is $34.

Class must be paid in full before the day of the class.

For more information, call 545-5195.

Road closure — Stewart Avenue will be closed between Running and Madden avenues Monday and Tuesday for the installation of sewer lines.

For more information, call 545-0333.

Hospital closure — Martin Army Community Hospital will have an organizational day July 28. The Victory Clinic and Emergency Room will be open, but all other clinics will close at 10 a.m.

For more information, call 544-2041.

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Vaccine: Becomes necessary for school-aged children

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"You don't want to give the vaccine if there is a chance of pregnancy," Knight said.

The varicella shots cost the hospital about $30 a dose; blood tests can run twice that because they must be sent to a lab in Texas, Knight said.

It is important for parents to take good care of their children's shot records so shots will not have to be repeated, a process that can be painful for the child and expensive for the medical system, Knight said.

It costs Martin Army Hospital and other military treatment facilities about $218 a person for a complete series of immunizations, Knight said.

"That is the military cost, not what it would be in the civilian sector," he said.

"The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices looks at chicken pox as a preventable disease, with a safe and effective vaccine," Alsip said.

For any dual working couple, there is the economic benefit of not having to miss work to stay home with a sick child.

At Fort Benning, there is also the issue of readiness if one parent has to stay home with a child who can not go to school or child care, said Capt. James Boxmeyer, administrator of the Department of Family Practice and Community Medicine.

Individuals entering the Army who can not prove immunity are given the varicella vaccine and less than 3 percent require the shot at Fort Benning, Boxmeyer said.

Students already enrolled in Georgia schools are OK for now. " But by the fall 2001, they are going to have to provide proof of immunity or get the vaccine," Alsip said.

Other immunization changes may be enacted by states across the country on the advice of the national health organizations.

"The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices has recently recommended to include young children in their recommendations for the pneumococcal vaccine, commonly known as the pneumonia shot," Alsip said.

"The idea is not necessarily to simply prevent pneumonia in children, but also to prevent one of the most common causes of bacterial meningitis in infants and children. The thought is to prevent what could be a life-threatening disease."

The increasing number of vaccines being recommended has raised questions the medical community will have to address, Alsip said.

"What is going to be the limit and how are the immunizations going to be delivered?" he said. "The thought is to try to combine more and reduce the number of injections.

"Immunization has been the single greatest factor in reducing deaths due to infectious disease — more than any other major medical development," Alsip said.

Knight encourages parents to bring children's shot and medical records to the clinics and to prepare older children by discussing what will happen.

"It's not a good idea to surprise them," he said.

A CLOSER LOOK

Immunizations are given on a walk-in basis at all Martin Army Community Hospital primary care clinics. Patients should report to their assigned clinic during the following hours:

Family Practice Clinic —
- 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Monday through Friday

Aviation Medicine Clinic —
- 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays

Winder Health Clinic —
- 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays

Pediatric Clinic —
- 1-3 p.m. Monday through Friday
- 8-11 a.m. Wednesdays

Surgery: May help dependents

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to take care of all medical necessities first, he said. "For the near future, at least, I think this is not going to become a covered benefit."

The military healthcare system already has to struggle to operate within its budget, he explained. However, he added, that doesn't necessarily mean these laser procedures would be out of reach of military beneficiaries.

Under current regulations, outpatient surgical procedures would cost about $270 per day in military medical treatment facilities, he said. So, that would be the cost of a 15-minute laser operation — considerably cheaper than the $4,000 to $6,000 charged by civilian providers.

"We don't want to deny a new medical breakthrough to our beneficiaries, but when it's purely cosmetic and not medically necessary, we can't make it available at no cost," he said.

Mazzuchi said the military keeps tabs on emerging medical technologies for several reasons. For one, it's the best thing to do for DoD beneficiaries. For another, an exciting atmosphere helps attract quality medical professionals.

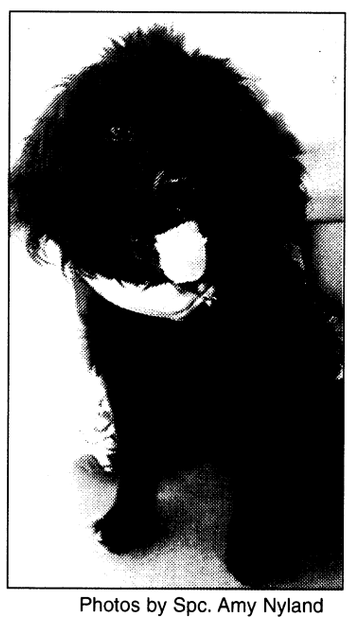
"We want to attract and retain the best-quality medical people the country has to offer. One of the best ways to do that is with really good training programs and with exciting medicine," Mazzuchi said. "Cutting-edge medicine attracts the best and keeps the best."

He said whether or not DoD is interested in a certain procedure or technology depends somewhat on the readiness implications of the procedure. "One of the reasons laser eye surgery is so important to us is that it may free us from having to rely on glasses," Mazzuchi said. "That has tremendous implications for military operations."

However, the desire for cutting-edge techniques has to be balanced with ever-present fiscal constraints. "The taxpayers expect us to spend their money wisely," he said.

But the main driving force behind exploring new medical breakthroughs is to provide quality medical care for DoD beneficiaries. "We believe the people who serve their country ought to have top-quality medical care," Mazzuchi said. "We want our healthcare system to be the best healthcare system there is anywhere."

Pets of the week

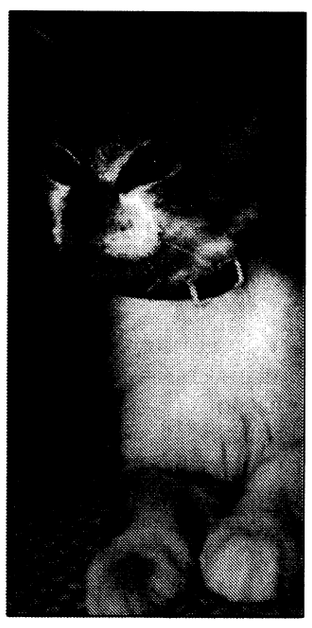


Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

An 8-month-old male Spaniel mix and an adult male domestic long-haired cat are just a few of the animals available for adoption at the vet clinic. There are still more in need of a good home.

Pets can be adopted by Soldiers and civilians.

For more information about these or any other pets, call Veterinary Services at 545-4826.



Derby: Draws anglers

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exclaimed then he gave his fishing pole a tug only to have the line raise out of the water with his hook empty.

Although Higgins "missed catching the fish, his persistence and determination paid off when he finally landed a small bream.

"It was so exciting watching the bobber go around, and then when it went totally under it was real exciting," Higgins said.

With only 15 minutes left until the derby ended, the confident Rougier still had to catch a fish.

The only thing he had caught were some weeds and one small turtle, but as his bobber was pulled under, he began to reel in his only fish of the day — a small bream.

As the derby ended and the fish were tallied, Sanders had pulled out the most fish — five — along with the biggest, a one-pound catfish.

Rose caught the second biggest fish, a 15-ounce catfish. The smallest fish of the day was taken by surprise.

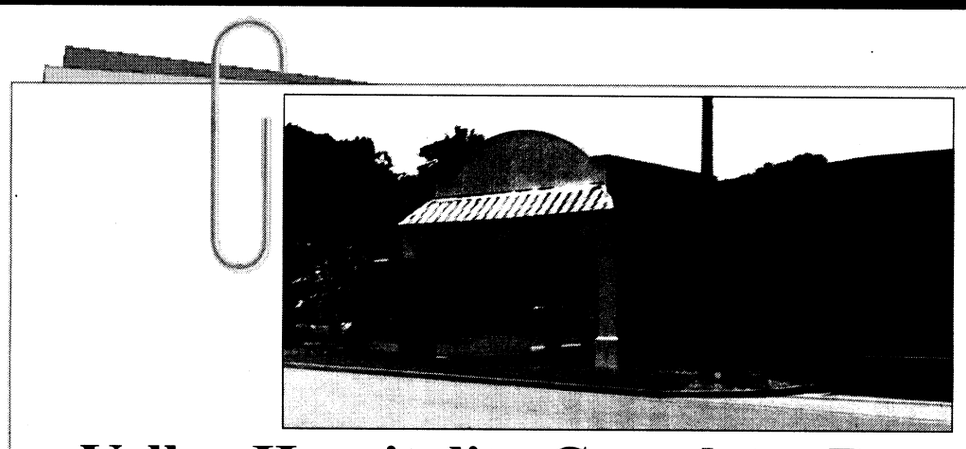
After losing his bait, 10-year-old Marcus Anglin was getting another worm. In the meantime a one-inch-long fish nibbled at the hook and was caught to the surprise of Anglin.

"It is great watching the surprise in their face. The fish they catch make their day and even their week," Menefee said.

Stop!

Fort Benning has implemented water restrictions because of the ongoing drought. The following restrictions are effective immediately:

- Even-numbered addresses may only water on **Mondays** and **Fridays**.
- Odd-numbered addresses may only water on **Tuesdays** and **Saturdays**.
- All watering must be kept to less than 30 minutes and must be done by hand.
- All sprinklers are prohibited.



Valley Hospitality Completes Renovation of Columbus and Fort Benning Area Econo Lodge Hotel

Columbus, GA, July 10, 2000 - Valley Hospitality Hotel and Food Services Company today announced that it has completed the renovation of the Columbus Econo Lodge at 4483 Victory Drive in Columbus, Ga.

As part of the renovation, improvements were made to the exterior of the 80-room hotel, including the facade of the building, parking area driveway, grounds, and paint color. In addition, the hotel made enhancements to the property's common areas, such as deluxe continental breakfast area added, lobby re-designed to be more spacious and comfortable, meeting room with full kitchen and bathroom, fitness room, guest laundry facility and pool area.

The guest rooms now have new bedding, vanities, bathtubs, carpet, drapery, walls resurfaced, new armoires, credenzas, televisions, pay per view movies, microwaves and refrigerators, pictures and new bedspreads. The Columbus hotel, which was purchased by Valley Hospitality October 16th, 1999, completed the renovation in June.

Brian Plemmons, President of Valley Hospitality expressed that, "With these improvements to the property that it would offer the best and most convenient hotel to Fort Benning. It is our goal to be the best Hotel offered to the many visitors to Fort Benning. We are also proud to be a part of the renovation process of Victory Drive and South Columbus, We are confident that each guest will receive an excellent experience at the Fort Benning Econo Lodge."

The Columbus Econo Lodge provides guests with a full compliment of services and amenities, including deluxe continental breakfast, microwaves and refrigerators in every room with two double beds, fitness room, meeting room, guest laundry and pay per view movies.

To make reservations or request information about Econo Lodge, travelers may call the Econo Lodge's toll free number, 1-800-55ECONO (1-800-553-2666) or call the hotel directly at (706) 682-3803.

Econo Lodge is a part of Choice Hotels, based in Silver Springs, Maryland. Currently there are more than 4,000 Choice Hotels in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Japan, Caribbean, Egypt, Europe, Australia and South America. Choice Hotel is the franchiser and operator of the Econo Lodge, Comfort Inn, Sleep Inn, Quality Inn, Comfort Suites, Clarion, Roadway Inn, and Main Stay Suites.

Brian Mock, the General Manager of the Econo Lodge Hotel says, "Quality, convenience and affordability are the first three words that come to mind. Our staff is committed to providing clean comfortable rooms and service with a smile. Guest satisfaction is the key to our success and I am proud to be a part of that in Columbus, I think our guests sum it up best at this is their home away from home."

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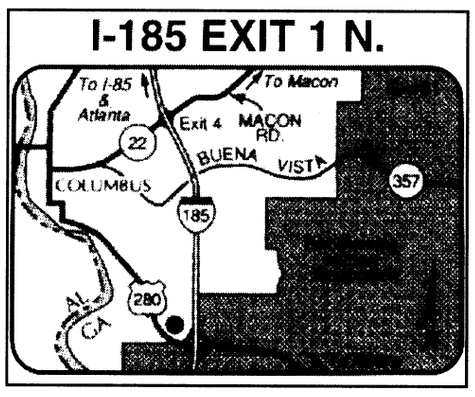

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reflections

There is an old saying that goes something like this: "Left-handed people are the only ones in their right mind."

Physiological science confirms this notion. God, in his wisdom, placed the function of the left hand in the right hemisphere of the brain. That is, the right side of the brain controls any motor skill on the left side of the body.

Depending on your geographical location on this globe, left-handed people seem to be a minority. I write this based on experience and observation more than on the most recent census. Okay, humor me for the sake of this article.

Suppose that, in fact, left handers are the only ones in their right mind. And those in their right mind are the ones who are mentally healthy. And, those who are mentally healthy exercise good judgment.

It follows that if one exercises good judgment, then he does what is right. Hence, left-handed people do what is right and that places them in the minority. (I realize this is rough, but stay with me.)

In the Scripture, in I Kings 18 and 19, we read of God's prophet Elijah.

Elijah was sent by God to confront Ahab, the King of Israel. During this encounter, Elijah did exactly as the Lord instructed him. He witnessed the miraculous and awesome power of God.

As a result of Elijah's faithful obedience, Jezebel put a price on his head and promised to kill him. The prophet went from faithful to fearful in a matter of moments. He ran and hid. God continued to take care of Elijah even in his flight.

When asked by God about his location, Elijah reminds God of his past faithful service, and that he is "the only one left" and about to be killed as well (I Kings 19:4). In his mind, Elijah had done what was right, which made him "left" (NIV).

Doing what is right, and I will call that doing God's will, may put us in the position of being "left."

That is a lonely place to be. The comfort we find in admitting our fears to God is to be reminded that God's resources and scope are much greater than our limited perspective. God is far greater than our fears, our imperfections and shortcomings and our sometimes-weakened faith.

In the animated movie, *The Lion King*, Mufasa encourages young Simba to overcome his fear by remembering who he is, rightful heir to the throne, Mufasa's son.

As children of God, we read these words of promise to a persecuted community of faith, a group of left-handers, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "the Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?" (Hebrews 13:5)

Our calling by God is to trust him in all of life, both when we are faithful and when we are fearful. Living by faith is going the right thing.

Doing the right thing flows from sound judgment. To execute sound judgment is to be in our right mind. And to be in your right mind makes you left-handed.

Start living by faith in the midst of some fears. Do things left-handed.

chapel notes

Pianist needed — The Funds Custodian is seeking a pianist for the Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. and a child care provider from 9:15 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

Interested and qualified personnel should call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Contract jobs — The Funds Custodian is accepting applications from all interested and qualified contractors to fill the following contract positions: chapel organists, chapel pianists, choir directors, children's choir directors, child care providers, child care provider supervisor, Sunday School and CCD Custodians, Sunday School bus drivers and chapel musicians.

Applications must be received not later than Aug. 15 at the NAF Office, Room 512, Infantry Hall.

Those interested should call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The junior high, middle school Youth of the Chapel are having small group meeting during the summer.

For more information and meeting times and places, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

Sunday School — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes prayer, praise, Bible study and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided.

For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551.

Tips offer comfort during ordeals

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Chaplain Family Life Training Program

When a person experiences the death of a loved one through illness, accident or miscarriage, many people do not know what to say or how to comfort those who are grieving.

Here are some practical tips for comforting those who mourn.

• Be a listener. Your very presence is therapeutic. Don't be afraid of silence.

• Empower the mourner. Let them make as many decisions as possible, but don't demand an immediate response.

Don't assume that they should be left out of the decision-making process. Otherwise, they may resent you for making the decisions for them.

• Let them express their emotions. Crying is cleansing to the body.



Koop

Anger is a normal response. Don't say things like, "You've got to pull yourself together," "Men don't cry," or "The funeral's over, and you've got to get on with your life."

• Help them focus on what they need to do rather than why the death occurred.

There are no satisfying answers to death. Refrain from platitudes such as, "It was her time to die," "Every cloud has a silver lining" or "God needed him in heaven."

• Encourage them to talk about their loved one. Tell them what you admired about the deceased. If you didn't know the deceased well, say something like, "I didn't get the opportunity to know your loved one. What do you admire most about him or her? How did you two first meet?"

• Offer your services. If you are one of the first to comfort the bereaved, make a list of those who called on the phone or visited and make a list of those who offered to help.

Most people offer help, but only generally. Lawns need to be mowed and raked, cars need to be washed, food needs to be purchased and prepared, lodging is needed for out-of-town relatives, the house needs to be cleaned, the dog needs to be walked, thank-yous need to be written and the list goes on.

Yet remember to let the mourner select from the offers who will do what.

Help with the grieving process is available. Call the Chaplain Family Life Training Program at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
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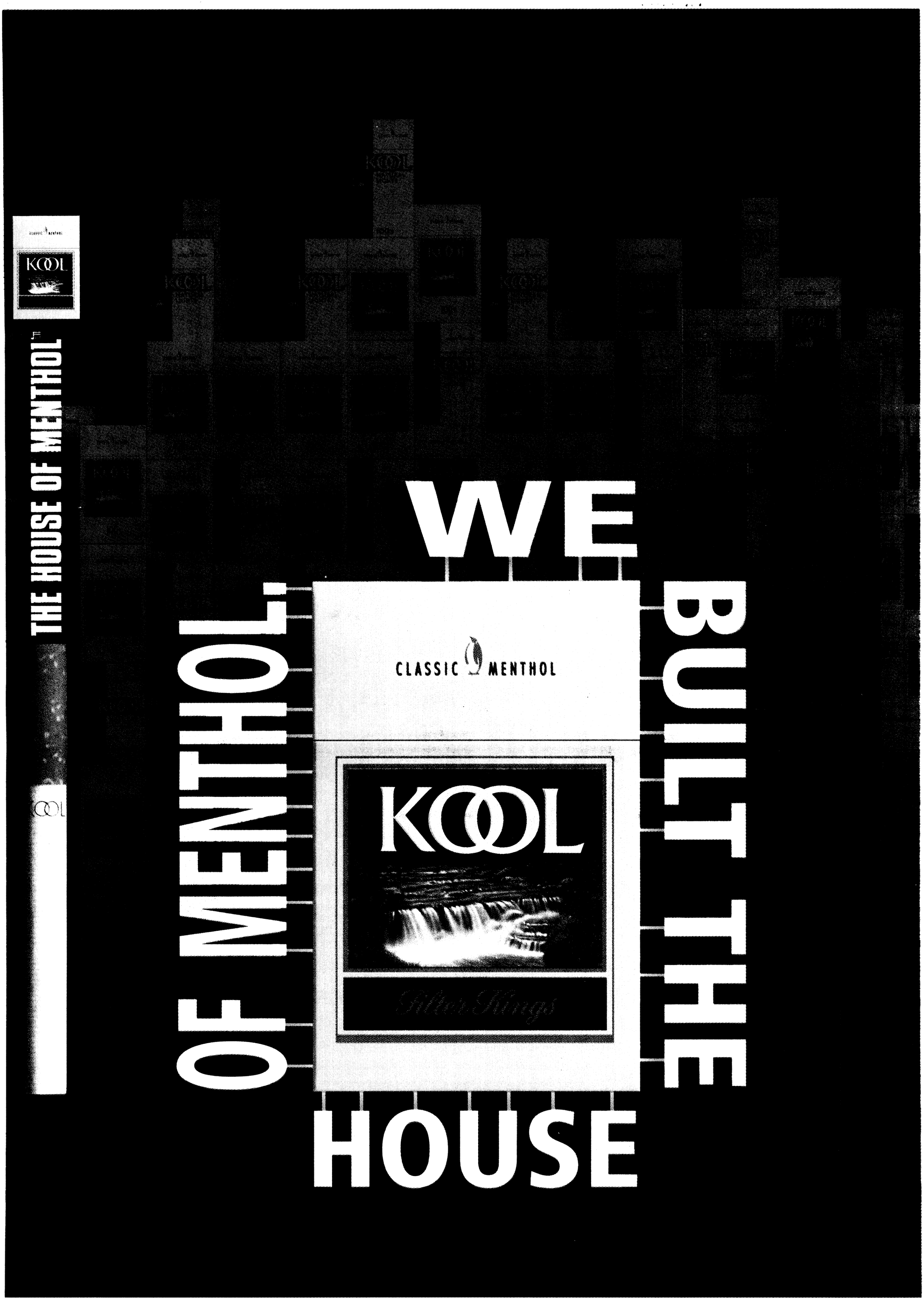

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SPORTS

SECTION C

Soldiers shoot for Olympic dreams

Marksmanship Unit boasts shooters on way to gold

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

A promise to a dying grandfather that one day he would make it to the Olympics is about to come true for Bill Keever as he, along with nine other Soldiers from the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit, prepares to represent the United States and the Army at the 2000 Olympic games Sept. 23-Oct. 1 in Sydney, Australia.

The other Soldiers who earned slots on the team are: Glenn Dubis, a three-time Olympian; James Graves, a two-time Olympian; former Olympian Michael Anti; former Olympian Thomas Tamas; former Olympian Kenneth Johnson; Lance Dement; Jason Parker Michael Schmidt and Daryl Szarenski.

Graves, Keever and Schmidt, the shotgunners, are continuing their training here while the rifle and pistol shooters of the Olympic team are competing at the World Military Shooting Championships in Ankara, Turkey, which is competition for rifle and pistol shooters only.

"It has always been a dream of mine to compete in the Olympics," Keever said. "It is probably one of the most important things that has ever happened to my life," he said.

Keever's Olympic opportunity began at the final Olympic Selection Match in Atlanta where he competed in the double trap event June 21-July 1.

"Going into the last round I was four targets behind, and I needed to get five to make the team," he said. "When I got done everyone knew I made the team," he said. "I didn't keep track of my score, but when I turned around Sergeant Graves was running toward me with his arms open. He hugged me along with the rest of the team and told me I made the team.

"It was really overwhelming," he said. "In fact I was wondering if they were playing a joke on me," but it was no joke, Keever beat the fourth place shooter by only four or five targets, he said.

Although he has been to the Olympics before Graves said he was still in awe.

Having the opportunity to compete in the Olympics is a great feeling, he said.

"It is the greatest feeling to represent the country and the Army," Graves said. "It still hasn't hit me that I made the team again.

"It is a great feeling to make the team, said Graves, the two-time skeet Olympian."

"The feeling hasn't changed since the first time I made it to the Olympics," he said. "I still get pumped up. Not to many people have the opportunity to say they've competed in the Olympics, especially not three times."

As a child Graves said he watched the Olympics on TV but never thought he would participate.

"It is incredibly exhilarating to make the team. You really don't realize (the magnitude of it) until you walk into the stadium. All your emotions take over and it is very exciting," Graves said.

Both Keever and Graves, who compete in shotgun events, were taught to shoot by their dads and said they honed their skills as they grew up shooting.

"The funny thing is, is that I was scared of guns when I was a child, but I finally wanted to try and found out I was pretty good at shooting," Keever said.

Now he has received recognition as a four-time All-American and winner of 13 Grand American trophies. He was also a member of the the Junior Olympics team.

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Shooters travel to Worlds

Sharpshooters compete in Turkey

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Shooters from around the military who won slots on the 2000 Shooting Team left July 14 to compete at the Conseil International du Sport Militaire Shooting Championships in Ankara, Turkey. CISM, the World Military Shooting Championships, consists of men's and women's rifle and pistol competitions and was held July 17-Wednesday. Approximately 50 countries send about 650 shooters to compete for the World Military Shooting Championship Trophy.

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit hosted the U.S. CISM Team Selection Matches in May and 16 shooters won a slot on the U.S. CISM Shooting Team, which is made up of five male and three female rifle shooters and five male and three female pistol shooters.

USAMU rifle shooters were the only competitors at the men's rifle trials thus taking every slot on the team. The CISM male rifle shooters are Stephen C. Goff, Robert E. Harbison, Glenn A. Dubis, Eric A. Uptagrafft and Troy A. Bassham. The CISM rifle shooters will compete in 300-meter, three-position competitions with standard rifles shooting both rapid- and slow-fire matches. Michael E. Anti and Thomas A. Tamas both made the CISM Team but will not be competing because they are training for the Olympics. Dubis, a four-time Olympian, is the only 2000 Olympian shooting in CISM this year.

"Dubis has won the CISM Rifle Championship more times than everyone else in the world combined," Harbison said, the U.S. CISM Team captain. "They call the championship trophy the 'Dubis Trophy' because his name is on it so many times."

The female rifle shooters are Kimberly N. Howe, U.S. Air Force's Deena Wigger, who trains with USAMU, and the U.S. Military Academy's Kimberly Pienkowski. They will compete in the Sport Rifle Championships, an Olympic-style three-position match, as well as the English match, shot in the prone position.

The men's CISM Pistol Team is made up of Steven M. King and Carl W. Trompeter II, the Air Force's David Vondrak, and the Marine's Brian Poe and Dexter Conrad. Daryl L. Szarenski, who made the team, will not compete at CISM as he is training as a member of the 2000 U.S. Olympic Team in Free Pistol. The men's pistol team

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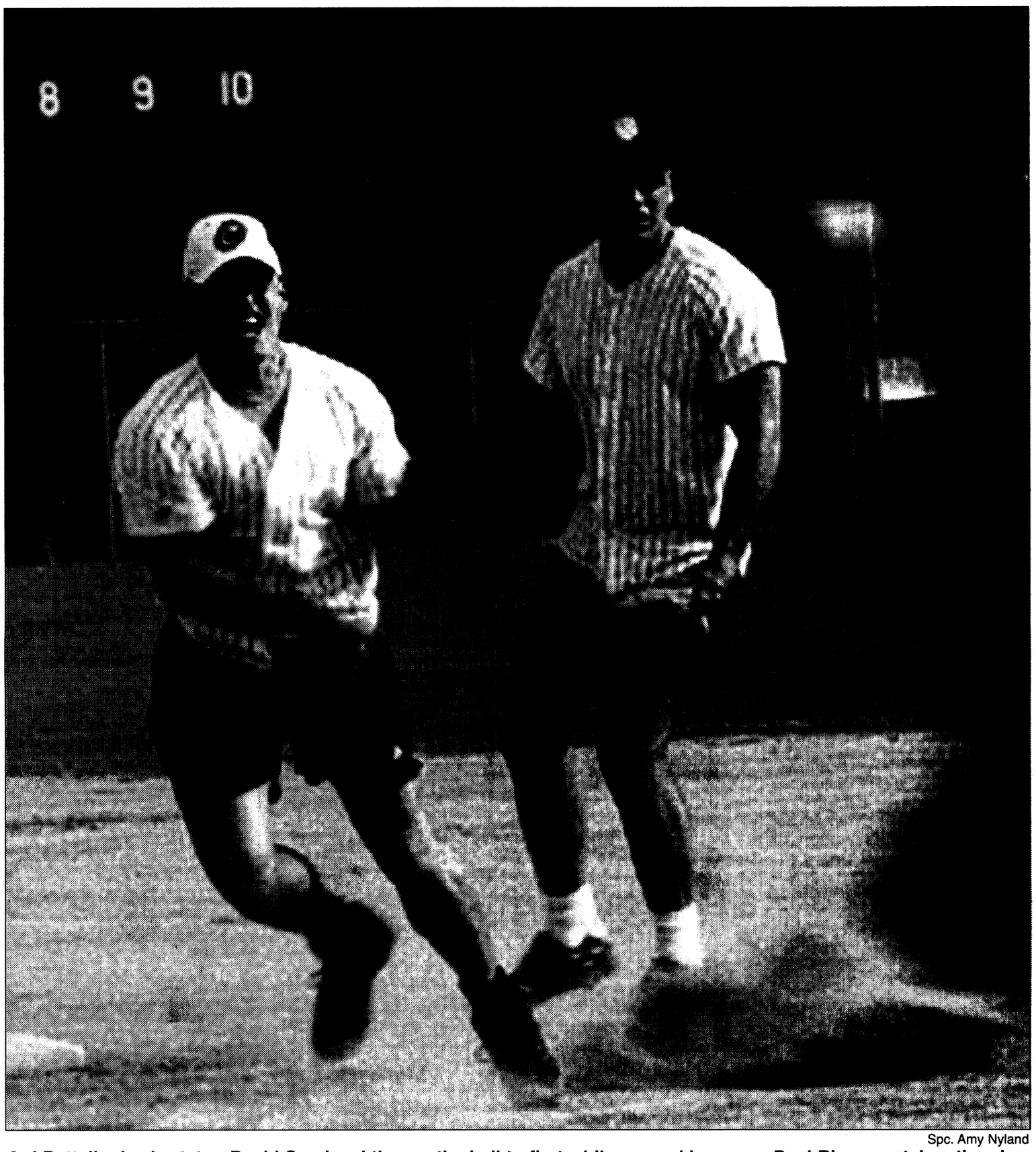

Spc. Amy Nyland
3rd Battalion's shortstop David Sandoval throws the ball to first while second baseman Paul Rhyne watches the play.

3rd Bn. defeats Agents

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

Errors and confusion were the name of the game for the "Free Agents" of the 29th Infantry Regiment when they were blasted away by the 11th Infantry Regiment, 18-8, during softball play on Gowdy Field Monday.

After going four innings without a single run, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Inf. Regt., managed to step up the heat in the last two innings, but still couldn't even the score against the 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt.'s weighty lead.

The Free Agents immediately set the stage for the rest of the game during the first inning after a succession of infield errors allowed the 3rd Bn. to nail a five run lead their first turn at bat.

It looked as though the Free Agents might answer back with a tough offense when the first two batters secured a place on base with a double and a single hit. However, an out on third and two pop flies stifled any chance of an early come back and put the score at 5-0 in the bottom of the first inning.

The second and third innings proved to be uneventful as both teams went back and forth with shallow infield hits and base outs. 3rd Bn. managed to keep the lead strong with a score of 6-0 at the bottom of the third.

Before the stagnant play had a chance to get too foul, the 3rd Bn. spiced up the game by sending its shortstop David Sandoval to the

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'76ers beat Bulls in YS play

Youth hoopsters hit hardwood, battle out second game of season

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

The hard driving and sure shooting of '76ers' forward Bradley Taylor was the key to their 6-2 victory over the Bulls in the Youth Services' 6- to 7-year-old basketball game Tuesday at the YS gym.

Using a hard-hitting defense and the fast break to their advantage, the '76ers were able to keep the Bulls from scoring until the last quarter.

The game started off with a bang as Taylor stole the ball and drove to his basket. Although he missed the shot, his breakaway started a frenzy in both his team and the crowd.

Several drives later Taylor was able to sink the first basket of the game.

After the second quarter started, the ball was kept on the Bulls' side of the court as the '76ers dominated the game and created many turnovers.

Another basket was made when Taylor drove down the court all by himself giving his team a 4-0 lead at halftime.

With the second half under way the Bulls turned over a new leaf — one of a stronger defense.

The Bulls kept better control of the ball and during one of their drives, guard Deivan Washington, was able to sink his team's only basket and stopping the possible shutout.

A short while later, Taylor answered with the last basket of the game.

After the game both coaches said their teams played very well.

"Our team did a great job," said Bulls coach. "Everyone really did a good job."

Our team is coming along very well too, Charlie Conners, the Bulls coach said.

"They are now understanding and beginning to pass well," Conners said. "We had a few key players missing, but Taylor and Charlie Conner really were playing well tonight.

"We still need to work on getting more of the player involved and then we'll be doing real well," Conners said.

Another game was played Tuesday. It was between the Lakers and the Guess.

The Lakers dominated the game and emerged victorious 12-0, with Andontis Shelto scoring six points.

The next YS basketball game will be at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the YS gym.



Pfc. Mark Watson
Bradley Taylor drives past Deivan Washington of the Bulls.

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There's just something about small-town living that appeals to the country gal in me.

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Plains, Ga., is just that, the epitome of all that's wholesome and simple in the deep South — a town that reminds you of the forgotten pleasures of front porches, rocking chairs and ice-cold sweet tea.

On a recent visit to Sayers Memorial Library, my daughter picked up a copy of *The Life of Jimmy Carter*, which introduced her to our nation's 39th president and the little community where he grew up about 40 miles southeast of here.

Always on the lookout for an inexpensive place to entertain and educate the kids, I decided Plains was a great place to spend a afternoon on a hot July day. Our first stop was the town welcome center where we picked up a map and an information packet to aid us on our self-guided tour. And though the tour encompassed no more than eight miles, there was plenty to see and do that interested the whole family.

Since fast food hasn't come to Plains yet, we stopped at Scarlett's, a family-owned restaurant on the town's Main Street and enjoyed hot sandwiches served with a side order of chips and a genuine Southern hospitality.

Then we went next door to the Peanut Emporium and sampled some of Plains' finest — peanuts — roasted, toasted, salted, boiled, brittled and baked.

You name it — they've got it, as long as it's made from peanuts. We left with a bag full of assorted peanuts and drove just down the street to Plains High School. Built in 1921, the school where Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter spent their entire academic careers, from first grade to graduation, still stands as a tribute to fine architecture and strong Southern education.

It's now a museum, and the kids enjoyed touring the classrooms and speculating about the students who once haunted it's hallowed halls, particularly the young man who would one day be president. After learning a little about Jimmy Carter, the scholar, we headed over to the Plains Railroad Depot to learn about Jimmy Carter, the politician.The only available public building with an indoor toilet in 1976, the depot was the logical choice for locating Carter's hometown headquarters during the presidential campaign.

It's charmingly primitive and a tribute to the home-grown resourcefulness that took a small-town peanut farmer from rural Georgia to Washington, D.C. There were 27 sites on the self-guided tour and plenty of photo opportunities.

The kids especially liked the haunted house, built in 1850 and rented by the Carters in 1955. Just down the road is the boyhood home where a very young Jimmy first learned to plant and farm.

Not much older than Amy, the young daughter who skipped along Pennsylvania Avenue with her mom and dad on inauguration day, 1977, I still remember the headlines, the jokes and the general hysteria that surrounded the campaign and subsequent election of a "nobody from nowhere" who won world favor with his Lincoln-like persona and Southern democratic values.

I enjoyed visiting the area and learning about the people who have influenced Carter's life for more than 70 years. And I was pleasantly surprised this simple Southern town made the living history lesson fun for the kids, who made one "simple" request as we headed back north toward the Fort Benning — "Can we come back again sometime, Mom?"

Soldiers baseball teams meet: Bombers lose

Capt. Ed Gawlik
3rd Battalion, (OCS) 11th Infantry Regiment

The first game of Saturday's doubleheader came down to the wire in the first meeting this season between the two Soldier's Baseball Association teams, the Cannons and the Bombers, and ended in a Cannons win, 4-3.

Down two runs early in the game, the Cannons came back to win the first game behind the pitching of starter Jason Holmes, C Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, and reliever Robert Carlisle, 1st Battalion, (Airborne), 507th Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment.

The Cannons' coupled clutch hitting with aggressive base-running to produce two runs in the bottom of the sixth to go ahead of the Bombers.

In the top of the seventh inning, the Bombers staged a late rally but were only able to produce one run against the Cannons' Carlisle, who got the save.

The starters, Holmes (Cannons) and Jeremy Cook (Bombers) each gave up only four hits and struck-out eight by changing speeds and working the ball inside and out on the batters.

In the second game it became a little one-sided as the Cannons took an early lead and continued to build upon it throughout the game.

The starter for the Cannons in the second game was Orlando Vega-Torres B Co., 203rd Forward Support Bn., 3rd Brigade, who pitched four scoreless, no-hit innings while striking out five.

Ed Perez, 29th Inf. Regt., came in the top of the fifth to pitch, closing out the side on no hits and one strike.

The final score of the second game was 17-0.

Several players on the Cannons had multiple hits and RBIs in their win over the Bombers. The next time the two will face each other will be the final game of the season before the playoffs begin. The game will be played at 1 p.m. Aug. 19 at Spencer High School.

Olympians: Make most of hidden talent

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In 1999 Keever was the Zone 3 Double Trap Champion as well as the Illinois State Double Trap Champion, and in 1997 he was the Ohio State Double Trap Champion.

Graves said hidden talents are in everybody, and all it takes is finding what that talent is.

"Don't ever give up," he said. "Once you find that talent, hold onto it and don't ever give it up." That is how Olympians are made, he said.

Graves said his talent was discovered by the Army, and he was recruited solely on the intent to join the marksmanship unit.

"I really owe my success to the Army and the marksmanship unit," he said. "I don't think I could have ever made it without them."

Now he has several titles under his belt including the 1998 World Championships Bronze Medal, 1997 Army Male Athlete of the year and USA Shooting Male Shooter of the year. In 1997 he was the World Championship Skeet gold medalist and in the same year he won the silver medal at the World Cup Finals.

Shooters: Face strong competition

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will shoot in the Center Fire and Military Rapid Fire Championships.

On the women's CISM Pistol Team are Rhonda L. Bright and Rene D. Ayala of the USAMU and Sandra Utasy.

They will compete in the Sport Pistol Championships, shooting .22-caliber pistols at targets 25 meters away.

"We have the strongest team that we've fielded in several years," Harbison said. "Several of the services are well represented in this Department of Defense wide Team."

Game: Brings out best in players

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bag with two outs and bases loaded. Sandoval didn't succumb to the pressure and cracked the ball to far right field netting himself a grand slam and bringing the score to 10-0 at the top of the third.

The errors kept coming for the Free Agents when third baseman Spencer Yerxa hit a prospective homerun but failed to tag second and was outed.

The next two batters also failed to make any progress and play was once again turned over to the 3rd Bn. After pitcher Eric Hare and first baseman Chuck McGarry secured their spots on base, catcher Jose Boria was able to bring both runners in with his single hit and widen the gap between the scoreless Free Agents

Finally, the Free Agents managed to put a mark on the board when right fielder Michael McMillian sacrificed himself to bring in a runner for a score of 12-1 at the bottom of the fifth.

Sandoval proved to be the game's VIP when he once again stepped up to the plate with bases loaded and delivered a second grand slam bringing his game total to eight points.

The chasm of points between the two teams didn't slow the Free Agents down, and the sixth inning proved to be a turning point after first baseman Enrique Acevedo cracked the ball to right field and brought in three runners.

A double by right center James Dinville secured Acevedo's run and another player was brought in by second baseman John Oakley.

The Free Agents headed into the last inning 10 points behind 3rd Bn. and was able to match the two points scored. However, it didn't prove to be enough and the game ended with a score of 18-8.

Coach for the Free Agents Manny Rodriguez said the team fell short mostly because of bad judgement by the outfielders and not a lot of team cohesion.

He said hopefully the team, which is now 3-3, will be able to make a come back on Wednesday when they play their next game.

Sandoval, 3rd Bn.'s star of the game, chalked the win to nothing more than teamwork

"Teamwork was our strategy of the game, that's why we played so well," he said. "We have positive attitudes and just have fun getting out and hitting the ball."

sports briefs

School seeks softball players — Anyone assigned to Spencer High School who would like to play girls fast pitch softball should meet at 5 p.m. Monday at the Spencer High School softball field.

For more information, call 323-9120.

Golf course hosts clinics — The Follow Me Golf Course will host a ladies golf clinic from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday at the golf course.

The cost is $20.

The golf course is also hosting a junior golf clinic from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Thursday-July 28.

Only children 8-16 years old may participate.

The cost is also $20. For more information, call 687-1940.

English Range hosts rifle match — There will be a tactical rifle match at 2 p.m. Aug. 13 on English Range.

The match consists of four runs of five rounds each timed by an electronic timer.

The targets will be placed between 50 and 360 yards.

For more information, call 689-3371.

Kelley Hill plans chess tourney — There will be a three-round chess tournament at noon July 29 in the Kelley Hill Recreation Center. The entry fee is $4, and there will be three categories with prizes to the winners. The games last 75 minutes

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Parks offer golf card — The Georgia State parks has a new program which offers golfers five days of unlimited green fees at any state park golf course for $59.

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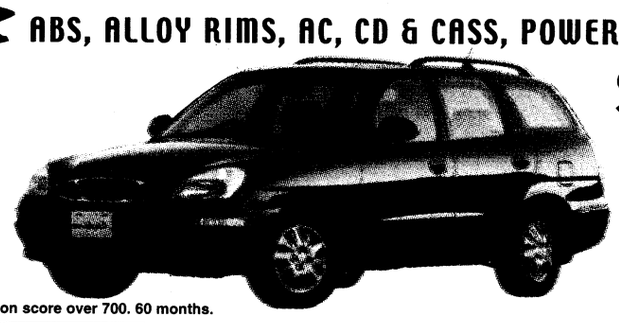

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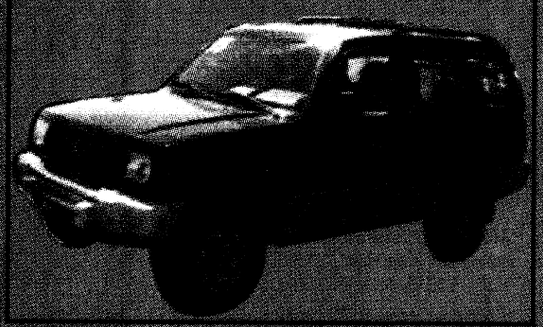



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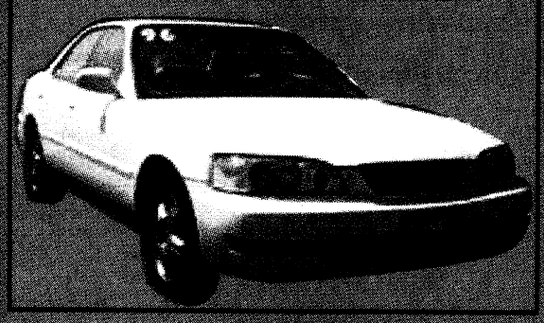

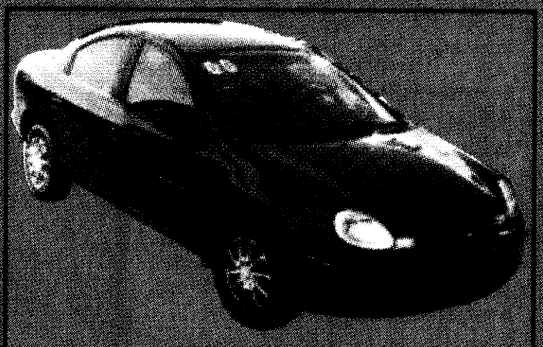

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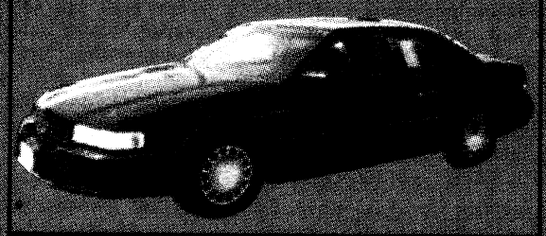

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81 BMW 320i. Good condition. $1500. 566-2015. (F28)

85 Nissan 300 ZX, 5 speed, silver, can be seen at lemon lot. $1000 o.b.o. 685-1797 after 5pm. (F28)

85 Mazda RX7. $250 o.b.o. 855-0102. (F4)

86 Audi 4000S, 4 door, automatic, power windows, good condition, well maintained. $1500. 685-4550/3264 (F4)

88 Chevy Cavalier RS 4 Door. High mileage but runs good. $1500 O.B.O., PCS'ing in Aug. 687-8363. (F11)

89 4-door Cadillac Brougham, runs very well, body in excellent shape. $3995. 561-2178. (F21)

89 Toyota Camry power locks/windows automatic, $1000 o.b.o., call Mike or Sarah 685-9034. (F28)

89 Honda Civic for sale, good condition, asking $500, will accept offer, call 685-2887 (F11)

90 Toyota Camry Sedan. New tires and brakes. Power windows, locks, and sun/moonroof. Stereo. Asking $4,000. Call 682-2681 for details/ test drive. (F4)

90 Pontiac Grand Am, white, 2-door, 5-speed, cold air, $2,100 o.b.o. 682-8201 (F21)

91 Pontiac Firebird, new brakes, tires, paint job, drives and looks great, asking $2500 o.b.o., call after 2:00 p.m. 685-2675. (F21)

92 Ford Mustang GT new royal blue paint w/ silver trim, new tires, struts, shocks, battery alternator, and new kenwood CD player. 5 sp, AC, 69,500 miles, $8,000 (706) 323-5802, lv message. (F28)

93 Buick Lesabre, sapphire blue, excellent condition, blue book value $6690, asking $5800 o.b.o. 682-4914. (F18)

94 Mitsubishi 3000 GT, auto, dark green, new tires, new tune up, alarm, excellent condition, keyless entry. $12000 o.b.o. 689-3311. (F21)

95 Honda Civic DX, 4 door, 78k miles, air bags, AC, 5-speed, $6000, negotiable. 706-464-9678. (F28)

95 Dodge Intrepid, white, 4-door, 3.3L, A/C, alarm, cruise, tinted windows, super clean, 80,000 miles, $6,500 o.b.o. Call 683-9026. (F21)

95 Honda Civic EX, red, power windows & locks, sunroof, loaded, asking $9,700. 682-8201. (F21)

96 Dodge Intrepid, loaded, cold air, alloys, excellent condition, clean, well below book value. $5600 o.b.o. will negotiate. 568-9407. (F21)

96 Saturn SC2, 4-door, 5-speed, dependable, $8,995. 682-8201 (F21)

98 Chevy Malibu LS, black, fully loaded, 38330 miles, extended warranty 6 years/80,000 ,miles. 562-8379 or 577-8624. $12500. (F4)

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98 Mitsubishi Eclipse, low miles, 5 speed, silver with grey interior. Ask for Kenna 685-1264, Price + pay off only. 350+to a tank of gas. 562-0509. (F4)

99 Ford Contour. 4 door, 4cyl automatic,cruise control, power windows and doors, tilt wheel, tape player, ac, dual front air bags, green/gray, 33k, $11,500 o.b.o., 561-4435 or 563-410 or monlf153@aol.com (F21)

99 Chevy Tahoe LT, loaded, 11,000 miles, take over payments, call daytime 706-641-3616 or evening 706-323-6348. (F21)

99 Mazda Protege XL, assume loan $13,736, fully loaded, air, sun roof, am/fm cd, remote entry, low mileage 18,735, must sell. Bruce Powell: home after 5:00 687-4494, work 8:00-4:00 545-7090, must have good credit. (F4)

00 Olds Alero, 4door, fully loaded, no leather, 6k miles. PCS'ING- forced to lose money on the deal. 221-3423 (F21)

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83 Chevy Van 2 tone Blue, automatic, great condition. Asking $1600. 685-0762 (F11)

85 Chevy Silverado Black, P/U, S/B, AC, PS, PB, AM/FM with cassette. Runs good $5500.00 o.b.o. 687-3967 or see at 906 Brighton Rd. (F28)

85 Nissan 4X4. Extended cab, 2 dr, with stereo, power windows, sunroof, and pass through window. Runs great. $2400.00 o.b.o. 687-8012 or 464-7273 (F11)

89 Chevrolet Silverado truck, mint, for $6,000. 706-689-9797. (F11)

91 Dodge mint condition 58k original miles. V6 must see, $5000 o.b.o.. call Nick at 682-2826 (F11).

92 Isuzu Rodeo. Red, Sport package, 20,000 miles on new engine w/warranty, A/C, tow package, well-maintained. $8950.00 322-7134 (F21)

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94 Chevy Silverado, A/C, power windows, new tires, battery, and starter , $11,000 O.B.O. Call Mr. Ceja @ 706-563-6276. (F4)

94 Oldsmobile Silhouette van for $5,000. 706-689-9797. (F11)

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98 Ford Windstar GL: excellent condition. Low mileage, still under warranty with only 27,000 miles. Anti-theft system, traction control, cruise control, power windows. Pcs'ing to Alaska must sell. Asking $17,000. Call 685-2436 (F21)

99 Chevy S-10 Pick-Up, excellent cond., 5--spd, cd player, very low mileage, still under warranty, goldish-silver color w/drk gray interior. Must sell, $14,000 or $600 and take over payments. Call 221-4711 lv, message at 577-6609, (F4)

00 Lincoln Navigator, white, tan leather interior, cd changer, fully loaded w/ all the extras $38,500 o.b.o. (F21)

Motorcycles

98 Honda VTR-1000 Superhawk Sport Bike, 1300 miles, Red, Excellent condition, Vance and Hines pipes, $7,000 w/helmet. (706) 569-1320, lv mssg. (F21)

98 Honda Shadow, mint condition, 7000 miles, lots of chrome, 660-8420 or 569-7753. (P21)

89 Suzuki DR80, needs work, ran good before put up, $400 o.b.o, or trade welder or tools. 682-1080. (F11)

84 Honda Nighthawk, Runs good. $1000 o.b.o. 685-2422. (F28)

99 KZ1000P Police Motorcycle, Dealer Maintained, 12,000 miles, new rear tire & clutch cable. $8,500. Call 989-1739 or 568-2022 (F11)

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4-16 inch rims and tires, mud king Xl, will fit Chevy, Toy, Nissan, Rodeo 4X4, 6 Lig. $500.00. o.b.o. 855-0102. (F21)

Viper 300+ Car Alarm, paid $200, will sell for $75 O.B.O. Call 689-4214. (F28)

Chrome stell bed side rails for Dodge Dually 3500. $60. 685-0762. (F28)

Raised roof camper shell, 6WX7L, side and front windows, sliding windows, windows tinted dark blue. $400.00 o.b.o. 323-2721 ext. 156. (F28)

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95 Seadoo Sportster 14 ft. jetboat, low hours on 80 hp single engine, trailer included, good condition, $4200. 324-2548 (F21)

88 GlassStream InBd/Outbd, walkthrough, 130 hp, Mercruiser, trailer included. $3300.00 o.b.o. 687-8012 or 464-6765. (F11)

Nice boat: 14ft. Fiberglass 4wd, Minkota Tr. Mt 1 Battery Charger 5 Life Vest 3 Batteries 40 HP. Evinrude Mtr Eagle Depth Finder $1600.00 #689-1995 (F4)

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89 AstroGlas, dual console, 17'8", pro style, 150hp Mercury motor, jack plate, dual 15 gal. fuel tanks, Eagle 9000 LCR on front deck, Lowrance GPS with sonar on drivers console with two map chips, Motorguide Bruit Trolling motor 12/24, three 850 Marine batteries, battery status gauge, dual rod boxes (one with rod holders), dual aerators on rear live well, life jackets, two fire ext. Trailer with ez fit greasers and 350 pound axle. First $6500 takes. Phone 569-5705, ask for Steve. (F4)

65 hp Chrysler boat motor $800 or with 16'foot ski + fishing boat and trailer w/trolling motor, battery, 3 life vest, 2 gas tanks. $1500 o.b.o Must sell. Call Nick at 682-2826. (F4)

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A like new baby crib and any other baby stuff. E-mail: BROWNSUGGAR82@AOL.COM. (F28)

Working and college mother looking for child care for 3 school-age children. Schedule will vary depending on class schedule and husband's schedule. After school and some evenings. If interested please call 682-2181. (F28)

Looking for a used baby highchair in good condition. Reasonable prices only. If you're selling one call 682-9029 (F28)

Help Wanted

Groomers, groomers assistant, and receptionist needed. Experience preferred, but not necessary. Apply at Pampered Pets. 4036 University Ave. No phone calls please! (P28)

Behind on Bills? Need to consolidate? 706-689-7775. M-F, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. (PTFN)

FRIENDLY TOYS AND GIFTS wishes to thank our customers, hostesses, dealers for their record breaking 1999. Hundreds won $1000 prizes! For year 2000 information 1-800-488-4875. (P28)

Mature and responsible childcare needed for four children. Daytime care for one and after school care for the other three. Must be willing to come to my home in McGraw Manor. Pay negotiable. Call Marcie at 682-4983 anytime, serious inquiries only please. (F21)

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Yard Sales

104 Rainboe Ave. PCS'ING yard sale, tools, clothes, games, kitchenware, piano, and much more. (F21)

638 Gibson Dr. (Custer Terrace) July 22, 8-?, furniture, clothes, shoes, books, toys. Everything must go. (F21)

171-A Arrowhead Rd. (Custer Terrace), Sat. July 22. Girls clothes 2t-5t, shoes, toys, adult clothes, baby carrier and other items, car tires etc... (F21)

306 Austin Loop, 22 July, furniture, desk, china, clothes, large bird cage, home stereo, workout equip, bike wheels, and more. (F21)

Electronics & Appliances

Joe's Appliance
4216-A Hamilton Rd.
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All appliances very clean. Washer/Dryer match set: $199.95 & up. F refrigerators $135 & up. Stoves $150 & up. FREE delivery & warranty. Unwanted appliances pickup free. (PTFN)

Kenmore 22 refrigerator/freezer for 250. 706-689-9797 (F28)

Kenwood receiver, tuner, cd, cassette, and turntable with two large speakers. Great condition. $200 firm. 596-8168. 8a.m.- 8p.m. (F28)

Kenmore refrigerator. Almond color, 2 years old. 21 cubic feet with an ice maker. Excellent condition, $300 please call 480-2018. (F28)

Golden Eagle heavy duty 3-wheeled electric scooter for handicapped adult. Electric brakes, headlight and carrying basket. Used less than 1 hour. Original cost, $3000. Will sell for $1500. Call 682-7499 (F28)

Kenmore Progressive Vacuum, 12amp, hepa filter, attachments,bags incl.. 1 Year Hardly ever used. Paid over $300, sell for $145. 687-1357 (F21)

Computers

CPU-486, 1gig hd, 32mb ram, 56k fax-voice modem,Win95, office 97, & other software. great for work and internet. $250. *entertainment center, 30"x39", holds up to 30"tv, dark wood, $40 *TV, 19" magnavox with remote, color, cable ready, up to 120 channels, great picture, $125. all items slightly negotiable. call 685-9205. (F21)

Mitsuba pentium 350 MHZ processor 56K PCI voice fax modem, 6.2GB harddrive, windows 98, Altec Lansing speakers, 17" color monitor, 16 MB SDRAM memory, multi-function keyboard, 3.5" 1.44 MB diskette drive, 40x CD-ROM drive, lexmark 3200 color jet printer and new corner computer desk, all for $500. Call Ken or Tera at 689-4214 (F28)

Children's Items

Children's wooden tree house with slide, rope, fire pole. Excellent condition, payed $650, asking $150. First offer we'll sell. Please call 689-7078, lv. mssg. (F21)

Little Tykes Playhouse $100, Large Wooden Swing set $400, Large wooden painted toy chest $75. 687-9741. (F14)

5-pc. Children's Bedroom Suite, cute for a little girl, tan with floral border, like new, paid up to $400, will take $185. Call 682-1806. (F21)

Noah's ark bedding set, $30 and 2 twin box springs, $10 @. 683-0130. (F28)

Little Tikes 8 in 1 playground, $279 new, sell for $100. Also Cosco booster/car seat, used 1 month, $15. Call 327-7260 (before 5, leave message). (F28)

White Wood Crib, Excellent Condition, asking $30.00, 687-0579 (F28)

Cream color wooden crib with mattress $40., high chair $10. Call 561-9486, leave message. (F28)

Little Tykes large 2 level treehouse with slide. Over $400.00 new, will sell $150.00 firm. 596-8168. 8a.m.- 8p.m. (F28)

Wooden playground. Very durable. Has 2 swings, trapeze swing, helicopter ride, fort with slide and canopy, and a rope ladder, 2 yrs old. Moving must sell. $300 we paid $700. Call 480-2018. (F28)

Furniture

7 pc dinette set, $100.00, Bunk beds L-shaped with three drawer dresser $100.00, desk $100.00 o.b.o. 685-9077. (F21)

Ethan Allen classic oak dining room set, table, 2 captains chairs, 4 bowback chairs, and matching server $950.00 561-4844. (F21)

Futon, solid oak with new green plaid heavy duty mattress cover. $250.00 682-3303. (F28)

3 piece lighted schrank with bar $1,200.00, sectional sofa $300.00, dining room table $30.00, camcorder $100.00. 685-0822 (F21)

Trundle bed with two mattresses. Asking $150. Phone 569-5705 (F21)

3-pc. sectional w/end recliners, $175 o.b.o Dinette table w/6 chairs $75 o.b.o Please call 689-3265. (F21)

Franklin Lazy Boy style stuffed couch w/hide a bed. Medium blue color. Fabric and mattress in excellent condition. $300. 689-2637 (F21)

Waterbed, excellent condition, 8 drawers, bookshelf, selling w/2 sets of sheets. $200 o.b.o, call 682-5081, ask for Julie (F21)

U-shaped sofa/couch, 3-pc. sectional, good condition, $200. 561-0403. (F28)

Fencing

D&B Fence Co. Rent, Rent to own, credit cards, free estimates 562-8833 (PTFN)

175 Ft. chainlink fence $275.00, two gates. 682-4855. (F28)

150 foot chain link fence rolled up and ready to install. One gate and all accessories included. $200. 689-2637. (F21)

90 Ft. chain link fence rolled up and ready to install. One gate and all accessories included. $100. Call 687-4880. (F28)

Sports & Fitness Equipment

Nordic Track ski machine. In good shape. $30. 545-3258 before 5 pm. 563-1188 after 5 pm. (F28)

Manual treadmill, fully assembled, excellent condition $75.00 Please call 568-7350 Serious inquires only. (F28)

Soloflex for $300. o.b.o. 689-9797. (F28)

Diving Wet Suits - men's X-Large $100 XXL Long Sleeve Top w/short legs $65, Calypso SBC Small $150 Diving Weights $1 per Pound. 565-9695 leave message (F28)

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Gas grill, works great, $35. 682-4855. (F28)

Motorola Startek cellular phone with leather case, belt, belt holster, A/C adapter, and cigarette lighter adapter, $75.00. 561-4844. (F21)

X-Large Kennel, only used for two months. Paid new $77 from PX, will sell for $50. Call 464-0989. (F28)

Remington 260 Model seven with simmons aetic scope 44 milameter and 5 boxs shell 140 GR and 120 GR ballistic tip. (youth model) $600.00. 855-0102. (F28)

1-piece carpet, fits Perkins Place living/dining room, sand colored, very good condition, $100. Storage shed 6' high by 8' wide with built in floor $75 Carpet, fits bathroom grey $10 Little Tykes Log Cabin (new $300) asking $130 Roll-top desk, good condition $40 CALL 689-6009 for more information. (F4)

6 month old brother sewing machine from Sears, portable, in case $50.00. 448-2373. (F21)

German Pre-Ban HK91 rifle. $1800, Call Richard 855-0456. (F21)

Sleeper sofa, brown $60, various rugs, 9X12, 11X12, $15-40. excel. condition. Nintendo game super play action football $6, Sega Genesis game, 32X, new, Shadow Squadron $5, 15" computer monitor $15. 689-6803. (F21)

Genuine GUCCI two-toned silver and gold ladies watch, almost new, GREAT GIFT, $350. o.b.o. 221-5222. (F21)

Murray 20" push mower, Tecumseh 3.5 hp Vantage engine. Runs good $40.00 687-9708 (F21)

PCS'ing, need to sell table w/four chairs and china hutch $100, baby bed $15, swing set w/slide and two swings $15, white patio table w/glass table, three chairs and covers $20. Please call Christi 706-683-0721 (F21)

Diamond solitaire - beautiful 1/3 carat, pear shape diamond in 14K gold, sacrifice for $350, firm. Contact Lisa @ 689-0978 or leave message (F21)

BMX bicycle for sale, 20" boys or mens freestyle bike, ridden twice, have helmet and all pads, $200 or trade welder or tools. 682-1080 (F28)

FIREARMS: Para-Ordnance, P14-45, NIB, includes 2 Hi-cap clips, $685. Taurus M608, 357 Magnum, SS, NIB, factory ported, $485. 41AE conversion kit for Browning Hi-power, includes one box of ammo, $185. Call 685-0052 after 12:00 noon. (F21)

Frigidaire Refrigerator w/ice maker: $375. 3-pc. German dark oak finish wall unit: $150. Black Lacquer glass/mirror entertainment center $175, excellent condition, call 221-5124 or 464-9064. (F4)

Five Decorator Mirror Panels 8 inches by 72 inches, each with mounting holes, $12 each or all for $50. 565-9695 leave message. (F28)

Free Pets

Lab puppy to good home. Call 682-4855. (F28)

Female, black and white, Cocker Spaniel mix. Shots up to date and has been fixed. 687-6317. (F21)

Leaving? Cant take your birds with you? We will provide a good home for them. Is that unused bird cage taking up space? We will remove it at your convenience. I have Pink ring neck doves and zebra finches will trade for other species of domesticated birds. Call 689-9043. (F21)

Free long haired beautiful kittens, must see call 682-6637 (F21)

Free female black Lab, 10 months old. 689-3265. (F21).

5 Free Kittens 6 wks old, need a good home 682-6248. (F28)

Black lab, male, 8 1/2 months, all shots, chain,dog house, loves children, needs good home. PCS'ing. 683-0392. (F28)

Male, 2 1/2yr old Neutered Black and Tan German Shepherd. He is great with kids and is a wonderful family pet. PCS'ing and cannot take him with us. If interested please call 682-5519. (F28)

Pets for Sale

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Apartments for Rent

Free Room & Board for person willing to help w/household chores, beautiful apartment. For more info. call 322-8022 (F21)

Homes for Rent

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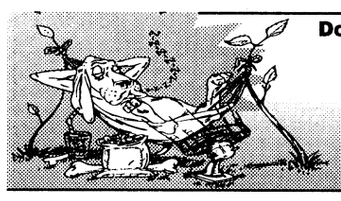

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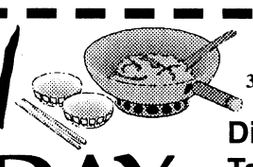

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The following describes major improvements made during the last two fiscal years in the investment of Soldier and family dollars. These improvements are key Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) Capital Purchase and Minor Construction (CPMC) accomplishments and are not inclusive of all improvements made during this reporting period. Our annual goal for total CPMC investment of Soldiers and family MWR program dollars is 100 percent of the NIBD earned Our CPMC investment for FY 97 was 97 percent of the NIBD earned and 120 percent in FY 98.

Destin, Florida

To better serve our customers we:
- Added 20 motel units
- Purchased 3 paddle boats
- Replaced boat motors
- Conducted environmental assessment
- Painted exterior of cabins
- Installed carpet in lobby and office areas
- 'Upgraded computer to include reservation system
- Replaced pool furniture
- Replaced carpet in 14-unit motel
- Purchased 4 jet skis
- Installed in-room phone system in all lodging units
- Completed $2.6M NAF major construction project to provide a model facility with underground utilities, paved driveways and roads, modern security gate, a new bathhouse and low maintenance attractive landscaping
- Initiated repair of seawall which is ongoing and should be completed Jan 00
- Completed the design of and began construction on a complete renovation of the marina; makeover should be completed by Mar 00
- Completed 46 paved RV pads with full hook-ups (including cable TV, internet access and phone) on all sites

Uchee Creek

With more and more customers using the Uchee Creek Campground and Marina, we:
- Added 20 additional campsites complete with full hook up
- Paved additional roadways, driveways, and parking aprons as well as the patio area for 43 campsites
- Replaced and added grills, lantern hangers, picnic tables, and benches throughout the campground
- Expanded the campground, while continuing to landscape the area to ensure a pleasant and attractive environment for our camping customers
- Constructed comfort station for a total of three installed sewage mound systems
- Installed sewage mound system
- Renovated two well houses to meet EPA standards
- Constructed fishing dock with handicap access
- Purchased 10 flat bottom boats and replaced furniture in cabins
- Removed dead trees
- Replaced outboard motors
- Replaced computer equipment
- Replaced TVs and VCRs in cabins
- Purchased three 20' campers, two bass buggies and ten canoes

Clubs

In response to our customers' preferences for leisure activities, the Fort Benning club system:
- Replaced HVAC system in Building 129
- Prepared area for a name brand pizza concession to serve all Soldiers and families on main post
- Renovated the Officers' Club swimming pool.
- Renovated the Sand Hill NCO Club with new carpeting, paint, furniture and fixtures
- Established a Pizza Hut concession in the Sand Hill NCO Club to support all Soldiers and families in the Sand Hill area
- Established Subway Sandwich Shop concession as part of the Sledgehammer Lounge NCO annex to support all Soldiers and families in the Kelley Hill area (commence operations Jan 2000)
- Renovated Players Lounge in the Main NCO Club
- Started renovation to right size the Officers' Club, Lexington Room, Rally Point; maintain the Regimental Room ceiling and modernize kitchens to support all catering at Fort Benning

Automotive Skills Center

A new state-of-the-art automotive skills center opened in November 1998. This facility provides
Soldiers and family members with the latest in automotive skills development The $3.9M NAF
major construction project provides a comprehensive facility consisting of:
- 42 bays
- 36 general repair bays
- 4 body shop bays
- 2 welding bays
- Parts washing area and paint booth
- Tool room, classroom, two restrooms with showers, a lobby area, admin office, storage, and mechanical rooms

Patrons are able to purchase auto parts and accessories on the premises, which is open seven days a week for customer convenience

Bowling

In keeping our bowling program #1 in TRADOC and customer satisfaction we:
- Renovated Main Post Bowling Center snack bar and concourse area
- Renovated Mall and Main Post Bowling Center bathrooms

Follow Me Golf Course

Our customer focus during this reporting period has been on providing quality fairways, greens and tees, as well as the necessary equipment for maintaining high quality course conditions. More specifically, we are seeing course conditions improve substantially over the past two years as a result of new maintenance equipment and intensive management by the greens superintendent and his crew for continuous quality service to our golf customers we:
- Renovated 50 percent of the irrigation system and course itself
- Purchased Re-sprigged nine fairways
- 35 new carts
- Removed damaged trees
- Renovated greens
- Developed a master plan for the course based upon an evaluation performed by a PGA consultant
- Purchased new equipment
- Replaced air conditioner in club house
- Replaced 20 sets of golf clubs
- Purchased aerator

Fitness Centers

To provide customers with the latest in exercise machine technology:
- Purchased $80,000 in new fitness equipment
- Reduced Building 4 fitness center in size; excess equipment moved to other gyms and CONUS Replacement Center
- Refinished gym floor at Briant Wells Field House
- Bought $40,000 of exercise equipment and distributed to Dahlonega Ranger Camp, Kelley Hill Fitness Center and other gyms

Fort Benning Guest House

To modernize our facility we:
- Installed a state-of-the-art reservation system
- Added a new Sprint telephone system with feature buttons for local advertisements, an automated attendant; voice mail and wake-up call service
- Internet service provided at no charge to the guest

Fort Benning Transient Lodging Facility

To better serve our out-of-town guests and family members we:
- Renovated 72 guest rooms in Building 399 at a cost of $l.4M and should be completed in early spring of FY 00
- Replaced guest furniture in Building 83, first floor, approximately 100 guestrooms.
- Replaced carpet in 96 guestrooms within Building 399, "(3" Section.)
- Hairdryers are being added to each room
- Updated common areas, i.e., guest laundry rooms, guest latrines and stairways in Buildings 83 and 75
- Added a new state-of-the-art reservation system
- Installed a new telephone system with Internet service provided at no charge to our guests
- Opened a new in-house laundry facility

Youth Services

The Installation Middle School and Teen Program operating in conjunction with Youth Services provides:
- Designated areas within the youth centers to enjoy air hockey, foosball and 32" television.
- Customers who have 11 and 12-year-old family members take advantage of free structured programs during after-school hours and full-day hours on school out days.
- A computer/homework center has been added and is being used by all age groups.
- Educational, tutorial, game, cooking and defensive driving software is available
- A monitoring system has been installed in the Youth Services gym to ensure the safety of participants

Car Wash

To better serve our customers we:
- Renovated self-service car wash bays with state-of-the-art equipment
- Completed a new "roll-over" drive through car wash

Other Activities

Other areas of customer focus include the following:

Laundromats

In direct response to customer feedback we:
- Air conditioned the laundromat
- Replaced washers and dryers
- Replaced hot water heater, consolidated Main Post and Kelley Hill Laundromats
- Bought three commercial size washers

Amusement Center (Arcade)

- Added outdoor basketball at the arcade
- Added Cybernet CafÈ with 6 computers featuring e-mail, internet service and the latest computer based interactive games

Equipment Rental

- Began construction of self-storage units at the Equipment Rental Office; scheduled to be completed by Feb 00

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- Hydro-seeded all exposed dirt
- Opened the landscape to provide a more aesthetic view

CONUS Replacement Center

- Provided games, computers, pool table, books. TVs, movies
- Established and operate a recreation center for Soldiers being in or out processed for contingency operations
- Excess equipment from Building 4 fitness Center

FAMILY PROGRAM EXCELLENCE...

Army Community Service (ACS) will celebrate its 35th birthday on July 25th, 2000. Fort Benning's excellent community service programs are designed to assist commanders in providing family support services to Soldiers and their families. The following represent some of the Fort Benning ACS accomplishments during the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

Family Advocacy Program (FAP)

The FAP focuses on child and spouse abuse prevention and education. The "First Steps" program has expanded, reaching more than 1200 family members, primarily assisted by 14 trained volunteers. The FAP serviced more than 3,000 Soldiers and family members during 19 pre-deployment briefings. The FAP sponsored the second Domestic Violence Conference in March 1999 for local tri-community (Fort Benning, Columbus, and Phenix City) professionals. The FAP staff now includes a training specialist and Victim Advocate.

Army Emergency Relief (AER)

Army Emergency Relief provides emergency financial assistance in the form of grants and loans to members of the Armed Forces and family members. AER provided $654,147 in loans to 799 clients and $86,738 in grants to 103 clients to assist Soldiers (active duty and retired) and widows of the community. The 1999 Annual AER Campaign received contributions in excess of $178,295.

Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)

The FMEAP offers assistance to family members who are seeking employment. It is provided through employment information that includes private sector job bank, personal training development workshops, individual job search assistance, and counseling for skill identification and employment options. In the FY 99 time frame, 667 Soldiers and family members placed in jobs, which resulted in $6.87 million in additional income for military families.

Consumer Affairs/Financial Assistance Program (CAFAP)

The CAFAP ~ offers information, education, and individual counseling, and assistance in consumer issues, financial planning, family budgeting, and debt management matters. During the FY99 period, 1,584 individuals received training in 121 classes. The CAFAP also sponsors consumer workshops, such as the quarterly car-buying seminar. Soldiers/families returned a total of $130,259 to creditors in debt liquidation programs.

Utility Coordination Center (UCC)

The UCC allows newly arriving Soldiers to obtain utility services (water, power, gas, and telephone) at a single location. The UCC in/out processed 6,563 Soldiers and returned $122,054 to the participating utility companies in FY99. The UCC provides the convenience of one-stop utility connections and disconnections. Soldiers with good credit standings are not required to pay deposit to have their utility service initiated.

Relocation Assistance Program (RAP)

During the FY99 time frame, RAP provided relocation information to 5,533 Soldiers; assisted 25 family members in completing citizenship classes; provided Lending Locker assistance to 125 Soldiers and their families; and conducted Newcomer/Spouse Orientations for 375 Soldiers and spouses.

Emergency Food Locker

The ACS Food Locker assisted 224 clients with a two-day supply of emergency food during FY99.
During the holiday season, turkeys were provided to needy Soldiers and military retired families. Food Locker items are made available through the generosity of private organizations, food drives, commissary vendors, and local businesses.

Army Family Team Building (AFTB)

Designed as a survivor course for Army spouses, AFTB is targeted toward new people in the Army, leaders in the community, or anyone interested in updating personal skills or basic knowledge. AFTB, a total volunteer program under the auspices of ACS, celebrated its fifth birthday on December 16, 1999. All AFTB courses and materials are available and free to Soldiers, family members, and DA civilians. During the FY99 time frame, 1,544 individuals participated in AFTB training at Fort Benning.

School Age Services (SAS)

During the summer FY99, the SAS program offered various educational/recreational activities for children. This was at no extra cost to the parents. The SAS Computer Lab instructor designed, implemented and trained staff (CDC, FCC, SAS) on basic computer skills to help meet training requirements. Effective 1 October, the program added the USDA Food Program. This allows for a nutritious breakfast and snack to be served to all children enrolled in the program. A bowling league was implemented in the fall of FY99. Demand increased from one league to two. An ACS Food Drive was set up within the SAS program to donate canned goods to ACS. In FY00, SAS children will volunteer to Christmas Carol around the installation and provide a "Tree of Giving" to give items to the needy. In FY00 the engineers are expected to have completed designs to install an air conditioning unit at Patch Hall.

These types of programs help to improve the quality of life and the well being of Fort
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IDENTIFYING AND REWARDING EXCELLENCE...

Soldiers, family members, and dedicated employees are our reason for existence. MWR stays in touch with patrons' needs, wants, and desires with the aid of the Mystery Shopper Program, comment cards, a new website addition, formal and informal research, and direct interaction.

Mystery Shopper Program

Facilities are shopped anonymously by use of telephone and in-person visits. Customer service elements such as store appearance, courtesy of employees, and quality of product and services are evaluated. The Fort Benning MWR Mystery Shopper Program measures excellence, drives the training program, and provides incentives to employees who deliver superb customer service.

Employee Recognition

Employees demonstrating excellent customer service receive a DA Certificate of Commendation and monetary award, recognition as superb employees of the month, quarter, and year, quarterly CG Breakfast recognition, and recognition at the retreat ceremonies.

Comment Cards

Comment cards are one of the older methods of gathering data; yet still one of the most effective. In FY99 we received over 5,821 comment cards from patrons. The cards are analyzed and many suggestions are implemented into the MWR system. Recently, a Customer Service Report Card was designed to display customer comment ratings for each activity with specific comments to employees shown on the Report Card. The document has proven to be a very beneficial tool for employee feedback (an area identified as weak in our DCA Climate Survey)

Fort Benning MWR Website

Our patrons can now access the Fort Benning MWR from around the globe at http\:www.benningmwr.com. This site provides a world of information, both of a local and national scope, and will serve to gather patrons' feedback from around the world. This site currently receives over 50,000 visits per year.

Marketing Research

The Fort Benning MWR has led the way within Department of Army MWR operations in listening to, and acting upon feedback from Soldiers and their family members. DCA uses a variety of formal and informal research methods to determine objective and scientific based needs of our patrons. The Fort Benning MWR performed its first triennial survey in 1988. Following the 1988 survey, there have been four Triennial Needs Assessments performed and include the 1991, 1994, 1996, 1999 surveys. The 1994 and 1996 assessments were both administered by the Department of the Army Community and Family Support Center while the 1991 and 1999 were performed locally. Historical five-year planning and execution data, coupled with financial results and customer utilization rates, clearly show the wisdom of using formal research in making business based investment decisions.

"Standards of Excellence"

"Standards of Excellence" are written goals for each facility. Each "Standard of Excellence" is placed in common areas for viewing by patrons. "Standards of Excellence" are not limited to just MWR locations, but have been implemented post-side. MWR's "Standards of Excellence" vision is that all customers who visit our facilities leave with assurance that we are friendly, helpful, and appreciative of their business.

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Due to tremendous storage facility saturation, Bill Heard Chevrolet, has announced a huge $1 Acquisition Sale this week. Jim Franklin, General Sales Manger of Bill Heard Chevrolet says that, "Record repo rates and early lease termination of expensive luxury type vehicles have our banks' storage lots jammed with hot selling sport utilities, vans pickup trucks, Honda, Toyota, Cadillac, Ford, Chevy, Acura inventory. They are quite frankly in a panic sell mode. We think we can help relieve this saturation this weekend. Plus a continued awesome demand for fresh trades by local consumers who can't afford new cars has allowed our buyers to offer "Crazy Money" for trade ins on new or used vehicles."

So,management at Bill Heard Chevrolet, made a decision to pay more for trade-ins during the five day only, $1 Acquisition Sale. During this five day event, Bill Heard Chevrolet, will utilize any and all factory incentives and bank assistance to not only sell cars in inventory but acquire quality trade-ins to keep up with surging used car demand.

Hundreds of vehicles will be on hand for this sale. "Over $5 million worth of inventory will be available during this Acquisition Sale," says Franklin, "including lease returns, program cars, special event vehicles and rental turn-ins, repossessions and the south's largest supply of new Chevys.

How do you take advantage? Simple, bring your dollar and your trade and take on a payment directly from the bank. You get up to 40% more than the current book value for your old car and the dollar makes the transaction legal. Assumptions require no back payment catch up, storage fees or extra charges. You simply plunk down your dollar, take on a new bank contract and drive away.

Franklin emphasizes that every available customer assistance program as well as drastic vehicle pricing will be utilized to induce customers to include trade-ins on their purchases.

> In addition to the "Crazy Money" being offered for trades this weekend, one-time only discounts are being made on every new vehicle in stock including hot selling Silverados, Tahoes and Suburbans!

"Some new vehicles will qualify for huge factory incentives and low, low interest rates," explains Franklin. Some customers will take advantage of creative bank financing including no first payment for 90 days. Franklin stressed that drastic vehicle pricing will also characterize this special Acquisition Sale. "I will have some used cars under $595," stated Franklin, "as well as unheard of discounts on new vehicles, such as $10,000 off on a 2000 Tahoe Limited Z71. 3 to choose. Expect rates as low as 0.9% APR even on hot Malibu's and Venture Family Vans. Even Regular and Extended Cab Silverado pick-ups offer 3.9% APR. Special finance and credit analysts will be on hand so that everyone can get pre-qualified for the sale.

"Even if you've had credit problems in the past, we will have some of the most liberal lenders available for this sale," assured Franklin. Just bring in a current payroll stub and a valid driver's license.

Trade-ins will be accepted at full cash value. "Even if your trade has a pay off," says Franklin, "when we make a deal we will pay it off no matter what you owe." You are encouraged to bring your payment book and the title to expedite your purchase.

Franklin reminds prospective buyers to act quickly if they want to take advantage of this special sale event. "I can't stress enough that this is a five day only sales event. Then, it's back to business as usual. It's also first come, first served, so it's critical to come early to have the best chance of getting the best selection."

Franklin states that this sale "represents a great opportunity for our customers to get a fantastic deal on a new or used car or truck as well as get more for their trade-in than ever before."

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'98 CHEVY S-10 X-TENDED CAB LS!
'95 SILVERADO EXT. CAB.....$3600
'95 FORD F-150 LARIET!
'98 DODGE RAM 4X4!
'90 NISSAN HARDBODY!.....$1600
'92 GMC SIERRA SLE, SWB.....$4000
'97 DODGE D-150 RAM LARAMIE SLT!
'96 NISSAN HARDBODY 5 SPEED, AIR!
'96 FORD RANGER.....$4150
'98 CHEVY S-10 EXT CAB!
'95 CHEVY S-10 5 SPEED, AIR!
'93 CHEVY SILVERADO.....$5900
'90 CHEVY SILVERADO.....$3300
'94 MAZDA B 2000.....$3450
'89 CHEVY S-10.....$1900
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'99 CHEVY S-10 AUTO, AIR!
'97 MAZDA B 3000 SPACE CAB!
'89 CHEVY SILVERADO.....$2750
'99 TOYOTA TACOMA SR-5!
'97 TOYOTA T-100!
'97 FORD F-150 LARIET 19K!
'97 FORD RANGER 34K MILES!
'96 FORD RANGER 44K MILES!
'93 CHEVY S-10 78K MILES!
'94 CHEVY S-10.....$3995
'97 MAZDA B 2000.....$800
'00 CHEVY SILVERADO.....$19,900
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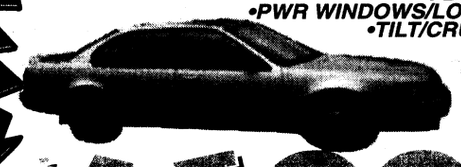

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'97 NISSAN ALTIMA MINT!
'88 TOYOTA COROLLA!
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'94 NISSAN MAXIMA!
'97 NISSAN SENTRA!
'92 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE!
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'99 KIA SEPHIA!
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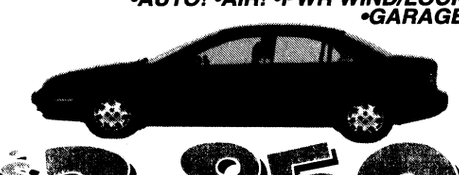

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'00 FORD FOCUS STILL NEW!
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'98 FORD CONTOUR.....ASSUME!
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'99 PONTIAC SUNFIRE!
'00 CHEVY CAVALIER!
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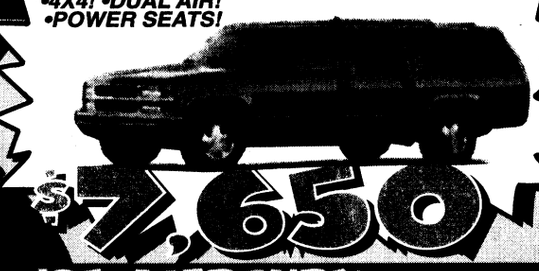

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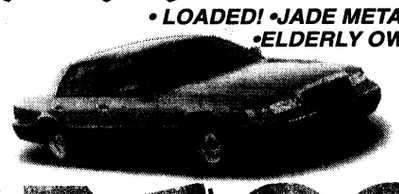

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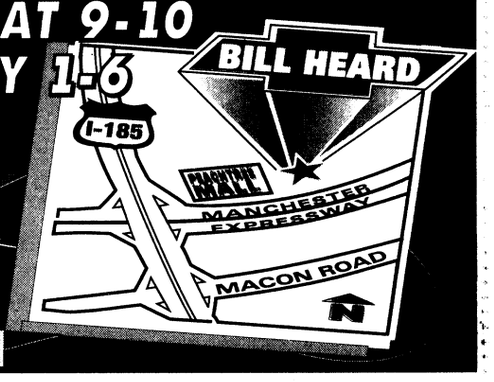

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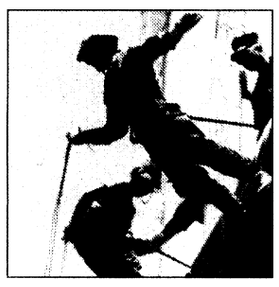

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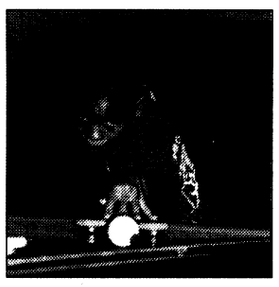

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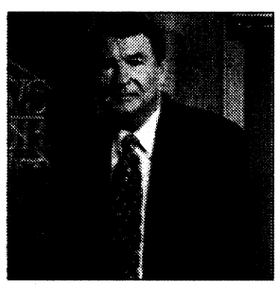

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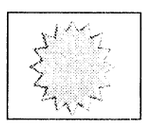
Saturday		high 95 low 70
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National Weather Service

Study says attrition highest ever

More first-term troops aren't finishing tour

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

More Soldiers are leaving the ranks of the military during their first term of enlistment than ever before, according to a bipartisan government study released last month.

The study, published by the Government Accounting Office, indicates that first-term attrition reached an all-time high for enlistees with nearly four out of every 10 enlistees failing to finish their first stint of service.

Across the Department of Defense the attrition rate rose from 29.6 percent in 1985 to 36.8 in 1995.

During that time the Army suffered the greatest exodus of first-term Soldiers, reporting at least 2 percent more than the DoD annual average every year.

The Army isn't alone in its battle against attrition, though.

Both the Navy and the Air Force have had trouble keeping first-termers in uniform.

Only the Marine Corps was able to lower its attrition rate during the past decade.

Although the DoD recognized and is working on growing Soldier attrition, the study said the services are not developing tools needed to measure the long-term success of their efforts.

Those efforts aimed at reducing attrition rates for Soldiers in training were just recently implemented by the services.

But the report said it is too early to see if the programs are going to prove effective.

"We have to put in place tools for measuring the long-term success of the services' attempts to reduce attrition by confirming the services' short-term remedial efforts are not simply delaying attrition to later points in enlistees' first terms," wrote Norman J. Rabkin, the study's author and director of National Security Preparedness Issues.

A study from the Defense Manpower Data Center on enlistee attrition rates prove that goal of lessening the wash-out rate has yet to be achieved.

The analysis of servicewide attrition data on enlistees who entered the services in 1994 and 1995 indicates service efforts initiated before to reduce training attrition are not yet successful.

Training attrition is the biggest culprit of claiming Soldiers to first-term attrition, prompting the services to focus many of their initiatives to reduce attrition on activities that occur during an enlistee's first six months of service, according to the report.

All services introduced new remedial programs designed to provide extra attention to recruits struggling with behavioral, physical training or academic problems during those crucial

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Faster, lighter force



Karen Taylor

Soldiers from A Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, demonstrate tactics and techniques of fighting in urban terrain to senior leaders of the IBCT Monday at McKenna MOUT site.

Brigade team takes shape

New force aimed at rapid response

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

The senior leaders of the Initial Brigade Combat Team out of Fort Lewis, Wash., observed Rangers from the 3rd Brigade, 75th Ranger Regiment, demonstrating military operations in urban terrain tactics at McKenna MOUT Monday.

The demonstration was a way to introduce the senior leaders of the IBCT to the Infantry during a five-day Senior Leader Course.

During the week, the course introduced tactics and techniques of the Infantry and took the senior leaders of the IBCT through reconnaissance missions in the uptown Columbus area and Lawson Army Airfield, and a collaborative planning exercise.

At the end of the week, the IBCT returned to McKenna MOUT to strategize a similar exercise.

The MOUT demonstration addressed combat in urban terrain issues such as how to achieve 360-degree security and transitions from opposed to unopposed movements.

"Fighting is stop and go. You fight in a streak, from opposed fighting to unopposed to opposed. It tends to eat up Infantry quickly and cause a lot of casualties," said Lt. Col. Craig Nixon, commander, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment.

During the exercise the Rangers moved through the "town" at McKenna MOUT, took care of casualties and were constantly aware of possible enemy fire from the buildings lining the street.

"Moving down the street we're out in the open and have to rely on another squad. We're constantly looking back and forth," said Cpl. Sean Reynolds, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

"We have to move with a sense of urgency," said Spc. Kevin Jones, A Co., 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

Although not part of this demonstration, another aspect of combat in urban terrain is dealing with civilians who could be potentially hostile. "We have to ascertain what they're doing," Reynolds said.

"We're expecting it to be hostile, we're prepared for the

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Drought continues to plague Southeast

Restrictions still in effect as water levels fall

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Despite the recent rainfall in the Southeast, residents of Georgia and Alabama are still under severe drought conditions, and post officials are continuing to keep all water restrictions in place.

While post residents welcomed the benefits of sporadic rainfall earlier this week, Col. Keith Stelzer, director of Public Works, said the brief rainshowers weren't enough to prompt the post to lessen any water restrictions.

"Current flow rates on Fort Benning's water supply, Upatoi Creek, have seen a slight upturn in flow volume," Stelzer said. "However, the sustained effects have not yet risen sufficiently above 60 million gallons a day, the threshold level that has driven us to the current restrictive usage measures."

The following restrictions are still in effect for Fort Benning residents:

- Residents in even-numbered addresses can only water outdoors on Mondays and Fridays between the hours of 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.
- Residents in odd-numbered addresses can only water outdoors on Tuesdays and Saturdays between the hours of 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.
- All watering must be done by hand and kept to 30 minutes or less.
- The use of sprinklers is prohibited.
- Residents are prohibited from washing automobiles outdoors except at the post car wash.

Army needs more 'don't ask, don't tell' training

Soldier's death prompting revamped policy

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army's Inspector General has recommended more training on the "don't ask, don't tell" policy after investigating the death of a Fort Campbell Soldier.

The IG investigation into alleged violations of the DoD homosexual policy at Fort Campbell, Ky., found isolated incidents of harassment occurred. But the IG report said that when those incidents did occur, the chain of command generally responded appropriately.

However, the IG reported many Soldiers at Fort Campbell and elsewhere still do not have a clear understanding of the DoD policy.

The IG investigation was sparked by the murder of Pfc. Barry Winchell last July and involved an IG team of 27 inspectors visiting Fort Campbell earlier this year. The team interviewed 568 Soldiers in 68 sensing sessions, questioned 47 unit commanders and administered 1,385 command climate surveys.

The results of the IG investigation were announced by Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki July 21 at a Pentagon press conference.

"The death of a Soldier, any Soldier — either in combat or in peacetime — is a great loss to the Army, a loss that's most keenly felt in that Soldier's unit," Shinseki said. He called Winchell's murder a "senseless and brutal crime," adding that two soldiers have since been convicted and are both serving lengthy prison sentences.

Pvt. Calvin Glover of the 101st Airborne Division was sentenced in December to life in prison when found guilty of murdering Winchell with a baseball bat. Spc. Justin Fisher, Winchell's roommate, was found guilty in January of acting as a principal to premeditated murder and sent to prison for 12.5 years.

Glover, Fisher and Winchell were all members of D Company, 2nd Battalion, 502nd Infantry regiment at Campbell. The IG report found that the command climate in that company — unlike the rest of Fort Campbell — was poor. The investigation attributed the poor command climate to underage drinking in the barracks, personnel shortages and the presence of an abusive NCO in a leadership position in that unit.

The verbally-abusive NCO was appropriately counseled by the company commander at the time, according to the IG report, and the NCO was eventually

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People, moths drawn to spotlight

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

Everybody wants 15 minutes of fame. I've had this fact driven home to me repeatedly since I started working here at *The Bayonet*, and it happened again Friday night at a going away party for Pete, a young Soldier leaving for Korea after three years at Fort Benning.

"So now that I'm leaving, are you going to do a story on me, Bridgett?" he asked, half-way seriously.

"What's there to write about, Pete?" I replied. "Tell me about yourself."

Now any journalist with an ounce of ink in his blood knows there's a potential story in everyone. If you ask the right questions and listen long enough,



you're bound to discover what it is that makes an individual unique — that elusive 15 minutes of fame factor.

But try as I might, I couldn't find anything newsworthy about Pete. Nothing to separate him from every other Soldier. Nothing, not a thing, zilch.

Time and time again throughout the evening he approached me and asked the same question, growing more and more serious each time. And each time I tried, I really tried, to find the story in Pete. I asked about his family. I asked about his childhood. I even asked if he'd ever experienced any really good traumas in his relatively short life — all to no avail. Pete's just your average Pete.

Well, I rationalized, it had to happen sometime. Feeling like a bit of a failure, I admitted defeat, shook his hand, and bid him adieu, good luck, Godspeed and all the best wishes on his journey.

"Oh, I'll probably see you in a few months when I come back to Ranger School again," Pete said nonchalantly.

"Again?" I asked.

"Yeah," he smirked. "I've been five times actually, but I know I'll make it next time."

FIVE TIMES he said! Five times, and he's coming back for number six. Talk about stubborn. Talk about determined. This guy put the "Pete" in "repeat."

"There's your claim to fame buddy. That's got to be some sort of record," I laughed. "They should build a revolving door in your honor."

Pete looked extremely pleased with himself, and I was relieved that I'd discovered something special about him. My mission was almost complete.

It's all well and good I discovered Pete's fame factor, but it's my job to share it with inquiring minds everywhere.

I figure if you read this really slowly and pause here and there to reflect on the irony of Pete's defining achievement, he'll get his 15 minutes in the spotlight, and you'll be a better person for knowing this bit of Benning trivia.

So here's to you Pete. Like the song says, "If you can't be good, son, be good at it."

Journalists experience all of Army

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

commentary

I usually get two reactions from people when I tell them what I do — they either laugh at me or they act surprised.

I'm guessing the reason people have such a strong reaction toward me being a journalist is because when you think of the Army, you don't necessarily picture someone packing a pencil and rucking a camera. In most minds, it's about the rifles, tanks and getting dirty.

My job is certainly unique. I like to think of it as the job of all jobs. Not necessarily because it's the best in the Army, but, because I get to experience so much of the Army.

Just when I think I have it rough or I make a generalization about a person and his job, I get the chance to find out the reality of things by tagging along for a story.

A perfect example of this was when I was with the Rangers. It was so easy to complain about how stressful my job is and the long hours



until I had the privilege of spending two weeks with the Rangers of the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, up at Fort Pickett,Va., on a training mission.

I ended up swallowing a large dose of reality about what long hours and getting down to the nitty gritty really meant. Between having to camo-up, trek through the woods and eat MREs, it was the closest field experience I ever had.

My time with the Rangers was enriching to say the least. Not only did I get to see a world I had never seen before, I actually got to participate in their world. If they weren't dressing me up in MOUT gear, they were forsaking their own safety by allowing me to fire their weapons and ride in their vehicles.

It was a rigorous two weeks, but I came back to Fort Benning with a greater appreciation for the Rangers, and for my job giving me the opportunity to experience what I did.

Every day I'm allowed to peek into the lives of Soldiers, just like I did with the Rangers. I am fortunate enough to meet people with all different personalities, in all different fields of work, doing all kinds of different things.

Whether I'm talking to a basic trainee in the foxhole, an Infantryman in his Bradley or a legal clerk in her office, I learn about what it is that makes the Army run.

I know my job doesn't exactly fit the mold of how a typical Soldier should be, but that's fine with me.

I am lucky enough to be able to straddle both sides of the fence and see just how delicately everything comes together. I can guarantee there is no other job in the Army I would rather have.

Editor's note: *The Bayonet invites readers to submit stories about how their job is unique.*

Breast-feeding has number of advantages

Capt. Sonja Foots
Martin Army Community Hospital

commentary

Editor's note: *Tuesday through Aug. 7 is World Breast-feeding Week.*

Breast milk is the best source of nutrition for babies.

No formula can be made that duplicates the perfect nutrition of breast milk. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends breast-feeding for the first year of life.

Children continue to benefit if breast-feeding is continued beyond



the first year.

A mother is encouraged to breast-feed as long as it is good for her and the baby.

Research indicates that breast-feeding provides health, nutritional, immunologic, developmental, psychological, social and economical advantages for babies that is unmatched by formula feeding.

The benefits are not only for the infant.

Employers also benefit because healthier infants mean less absences and lower health costs.

In addition, research indicates that breast-feeding can reduce a mother's risk of serious medical conditions such as osteoporosis, ovarian cancer and premenopausal breast cancer.

In order to encourage mothers to breast-feed, we must foster a positive environment where they can feel comfortable. Many women stop breast-feeding when they return to work outside the home.

Because of this, not enough babies in this country are breast-fed and few breast-feed for the recommended year.

Active-duty female Soldiers can stay with their babies for four months after delivery with little fear of being separated.

Once the Soldier returns to duty from convalescence leave it can be challenging to continue breast-feeding.

Commanders and supervisors should support all employees who breast-feed.

for the record

In the May 19 addition of *The Bayonet* in the Sports section Norman Williamson and Carlton Halloway were misidentified when two photos were accidentally switched. *The Bayonet* apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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The Bayonet reviews deadlines

Editor's note: *Many people call us with questions about how to get their information in the paper or with erroneous information about deadlines, so we have compiled the following for your information.*

Coverage of events

The staff of *The Bayonet* enjoys covering newsworthy events on post that are timely and pertinent to our readers. Some events we cover include battalion-level changes of command, changes in post policies or procedures and other postwide events.

We don't have enough people to cover everything on post, so we focus on the events that affect most of the post.

Some events we do not send a reporter to cover are parties, dinners, dining events, dances, balls, teas, coffees, club and organization meetings and elections, award presentations, changes of command below the brigade level, check presentations and group photos.

Deadlines

Film, photos, stories, letters to the editor and other news items intended for *The Bayonet* must arrive in our office no later than noon Friday prior to the next week's publication.

Copy must be typed and doubled-spaced, except for letters to the editor which may be handwritten. Everything else must be typed. Typed copy is easier for us to edit, easier for our typesetter and results in fewer errors.

Be sure to include the first and last names of all individuals mentioned in the story, and spell out all acronyms on first reference.

If you submit an announcement for post briefs or community briefs, check it to see if it appears in *The Bayonet*. Then, if you must resubmit it at a later date, submit it as it ran in the paper.

You may fax briefs or announcements only. However, we need the original typewritten copy of stories (anything longer than one page).

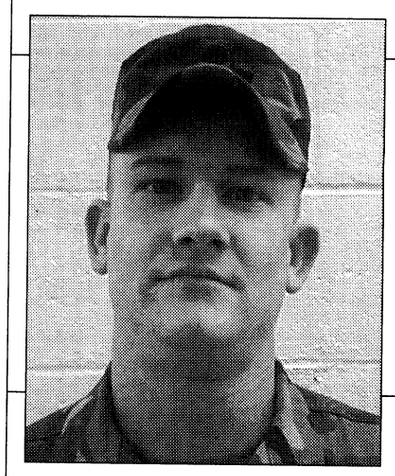
Stringers

Stringers are people belonging to various units who write about and take photos of unit activities for *The Bayonet*.

Without stringers, our coverage of unit activities would be decreased. Unit commanders who would like to arrange for a stringer should call *The Bayonet's* editor at 545-4622.

VARIOUS VOICES

If you could have 15 minutes of fame would you take it or leave it and why?



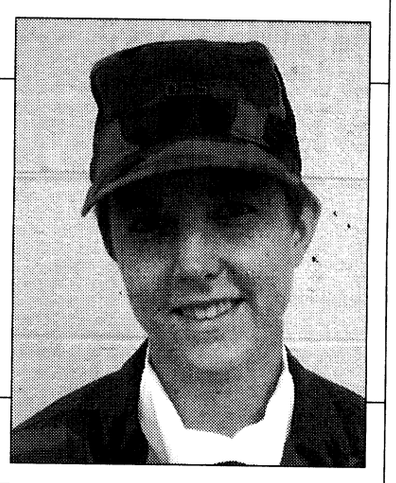
Spc. Brian Gibens, 4th Ranger Training Battalion — "I'd probably take it because not that many people are fortunate enough to actually get famous. You only live once, so why not."



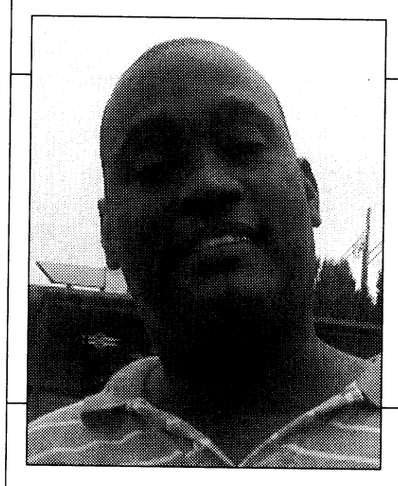
Deborah Thompson, family member — "I'd leave it, because I like my privacy."



Maj. Paul Humphreys, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th RTBn — "I would not take it because I wouldn't want to look back and think that was the highlight of my life. There's more important things such as being a good father and being successful."



Officer Candidate Stephanie Parks, A Company, 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment — "I'd probably leave it because I enjoy the simple things in life and it would probably be harder to enjoy those simple things if I were famous."



Retired Sgt. 1st Class Moses Claiborne, Columbus — "I'd take it because it's only for a short while and I wouldn't be bothered with it forever. I would be able to lead a normal life afterwards."



Tammy Humphreys, family member — "I guess depending on what it is. If it's something like I've done a good job with my kids then I would definitely take it. But if it was tons of money there would be lots of people looking for me and I would rather leave it."

Interviews and photos by Spc. Amy Nyland. To suggest future topics or questions for Various Voices or to volunteer your opinion on upcoming questions, call 545-2201.

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Post's second in charge takes job with IBCT

Brig. Gen. Eaton will become team's deputy commander

Karen Taylor
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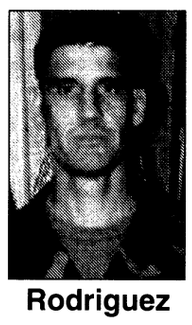
One of Fort Benning's own will soon be an integral part of the Initial Brigade Combat Team at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton, deputy commanding general and assistant commandant of the U.S. Army Infantry Center and School, will soon join the IBCT as the deputy commanding general for transformation, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command in Fort Lewis, Wash.

"The most exciting aspect is getting in on the ground floor on a great initiative and working with some of the greatest commanders," he said.


Eaton


Rodriguez

The IBCT is an evolving brigade that blends heavy and light capabilities, but will remain "Infantry-centric" with advanced tactical and strategic agility.

In addition, technology will give the IBCT increased situational awareness and the ability to understand the enemy a lot more clearly and faster than in the past.

"I have a background in the Infantry that covers everything from the lightest to the heaviest," Eaton said.

Eaton's experience ranges from assignments as division operations officer, 10th Mountain Div. (Light), Fort Drum, N.Y., during Operation Restore Hope, Somalia; to assistant division commander, 1st Armored Div., Hanau, Germany.

Eaton also is familiar with Fort Lewis, Wash., having served as executive officer, 2nd Bn., 23rd Inf., 9th Inf. Div. (Motorized); secretary to general staff I Corps and battalion executive officer, 1st Bde., 9th Inf. Div. (Motorized).

His command experience includes C Company, 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment, 8th Infantry Division (Mechanized), U.S. Army Europe and Seventh Army, Germany, and 3rd Battalion, 14th Inf., 10th Mountain Division (Light) Fort Drum, N.Y.

Eaton graduated from the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and U.S. Army War College.

He also has a master's degree in French political science from Middlebury College in Paris, France.

Eaton's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Expert Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge and the Ranger Tab.

Col. David Rodriguez, assistant chief of staff at 18th Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, N.C., will take Eaton's place as deputy commanding general, assistant commandant at the U.S. Army Infantry Center and School.

"I look forward to coming back to the Home of the Infantry and hope to have a positive impact on the Infantry force of the future," Rodriguez said.

Rodriguez has a broad background in types of Infantry units including Ranger, Airborne and Air Assault.

"I've been in four of the five types of Infantry units," he said.

He is well acquainted with Fort Benning, serving as assistant operations officer, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.; and company commander of B Co., 3rd Ranger Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

He was also assigned as joint exercise officer for U.S. forces Korea and attended the Joint Professional Military Education Course in Norfolk, Va.

Rodriguez graduated from the Naval War College in 1997, earning a master's degree in strategic studies and national security affairs.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge and the Air Assault Badge.

The report dates for Eaton and Rodriguez are still to be determined, but could be as soon as the fall.

Team: Demonstrates new quicker force for Army leaders


Karen Taylor
Soldiers from A Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, demonstrate MOUT tactics Monday.

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worst, but trained to react," said Pfc. James Little, A Co., 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

At the end of the exercise the 65 senior leaders of the IBCT were able to ask questions and examine equipment.

"About 45 percent are Infantry. This is all pretty new to them," said Col. Paul Melody, director of Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate.

"We need the Infantry aspect and we will build it into our own SOPs. We will take the training and combat and integrate it into our brigade," said Col. Steven Bailey, IBCT commander.

The IBCT is something the Army's Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki thought the Army needed in order to combat an enemy that is not as clear-cut as in the past.

Also, the environment in which a unit will be deployed will more likely be an urban setting evidenced by the recent situations in Kosovo or Bosnia.

This reiterates the words of Gen. John Hendrix, commanding general of U.S. Army Forces Command at Fort McPherson in Atlanta, who spoke at an Association of the U. S. Army dinner at Fort Benning, April 18, about the future of the Infantry.

"We are here to fight these wars and defeat the enemy, but the enemy is not quite so clear anymore and contingency operations are here to stay," Hendrix said.

He also projected that eight to 10 years from now the Army will have an Infantry force that will be more lethal, more rapidly deployable and more tactically mobile than today.

"Our goal is to be able to respond faster and respond with combat power when it hits the ground.

"We want to be able to get there and deter a war from occurring. If not successful in deterring, then we can rapidly fight it," Hendrix said.

The IBCT is the first step in the process of creating such a combat force, which blends the boundaries of heavy and light Infantry.

"We'll learn from the Initial Brigade Combat Team to create the Interim Brigade Combat Team, and it will lead us to the objective force," said Capt. Kevin Poates, training initiative officer for U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command.

Two brigades at Fort Lewis, Wash., will transition to IBCT, and eventually the Interim Brigade Combat Team, or interim solution, will grow to five brigades.

Technology will play a role in the training of IBCT as it will be an integral part of their capabilities. This technology spans from videoconferencing and tactical Internet to the vehicles used for combat.

The vehicle, to be purchased as soon as the end of this summer, will be much lighter and smaller than a Bradley to increase mobility while still providing protection for the Infantrymen, Bailey said.

"We want to bring power to the Soldier so it (the mission) happens successfully. A vehicle is only a way to get there," he said.

"We want to get there much faster than a heavy force could and after the 82nd Airborne or Rangers," Bailey said.

The IBCT's senior leaders have already trained at Fort Lee, Va., in logistics; Fort Huachuaca, Ariz., in intelligence and sensor systems; and Fort Knox, Ky., in reconnaissance and target acquisition.

The senior leaders of the IBCT are headed to Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for a capstone exercise, using everything learned from each of the other four posts.

Bailey said by December 2001 the brigade should be ready for training at one of the combat training centers and full technological capabilities by 2015.

Study: Says more Soldiers than ever aren't finishing tour

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first six months of initial entry training.

At Fort Benning's Infantry Training Brigade, Soldiers attend classroom instruction on human relations intermixed with adventure training in hopes of not only combating boredom in the classroom, but, perhaps more importantly, axing attrition.

"We do everything we can to keep these guys in the Army," said Lt. Col. Dennis Bundy, deputy commander of the training brigade. "We introduce them to rappelling and marksmanship while giving these classes, so they can get an early start on what they signed up to do.

"It gets them more involved and gives them a reason to stick with the training," he said.

While Bundy said the brigade has no specific program designed to keep young Soldiers in the Army, he said the brigade's leadership is responsible for taking care of struggling Soldiers.

"The drill sergeants train these guys with an understanding they are there to make the Soldier successful, not be an obstacle that the Soldier has to get through," Bundy said.

The ITB trains more than 17,000 troops annually with an attrition rate of 12 percent, a figure 3.2 percent lower than the Army's Training and Doctrine Command average in 1999 of 15.2 percent.

Those Soldiers tally more than 2,000 trainees every year who fail to finish initial entry Infantry training at ITB.

The Basic Combat Training Brigade, also located on Sand Hill, reported a 7 percent attrition rate in 1999, the lowest in the Army's Training and Doctrine Command.

They, like the ITB, have no formulated or written plan in place to keep Soldiers in the Army.

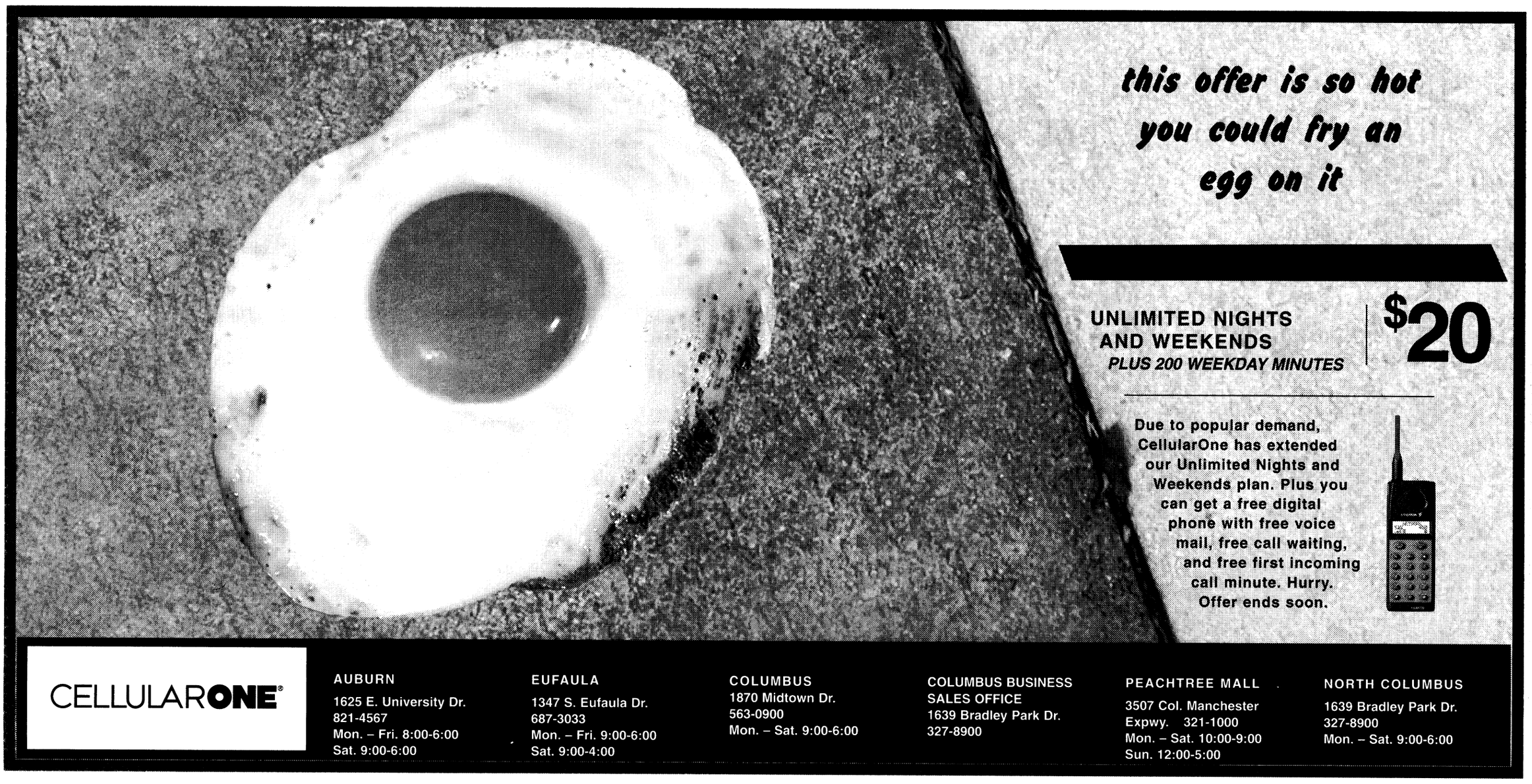
In 1998, 34 percent of Soldiers leaving the service during their first six months were a result of performance problems, 26 percent medical and physical problems, 23 percent stemmed from filing fraudulent enlistments and 17 percent were a result of problems deemed as "other," according to the GAO report.

1st Sgt. Thadeus Maholick, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, said while he hasn't had any first-term Soldiers who want to leave his garrison unit on Main Post since taking his position only a few months ago, he said he dealt with first-term attrition on a daily basis during his 22-month stint as a first sergeant at ITB.

"We have people with four-year degrees working at Wal-Mart, and when a lot of these Soldiers want to get out because they think life is better on the outside, I remind them of that," said Maholick, a 23-year Infantry veteran. "I used that philosophy at Sand Hill, and I do the same here at 1st of the 11th.

"There is no other job in the world where you can get your house, food and medical insurance paid for and still get a check," he said. "It just doesn't happen."

The GAO study estimates the early separation of a new recruit costs tax payers almost $38,000 in recruiting and training expenses.



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Group says post terrorist threat level low

Terrorist activity still possibility for local area

2nd Lt. Franklin Buloski
Directorate of Threat and Security

The current terrorist threat to Fort Benning is low. However, this threat has the potential to change rapidly, based on perceived vulnerability and hostile intent.

Lowering the installation THREATCON to "normal" requires increased individual awareness to continue to combat terrorism.

The physical security measures that were in place during THREATCON Alpha (roadblocks, vehicle checks, etc.) are no longer routine measures. The installation has returned to THREATCON "normal."

Each individual must assume a greater responsibility in the overall protection of themselves, family members and facilities.

Individuals must become increasingly aware of their surroundings, remain alert for anything suspicious or out of place and keep a low profile by not attracting attention to themselves. It is necessary to remind the entire Fort Benning community that the threat is real (regardless of THREATCON) and will continue in the future.

Terrorists attack weak targets, regardless of location and without warning, and education is one of the best tools to combat terrorism.

Terrorist attacks against DoD have claimed more than 300 lives and wounded more than 600 people in the last 20 years. The most common form of attack was a bomb.

The summer months mark a time of historically symbolic dates that may invite some form of terrorist attack. Fort Benning is currently in this window of heightened terrorist activity, from both domestic and international groups. Terrorist attacks ranging from the Khobar Towers bombing in June 1996 to the Kenya and Tanzania embassy bombings in August 1998 have occurred during the summer months.

Although many of these incidents transpired overseas, Fort Benning is not immune to such acts. Fort Benning is host to several prominent figures, including our international students that visit for military training.

The July 1996 Centennial Park bombing is a grim reminder that domestic acts of terrorism hit home.

Let us not forget Osama Bin Laden's (the world's most wanted terrorist) words, "All Americans are our enemies. Not just the ones who fight us directly, but also the ones that pay their taxes."

With the anniversary of the Olympic, Kenya and Tanzania bombings approaching, it is important to emphasize that terrorist groups often time their acts of violence on a significant historical date. Some significant approaching dates are:

• July 27, 1996 — the Centennial Park bombing at the Atlanta Summer Games.

• July 3, 1986 — USS Vincennes shot down Iran Air Flight 655.

• Aug. 2, 1990 — Iraq invades Kuwait.

• Aug. 7, 1998 — Kenya and Tanzania embassy bombings.

• Aug. 19, 1969 — first hijacking of a U.S. airliner by Palestinians.

This list is just a short example of the many dates that may be important to certain groups or individuals.

Fort Benning represents the power of the nation, an immense source of Soldiers, if valuable equipment. With the status as Best Installation in the World it can be considered a potential target that would add to a terrorist's reputation.

A CLOSER LOOK

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Some local residents will see new phone number in '01

Central Georgia running out of phone numbers for area

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

Residents of central and southwest Georgia will be getting a new area code Aug. 1, 2001.

After more than 45 years of service, the 912 area code is running out of numbers and must be divided into three area codes, said Bill Carver, manager of public affairs for Bell South of Georgia.

Those areas in central and east Georgia including Dublin, Macon, Milledgeville, Swainsboro and Warner Robins will go to a 478 area code. A 229 code will be given to southwest Georgia, and includes the areas of Albany, Americus, Cordele, Tifton, Thomasville and Valdosta. Areas in southeast Georgia, including Brunswick, Savannah, Soperton, Vidalia and Waycross will keep the 912 area code.

Beginning Aug. 1 a one-year permissive or transitional period will begin where customers can be reached using either the new or old area code, Carver said. However, on Aug. 1, 2001 people will be required to use the new area codes to reach those who are in the change areas.

He said the new area codes will not affect local dialing or change what is considered long distance and what isn't.

Paul Yates, chief of the Directorate of Information Management, said this new change should not affect Fort Benning.

The biggest concern for people on Fort Benning will be having to remember the new area code or change their speed dialers, Yates said.

While Fort Benning is not directly impacted by the change, Carver said there are civilian employees and Soldiers who live in the areas that will be.

He said Bell South is asking everyone to start thinking about the change early and make adjustments as soon as possible so there will be a seamless transition next year.

Some of the adjustments include changing automatic, and programmed phone dialing features. Those with home security systems need to make sure the company handling the system is also informed of the change.

If someone has a home or business where the telephone systems needs to be reprogrammed, they should contact their telephone equipment vendor immediately.

"The main thing is getting the word out to friends, relatives or business associates about the change, so those people around the country and around the world can make the transition with them," Carver said.

"This is the first change in the 912 code in about 45 years and we want to get the word out early," he said.

"Because we have customers who have literally lived their entire life with the same area code it's going to take time to get used to. We want people to know right away so there won't be a problem."

Soldiers attend international conference

USARSA leaders visit Chilean summit

Col. Patricio Haro Ayerve
U.S. Army School of the Americas

"Andes 2000," a Peace Operations Seminar organized by the Chilean Army and sponsored by the U.S. Southern Command took place in the City of Santiago de Chile June 26-30.

The goal of the seminar was to promote multinational and regional cooperation and to exchange professional experiences among the armed forces of South America by those who have participated in these types of operations throughout the world.

The U.S. Army School of the Americas was a key participant during this seminar as it is during any other seminar organized or sponsored by the SOUTHCOM, school officials said.

The Critique and Evaluation Cell for the Chilean operations conference were staffed by a team of leaders from the school's Division of Civil-Military Studies of USARSA's Department of Joint and Combined Operations.

The division chief presented a professional conference dealing with the planning techniques for these types of international peace operations, the goal of which was to uniform the methods for planning peace operations.

The participation of USARSA's team of leaders during this seminar was acclaimed for its professionalism and dedication by the organizers of this event.

This motivated the members to accomplish the task they have been assigned, according to a report released by the school.

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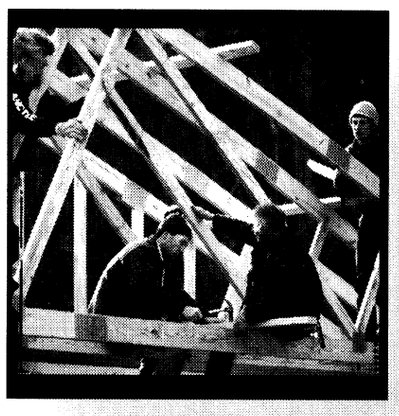
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Mechanics earn two national awards



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Sgt. Jermaine Rafferty, C Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, cleans a part from one of the battalion's 99 Bradley Fighting Vehicles.

29th Inf. Regt. nets 12th excellence award for DoD, Army

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Members of 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, received runner-up for the 1999 Army Award for Maintenance Excellence July 12 in Washington, D.C.

This year's award is the 12th time that 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., has placed first or second in the competition.

"Winning the award means we are doing good things in maintenance," Chief Warrant Officer Bill Neuendorf, 1st Bn.'s maintenance technician, said. "We are able to maintain our mission readiness and combat readiness, which is far above Army standards."

Eighty Soldiers and civilians work hand-in-hand to maintain the unit's 99 Bradleys, Neuendorf said.

The mechanics are responsible for maintaining the Bradleys used to train Soldiers coming directly out of basic training, Bradley Leaders Course, BNCOC and the Ranger battalion, Neuendorf said.

Members of 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., are working at three times the tempo and on twice the number of vehicles that regular units have, he said.

"Normally one person will work on six to eight vehicles at a time. Here one person works on 10 to 12," Neuendorf said. "Since we use the vehicles in support of all the training, we put a lot more mileage on the vehicles and a lot more wear and tear on them, especially since they are driven by trainees."

So how do the mechanics make it happen on a daily basis? Sam Harvel, general foreman of 1st Bn.'s maintenance division, said it is because amazing things are done by amazing people every day at the maintenance shop.

The award is given to units deserving the title only after an extensive examination has been completed, Harvel said.

A maintenance book is submitted to the Training and Doctrine Command in October, Harvel said.

If approved, TRADOC will send a team to the site to evaluate the maintenance shop's performance first hand.

After the on-site inspection, they review the units' performances and make their decision from the collected data.

If the TRADOC teams approve the shop's maintenance book, the will forward the book to the Department of Defense where it will be considered for the DoD competition.

By winning at the TRADOC level and receiving runner up at the DoD level, Lt. Col. Keith George, 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt.'s, commander, said the maintenance division is an example of the great things, which happen in the 29th Inf. Regt. as well as Fort Benning.

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>
> **Sam Harvel**
> Maintenance foreman
> 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt.

"They set the standard of how it is to be done," he said. "Receiving the award is significant especially with the limited amount of people and resources they have to work with.

"They maintain a brigade's worth of equipment with a battalion's strength."

"It is a close race between first and second," Harvel said. "It may be as little as a drop of oil under one vehicle and not another.

"It takes a team effort to win. No one person could win this. It takes everybody."

IG: Reports more training needed for 'don't ask, don't tell'

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removed from his leadership position and reassigned. Shinseki said since this corrective action was taken, morale in the company has "improved dramatically."

Some reporters repeatedly asked Shinseki if charges would be brought against the abusive NCO or if the chain of command would be held responsible. Shinseki said the matter of charges against the NCO would be up to the commanding general of Fort Campbell, Maj. Gen. Bob Clark.

The Army's Inspector General, Maj. Gen. Mike Ackerman, later explained that IG reports are not supposed to be used as the sole basis for disciplinary action.

The IG report, however, found that many Soldiers at Campbell and elsewhere did not clearly understand the "don't ask, don't tell, don't harass" policy and their responsibilities under it. Shinseki said the policy is the "law of the land" and there's a need for more training on it.

"What you will see is an increase in both the frequency of training for Soldiers and leaders," Shinseki said. "You'll find that the inspector general will, on a recurring basis, go to the field as part of the normal inspection process to check in to see the quality of the training, whether or not the policy is better understood, and the degree to which the chain of command is, in fact, implementing that policy fully."

The IG report found some shortfalls with the Army's chain-teaching briefing on the DoD homosexual policy, which all Soldiers were required to attend earlier this year. It said the briefing needed more specific guidance on how and where to report harassment. It claimed some of the terms in the briefing were misunderstood, especially by junior Soldiers, and recommended that training be tailored to specific audiences based on rank.

Shinseki issued a directive July 21 to implement recommendations of the IG report. The directive said that "commanders will ensure that all Soldiers are treated with dignity and respect and that harassment of or threats to Soldiers for any reason are not tolerated." It said those who engage in, ignore, or condone harassment or threats will be held accountable.

The directive said that all Soldiers must be trained to standard on DoD and Army policies of consideration of others, dignity and respect, harassment prevention, and equal opportunity.

The directive also addressed filling unit shortages, especially leadership positions; reviewing policies on alcohol consumption and barracks life; and funding well-being initiatives.

In addition, the directive said the commanding general of the Training and Doctrine Command and the Army's deputy chief of staff for personnel will review current training materials on the DoD homosexual policy and target them to different audiences.

Shinseki's directive was in keeping with a 13-point DoD plan to eliminate harassment in the military also released July 21. Under the plan, DoD adopted an "overarching principle" that emphasizes that harassment for any reason undermines good order and discipline and has no place in the armed forces.

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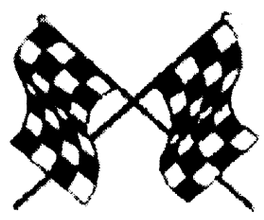

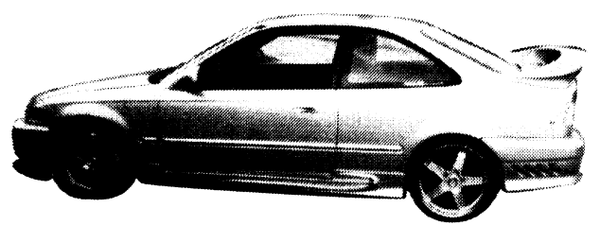

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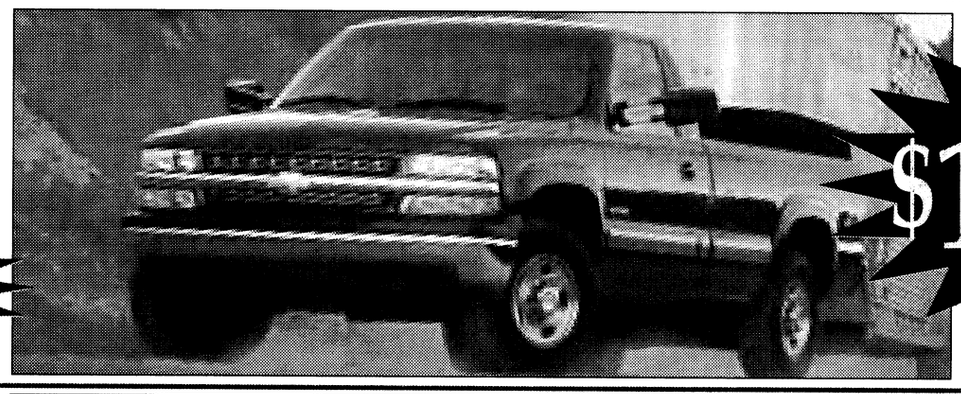

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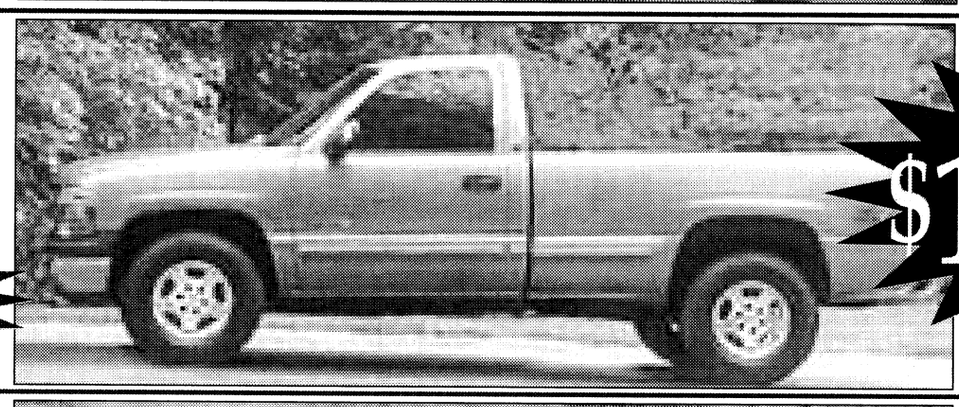

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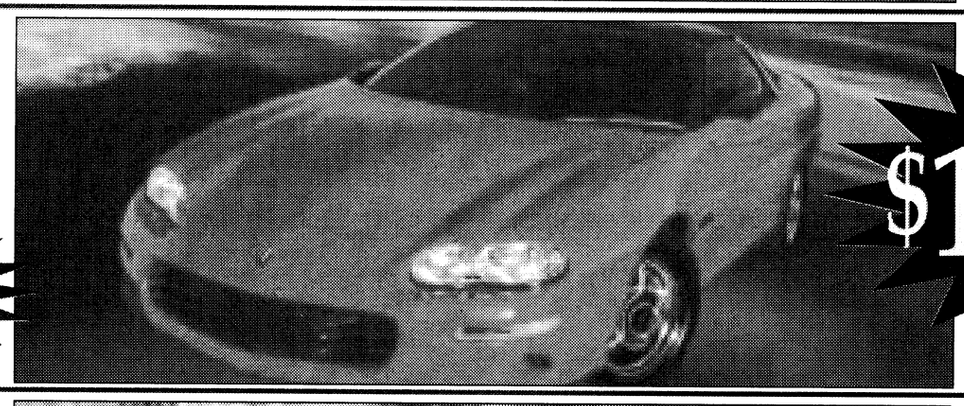

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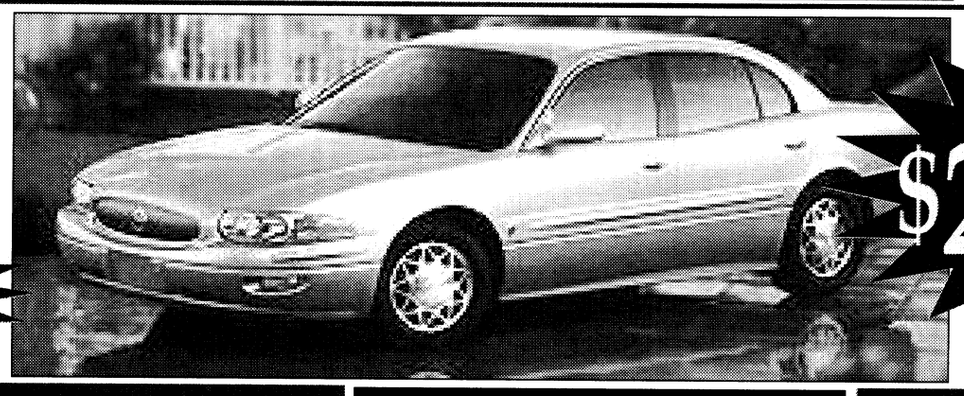

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Korea ... the forgotten war remembered

Jim Caldwell
Army News Service

Gen. Douglas MacArthur confers with Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, 8th Army commander, in Korea.

It was his second visit since the war began.

He tells the U.N. forces "will have new heartaches and new setbacks," but "I was never more confident of victory."

July 29, 1950

Gen. Walker orders 8th Army forces to "stand and fight." He adds they must make an "Alamo" stand until U.N. forces are strong enough to counterattack. He vows there will not be a "Corregidor" surrender.

July 30, 1950

Maj. Gen. John H. Church becomes the new commander of the 24th Infantry Division, replacing Maj. Gen. William F. Dean who is missing in action.

July 30-Aug. 1, 1950

A 1st Marine Division regimental combat team, about 6,000 men, comes ashore at Pusan July 30. They have M-26 tanks, heavy weapons and flamethrowers. Marine air units also accompany them.

The Army's 5th Regimental Combat Team arrives from Hawaii July 31. Elements of the 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash., lands on Aug. 1

July 31, 1950

N.Y. Herald Tribune reporter Homer Bigart interprets Gen. Walker's "stand and fight" order to mean American units must make fighting withdrawals rather than running "like scared rabbits," which some green, untested troops have done.

There are more retreats after that but American and South Korean forces say that in the process they are inflicting heavy casualties on the North Koreans.

July 31-Aug. 1, 1950

MacArthur meets with Chiang Kai-shek on Taiwan to coordinate defense of the island against a communist China invasion. He told Chiang when he left for Tokyo, "Keep your chin up. We're going to win."

July 31- Aug. 2, 1950

On the northern front, six divisions of North Koreans drive American and South Korean Soldiers out of Yechong and Andong in fighting July 31 and Aug. 1. On the east coast, South Korean units recapture Yongdok.

Aug. 1, 1950

The 24th Infantry Division, with new troops from Okinawa, makes the first American tank-led assault of the war between Masan and Chinju 30 miles west of Pusan. They drive the enemy back 10 miles.

Aug. 1-2, 1950

Russia, whose boycott of the U.N. allowed the Security Council to back South Korea, now returns to the world body. Deputy Foreign Minister Jacob A. Malik assumes the chairmanship.

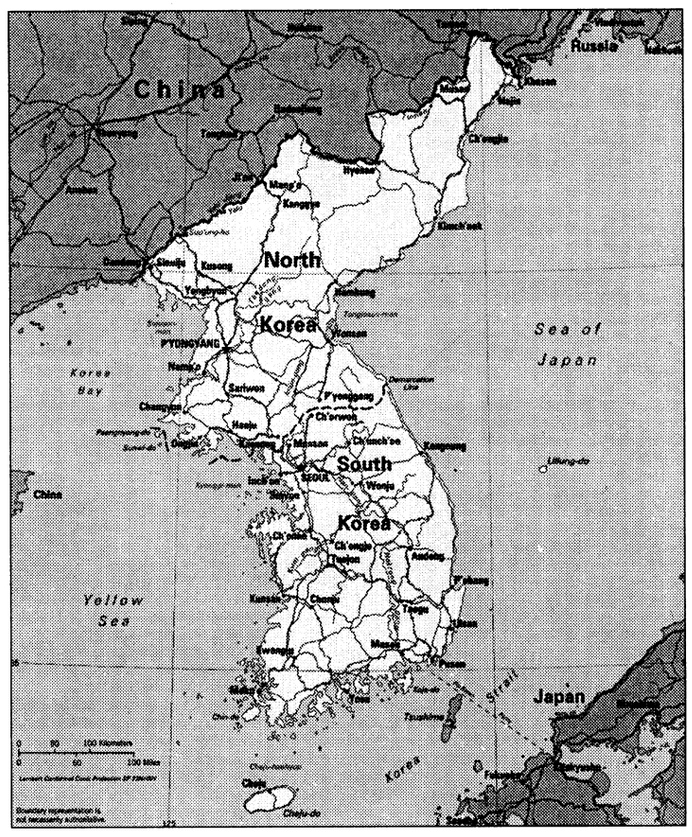
He tries to make up for lost time with moves designed to stall deliberations on the Korean War. On Aug. 1 he rules communist China will replace Taiwan in the U.N. The U.S. ambassador objects, saying a chairman cannot make rulings without a Security Council vote.

Membership for communist China is defeated 8-3 following a debate. The U.S. also leads a defeat of Malik's insistence on settling the question of mainland China's membership Aug. 2.

Aug. 2, 1950

The 1st Cavalry Division burns Kamchon as it retreats after a weeklong battle. Kamchon is 30 miles northwest of Taegu, the new seat of South Korea's government.

The 1st Cav. falls back to defenses prepared on the east bank of the Naktong River, about eight miles from Taegu.



Army Emergency Relief helps Soldiers, family members in need

Al Deane
Army Emergency Relief

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What kind of assistance can I expect?

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Where do I go for AER?

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Spouses can receive help if their husband or wife is deployed or PCSing.

Where does AER get its funds?

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Is there a dollar limit on AER help?

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Do I have to contribute to get help?

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Technology keeps Transformation on track

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Jim Caldwell
TRADOC News Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Army will have the technological breakthroughs needed to create an objective force very nearly within the target 2008-2012 time frame, according to the Army's chief scientist.

"By the end of '05, early '06, we will have a future combat systems demonstration," said Dr. Mike Andrews. "We're not having to create new technologies out of thin air."

The FCS is envisioned as a replacement for the 70-ton Abrams with all the lethality and crew survivability, but 50 tons lighter.

Andrews was among the speakers at a news conference held at the Pentagon July 10, focusing on the status of the Army's Transformation Campaign.

The news conference featured experts who gave updates on aspects of the campaign from building the first Initial Brigade Combat Team (IBCT) at Fort Lewis, Wash., to funding the process.

Transformation began last October when Gen. Eric K. Shinseki, Army chief of staff, announced a new Army vision. He stated a requirement to quickly build forces that were lethal enough but also light enough to deploy within 96 hours to anywhere in the world for contingencies ranging from peacekeeping to combat.

IBCTs are those new forces. They will become the interim force, a bridge to the objective force still expected to be stood up within the 2008-2012 period. The objective force will be able to respond worldwide nearly as quickly as an IBCT.

Two IBCTs are being created at Fort Lewis by reorganizing the 3rd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division first and then the 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division. Eventually, there will be at least six IBCTs, with at least one in the reserve component.

"We think we can resource up to six brigades in the current solution, but we're still working with the Department of Defense to see if that's the right solution," said Maj. Gen. Bob St. Onge, who just completed a tour as the Army director of Strategy, Plans and Policy.

The FCS is critical to creating the objective force. Army leaders are relying on scientists and technologists to find solutions by 2003.

He said there has been a demonstration "in some levels" of a gun smaller than the 105 mm that has the lethality of the Abrams main gun, but that "we have to take it to the next level."

Active protection systems are seen as the best measures to help ensure crew survivability. There have been advances in that area, as well.

"We've done a lot in the world of active protection systems," Andrews said. "We should have full active protection systems by the '06 time period that could give us protection against both chemical and kinetic energy."

Scientific and technological breakthroughs are just one part of the campaign, according to Maj. Gen. Jim Dubik, Training and Doctrine Command deputy commanding general for Transformation. "But the human side — the doctrine, the organization, the leader development, the training, the Soldier aspect — that part we need to get as well."

He said that TRADOC schools are producing new doctrine and training techniques for IBCT Soldiers. Some training will consist of virtual and constructive simulation delivered through the Army's distance learning system.

Tactical leader training is underway for brigade-level leaders and below. There is also a new NCO training program.

"Everything so far ... is on time and on schedule," Dubik said. "We are prepared to continue this until the initial operational capability at the end of next year."

The IBCT is training with armored vehicles borrowed from Canada and other countries until it is outfitted with interim armored vehicles.

Source selection for the IAV is underway at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., where an unspecified number of companies have entered candidate vehicles for performance evaluation.

Since Shinseki talked last October about wheeled armored vehicles possibly serving as IAVs, there has been speculation in the news media that the Army is biased against tracked IAV candidates.

"A lot of the questions we've received about 'is its wheels or is it tracks', are, in my view, more emotion-based than fact-based," said Col. Don Schenk, IAV program manager at the Tank Automotive and Armament Command, Dearborn, Mich.

"In our solicitation, we made no mention of tracks or wheels. We described a desired performance, and the performance dealt with cross country mobility, speed, maneuverability."

Schenk said 99 percent of the performance evaluation has been completed at Aberdeen. The Army will announce its choice by the end of summer, he said.

"We have not seen huge differences between a wheeled vehicle or a tracked land vehicle. Each has its own merits," Schenk said.

IAV selection will help the Army define the cost for building an IBCT, which now is estimated at more than $800 million, according to Dr. Craig College, of the Army's Program, Evaluation and Analysis Division.

"We're still waiting to see what's going to happen this summer so we know what the final cost is for those IAVs," College said.

He also said the final bill will also include other equipment and Soldier training.

Soldiers face realities of first field exercise

Basic trainees get glimpse of war during live-fire obstacle course

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

This is the fifth story of a six-part series, which takes an in-depth look at basic training.

Soldiers from Fort Benning were called into harm's way Monday night when they were tasked to secure an enemy stronghold made up of four M-60 machine guns.

As the sun sank below the horizon and darkness blanketed the earth, the Soldiers moved though a shallow ravine to a staging area.

When the word was given, the Soldiers crawled over a wall and immediately came under fire.

Worming their way forward, they crawled around obstacles and under barbed wire.

Nearing the first line of barbed wire, flares were shot into the air bathing the Soldiers in an eerie glow and forcing them to freeze in place to not to give away their position.

The Soldiers continued to crawl forward as the flare burnt itself out.

The enemy machine guns opened fire again as soon as the flare went out, sending lead and tracers above the heads of the Soldiers.

Moving forward as fast and low as possible, they were illuminated again by another flare.

As the flare died out, the Soldiers crawled under the last wire where they were able to pass the guns once they ran out of ammunition.

After they reached a small berm, the Soldiers took a count of how many people made it through the barrage — everyone made it — not a single casualty was taken.

It was as if the guns were intentionally fired above the Soldiers.

After the attack, the Soldiers regrouped and talked about what they had just done.

"This time it was training. Next time it may be the real thing," said Staff Sgt. Raymond Laverenz, a D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade drill sergeant.

The exercise, which was held on the first day of the field training exercise, is said to be the most dangerous training the trainees of D Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf, Regt., will face during their basic training.

Although there is a possibility of a trainee getting injured during the exercise, the exercise is safe, because the guns are set to fire more than four feet above the highest obstacle, said Staff Sgt. Kevin Gray.

The Soldiers are tracked from the time they put on their flak jackets to when they are in position and throughout the fire and maneuver course to the final position, Gray said.

The range cadre use night vision devices to make sure all the Soldiers are off the course.

The cadre members inch their way through the course alongside the trainees to maintain more control over the exercise.

After the infiltration was over, the trainees and drill sergeants talked about the mission and how it could have been better.

"Put the slower people in the back," said one trainee. "Make sure we don't get tangled up with each other," said another.

Although the trainees did make a few mistakes, Staff Sgt. Stanley Mitchell said he was pleased with their performance.

"They did get tangled a few times, but they did a good job of getting untangled." Mitchell said. "After they untangled themselves, they spread out and did a good job on the rest of the course."

Pvt. Marion Smith said he felt confident about the exercise too.

"It was challenging," Smith said. "It was great training.

"It helped us overcome our fears, and gave us a taste of war," he said. "It tied in everything that we have learned throughout basic — everything from our PT to movement.

The Soldiers wrapped up their FTX Thursday morning with a Cold Steel ceremony and will graduate Aug. 3.

Trust in ropes



Courtesy photo

Ranger wives from the 6th RTBn try their hand at rappel during the Swamp Walk.

Ranger wives experience husbands' jobs first-hand

Spouses find fun in Swamp in Walk 2000

2nd Lt. Cris Gentile
Eglin Air Force Base PAO

They emerged from the clearing tired and sweating from the sweltering 110-degree heat index. Their camouflaged faces shone against the hot Florida sun where they look up to see where their squad leader was leading them.

They are the few, the proud — the Army Rangers' wives.

Ninety-two women participated in the 6th Ranger Training Battalion's annual Ranger Wives Swamp Walk at Camp James E. Rudder on June 15.

The all-day event was created to give the Rangers' wives and friends an opportunity to get together, enjoy the experience of the Florida phase of Ranger school and build camaraderie and friendship, said Lt. Col. Mark A. Johnstone, 6th RTBn commander.

During the Swamp Walk, participants attended a reptile education class, and learned about the snakes found in the southeastern United States.

They also visited a pool located next to the reptile house where they learned about the three alligators that lived there.

Afterward, the group divided into four squads and rotated through weapons familiarization and rappelling classes.

Command Sgt. Maj. Gail Ernst, 6th RTBn Ranger instructor, said the rappelling class is one of the most popular events at the Swamp Walk.

"We get a lot of positive feedback from the wives," Ernst said. "Some of the participants who rappelled said they didn't think they'd do anything like that.

"But they got the courage to do so and were very proud of it," he said

After lunch at the Gator Lounge, the squads departed by truck to the Prisoners' Pond, where, under the supervision of Ranger instructors, they crossed a stream using one-rope, hiked through the wooded, mud-bogged swamps and competed in a Zodiac boat race.

"After listening to other wives talk about it, I thought, 'I want to be part of that,'" said Joni Ernst, wife of Gail. "Now I can tell stories to other new wives."

She said the Swamp Walk gave her a tiny grain of what Rangers go through, and now she has gained a greater understanding of her husband's job.

"Now I understand why my husband is so tired when he comes home."

Incoming

Lt. Col. Dennis Smith, incoming commander for the 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, conducts a pass and review of the troops during his change of command ceremony July 14 on Essebagger Field. Smith comes to Fort Benning from Hawaii, where he served as the Chief of the Information Warfare Division, U.S. Army Element, Joint Intelligence Center, Pacific Command.



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Pfc. Nathan Wilbanks
Hillsboro, Wis.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army to serve my country and aid in preserving the past freedom Soldiers have earned for me.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? First, I was chosen by my squad to represent fourth squad as an honor graduate candidate.
The drill sergeants held a competition between the representatives chosen from each squad.

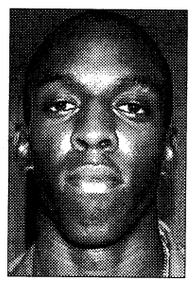
Staff Sgt. Eugene A. Viernes
Waimea, Hawaii
A Co., 2nd Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., ITB



Viernes

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. It depends on the situation. I use the combination of all three styles.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from knowing I have an influence in the future of the Army. Seeing them walk across the parade field graduation day and remembering the first couple of weeks when they couldn't even stay in step.
Turning them from civilians into Soldiers I think is my greatest satisfaction.

Pvt. Carl Ray Price
San Antonio, Texas
B Co., 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., ITB



Price

Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I joined for tradition, camaraderie, discipline, direction ... I wanted something to give me focus.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen because of my leadership skills, discipline, knowledge and because I carry myself in an honorable manner.

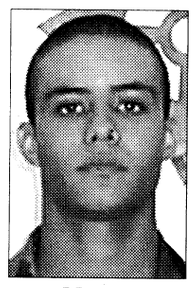
Staff Sgt. Jefery Wells
Florala, Ala.
B Co., 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., ITB



Wells

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I am a hands-on type of drill sergeant. I lead by example.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from being able to have a positive effect on young Soldiers.

Pvt. Zarin Floyd Moore
Uteca, Miss.
C Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade



Moore

Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army?
Both my father and brother joined the Army after high school and it has been part of my upbringing for 19 years, so it seemed like a good career choice.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? Because I always gave 110 percent and I know what it takes to be a strong individual.
The drill sergeants gave me the insight and I took the incentive to put their teachings to good use.

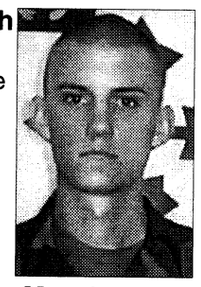
Sgt. 1st Class Michael C. Miller
Bioloxi, Miss.
C Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB



Miller

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. My leadership style can be defined as approachable, unchanging and direct.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant?
To see young men from all over the world training to earn their rights of passage in the nine weeks it takes to become Soldiers.

Pvt. Adam Morningstar
Sarasota, Fla.
A Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB



Morningstar

Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? Pride in my country, and the chance to do and see things I wouldn't have been able to do in civilian life.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I believe I was chosen because I always did my job and always helped the rest of the platoon accomplish its mission.

Staff Sgt. Robert E. Penn
Leland, Miss.
A Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB



Penn

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I find myself using a combination of the various leadership styles, because training different Soldiers requires different styles.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Seeing new Soldiers with their family or parents and the sense of accomplishment and pride on all of their faces.

Pvt. Bradley Melton
Harrison, Ark.
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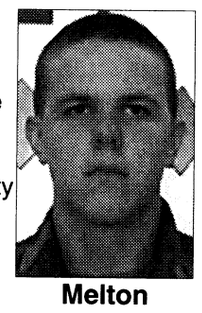

Melton

Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? Opportunity to gain valuable experiences for future opportunity to serve my country.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen to represent my platoon because they felt I was the most likely to succeed.
I believe I was chosen by their drill sergeants because I was on top of the information I need to know.

Sgt. 1st Class Joel Gutierrez
Corpus Christi, Texas
B Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB



Gutierrez

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. Very authoritative.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant?
Knowing the fact I have made a tremendous impact on a Soldier's civilian and military life especially during training.

post briefs

Office closure

The Fort Benning ID Card Facility, Building 2638 in Soldiers Plaza will be closed Tuesday due to the upgrading of RAPIDS.

The facility will re -open Wednesday.

SF recruitment

Special Forces wants professional enlisted and officer volunteers seeking their next challenge in the Army.

Enlisted Soldiers, private first class to staff sergeant, with a GT score of 100 or higher and commissioned officers in year group 1995-1998 can apply for training.

For more information, call 545-3079.

Retirement

Col. Randy Buck, director Public Works will retire at 9 a.m. Monday at the Follow Me Statue.

Sgt. Maj. Michael Knoell, German liaison officer, will retire at 2:30 p.m. Monday in Room 642, in Infantry Hall.

TSU classes

Troy State University at Fort Benning offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during non-traditional hours and dates to make it more convenient to attend school.

Units have the flexibility to schedule classes during times, dates and locations of their choice and when it is convenient to them. For more information on registration, call 685-9555.

CID investigations

• The U.S. Army is seeking information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the persons responsible for the larceny of 6,400 feet of 1/4 inch copper tubing from the signal rails on Ruth Range.

• CID is seeking information of the larceny of a 1994 Plymouth Sundance from the west side parking lot of Martin Army Community Hospital June 9. A 1999 Ford Expedition was also damaged during an unsuccessful attempt to steal the vehicle.

• Information is sought for the larceny of power tools from a barracks construction site on Sightseeing Road between June 29 and July 5. Anyone with information, call 545-7872 or 545-5222.

Airlines discount

Many Soldiers, both active duty and retired, along with their family members are eligible for discounted rates when travel is necessary to attend a funeral of relative.

Ask about the bereavement or compassionate rates when calling airline. For more information, call 545-3530.

Golden Knights recruitment

Soldiers are invited to take their careers to new heights by participating in the Golden Knights' six-week selection program in Fort Bragg, N.C.

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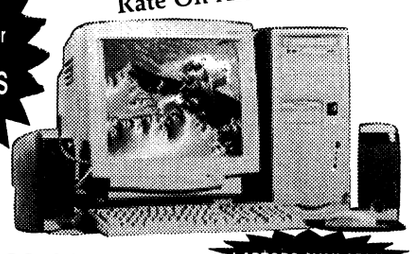

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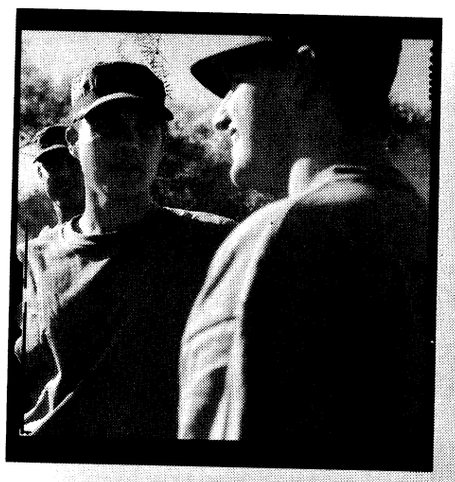

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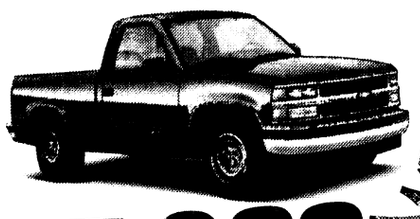

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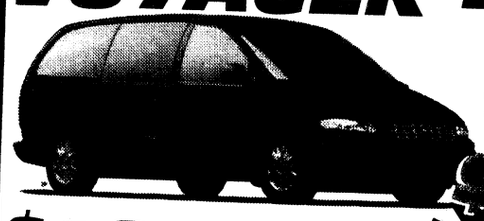

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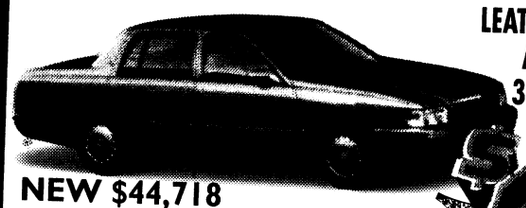

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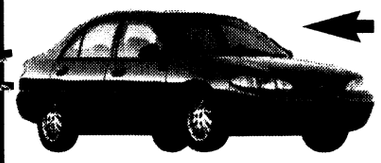

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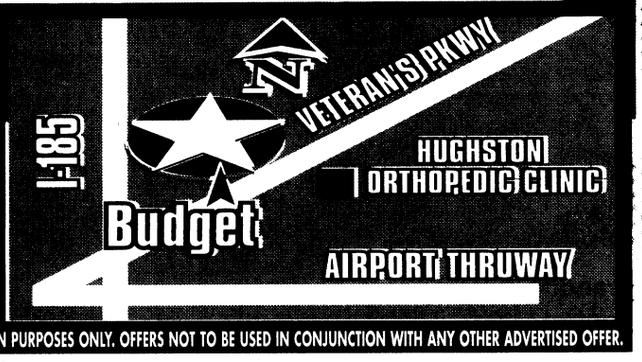

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COMMUNITY

Registration for 2000-2001 begins Tuesday

Verifications will start Tuesday-Friday

Gail Wilson
Fort Benning Schools

Registration for the 2000-2001 school year will take place Tuesday-Aug. 11 at all Fort Benning Schools. Aug. 17 is the first day of school.

Parents can register their children from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

All registrations and verifications will take place at the children's assigned or neighborhood schools.

Parents must register at each child's school if they have children in more than one of the Fort Benning Schools.

If children attended a Fort Benning school last school year, it is necessary for parents to verify registration data for the next school year by visiting the schools.

If children did not attend any Fort Benning Schools last year, it will be necessary to complete a registration packet, which is available at the schools.

Bus schedules will be provided at registration and will be published in *The Bayonet*.

Bus schedules for any specialized transportation needs will be provided prior to Aug. 17.

Applications for free and reduced price breakfast and lunch are available at each school and at the Fort Benning Schools' Administrative Center Child Nutrition Office, Room 21, located on Custer Road.

New registration requires the child's Social Security number and proof of on-post residence. Registration for pre-K and kindergarten requires the child's original birth certificate.

Parents of pre-K and kindergarten students will be given information regarding the procedure for securing a Georgia Eye, Ear, Dental and Immunization Certificate at registration.

Parents of students in grades one through eight must bring current shot records, which will be recorded on Fort Benning School's health forms.

Verification will include: updating basic registration data (i.e. address, phone number, contact information), health and immunization updates; medications, etc.

All registrations and verifications require sponsor or spouse to provide a current military ID card.

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Fort Benning's Youth Services hosted a "Summer Blowout" for 66 guests from the Columbus area Boys' and Girls' Clubs July 21.

Two busloads of party-goers arrived shortly before 1 p.m. for three hours of fun, fellowship and friendly competition at the first of three blowouts scheduled this summer.

Tonnette McLendon, YS youth program assistant, said the blowout was a joint effort between the Boys' and Girls' Clubs and YS.

"We've formed a partnership with the Clubs this summer, and we thought the children would enjoy visiting Fort Benning and making new friends outside their own communities," she said.

While participants vied for the title of champion in bumper pool, fooseball, ping pong, nine-ball and air hockey tournaments, others took advantage of the center's snack bar and craft corner.

Alyssa Willis, a 13-year-old member of the East Columbus Boys' and Girls' Club, said visiting the YS center was a nice change of pace.

"They have bigger facilities here, and they have a snack bar, something we don't have. It's good to see a different place and new faces," she said.

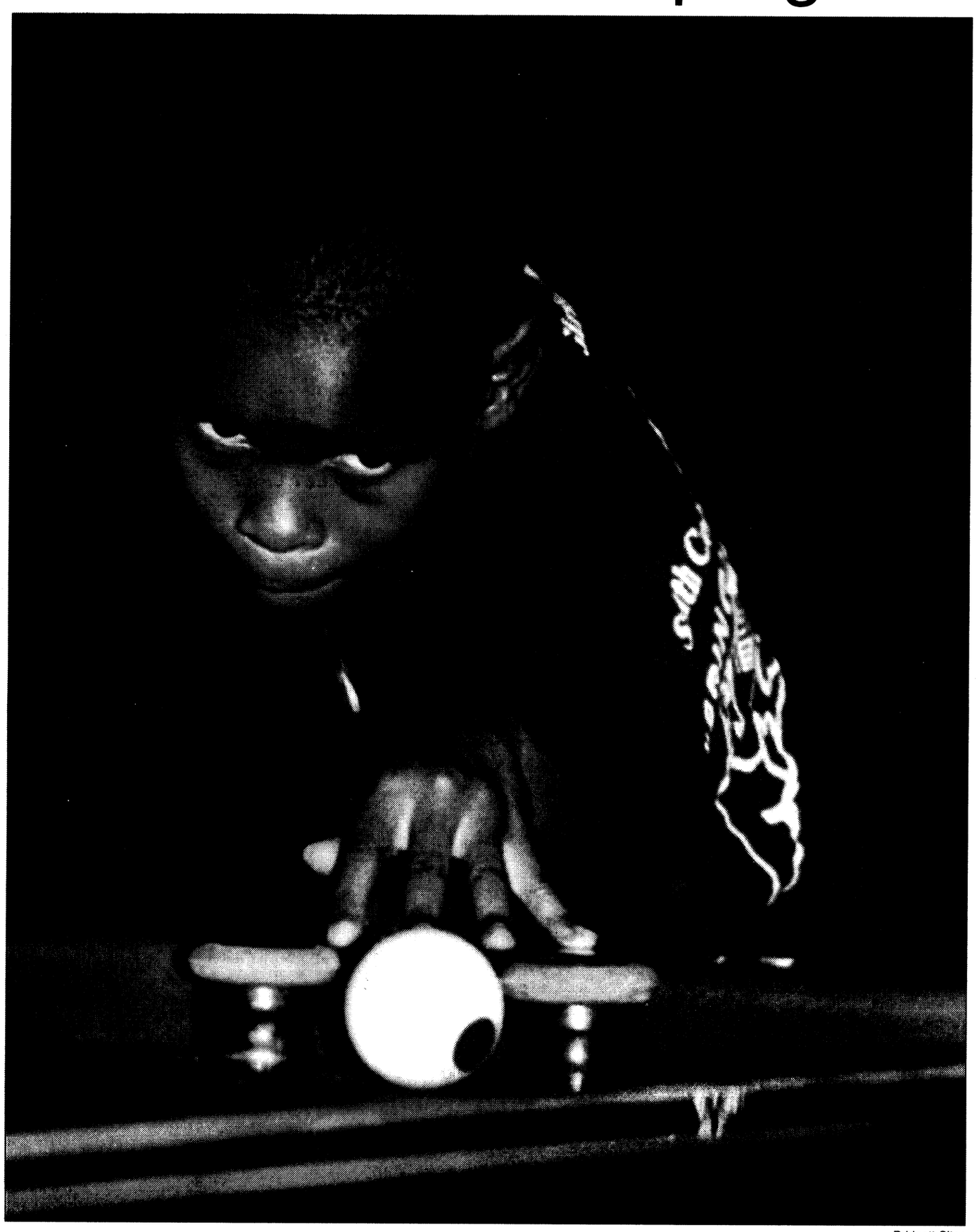
Deedee Lopez-Myers is serving as the Boys' and Girls' Club director at Fort Benning's YS center. She said the partnership between Fort Benning and the Boys' and Girls' Clubs is designed to provide activities and programs that are mutually beneficial to both organizations.

"Our theme this summer is 'Fun with a Purpose,' and our purpose is to get these kids out to make new friends and see what other clubs are doing throughout the area," Lopez-Myers said. "We're pleased there is such a great turnout, and you can tell the kids are having a lot of fun."

E.J. Hibbler, a 9-year-old member of the South Columbus Boys' and Girls' Club, said the event was indeed fun — with a purpose.

"I'm making new friends, having fun and playing safe," he said. "I plan to come back again."

The Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Phenix City and North Columbus will be visiting the YS center today, from 1-3 p.m. The final blowout is scheduled for Aug. 4. All YS members between the ages of 11 and 16 are invited to attend.



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Xavier Stevenson, 10, a member of the South Columbus Boys' and Girls' Club, plays bumper pool during Fort Benning Youth Service's Summer Blowout July 21.

Nursing mothers discuss benefits

Hospital plans Breast-feeding Week Aug.1-7

Sally Shutt
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The saying may be "Don't cry over spilt milk," but you can't convince a breast-feeding mom of that.

Spc. Charmaine Lawery recalled her reaction when husband Quincy accidentally spilled some of the breast milk she had expressed for the couple's 5-month-old daughter, Reagan.

"I almost cried. He had no idea what I had gone through to get that milk," she said.

"Breast milk is known as liquid gold around our house."

It's that gold standard that will be recognized Tuesday through Aug. 7 during World Breast-feeding Week. Martin Army Community Hospital staff members plan to wear gold ribbons during the week to promote breast-feeding.

"The ribbons represent that breast-feeding is the gold standard," said Capt. Sonja Foots, community health nurse.

Foots, the mother of two, breast-fed her children.

"I know, based on the medical evidence, she will be a healthier baby because I'm breast-feeding," Foots said of her 10-month-old daughter.

Foots expresses milk during the day at her office in Soldiers' Plaza and stores the milk in a refrigerator.

"Just because I am a Soldier, I should not have to sacrifice my child's health, if it is not necessary," Foots said.

But there have been times when other people attempted to make her feel as though she was trying to get out of work, she said.

"At a previous duty assignment, I felt stress from my co-workers because I had to stop and express," she said. "It was a type of criticism that was not reflected to people who took time for smoke breaks."

Staff Sgt. Tamiko Keeler, Telecommunications Center NCOIC, Directorate of Information Management, has no doubts about the medical benefits of breast milk. Her son, Demetrius, was born prematurely at 24 weeks.

"I saw that the breast milk kept him alive, and I was determined to breast-feed my daughter," she said. "But it's hard."

Keeler drives to the Main Post Child Development Center to nurse her 7-month-old daughter, DeAsijah, at lunch.

"There's really not an area where I can express at work," she said.

For the times she cannot get away and go to the center, she has built up a supply of frozen expressed milk, pumped at home.

Lawery works in Preventive Medicine, U.S. Army Medical

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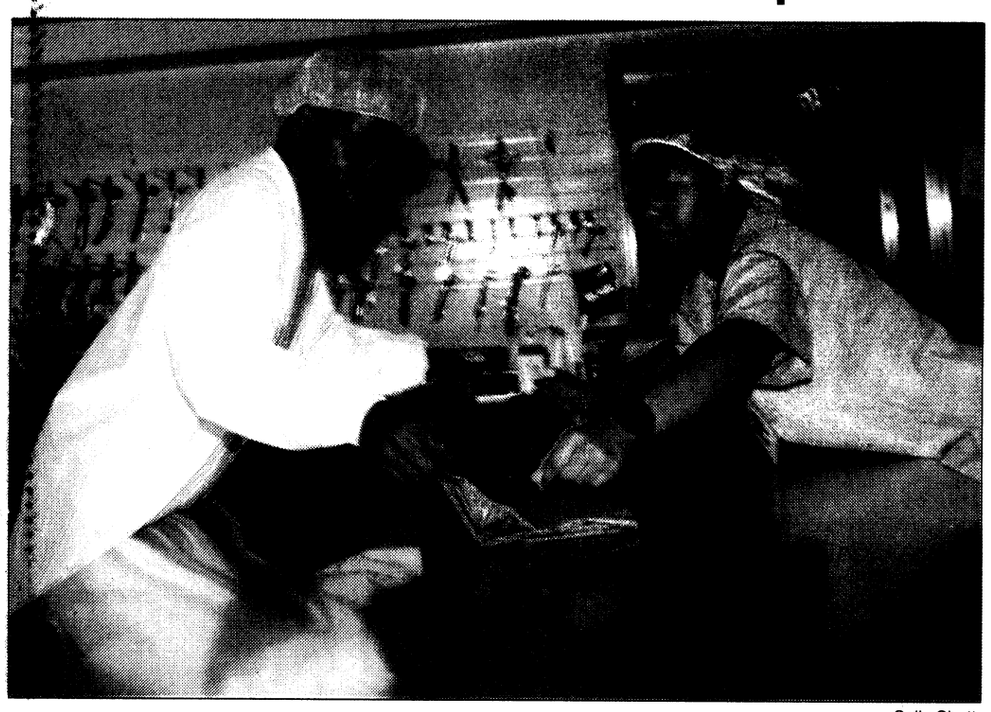
Volunteers value experience gained from service



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Brandon Williams, left, and Bracha Williams fold a surgical drape in the Central Materiel Section of Martin Army Community Hospital.

Teens working through Red Cross lend helping hand

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Teen-agers volunteering at Martin Army Community Hospital this summer can name several perks that come with their work.

Most teens say helping others and getting out of the house are at the top of their list. But there's one unique aspect of his job as a volunteer that appeals to 14-year-old Christopher Herold — the chance to observe surgery.

Herold, the son of Lt. Col. E.J. and Catherine Herold, has worked this summer in the recovery room doing mostly clerical chores.

On three occasions he has been given the opportunity to observe operations. Just last week he watched a two-hour orthoscopic procedure on a shoulder.

"Being a volunteer gets me involved in the hospital and lets me see how it works and observe what the doctors do and how they do it," Herold said.

The freshman at Columbus High School plans to become a neurosurgeon and calls the opportunity to see surgery firsthand "an advantage most other students wouldn't have," he said.

Herold worked as an American Red Cross summer youth volunteer last year, and this summer has joined 110 other young people at Fort Benning in the program, which started June 26 and will run through Aug. 4.

Like Herold, most are assigned to the hospital working in 15 different locations from the pharmacy and information desks on the first floor to patient clinics and wards throughout the facility.

Other volunteers are assigned to the Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program on Main Post, and others are swim aids at the O'Club assisting the lifeguards.

While some volunteers work five days a

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ICCC graduate donates to Faith's art program

Solovey gives $250 to benefit children interested in art

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Fort Benning's resident artist drew on his own talents to help Faith Middle School students continue to enjoy their "Artist in Residence" program.

Capt. Michael P. Solovey, who graduated from the Infantry Captains' Career Course Thursday, contributed the proceeds from the auction of an original pen and ink creation to the cultural arts program at the middle school.

On behalf of B Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, Solovey and Capt. Leonard Kergosien, company commander, presented Faith's PTO treasurer, Diane Ermi, with a check for $250 and an artist's proof of Solovey's rendering titled "Follow Me."

The print, which shows various aspects of the Infantry branch, was signed and dedicated to "the young artists at Faith Middle School from the ICCC class 02-00."

"Junior high is where I got my start in art," Solovey said. "My middle school art teacher made a big difference in my life, and I thought it would be nice if I could make a difference here at Faith."

Assistant principal Rose Brooks was on hand to thank Solovey and Kergosien for their support.

"Since the money was donated for the purpose of promoting the cultural arts, it will go directly into the fund that supports bringing arts to the students," Brooks said.

"We have an 'Artist in Residence' program each year, which provides our students with the opportunity to actually see an artist at work."

Solovey said this is the first time he has donated money from the sale of his work, but it's certainly not the first time he has received recognition for his talent. Articles about his work have appeared in *The Stars and Stripes* and *The Talon*, the 1st Armored Division's magazine. The demand for his work, which he calls military art, led him to create The Solovey Art Collection, which can be found at www.arthangups.com.

garden tips

Jennifer White
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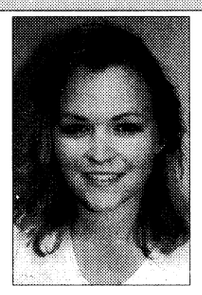

Almost every gardening book refers to plant hardiness zones.

But new gardeners, or gardeners new to this area, may be wondering what climate zones are or which zone Fort Benning is in.

Horticulturist and botanists have gathered weather records from across the United States to construct a map that reflects the coldest average temperatures in a given area.

Once the average was found those with similar averages were placed in a specific zone. These zones were colored onto the map referred to as the USDA hardiness zone map. The current map in circulation was released in 1990. This map reflects the weather records for the years between 1974 and 1986.

There are 11 zones on the USDA map. The coldest being Zone 1 with coldest average temperatures ranging below -50 degrees. And Zone 11 being the hottest with the average lowest temperatures being above 40 degrees.

Fort Benning falls in Zone 8 with the average lowest temperatures falling between 10 and 20 degrees.

Although it is important to know the zone a particular area falls in, it isn't a guarantee that a plant suited for that region is going to survive in the garden.

There are many factors in the garden that contribute to a plants ability to thrive. These factors include soil type, rainfall, amount of sunlight, wind, humidity, and in this area, heat. So a zone shouldn't be the only consideration when choosing plants for a garden here at Fort Benning.

ask the judge

Carolyn E. Moller
Legal Assistance Attorney

Q: I heard that I can get out of my apartment lease using the Soldier's and Sailor's Civil Relief Act. Is this true?

A: Maybe. If you are trying to terminate a pre-service lease agreement, then the SSCRA applies to that lease. If the lease was entered into after the service member entered into the military, then the SSCRA does not apply; however, Georgia law provides for an early termination of lease agreements under certain situations if the service member has to move pursuant to military orders.

In order to terminate a pre-service lease agreement, the service member must meet two requirements: the lease must have been entered into prior to military service and the premises must be occupied by the service member or his dependents.

If the foregoing requirements are satisfied, then on a month to month lease the service member can terminate the lease upon providing a 30-day written notice to the landlord. Oral communication of your intent to terminate the lease is not sufficient, you must provide a written notice in order for the SSCRA provision to apply to the early termination of a lease agreement.

The date the landlord receives the written notice determines when the 30-day period starts to run. On a month to month lease, the 30-day written notice does not start to run until the next date the rent is due.

For example, if you provided written notice to the landlord on July 25, the 30-day notice would start running on Aug. 1 because that is the next date the rent is due, and the effective termination date would be Aug. 30.

However, if the written notice was mailed to the landlord on Aug. 1, the next rent due date is Sept. 1, therefore, the effective lease termination date would not be until Sept. 30.

As shown in these examples, timing can be everything when it comes to invoking the early termination provision because the SSCRA does not provide for pro-rating the rent. It starts to run on the first date the rent is due, which in most instances is on the first day of the month.

For those service members already on active duty, Georgia law provides early termination clause for military members receiving change of duty orders.

Under O.C.G.A. 44-7-37, a service member can terminate a housing lease upon providing a 30-day written notice together with a copy of the change of duty orders.

Note, however, this provision only applies when a service member receives a permanent change of duty station or has temporary change of duty orders that place him out of the immediate area.

In order to invoke this provision using temporary duty change orders, the orders must exceed three months. Further, this provision does not apply to service members who sign a lease, then receive post housing.

Finally, under either provision, the SSCRA or the Georgia statute, the service member will be responsible for damages, repairs, cleaning costs and other items of this nature. These provisions only allow a service member to terminate a lease, and do not prevent the landlord from pursuing all avenues of collecting monies associated with foregoing items.

If you need more information on this topic, call the Legal Assistance Office. The phone numbers are 545-3282 or 545-3281 or come by Building 5 on Friday mornings to make an appointment for the following week. Be sure to bring a copy of your lease agreement to your appointment.

births

Boys

Gregory John Leffler III — born July 5 to Kristina and Pfc. Gregory Leffler Jr.

Ryan Joel Peves — born July 6 to Spc. Sabrina and Spc. Carlos Peves.

Christopher Lee Hamilton — born July 6 to Carrie and Spc. David Hamilton.

Alexander Strate Flessas — born July 6 to Amber and Spc. Strate Flessas.

Vincent Eugene Rivers II — born July 7 to Tonya and 1st Lt. Vincent Rivers.

Daquan Deandre Reynolds — born July 7 to Keneqia and Sgt. Diron Reynolds.

Brandon Quintel Wilkison — born July 9 to LaShunda and Cpl. Jerry Wilkison Jr.

Brody Austin-Howard Daigle — born July 9 to Rebecca and Staff Sgt. Todd Daigle.

Girls

Briana Latrail Jones — born July 6 to Oriana and Spc. Reginald Jones.

N'Kenga Kenyatta Shabrisse Thomas — born July 6 to Karen and Staff Sgt. Trevor Thomas.

Katelyn Erika Buchanan — born July 11 to Melissa and Spc. Michael Buchanan.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

community briefs

on post

Hospital closure — Martin Army Community Hospital will have an organizational day today. The Victory Clinic and Emergency Room will be open, but all other clinics will close at 10 a.m.

For more information, call 544-2041.

Patch Preschool — Parents of children who were enrolled in the School Aged Services Program throughout the 1999 and 2000 school year must sign new contracts and transportation forms and update records from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday-Aug. 10 in Patch Hall.

For more information, call 545-3605.

Continuing Education — The Continuing and Regional Education Services fall course catalogs are on their way. Classes are offered at the Elizabeth Bradley Turner Center, on post, online and through independent study.

For more information or to reserve a catalog, call 568-2023.

OWC sign-ups — The Officers' Wives' Club is seeking vendors, organizations and membership sign-ups.

They are also seeking instructors for activities such as basket making, drawing, painting and other activities.

For more information, call 682-5319.

Veterans Affairs office — The Fort Benning Veterans Affairs Office will have a reduced work schedule starting Monday and running through Aug. 18.

The office will be open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays to assist active duty Soldiers with new disabilities claims.

Regular office hours will begin Aug. 18.

For more information, call (800) 827-1000.

Tot Town applications — Tot Town Child Development Center is seeking applications of children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old.

For more information, or to reserve a spot, call 689-8698.

ACS offices move — The Army Community Service Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program and the Relocation Program have relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2633 in Soldier's Plaza.

The phone number to schedule appointments is 545-5485.

The Army Community Service Relocation Program has relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2629. The new phone number is 545-4485.

For information, call Rebecca Welch, Family Advocacy program manager, at 545-7517.

Reunion — The Ranger Infantry Companies Airborne Association will have the 50th Reunion of Korean War Rangers during Ranger Rendezvous 2000.

There will be a barbecue at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 in Hanger 2492, on Lawson Army Airfield. Also there will be a banquet at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 7 at Iron Works in Columbus.

For more information, call Maj. Marcus DeOlivera at 545-5669.

off post

ACT and SAT — Auburn University will host a ACT and SAT preparation course Aug. 5-6 in Auburn.

The course has been offered nationwide since 1980 and prepares students to perform well on both the math and verbal portions of the test.

The cost is $125. For more information, call (800) 522-7737.

Diabetes test available — A seven question, free phone call Sunday can help determine who is at risk for the number 7 killer in the nation, diabetes.

The risk test can be taken by calling (800) DIABETES or visiting a website at www.diabetes.org.

Literacy program volunteers — The Adult 1:1 Literacy program is seeking volunteer tutors and students.

The tutors will be trained and matched with adult students following a confidential assessment by the program coordinator.

Tutoring services are offered at different locations around Muscogee County and surrounding communities for convenience.

For more information on how to become a volunteer or a student, call 633-0369.

Education Expo — The Educational Opportunity Center will hold a Career and Education Expo from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Academic Success Center located at 1112 29th Street in Columbus.

There will be several colleges attending and there will also be representatives to provide information on apprenticeships training, the HOPE Scholarship.

There will be workshops on how to get and keep a job as well as how to write resumes.

Career Information — There will be a career information day 2-6 p.m. Aug. 25 in the FCI Training Center Building in Marianna, Fla.

There will information regarding opportunities within the Federal Bureau of Prisons along with other occupations.

For more information, call (850) 526-2313.

Telethon — The Muscular Dystrophy Association is seeking volunteers from the Columbus area to help with one of America's best known Labor Day traditions, the Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon which is scheduled to air Sept. 3-4 nationwide.

Volunteer activities include answering phones, coordinating food and drink for telethon workers, addressing envelopes and many more.

For more information on or to volunteer, call (800) 572-1717.

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Boy Scouts pay last respects to old 'friend'

Troop retires flag, honors national tradition

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More than 130 Boy Scouts gathered July 12 to pay their last respects to an old friend — a Soldier of sorts — during their annual summer camping trip at Camp Lumpkin in LaGrange, Ga.

Troop 777 took a break from its week-long schedule of swimming, fishing, canoeing and archery to conduct a ceremonial flag retirement before a host of Scouts, leaders, family and community members who assembled to witness the sacred rite.

The field of stars had faded to a pale blue on the aged flag that Troop 777 unfurled and held aloft as the crowd stood silently at attention.

Tony Beard, assistant Scoutmaster, cut the field from the stripes as Scoutmaster Ken Caruthers, a staff sergeant with Headquarter and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, explained the symbolic representation of the separation of the 50 states and the 13 original colonies. A bugler played Taps as each section was tightly rolled and bound with twine to burn.

When a flag becomes faded, damaged or worn and is no longer fitting to look upon as a presentable emblem of display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning, according to the U.S. Code, Chapter 4, Title 4, Paragraph 176.

> "When you retire the colors you know you're doing a service for your community and your country. It just makes you feel good inside."
>
> **Robert Steward**
> Eagle Scout

"The flag of the United States of America deserves the same dignity in its disposal as it does during its life," said Caruthers.

"The U.S. Code says it should be treated with the same respect you would give a Soldier, so we gather here to retire this warrior and bid it farewell because it has served its country well."

The Boy Scouts of America have traditionally been called upon to retire and destroy U.S. flags that are no longer serviceable. Caruthers said his troop has a backlog of flags from the VFW, the American Legion, the forestry service and various businesses that "pass them along to us (Scouts) to take care of."

Because each flag is retired individually in a ceremony that takes about 15 minutes, only a small number of flags can be retired at one time. Caruthers said he tries to perform at least one ceremony every time his troop "has an audience and a campfire."

Heavy rains made it impossible to light a campfire during this ceremony, so Caruthers deviated from his usual routine and led the crowd in *God Bless America* as a parade of Scouts carried the flag from the ceremony and placed it in storage where it remained until Friday, when Troop 777 completed the requisite burning in private.

Caruthers said the U.S. Code does not define who should conduct a ceremony or exactly how one should be conducted, only that it should always remain solemn and reverent.

"Each troop determines exactly how and when they want to conduct it," Caruthers said. "But we all want to handle it in a dignified, tasteful manner. We take the time to explain to our younger Scouts that we're not desecrating the flag, but treating it with the proper respect it deserves."

Robert Stewart, a 15-year-old Eagle Scout from Smiths, Ala., stood solemnly at attention throughout the entire ceremony.

"I've done a lot of these (ceremonies), and it always gives me a warm, patriotic feeling," he said.

"When you retire the colors you know you're doing a service for your community and your country. It just makes you feel good inside."

Booster seats protect children

Patrice Cathright
Community Health Nursing, MACH

Sunday has been declared National Parents Day. What better to celebrate the joy of parenthood than educating yourself and becoming familiar with the various issues that apply to your child's safety.

There are two issues of concern — traffic crashes and child restraint usage.

Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death for children ages 6 to 14 years old. This is in part due to the fact that most kids are unbuckled or improperly restrained in vehicles.

From birth to 1 year old, restraint use is 97 percent. From ages 5 to 15 years, restraint use falls to 68.7 percent, and over 47 percent of fatally injured children ages 4 to 7 years old are completely unrestrained.

A National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study showed only 6.1 percent of booster-aged children were restrained in booster seats.

The NHTSA recommends all children 12 and younger ride in the back seat, properly restrained at all times. Child safety seats including boosters, are very effective in keeping children safe.

Parents should use booster seats for children once they have outgrown forward-facing child safety seats. They should continue to use a booster seat until they are 4 feet, 9 inches tall.

Parents should have child safety seats inspected by one of a number of certified and trained technicians in their community to make sure they are installed correctly.

For more information, call (800) 424-9393 or on the Internet go to www.nhtsa.com.

Stop! **Fort Benning is still under water restrictions. All outdoor watering must be done by hand and on the post-mandated days. Sprinklers are prohibited.**

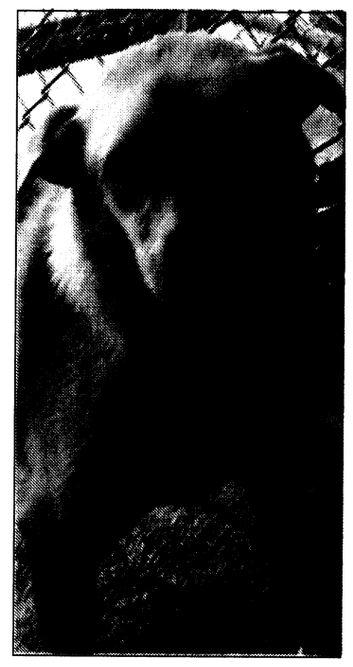
Pets of the week



A 12-week-old male domestic shorthair cat and adult female retriever mix are just a few of the animals available for adoption at the vet clinic. There are still more in need of a good home.

Pets can be adopted by Soldiers and civilians.

For more information about these or any other pets, call Veterinary Services at 545-4826.



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Committee meeting reviews more than 22 issues affecting military

Harriet Rice
Army News Service

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Eliminating Tricare Prime emergency room co-payments for active duty family members, phasing to 100 percent reimbursement of basic allowance for housing, audio and visual surveillance for Army child care centers, and military-friendly provisions of various state laws were some of the 22 issues reviewed at the semi-annual Army Family Action Plan General Officer Steering Committee meeting in May.

Regarding medical issue No. 469 Tricare Co-payment for Emergency Room Services, Brig. Gen. Kevin Kiley, Office of the Surgeon General, informed the committee that both the House and Senate Armed Services Committees versions of the year 2001 National Defense Authorization Act include language to eliminate all Tricare Prime co-payments for active duty family members.

When the bill passes, managed care support contracts will be modified to reflect the change, Kiley reported.

In the entitlements arena, issue No. 448 Basic Allowance for Housing Appropriate and Data Collection came a step closer to completion when Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel Lt. Gen. David Ohle reported that on Jan. 1, BAH rates will be at 85 percent reimbursement and 100 percent reimbursement is budgeted for gradual implementation through calendar year 2005.

Weight allowance table for enlisted personnel (No. 457) generated a great deal of discussion.

The issue recommends an increase in enlisted weight allowance to match officers' allowances more closely.

While less than 3 percent of household goods moves of married Soldiers are over the authorized weight allowance, data shows that E-1s to E-3s exceed their weight allowance up to 9 percent more than other ranks.

Committee members made the point that the weight allowance tables are antiquated; more junior enlisted Soldiers are married than when the original tables were written — at a time when the vast majority of conscripted Soldiers were single.

Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics Maj. Gen. Charles C. Cannon, Jr. proposed that as the Army worked a larger increase for all enlisted ranks, it increase the administrative allowance for outside the continental U.S.

"Sure, we can do that," said Vice Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. John Keane. At the same time requesting another look at "why we have the huge weight allowance disparities between ranks when responsibility and authority are not the issue."

A 1999 AFAP issue, No. 447 Audio and Video Surveillance for Child Development Centers, recommended the Army purchase and install audio and video equipment in all Army CDCs.

"We determined that 70 percent of our CDCs need video surveillance equipment," reported Whelden.

"These systems will also provide line of sight supervision for staff who are in the process of having their national agency check completed."

The purchase and installation cost of $6.3 million is expected to pay for itself in 18 months and generate an out-year cost avoidance of $5.7 million annually, said Whelden. The issue, which has the full support of both the chief of staff and the vice chief of staff, remains active as funding requirements are being worked.

"This has been a productive afternoon for me. I hope it's been for you," Keene said in closing remarks. "We don't take it lightly when we assemble a group like this with the entire leadership of the Army backed up by command sergeant majors."

To track these and other AFAP issues, visit the Army MWR Web site at www.armymwr.com.

Initiative: Will make Martin Army 'Baby-Friendly Hospital'

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Department Activity, and expresses during the day using a $200 electric pump — an expense not covered by Tricare, she said.

"I have received good support from my supervisors and they allow me time to pump," she said. "I think I am lucky because I know a lot of Soldiers who don't have the support from their supervisors like I have."

Lawery took a lactation counselor's course at the hospital in June and will teach a two-part class starting Monday at 6 a.m. in the Baugh Conference Room at Martin Army for military women assigned to the Military on the Move, or MOM's, program for pregnant and postpartum Soldiers.

Topics will include breast versus bottle feeding, expressing at work and different types of breast pumps.

Martin Army has signed a letter of intent and is working to meet the criteria to become a "Baby-Friendly Hospital."

The Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative is a worldwide project of UNICEF and the World Health Organization.

"It's a program to highlight hospitals that promote breast-feeding as the best feeding choice for infants," Foots said.

About 70 percent of women who deliver babies at Martin Army attempt breast-feeding, which is above the national average, Foots said.

"Our goal is to increase our initiation rate and our rate of duration," she said.

Only one Department of Defense hospital, Weed Army Community Hospital at Fort Irwin, Calif., has received the program's accreditation.

Martin Army will have to follow 10 steps to reach Baby-Friendly status including training all health care staff in skills necessary to implement a written breast-feeding policy.

Other steps include helping mothers initiate breast-feeding within an hour of birth and giving newborns no food or drink other than breast milk, unless medically indicated.

"Our biggest hurdle is to make sure the staff is trained," Foots said.

Toward that end, she is coordinating lactation counseling classes for staff members.

Volunteers: Find value in helping hospital, community

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week, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., most opt for three days a week — all without pay.

"The youths are given T-shirts to identify them in the hospital letting people know that the American Red Cross is there to help. Also the youths, by volunteering, receive valuable experience that will help them later on in life," Jenny Piccione, youth volunteer chairman, said.

The young people must be between 13 and 19 years of age and have a family member affiliated with Fort Benning, Piccione said.

"I like to help people and I'm not old enough to get a real job," 14-year-old Bracha Williams said. "And it's more enjoyable to do this than to sit at home."

Williams, the daughter of retired Sgt. 1st Class Annie Williams, works in the Central Materiel Section at the hospital packaging instruments in sterile bags, folding drapes used in the operating room and preparing other supplies.

"It's a burden off of us to have them work here this summer, especially when we are short staffed," said Gladys Johnson, medical supply technician.

Brandon Williams, 15, has volunteered all summer with Bracha in the materiel section. The two are not related, but Brandon runs into plenty of relatives during his workday. His mother, Capt. Sarah Williams-Brown, is the head nurse for the ambulatory procedures and post anesthesia units, and his 17-year-old sister, Shameka, volunteers in the Pediatric Clinic.

"You never know what interests working here might spark in them for the future," Williams-Brown said, before pointing out another benefit. "I can keep an eye on them during the summer," she said.

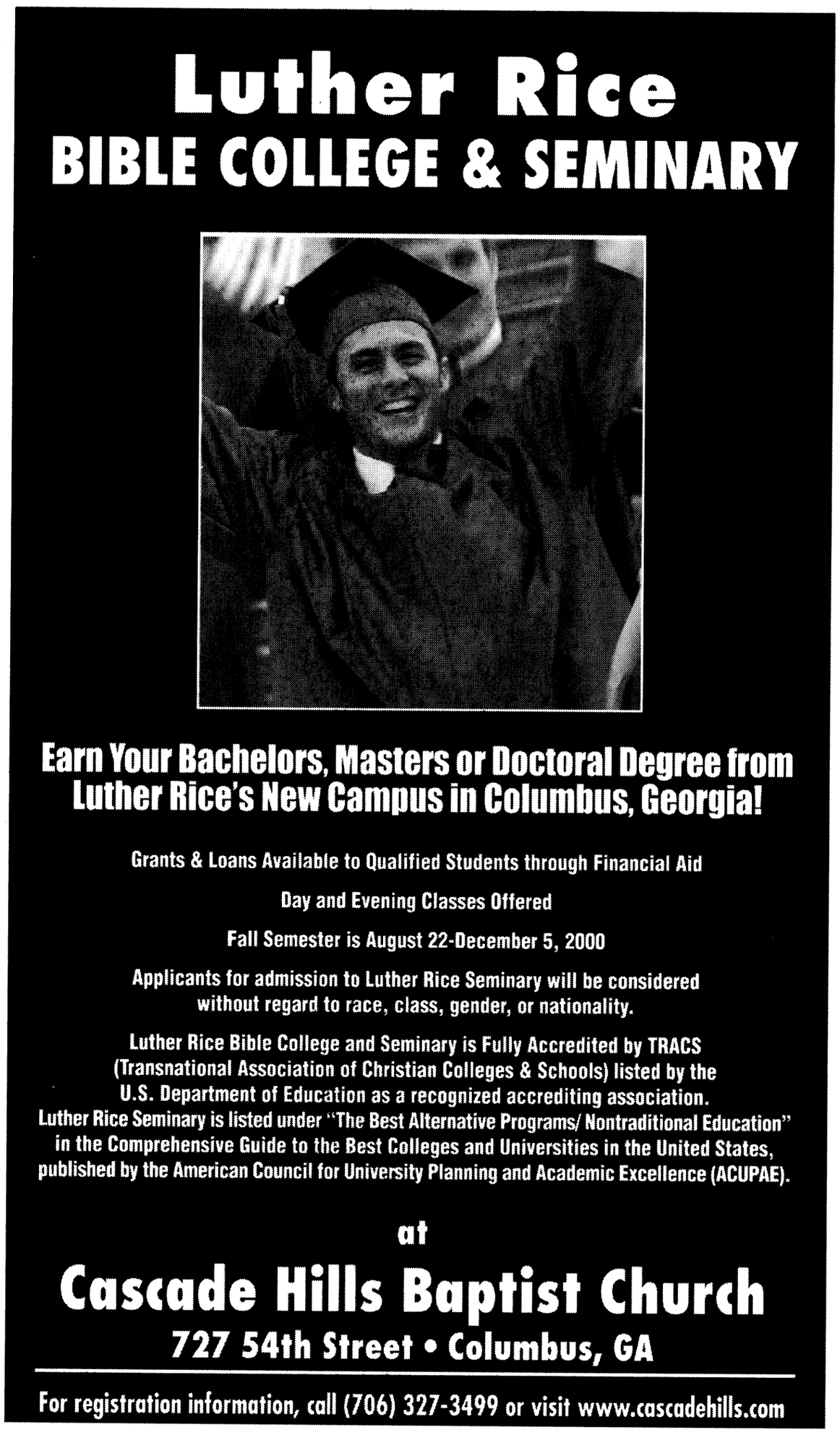
Norali Negron, 14, described her duties on the hospital's sixth floor as "being a temporary friend for the patients while they are up here."

Negron, the daughter of Maj. Jose and Li Negron, also plans to go into the medical field, either as a pediatrician or a medical technologist, her mother's profession.

As a Red Cross volunteer, her duties include escorting patients throughout the hospital, taking patients' temperatures and answering phone calls on the ward.

"I've learned not to judge people based on how they look, and I'm not afraid of seeing and being around sick people anymore. I've really enjoyed getting to know the patients," she said.





Balance helps prevent stress, burnout

Chaplain (Capt.) David J. Arredondo
1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, ITB

reflections

Do you ever feel like you are caught in a black hole? Astronomers theorize that black holes happen when some space body collapses in upon itself, creating so much gravitational pull that everything in its vicinity is sucked in.

Have you ever felt all the pain and stress of the world somehow seems to be attracted to you, like the effect of a black hole? If we're honest, all of us have felt that way at times. If this describes you, there is bad news and good news.

First, the bad news is that some specialists estimate stress (and we have plenty of it) contributes to 90 percent of all disease. High stress levels can lead to increased rates of drug and alcohol use, severe stress, anguish, worry, depression, alienation, etc.

With such high-stress levels, there are many individual reasons that lead to a "burnout" level. Among those reasons that apply to a wide cross-section of professions are disparity between expectations and reality, lack of closure (work is never done), workaholism, perceived role conflicts and work overload.

It is good to be energetic, conscientious, determined and dynamic pacesetters; however, without any balance, any boundary-settings, it's a recipe for burnout. But there is good news, too.

The good news is that classic interventions help break the cycle of over-extension and eventual burnout.

There are ways to live a more balanced life. Those with a proven track record include: finding peace of mind through a relationship with Jesus Christ; taking time off regularly (without feeling guilty); increasing physical stamina through exercise; good nutrition and rest; learning to relax; smart planning; learning to accept support from others; finding ways to re-frame difficult situations; and learning how to experience wholesome pleasurable activities.

All of this may sound great, but what is the bottom line? The bottom line is that stress and burnout are nearly always connected with boundary issues. When we think of our personal and family lives, the boundary gets blurred — where does one end and the other begin? Here are some helpful suggestions:

• You are only human and must learn to accept your limitations. Learn to say, "I've done enough and need some rest and balance."

• You have your own personal needs. Ask yourself, "When do I say, yes, no or delegate?" If there is an imbalance, correct it in your favor.

• Do some self-exploration of your professional identity as compared to your personal, family life. Do you allow sufficient time to care for yourself and your family?

Seek to bring a greater balance and ease the tension between the boundaries in our lives. The balance will probably make us even more effective in our work.

Look again at the list of classic interventions and consider how some of them might be integrated into your life now. Begin with a trusting relationship with God, then find ways to care for your family and yourself, along with your work. You'll be a better spouse and parent and a more balanced person.

The source of this information is from the *Resource Manual for Chaplains* by Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries, Martin W. Feldbush, associate director.

chapel notes

Pianist needed — The Funds Custodian is seeking a pianist for the Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. and a child care provider from 9:15 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

Interested and qualified personnel should call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Contract jobs — The Funds Custodian is accepting applications from all interested and qualified contractors to fill the following contract positions: chapel organist, chapel pianists, choir directors, children's choir directors, child care providers, child care provider supervisor, Sunday School and CCD Custodians, Sunday School bus drivers and chapel musicians.

Applications must be received not later than Aug. 15 at the Non-appropriated Funds Office, Room 512, Infantry Hall.

Those interested should call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The junior high, middle school Youth of the Chapel are having small group meeting during the summer.

For more information and meeting times and places, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

Sunday School — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes prayer, praise, Bible study and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided.

For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

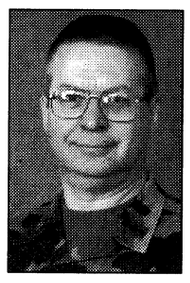
Get out of debt with simple tips

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Chaplain Family Life Training Program

Most Americans are in debt. Many Americans are living from paycheck to paycheck with no savings accumulated to provide for emergencies.

Personal credit card debt continues to climb. More and more Americans are unwilling to wait to buy the things they want rather than the things that they need. As a result, many Americans are burdened by the stress of high interest rates, bounced checks, repossessions and financial security.

Credit cards, bank loans, debt consolidation, second mortgages, title loans and pawnshops are a few of the means that some people use to "get out of debt." Such tactics actually result in increased debt. Here are some ways to get out of debt.



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First, never spend in a month more than what you make in a month. You will never get into debt if you follow this maxim.

Second, cut up all your credit cards and mail them back to the company.

Arrange with each company to pay off your debts at a rate you can afford even if this is less than the minimum amount. Most companies are willing to work with people as long as they pay an agreed upon amount each month.

Third, never buy on impulse. Buy only the things that you need, rather than the things that you want. Wait three days before you purchase. A sale is not a sale and a bargain is not a bargain if you don't need it and you can't afford it.

Fourth, buy unprocessed foods. Ten pounds of potatoes cost about the same as a pound of potato chips. You don't have to be a college graduate to know which is the better buy and which is better for you.

Fifth, set aside some money each month for savings to pay for emergencies. Do this even though you are working to get out of debt. You will want to work at increasing your savings to 10 percent of your earnings.

For more information, contact the Chaplain Family Life Training Program in Building 2606, Soldiers' Plaza, call 545-1760 or e-mail USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

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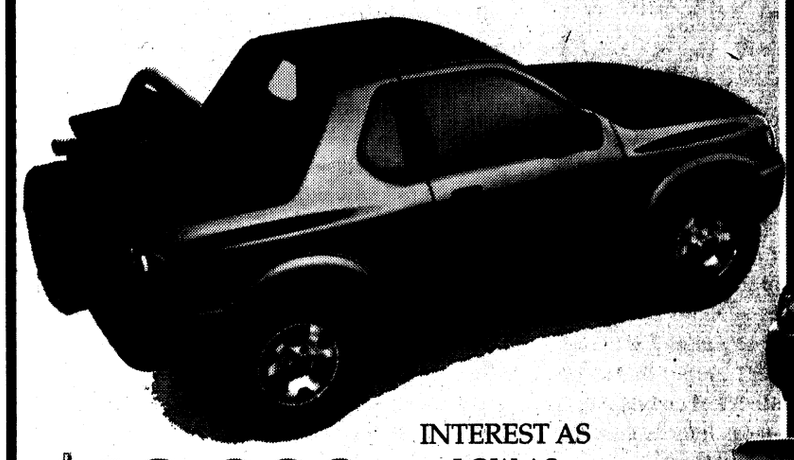

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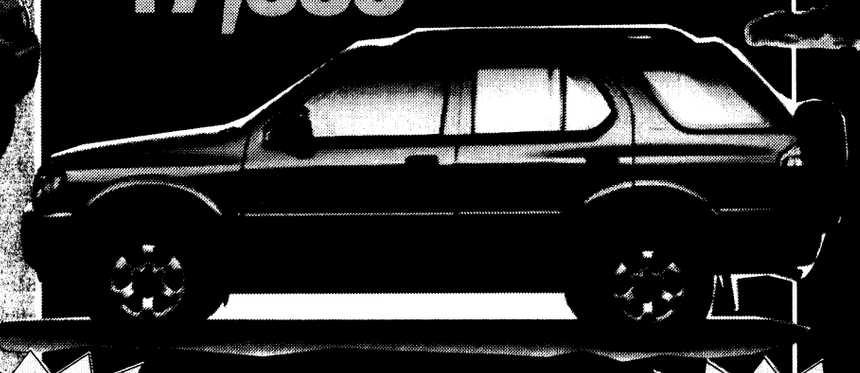

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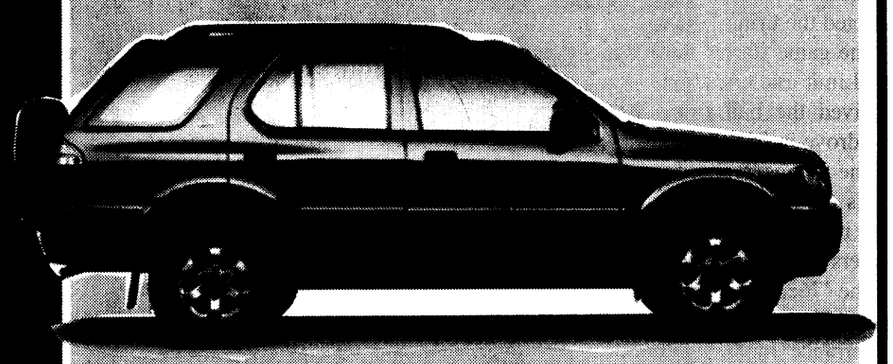

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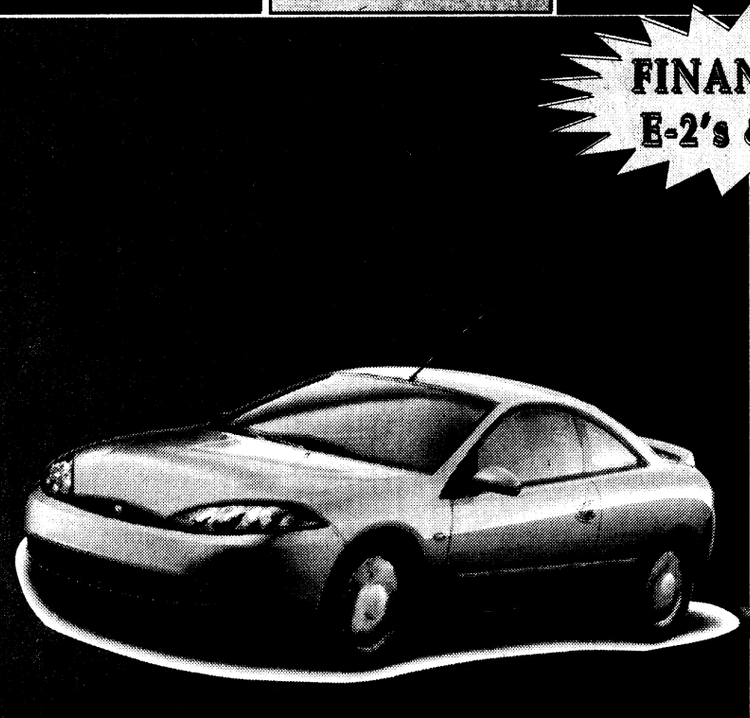

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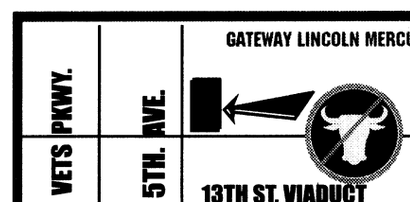

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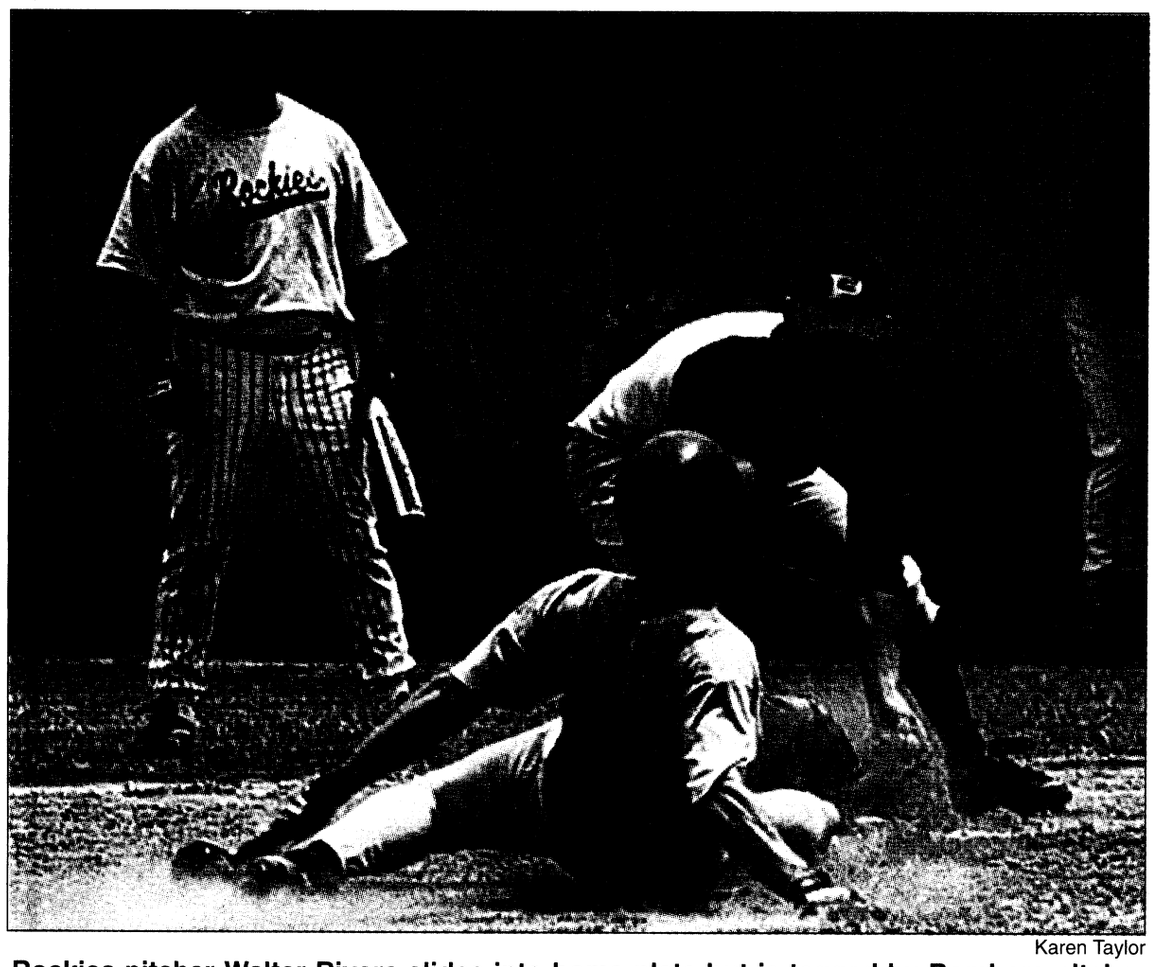
SPORTS

Bombers win, lose in doubleheader



Karen Taylor

Rockies pitcher Walter Rivera slides into home plate but is tagged by Bombers pitcher Jeremy Cook, while Rockies coach Robert Abeyta catches the action.

Bombers' baseball club dominates first game, falls apart in second

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

The Bombers' chemistry was of sound bonding Saturday as they overtook the Rockies 7-1 in the first game of a doubleheader.

The winning ingredients for the Bombers ball club were strong pitching by Jeremy Cook, a tenaciously tight infield and the clinch catches and backup by the outfield.

"We looked like a totally different team," said Chuck McGarry, A Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment.

Cook, a fellow student at Columbus State University of Eric Hare, Student Detachment, and member of the CSU baseball team, is a welcomed addition to the Bombers.

He worked the Rockies over in the batter's box and tallied seven strikeouts.

"When they started falling behind on the fast ball, I started calling the curve and the changeup," said Bombers catcher Chris Burgess, B Co., 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

But it was the Bombers infield that stifled the Rockies scoring chances, catching their base-runners in several squeeze plays.

The pinball action between the Bombers' infielders prohibited the Rockies from taking extra bases, which eventually cost them the game.

Burgess strong-armed the Rockies' runners, trying to steal second by rocketing throws with pinpoint accuracy to the bag — base-stealers didn't have a chance.

The Rockies offense remained undaunted by the catcher's arm and continued to try and capitalize on Bomber errors.

Reality hit in the top of the fifth when Rockies' Walt Rivera tried to steal home on a wild pitch.

Burgess seemed nonchalant in retrieving the ball behind the plate but quickly snapped it to Cook in time to tag Rivera out at home.

"I had him in the corner of my eye, and once I saw he was going, I knew we had him by a long shot," Burgess said.

The strength of the Bombers defense was needed to seize the win because the Rockies fought all the way to the last inning.

Taking an early lead 1-0, the Rockies were ready to defend their lead with Rivera on the mound, whose pinpoint accuracy tallied him 12 strikeouts.

Unfortunately the Rockies' defense came up short, literally.

With only eight men on the field and unable to recover from fielding errors, the Rockies allowed the Bombers to run away with the lead.

"It was a well-played game. We put extra base hits together in the end to break open the game up by a couple of runs," McGarry said.

Despite the number of strikeouts, Bomber batters had heads-up base-running and the back-to-back hits needed to tally runs.

See **BOMBERS**, C-2

Final quarter decides YS game

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

The towering defense and the sharp shooting of Michael Eberhart Jr. gave the No Limit Ballers an edge over the '76ers in the 10- to 12-year-old age division of Youth Services basketball action July 20 at the YS Gym.

The game was up for grabs until the final minutes of the fourth quarter when the No Limit Ballers targeted the tiring '76ers defense.

The game started with a bang as No Limit Ballers' Taylor Osborne received the ball from the tip-off and drove in for the score.

The teams traded baskets and steals throughout the first quarter, and it ended with the No Limit Ballers in the lead, 6-4.

The '76ers dominated the second quarter and forced a shutout.

Terrance Jones, a center for the '76ers, drove to the basket several times and played a tough defense.

Although he didn't score, Eberhart, center for the No Limit Ballers, was able to force multiple turnovers, and while standing a few inches taller than the rest of the players, he made key rebounds, which kept the '76ers from scoring. The first half ended with the '76ers

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Pfc. Mark Watson

No Limit Ballers forward Taylor Osborne prepares to blow past a '76ers defender in the July 20 youth service game.

Ruggers receive go from Army

'Rough' game added as new military sport

Marcia L. Klein
Army News Service

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Soldiers have been playing rugby for years on their own, but now the rough-and-tumble sport has been added to the Army and Armed Forces Sports calendars.

Aug. 8 is the deadline to apply for the first-ever All-Army Rugby team. The trial camp will be held Sept. 27-Oct. 7 at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pa.

"This is the first year rugby is recognized as an official armed forces championship," said Maj. Suba Saty, the Armed Forces Sports chief.

Active-duty Soldiers on permanent duty status are eligible to apply, as are members of the Army Reserve and National Guard.

Application forms, DA forms 4762-R and 4763-R, are available at installation sports offices and require the signature of the Soldier's commander.

Applications can also be downloaded from the Army Morale, Welfare and Recreation Web site, www.armymwr.com. Click on Army Sports, under the Sports listing on the home page, then click on the "athlete application and info" button.

'Stars of Tomorrow' shine at post bowling center

Disabled youths shoot for kingpin, find summer fun

Bridgett Siter
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When the alley lights dim every Saturday afternoon at Fort Benning's Main Post Bowling Center, the "Stars of Tomorrow" come out by the dozen. They shine brightly, as if they've found their haven — if not their heaven — surrounded by kindred spirits and compassionate friends.

Like most bowling leagues, the "Stars of Tomorrow" meet once a week for three hours, but what sets them apart from other bowlers is the common link they share with each other. They all have disabilities of some kind that may limit their speed and precision but never their enthusiasm.

"Stars of Tomorrow" is the brainchild of J. David Crouse, a Columbus resident who retired from the Army in April. He started the league last summer for children with disabilities, like his 14-year-old son Doug, who has Down syndrome.

Although Doug and his friends play softball each Spring in the Challenger Division, sponsored by the Southern Little League, there were no other activities designed specifically for children with handicaps.

"When softball was over, there was nothing for these kids to do," Crouse said. "They needed something to do during the summer besides sit around the house and wait for school to start again. Bowling was the answer."

Their disabilities range from mild to severe, some physical, some mental. Some are confined to wheelchairs and require a ball ramp to bowl. Others have learning disorders, such as attention deficit disorder.

Whatever their disability or its severity, they've found a place where they fit in at the bowling alley — a place where the only handicap they notice is the one on their score sheet — the one that evens the odds and gives everyone a fair shot at winning the game.

"Some are pretty good bowlers," Crouse said. "Some are not, but it doesn't matter because we score them with handicaps and use lane bumpers, which gives them all a chance at winning."

It's hard to imagine, when watching the "Stars" bowl, that it matters at all who's declared winner. They cheer, they applaud, they encourage and they high-five. They even tease, but always with an underlying current of affection and pride.

"They always stay motivated. They're never discouraged for long," Crouse said. "It's hilarious, and it's fulfilling. You just don't see this kind of excitement on the ball field.

"Here they're working together as a team, but accomplishing a lot as individuals. It builds their confidence in themselves, but in the end, they always ask, 'How did we do?'"

Eleven-year-old T.Z. Canterberry has cerebral palsy. He said he looks forward to spending Saturday afternoon at the bowling alley.

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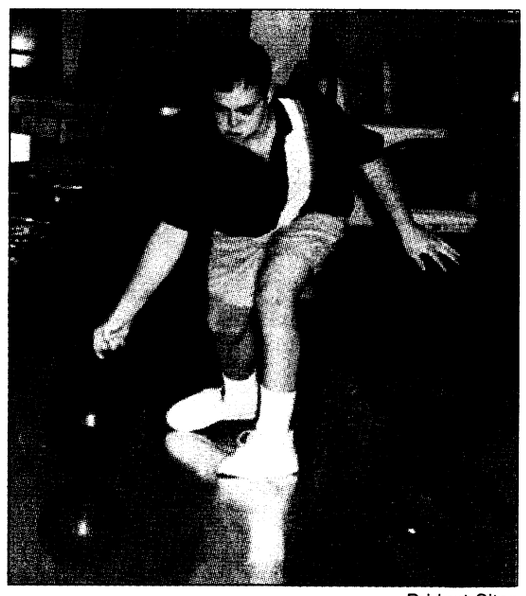

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Doug Crouse, 14, bowls July 22 with the Stars of Tomorrow at the Main Post Bowling Center.

Bulls blast engineers, 38-4

30th Inf. Regt. breaks 317th defense, scores on multiple homeruns

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Engineers' shortstop Jeffrey Palmiter fires the ball to first base in the July 20 game on Knappenberger Field.

It was no holds barred for the 3rd Brigade "Bulls" of B Company when they took to Knappenberger field and blew Headquarters and Headquarters Company out of the water with a score of 38-4 in post softball action July 20.

Heading into the game with only eight players, HHC, 317th Engineer Battalion wasn't able to make up for the lack of strength and ultimately ended up skunked by B Co., 1st Bn., 30th Infantry Regiment, when the game was called at the bottom of the fifth.

The Bulls went to the plate with mighty bats and preyed on HHC's weakened outfield early in the game. Doubles, triples and homeruns had the Bulls streaking across homeplate one after the other, and by the time they turned over play they had already reeled in 10 runs.

HHC wasn't deterred by the deficit and managed to load the bases, only to be shut down by a double play.

The second inning looked just as promising for the Bulls when left center Mark Shufford and extra hitter Rich Zubeck both nailed homeruns. Singles became a mainstay and allowed the Bulls to advance three more runners into home.

When HHC headed to bat they were immediately shut down by the Bulls with two catches and a strike out, leaving them at 0-15 at the bottom of the second. It was almost as if the Bulls copied and pasted play from the second inning into the third when single after single, and help from a grand slam by Zuebeck put five more points on the board for the team.

Determined not to end the game without any points, HHC's second baseman Chris Decastro knocked a strong double to bring in one runner and put a mark on the board. The team headed out of the inning with the score 20-1.

Lackluster play by the Bulls during the fourth produced only one run and it seemed HHC might make a turn about when they managed to knock a succession of singles adding two more points to their total. However, they were ousted by a series of catches by Bull's infielders.

When the fifth rolled around the Bulls once again stepped up the intensity and made the possibility of a comeback impossible. Homeruns by right center Steven Lesko, second baseman Alan Leutele and first baseman Michael Johnson contributed to a score of 17 for the inning.

Knowing it was their last try at bat, HHC gave their all and managed to fill the bases with a string of singles.

A knock by Jeffrey Palmiter helped bring in one runner, but the team would see no more points after three consecutive outs.

Coach for HHC, David Minott said it was his unit's first day back from the field, which contributed to a lack of participation and ultimately the team's loss.

"Our main concern was to just go out and play with some heart," Minott said. "The only thing worse than losing is forfeiting and we weren't going to let that happen. There's no shame in losing a game if you tried."

Left fielder for the Bulls Quentilis McDowell said it was his team's defense that really nailed the game. He also said they are definite contenders for the post championship.

"We have the best defense of anyone on post and when our hitting is on we'll toast them all," McDowell said. "I think we are definitely going to be the team to beat for the post championship."

NLB: Score big in last-quarter victory

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in the lead 10-6.

The No Limit Ballers came alive during the second half starting a scoring frenzy and allowing only four points.

Forward Arthur Scott took the ball down the court and was able to drive past several No Limit Ballers defenders to get a jump shot off before he was covered again.

Eberhart did most of the scoring in the third quarter, but Jarelle Woodhouse was able to get a basket added to his stats.

The No Limit Ballers regained their lead, 17-14 as time expired in the third quarter.

The '76ers began to show fatigue as the ball was inbounded for the first time in the fourth quarter.

Damias Lyles a '76ers guard, was fouled while shooting and was able to add another point for his team at the foul line bringing the game to within two points.

Woodhouse and Osborne began to work outside and were successful in their long-range shooting several times.

Eberhart sunk the game ending shot giving the No Limit Ballers their third victory.

After the game Michael Eberhart Sr. said he was very pleased with his team's performance.

"Everyone did a great job," he said. He said his son did a great job of rebounding and shooting, as well as Osborne too.

"We work down low, and key in on getting the ball there," he said.

Although his team lost, Arthur Scott Sr. said the game was one of the best.

"It was a really great game," he said. "They were a tough team, but I think we did outstanding.

"The whole team got involved, but it seemed like they tired out in the second half," he said. "I think it was partly because of the heat," which was into the high 90s.

Both teams will play again Thursday at the YS Gym.

Bombers: Turn tables on Rockies

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The score remained 1-1 until the bottom of the fourth when Cook's solid hit landed him on second. McGarry then hit a double scoring Cook. Before the next batter, Josh Kronyak, B Co., 1st Bn., 15th Inf. Regt., was walked, McGarry stole third and then took home on a wild pitch. A single by Ronnie Preston, 3rd Bn. (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt., drove Kronyak to third, and on a ground out to short he came home to make it 4-1.

The Bombers scored three more in the bottom of the sixth to close the game, 7-1.

To make the win happen was a definite morale booster to the team after their 4-3 surrender to their rivals, the Cannons, July 15.

"After last weekend we knew we could play with anybody," said Bombers coach Matthew Dillon, B Co., 1st Bn., 19th Inf. Regt.

The Bombers' strengthened confidence and chemistry came together for them as they put the past behind them — the double loss of their first meeting against the Rockies June 18 — and came up with a win. Unfortunately the heat took its toll on the players of both teams in the second game. Although they had enthusiasm, the first-game sparks were gone.

The only place heat wasn't present was on the mound for the Bombers. They played musical pitchers trying to find someone to put it over the plate but it was too late by the time they found Kronyak to consistently finish out the rest of the innings.

The Rockies, after borrowing a player from the Bombers to finish out their squad, relied on a one-man show, Jeffrey McCalister, for the majority of their runs. McCalister effortlessly walloped three home runs for a total of nine runs in the first two innings.

By the end of the third inning, Rockies' coach Robert Abeyta succumbed to leg cramps and that was evidence enough that both teams were spent. The game was finally called, much to the relief of both teams, in the fifth with a score of 16-3, Rockies.

Stars: Receive help, entertainment

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"Coming here is my favorite part of Saturday. It's fun and I'm getting good at bowling," he said.

T.Z.'s mom said the improvement in her son's bowling skills is secondary to the real benefit of "Stars of Tomorrow."

"The social interaction is the most important thing," Sonja Canterberry said. "He loves to get together with his friends, and it's good for him."

The total cost of an afternoon of bowling, rental shoes and balls included, is only $2 — a special rate for the "Stars of Tomorrow" and a real bargain in Canterberry's opinion.

"This is the cheapest form of entertainment in town," she said. "There's no place else we can take the kids for three hours and have such a good time. This bowling alley has been great to us."

Family members, both adult and children, serve as "bowling buddies," helping the bowlers who have difficulty handling the balls. They also keep scores, tie shoes and pass out hugs, free for the asking and in generous quantities.

The familial lines blur, and to the onlooker, its hard to know who belongs to who.

Amanda Wagner, 11, comes every Saturday to help her younger brother and cousins. She prefers being a "bowling buddy" to being on a league of her own.

"I help whoever needs it. I get to bowl, and I get to hang out with my friends," she said. "It's a lot of fun and it makes me feel very good inside."

Crouse estimates there are more than 180 children with disabilities registered in the school systems of Fort Benning, Chattahoochee and Muscogee Counties. Twelve bowlers have registered for "Stars of Tomorrow," which started June 24 and runs through Aug. 26.

Originally Crouse intended to offer the opportunity to children between the ages of 5 and 18. However, he has since altered the registration to accommodate all ages.

"Anyone is welcome here," he said. "We have a 4-year-old, and last week we got a call from a 24-year-old who's interested. That's great. We have room for everyone."

sports briefs

AUSA offers RedStixx tickets — There are 1,500 free tickets available to Soldiers for the Association of the U.S. Army night Aug. 4.

For more information, call 563-0425.

English Range hosts rifle match — There will be a tactical rifle match at 2 p.m. Aug. 13 on English Range.

The match consists of four runs of five rounds each timed by an electronic timer.

The targets will be placed between 50 and 360 yards.

For more information, call 689-3371.

Fort Benning seeks runners — There will be a try-out for the Fort Benning Army 10-miler team Saturday.

Registration is 6-6:45 a.m. and the race starts kicks off at 7 a.m. at the Santiago Fitness Center on Sand Hill.

The team will be comprised of only active duty Soldiers.

For more information, call Calvin Abrams or Fred Woods at 545-4300.

Artillery hosts golf tournament — The U.S. Field Artillery Association is hosting its annual Redleg Open charity golf tournament at 9 am. Aug. 11 at the Follow Me Golf Course.

The format is a four-man scramble.

The entry fee is $22 for members, $32 for non-members and $27 for staff sergeants and below.

For more information, call 544-3036.

Kelley Hill plans chess tourney — There will be a three-round chess tournament at noon Saturday in the Kelley Hill Recreation Center.

The entry fee is $4, and there will be three categories with prizes to the winners.

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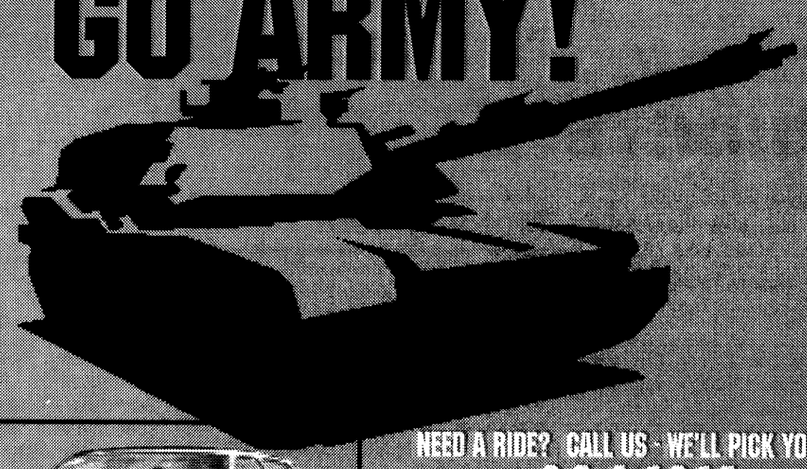

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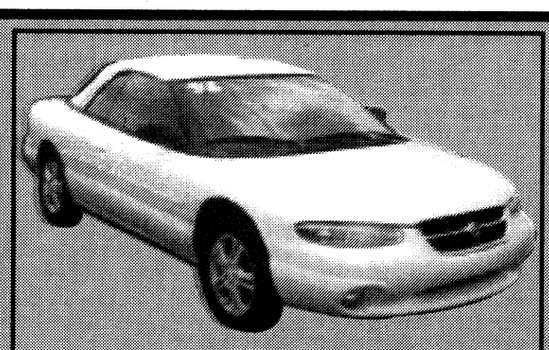

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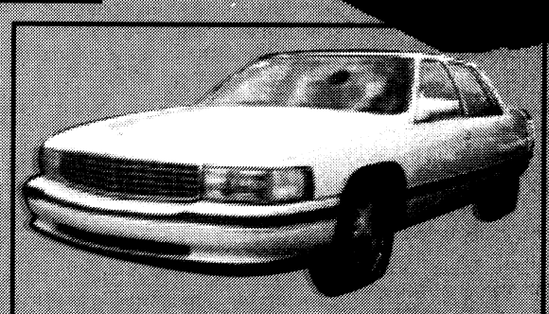

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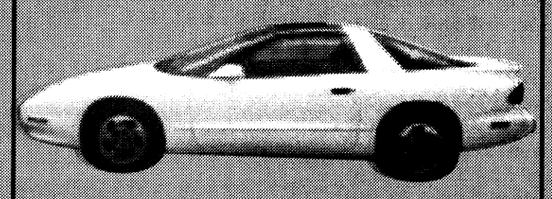



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571-A Hartsock Loop. (Upper Davis Hill.) from 8 a.m.- 1 p.m., Saturday, July 29th. (F28)

308D Lumpkin Rd, (main post) PCS'ing overseas. Rugs, window A/C, plants, curtains, clothes, comforter set, washing machine, homeschool books, etc. Saturday, July 29, 8:00 to 1:30 P.M. (F28)

1013 A Kessler Ct. PCS yard sale, boys clothes, womens clothes, interior decorations, toys, 300 watt speakers. Must sale. (F28)

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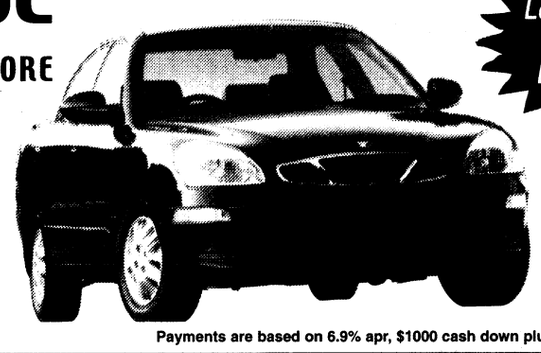

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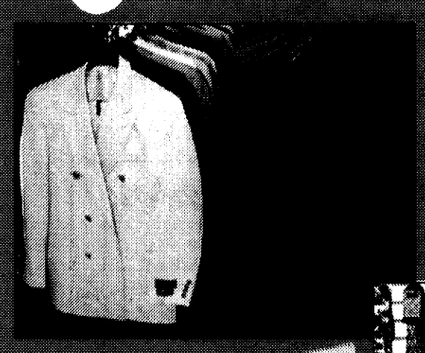

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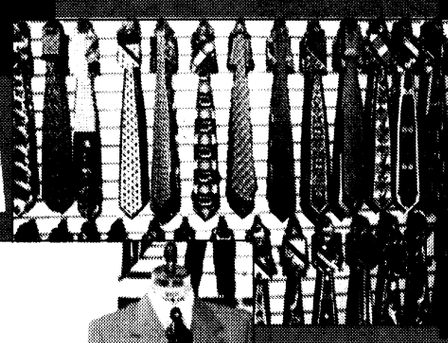

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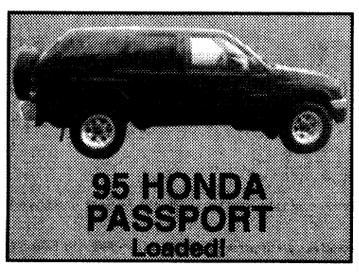

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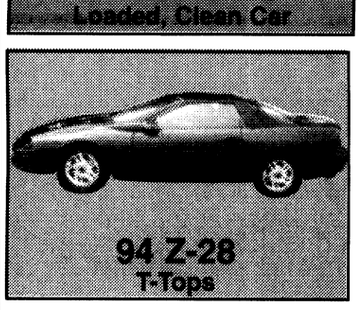

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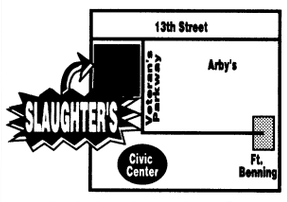

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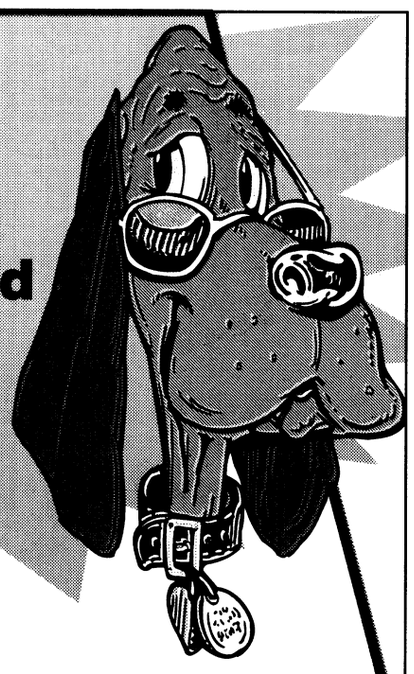

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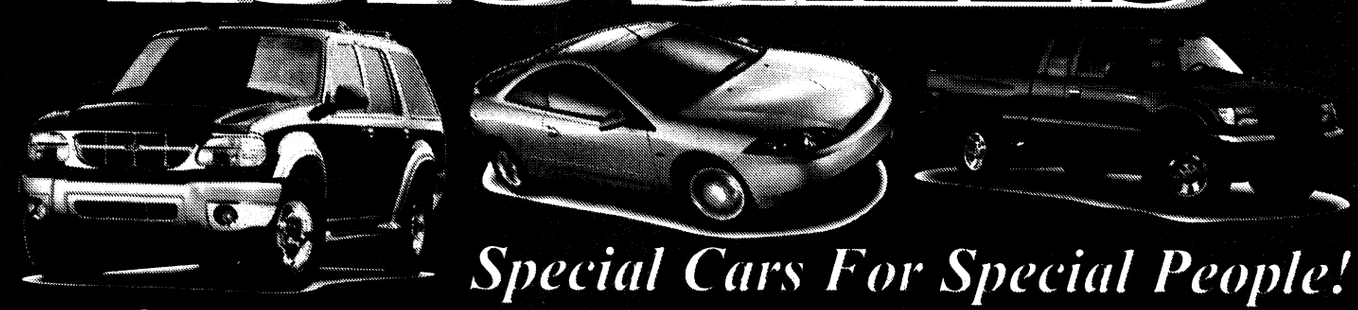

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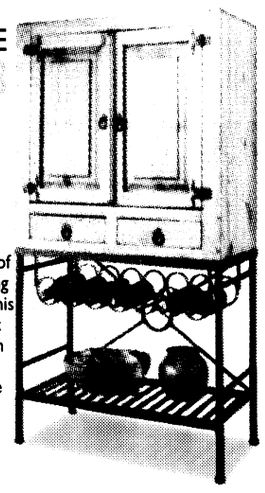



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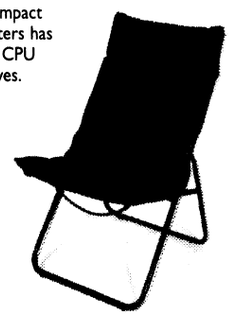

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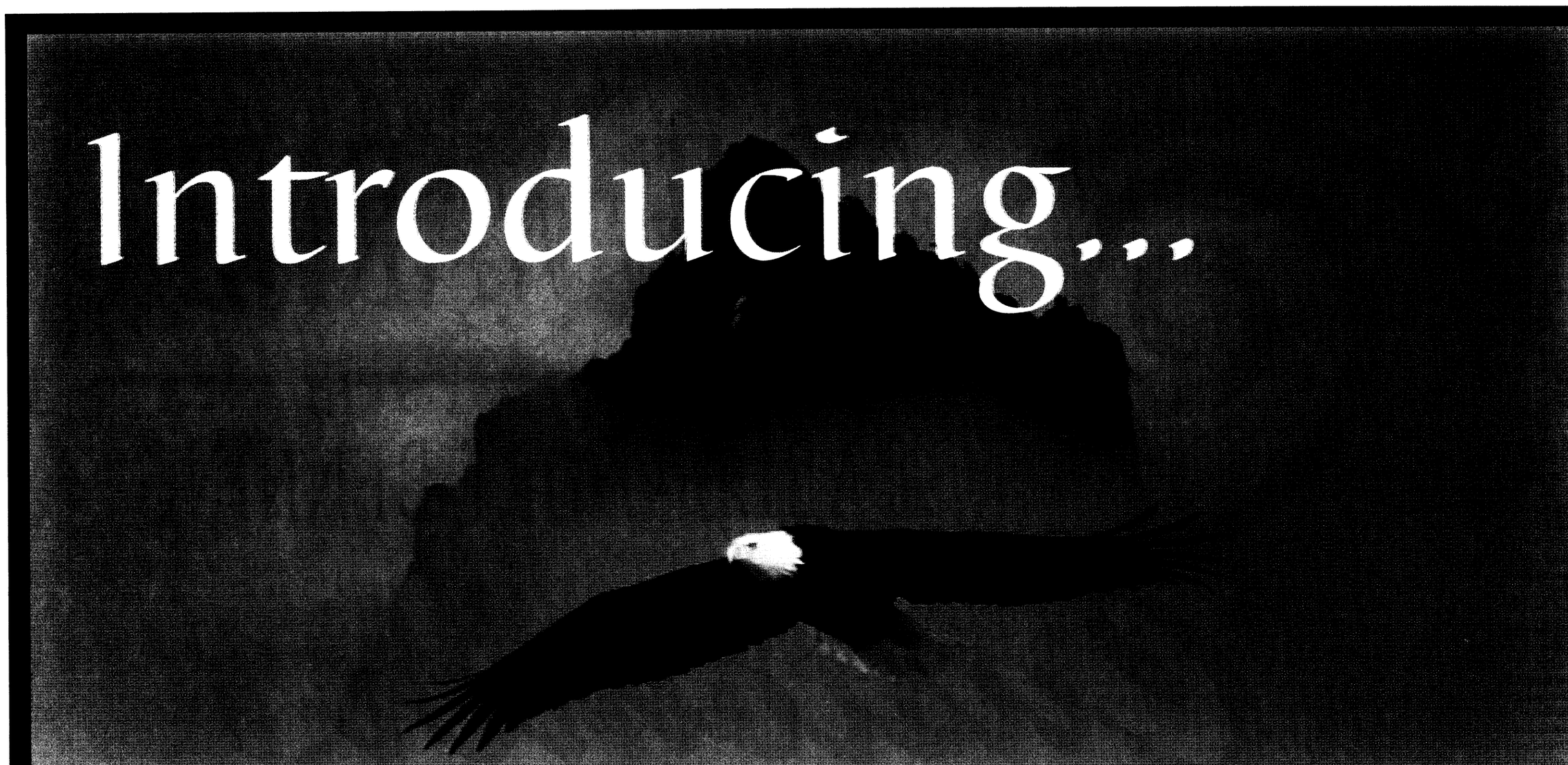

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EXCELLENCE ACCOMPLISHED...

The following describes major improvements made during the last two fiscal years in the investment of Soldier and family dollars. These improvements are key Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) Capital Purchase and Minor Construction (CPMC) accomplishments and are not inclusive of all improvements made during this reporting period. Our annual goal for total CPMC investment of Soldiers and family MWR program dollars is 100 percent of the NIBD earned Our CPMC investment for FY 97 was 97 percent of the NIBD earned and 120 percent in FY 98.

Destin, Florida

To better serve our customers we:
- Added 20 motel units
- Purchased 3 paddle boats
- Replaced boat motors
- Conducted environmental assessment
- Painted exterior of cabins
- Installed carpet in lobby and office areas
- 'Upgraded computer to include reservation system
- Replaced pool furniture
- Replaced carpet in 14-unit motel
- Purchased 4 jet skis
- Installed in-room phone system in all lodging units
- Completed $2.6M NAF major construction project to provide a model facility with underground utilities, paved driveways and roads, modern security gate, a new bathhouse and low maintenance attractive landscaping
- Initiated repair of seawall which is ongoing and should be completed Jan 00
- Completed the design of and began construction on a complete renovation of the marina; makeover should be completed by Mar 00
- Completed 46 paved RV pads with full hook-ups (including cable TV, internet access and phone) on all sites.

Uchee Creek

With more and more customers using the Uchee Creek Campground and Marina, we:
- Added 20 additional campsites complete with full hook up
- Paved additional roadways, driveways, and parking aprons as well as the patio area for 43 campsites
- Replaced and added grills, lantern hangers, picnic tables, and benches throughout the campground
- Expanded the campground, while continuing to landscape the area to ensure a pleasant and attractive environment for our camping customers
- Constructed comfort station for a total of three installed sewage mound systems
- Installed sewage mound system
- Renovated two well houses to meet EPA standards
- Constructed fishing dock with handicap access
- Purchased 10 flat bottom boats and replaced furniture in cabins
- Removed dead trees
- Replaced outboard motors
- Replaced computer equipment
- Replaced TVs and VCRs in cabins
- Purchased three 20' campers, two bass buggies and ten canoes

Clubs

In response to our customers' preferences for leisure activities, the Fort Benning club system:
- Replaced HVAC system in Building 129
- Prepared area for a name brand pizza concession to serve all Soldiers and families on main post
- Renovated the Officers' Club swimming pool.
- Renovated the Sand Hill NCO Club with new carpeting, paint, furniture and fixtures
- Established a Pizza Hut concession in the Sand Hill NCO Club to support all Soldiers and families in the Sand Hill area
- Established Subway Sandwich Shop concession as part of the Sledgehammer Lounge NCO annex to support all Soldiers and families in the Kelley Hill area (commence operations Jan 2000)
- Renovated Players Lounge in the Main NCO Club
- Started renovation to right size the Officers' Club, Lexington Room, Rally Point; maintain the Regimental Room ceiling and modernize kitchens to support all catering at Fort Benning

Automotive Skills Center

A new state-of-the-art automotive skills center opened in November 1998. This facility provides
Soldiers and family members with the latest in automotive skills development The $3.9M NAF
major construction project provides a comprehensive facility consisting of:
- 42 bays
- 36 general repair bays
- 4 body shop bays
- 2 welding bays
- Parts washing area and paint booth
- Tool room, classroom, two restrooms with showers, a lobby area, admin office, storage, and mechanical rooms

Patrons are able to purchase auto parts and accessories on the premises, which is open seven days a week for customer convenience

Bowling

In keeping our bowling program #1 in TRADOC and customer satisfaction we:
- Renovated Main Post Bowling Center snack bar and concourse area
- Renovated Mall and Main Post Bowling Center bathrooms

Follow Me Golf Course

Our customer focus during this reporting period has been on providing quality fairways, greens and tees, as well as the necessary equipment for maintaining high quality course conditions. More specifically, we are seeing course conditions improve substantially over the past two years as a result of new maintenance equipment and intensive management by the greens superintendent and his crew for continuous quality service to our golf customers we:
- Renovated 50 percent of the irrigation system and course itself
- Purchased Re-sprigged nine fairways
- 35 new carts
- Removed damaged trees
- Renovated greens
- Developed a master plan for the course based upon an evaluation performed by a PGA consultant
- Purchased new equipment
- Replaced air conditioner in club house
- Replaced 20 sets of golf clubs
- Purchased aerator

Fitness Centers

To provide customers with the latest in exercise machine technology:
- Purchased $80,000 in new fitness equipment
- Reduced Building 4 fitness center in size; excess equipment moved to other gyms and CONUS Replacement Center
- Refinished gym floor at Briant Wells Field House
- Bought $40,000 of exercise equipment and distributed to Dahlonega Ranger Camp, Kelley Hill Fitness Center and other gyms

Fort Benning Guest House

To modernize our facility we:
- Installed a state-of-the-art reservation system
- Added a new Sprint telephone system with feature buttons for local advertisements, an automated attendant; voice mail and wake-up call service
- Internet service provided at no charge to the guest

Fort Benning Transient Lodging Facility

To better serve our out-of-town guests and family members we:
- Renovated 72 guest rooms in Building 399 at a cost of $1.4M and should be completed in early spring of FY 00
- Replaced guest furniture in Building 83, first floor, approximately 100 guestrooms.
- Replaced carpet in 96 guestrooms within Building 399, "(3" Section.)
- Hairdryers are being added to each room
- Updated common areas, i.e., guest laundry rooms, guest latrines and stairways in Buildings 83 and 75
- Added a new state-of-the-art reservation system
- Installed a new telephone system with Internet service provided at no charge to our guests
- Opened a new in-house laundry facility

Youth Services

The Installation Middle School and Teen Program operating in conjunction with Youth Services provides:
- Designated areas within the youth centers to enjoy air hockey, foosball and 32" television.
- Customers who have 11 and 12-year-old family members take advantage of free structured programs during after-school hours and full-day hours on school out days.
- A computer/homework center has been added and is being used by all age groups.
- Educational, tutorial, game, cooking and defensive driving software is available
- A monitoring system has been installed in the Youth Services gym to ensure the safety of participants

Car Wash

To better serve our customers we:
- Renovated self-service car wash bays with state-of-the-art equipment
- Completed a new "roll-over" drive through car wash

Other Activities

Other areas of customer focus include the following:

Laundromats

In direct response to customer feedback we:
- Air conditioned the laundromat
- Replaced washers and dryers
- Replaced hot water heater, consolidated Main Post and Kelley Hill Laundromats
- Bought three commercial size washers

Amusement Center (Arcade)

- Added outdoor basketball at the arcade
- Added Cybernet CafÈ with 6 computers featuring e-mail, internet service and the latest computer based interactive games

Equipment Rental

- Began construction of self-storage units at the Equipment Rental Office; scheduled to be completed by Feb 00

Russ Pond

Using ACOE dollars we:
- Removed 150 20-ton truckloads of materials
- Realigned drainage between lake and installed a new drainage system
- Increased lake level from 4 feet (before construction) to 13 feet deep, utilizing emergency spillway
- Re-landscaped and exposed underground sewage and drainage
- Hydro-seeded all exposed dirt
- Opened the landscape to provide a more aesthetic view

CONUS Replacement Center
- Provided games, computers, pool table, books. TVs, movies
- Established and operate a recreation center for Soldiers being in or out processed for contingency operations
- Excess equipment from Building 4 fitness Center

FAMILY PROGRAM EXCELLENCE...

Army Community Service (ACS) will celebrate its 35th birthday on July 25th, 2000. Fort Benning's excellent community service programs are designed to assist commanders in providing family support services to Soldiers and their families. The following represent some of the Fort Benning ACS accomplishments during the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

Family Advocacy Program (FAP)

The FAP focuses on child and spouse abuse prevention and education. The "First Steps" program has expanded, reaching more than 1200 family members, primarily assisted by 14 trained volunteers. The FAP serviced more than 3,000 Soldiers and family members during 19 pre-deployment briefings. The FAP sponsored the second Domestic Violence Conference in March 1999 for local tri-community (Fort Benning, Columbus, and Phenix City) professionals. The FAP staff now includes a training specialist and Victim Advocate.

Army Emergency Relief (AER)

Army Emergency Relief provides emergency financial assistance in the form of grants and loans to members of the Armed Forces and family members. AER provided $654,147 in loans to 799 clients and $86,738 in grants to 103 clients to assist Soldiers (active duty and retired) and widows of the community. The 1999 Annual AER Campaign received contributions in excess of $178,295.

Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)

The FMEAP offers assistance to family members who are seeking employment. It is provided through employment information that includes private sector job bank, personal training development workshops, individual job search assistance, and counseling for skill identification and employment options. In the FY 99 time frame, 667 Soldiers and family members placed in jobs, which resulted in $6.87 million in additional income for military families.

Consumer Affairs/Financial Assistance Program (CAFAP)

The CAFAP ~ offers information, education, and individual counseling, and assistance in consumer issues, financial planning, family budgeting, and debt management matters. During the FY99 period, 1,584 individuals received training in 121 classes. The CAFAP also sponsors consumer workshops, such as the quarterly car-buying seminar.
Soldiers/families returned a total of $130,259 to creditors in debt liquidation programs.

Utility Coordination Center (UCC)

The UCC allows newly arriving Soldiers to obtain utility services (water, power, gas, and telephone) at a single location. The UCC in/out processed 6,563 Soldiers and returned $122,054 to the participating utility companies in FY99.

The UCC provides the convenience of one-stop utility connections and disconnections. Soldiers with good credit standings are not required to pay deposit to have their utility service initiated.

Relocation Assistance Program (RAP)

During the FY99 time frame, RAP provided relocation information to 5,533 Soldiers; assisted 25 family members in completing citizenship classes; provided Lending Locker assistance to 125 Soldiers and their families; and conducted Newcomer/Spouse Orientations for 375 Soldiers and spouses.

Emergency Food Locker

The ACS Food Locker assisted 224 clients with a two-day supply of emergency food during FY99.
During the holiday season, turkeys were provided to needy Soldiers and military retired families. Food Locker items are made available through the generosity of private organizations, food drives, commissary vendors, and local businesses.

Army Family Team Building (AFTB)

Designed as a survivor course for Army spouses, AFTB is targeted toward new people in the Army, leaders in the community, or anyone interested in updating personal skills or basic knowledge. AFTB, a total volunteer program under the auspices of ACS, celebrated its fifth birthday on December 16, 1999. All AFTB courses and materials are available and free to Soldiers, family members, and DA civilians. During the FY99 time frame, 1,544 individuals participated in AFTB training at Fort Benning.

School Age Services (SAS)

During the summer FY99, the SAS program offered various educational/recreational activities for children. This was at no extra cost to the parents. The SAS Computer Lab instructor designed, implemented and trained staff (CDC, FCC, SAS) on basic computer skills to help meet training requirements. Effective 1 October, the program added the USDA Food Program. This allows for a nutritious breakfast and snack to be served to all children enrolled in the program. A bowling league was implemented in the fall of FY99. Demand increased from one league to two. An ACS Food Drive was set up within the SAS program to donate canned goods to ACS. In FY00, SAS children will volunteer to Christmas Carol around the installation and provide a "Tree of Giving" to give items to the needy. In FY00 the engineers are expected to have completed designs to install an air conditioning unit at Patch Hall.

These types of programs help to improve the quality of life and the well being of Fort
Benning's community.

IDENTIFYING AND REWARDING EXCELLENCE...

Soldiers, family members, and dedicated employees are our reason for existence. MWR stays in touch with patrons' needs, wants, and desires with the aid of the Mystery Shopper Program, comment cards, a new website addition, formal and informal research, and direct interaction.

Mystery Shopper Program

Facilities are shopped anonymously by use of telephone and in-person visits. Customer service elements such as store appearance, courtesy of employees, and quality of product and services are evaluated. The Fort Benning MWR Mystery Shopper Program measures excellence, drives the training program, and provides incentives to employees who deliver superb customer service.

Employee Recognition

Employees demonstrating excellent customer service receive a DA Certificate of Commendation and monetary award, recognition as superb employees of the month, quarter, and year, quarterly CG Breakfast recognition, and recognition at the retreat ceremonies.

Comment Cards

Comment cards are one of the older methods of gathering data; yet still one of the most effective. In FY99 we received over 5,821 comment cards from patrons. The cards are analyzed and many suggestions are implemented into the MWR system. Recently, a Customer Service Report Card was designed to display customer comment ratings for each activity with specific comments to employees shown on the Report Card. The document has proven to be a very beneficial tool for employee feedback (an area identified as weak in our DCA Climate Survey)

Fort Benning MWR Website

Our patrons can now access the Fort Benning MWR from around the globe at http\:www.benningmwr.com. This site provides a world of information, both of a local and national scope, and will serve to gather patrons' feedback from around the world. This site currently receives over 50,000 visits per year.

Marketing Research

The Fort Benning MWR has led the way within Department of Army MWR operations in listening to, and acting upon feedback from Soldiers and their family members. DCA uses a variety of formal and informal research methods to determine objective and scientific based needs of our patrons. The Fort Benning MWR performed its first triennial survey in 1988. Following the 1988 survey, there have been four Triennial Needs Assessments performed and include the 1991, 1994, 1996, 1999 surveys. The 1994 and 1996 assessments were both administered by the Department of the Army Community and Family Support Center while the 1991 and 1999 were performed locally. Historical five-year planning and execution data, coupled with financial results and customer utilization rates, clearly show the wisdom of using formal research in making business based investment decisions.

"Standards of Excellence"

"Standards of Excellence" are written goals for each facility. Each "Standard of Excellence" is placed in common areas for viewing by patrons. "Standards of Excellence" are not limited to just MWR locations, but have been implemented post-side. MWR's "Standards of Excellence" vision is that all customers who visit our facilities leave with assurance that we are friendly, helpful, and appreciative of their business.

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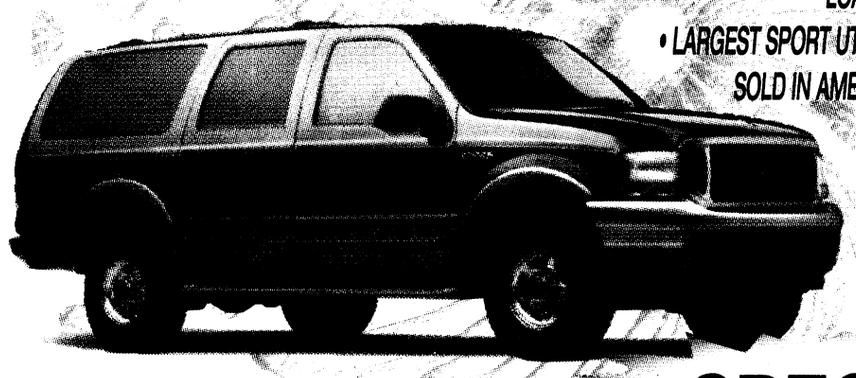

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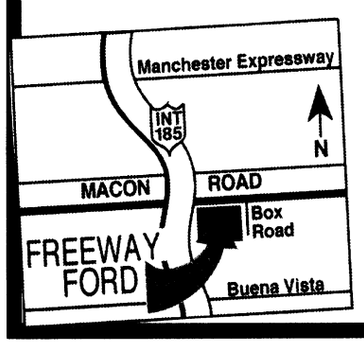

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Officials to meet for land swap

Tribal leaders to discuss cultural heritage

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Fort Benning officials have invited representatives from 11 American Indian tribes to the post for a consultation Tuesday and Wednesday concerning a proposed land exchange between the military and the city of Columbus.

The tribal leaders have also been asked to stay two additional days after the land swap consultation to discuss the post's natural and cultural resources — as well as future plans for development on the installation.

"There are 11 federally recognized tribes who have historical ties to the land we now call Fort Benning," said Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander.

"We will discuss with them and listen to their concerns about any development of, or activity on, land in which they have a cultural or historic interest. This is much bigger than the proposed land exchange."

In negotiation for more than a decade, the land exchange will be the focus Tuesday morning when Mitchell represents the post at the consultation table set up in Room 642 of Infantry Hall.

A representative from each individual tribe has been invited to join him at the table, as well as one from the city, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources' Historic Preservation Division.

Col. Robert Swann, an Army judge from Fort Campbell, Ky., will act as the moderator for the discussion of the proposed land exchange.

"He will serve as a moderator, not a mediator, not a negotiator, not a judge," Mitchell said. "He will help all of us stay on point and move the process forward."

All federal agencies are required by law to consult with American Indian tribes on a government-to-government basis when issues affecting their cultural heritage are involved.

Each tribe is recognized as a sovereign nation. The 11 tribal governments invited to the consultation are the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas, Alabama-Quassarte Muscogean Governments Town, Chickasaw Nation, Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana, Kialegee Muscogean Governments Town, Miccosukee Tribe, Muscogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Seminole Nation of Oklahoma, Seminole Tribe of Florida and the Tholpthlocco Muscogean Governments Town.

The land exchange proposal calls for the post to deed 2,200

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Water training



Pfc. Mark Watson

Soldiers from A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, load their "dead and wounded" into a raft while others watch for an "enemy ambush." For more complete coverage on the training, see Page A-6.

Leaders learn MOUT tactics

Initial Brigade Combat Team studies Infantry

Karen Taylor
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The senior leaders of the Initial Brigade Combat Team from Fort Lewis, Wash., left Fort Benning last week with military operations in urban terrain on their minds.

For five days the IBCT's senior leaders studied Infantry tactics and techniques of MOUT during the Senior Leader Course.

"I think the most valuable part was the work we did in small, simulated command posts using electronic equipment, which represented the systems we will have in the brigade," said Col. Steven Bailey, IBCT commander.

Col. Paul Melody, director of Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate, and his staff transformed three classrooms in Infantry Hall into "command posts" that the IBCT used for training Tuesday and Thursday.

"It was a lot of hard work by Directorate of Information Management, my signal officer and my automation officer. It was a real team effort," Melody said. "All this was done in our spare time."

The rooms simulated the technologically advanced command posts that the IBCT plans to be using by 2015, which includes such capabilities as tactical Internet and videoconferencing.

For this exercise, however, the rooms were equipped with networked computers that had special software and sound capabilities, as well as large terrain maps of the Fort Benning and Columbus area. The IBCT used these materials in an exercise where they developed their own tactics and techniques for operating in urban terrain.

"The most valued aspect that came out of the Senior Leader Course is the continued cohesion and understanding within the group," said Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton, deputy commanding general and assistant commandant of the U.S. Army Infantry Center and School.

The commander and staff had to work together and work the methodology out during the various exercises during the week.

The IBCT's senior leaders had the opportunity to convert doctrine and theory to practice on the ground, Eaton said.

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Holy bats in the attic, Batman!

Mammals roost in Fort Benning buildings

Karen Taylor
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Most times when a person hears the word "bat" they immediately think of Dracula — the biggest bloodsucker of them all.

Fortunately, Fort Benning residents don't have to worry about getting their veins tapped in the night by a fluttering mammal.

"We do not have vampire bats," said Pete Swiderek, chief Conservation Branch, Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Public Works.

There are eight species of bats that exist in the Fort Benning area and all of them eat insects.

"Bats are useful creatures," Swiderek said. "They help balance out the ecosystem."

One thing they do that should be applauded by humans is they eat mosquitoes.

That's not to say they don't become a nuisance, because bats have a tendency to find shelter in places like attics and inside walls.

The three most common bat hang-outs on post are in Bouton Heights' two-story duplexes; the quartels, and the two-story officer quarters in the Iron Triangle area.

With bats in attics or in walls, it can get quite unpleasant, mainly because of bat excrement.

"The biggest problem with them being inside is that they defecate all over the ground. The smell of bat waste, that's the big problem," said Jim Trostle, coordinator of wildlife and trails at the Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center.

One known bat hang-out — mainly because the smell gives it away — is located down the hall from the Special Forces Recruiting Office, in Room 408 of Building 75.

"I can smell it from the parking lot," said Capt. Nate Prussian, who is temporarily working at the SF recruiting office.

Some of the odor also comes from the bats decomposing.

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Drought causes wildlife to roam



Karen Taylor

A sign warns of the presence of alligators at Kings Pond.

Alligator makes rare appearance at Uchee Creek

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While a group was pulling a boat out at the Uchee Creek marina recently, they realized they were being watched.

"I saw its eyeballs on top of the water," said Patti Hails, manager's assistant at Uchee Creek.

It was an alligator.

Making a rare and uncharacteristic appearance at the marina, alligators seem to be moving there because of the recent drought conditions, said Pete Swiderek, chief of the Conservation Branch, Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Public Works.

The decline in water levels in rivers and swamps where alligators live have forced the animals to go elsewhere for food, water and shelter.

In this case they wandered to the Uchee Creek marina.

The alligator that Hails saw is estimated to be about 3 to 4 feet long and is hanging around the area, but

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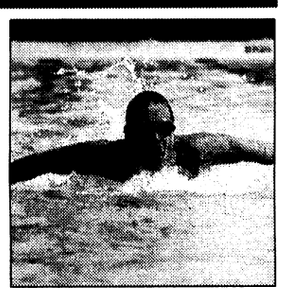

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Basic training teaches fundamentals

Clyde Snively
Bayonet columnist

commentary



Have you ever noticed how people who did something before you, always had it tougher?

When you ask for a ride to school, your parents point out that when they were kids they walked six miles to school barefoot through snow, uphill both ways.

Anyone who's been to basic at least one cycle before you really had it tough. Now basic is a wimp course.

I remember my basic at Fort Jackson, S.C. And as tough as that was, it was nothing compared to the reception station.

First, they sent four of us from California to Fort Gordon, Ga. We went there in the middle of the night on a Friday prior to a three-day weekend. Since Fort Gordon didn't have a reception station, they had to bunk us with trainees who were in their fourth week of training.

We woke up in the morning with guys standing over us with bunk adapters in their hands. I guess they thought we were drunks who'd stumbled into the place by mistake.

And since this was a three-day weekend, we didn't get to leave for Fort Jackson until Tuesday because there was no one around to amend our orders and get us bus tickets to Columbia. If I'd known how close it was, I would have walked.

The bad news is we'd followed the orders of the Induction Center NCOs to a tee. We came with the clothes on our backs, shaving kits and one change of underwear.

We were really glad to get to the reception station so we could get our uniforms and fresh underwear.

But things didn't happen that fast. First there was a lot of inprocessing and it was another day before we got our uniforms.

Then we were told to put our civilian clothes into our little gym bags and ship them home via Railroad Express. My mother opened my bag, was floored by the aroma and deposited it immediately into the trash. "But Mom, that was my favorite sweater," I told her months later upon learning of the demise of "my AWOL" bag and its contents.

The reception station was where I first learned of pecking orders. Those with haircuts lorded over those without.

Those with haircuts and uniforms came down on the haircut guys. Those who'd actually been there three days and had learned the difference between "at ease," and "parade rest," were kings of the roost.

You worked your way up the pecking order and just when you reached the top, bam, you went to basic and had to start over. Since we'd missed the company we were assigned to, we had to hang around a week waiting for the next fill.

Here we had holdovers bossing us around, telling us where we could and couldn't go. I mean like these were guys who didn't make it through, yet they made us believe they were next to God and the drill sergeants.

Finally, basic started and the first thing we were asked was if anyone could type. My dad told me never to volunteer, so I kept my yap shut, but one of my California buddies volunteered that "Snively used to work for a newspaper, I bet he can type." So there I was, getting up an hour earlier to type the morning report for the first sergeant.

Fort Jackson in the summer is no different than Fort Benning in the summer. If it got too hot, things were supposed to slow down. But our top drill sergeant didn't recognize that pettiness.

He'd take us out to the range and yell at us to stop running "or the colonel will get me," but to keep up with him and his six-foot long legs, we had no choice but to run.

Yeah, basic was tough when I went through, but I doubt if I came out any better than any other Soldier.

Let's face it, basic teaches you drill and ceremony and some other stuff that will help keep you alive.

The main thing is it gets you into condition to handle the physical training that you'll get in your unit, but most of all it instills discipline and Army values.

Then it's up to the units to take it from there. That's where the real training comes in.

Riverwalk causes temporary insanity

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



It can get pretty boring bicycling up and down the Riverwalk.

"What do you think about out there?" a non-cyclist asked me one day.

Most of the time I'm either conducting an interrogation ... "You couldn't think of some excuse to wimp out today?" "I wonder if Mr. Mileage will notice if I drop back and turn around?" or giving myself a pep talk ...

"It's going to cool off once you get past the tree line. It's probably a nice, frosty 97 degrees back there."

Then there are the little mind games. Maybe it's the line of work I'm in, but more than once, I've distracted myself by composing news leads, the opening paragraphs of a news story.

Police are still searching for a woman last seen bicycling away from the Fort Benning welcome center Monday afternoon.

Witnesses have said that she was wearing black biking shorts and a yellow jersey.

"Yeah, I saw her taking off around 5:30," said Bubba Lee Jones. "Couldn't miss her ... looked like a big bumblebee, except for missing some stripes.

"She was hollering something about headwinds making you strong."

Lately I've been using the front half of my rides to contemplate what, exactly, I'm doing out there. (The back half is reserved for willing myself back to my car). When it's 100 degrees in the shade, it really doesn't matter how much water and sports drink you're packing. It's hot.

The unidentified female bicyclist found wandering aimlessly on the Riverwalk last week has been identified as Fort Benning employee Elsie Jackson.

When questioned, her family expressed dismay and regret that they had not reported her missing sooner.

"She said she was going on a longer ride than usual," said "Oil Can Harry" Jackson, her husband. "She had her Camelbak with her and at the speed she bikes, when she didn't come home after two days I just figured she was trying to ride the whole Riverwalk again. The last time she tried it, it was a week before we heard from her.

"We just figured she would call, asking us to pick her up at South Commons like last time. That hill always gets her. Got to give her credit for trying, though.

"No, we weren't worried. We still had some groceries we hadn't finished off yet."

I was riding next to LaughingLori's daughter one morning when a squirrel made a mad dash across the bikepath inches from our front wheels.

You can't have a news story without a headline:

RODENT BLAMED FOR 2 DEATHS — *Bicyclists urged to use caution.*

The last time I indulged in a mind game, I branched out and "wrote" a sports story in tribute to the Tour de Lance — I mean, France.

I'll never rack up the average speeds the U.S. Postal Service team turned in, but a record from the other end of the stopwatch might be within reach.

BIKE PATH RECORD BROKEN — *A Columbus woman shattered the Riverwalk record Friday when she inched a year-old Raleigh bicycle over the course with a time of 7 hours, 21 minutes, five seconds.*

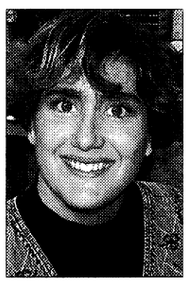
"I think I could have broken 7:30," she said. "But the hills got me."

Local cycling buffs were stunned. "7:21:05? Incredible! I've never done it in more than 1:15," reported one local cyclist. "Was there a stiff headwind?"

School can't start soon enough for mom

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary



I can't wait for Aug. 17 and I know that I am not alone. Since Tuesday my daughter and I have been doing the back-to-school countdown ... 13 more days.

Don't get me wrong — I love summer. And I loved summer vacation when I was a kid, until the middle of July. By then I was bored.

Bored with my siblings, bored with the summer activities that come with living on a farm miles from the nearest neighbor, and bored with my mother's suggestion for alleviating my boredom — cleaning.

I was always ready for school to begin. I couldn't wait for back-to-school shopping for clothes and supplies. (This was the one thing my mom always dreaded — there were five kids to get ready.)

I am so excited for school to begin I started shopping for my daughter's back-to-school clothes in June. Most of the supplies were purchased last weekend — before I received the third-grade school supply list. I'll be shopping again this weekend.

Nuts don't fall far from the tree and my daughter was ready for school to begin July 14 — the day she returned from two weeks in Savannah where she went to the beach every other day.

Boredom and cleaning aren't the only reasons why she wants school to start.

She loves school. She can't wait to get back to Dexter Elementary, which she believes is the best school in the world.

I think that belief is an integral reason why she does well in school. She believes in the teachers and the school.

Parents whose children are attending Fort Benning schools for the first time need to know Fort Benning Schools work with the parents and children to provide the best education possible.

I know several parents who homeschooled their children until moving to Fort Benning. Here, they send the children to one of the six elementary schools and to the one middle school.

One mom told me she homeschooled because she wanted the best education possible for her children. Now her children are enrolled in post schools and her values haven't changed — providing the best education for her children.

I registered my daughter for school Wednesday. One of my coworkers told me parents were standing in line out the door at Stowers Elementary Tuesday. Those parents are obviously excited for school to start.

There wasn't a line when I registered my third-grader. Parents have until Aug. 11 to register their children for school. Registration is from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If the student is new to any of the Fort Benning schools, a complete registration packet will need to be filled out. These are available at the school. Things to bring when registering a child for the first time are the child's Social Security number, proof of on-post housing and a current military ID.

When registering a child for pre-K or kindergarten, the child's original birth certificate is also needed. Parents of pre-K and kindergarten students will also be given information about the Georgia Eye, Ear, Dental and Immunization Certificate. For more information, check out the website at benning-wl.odedodea.edu or call 545-7276.

VARIOUS VOICES

Do you think Soldiers leaving basic training are prepared for their mission?



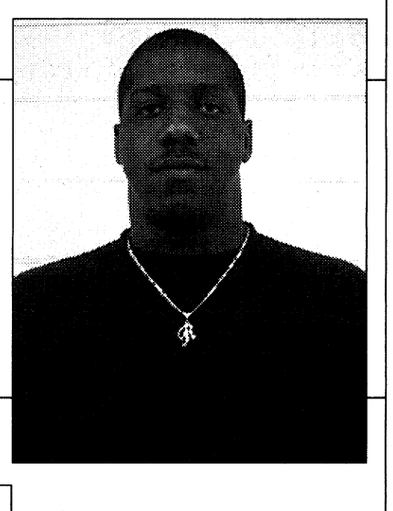
2nd Lt. Brad Waite, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I think they are overall. However, I really think they should do more MOUT training. With all the missions it should be emphasized more."



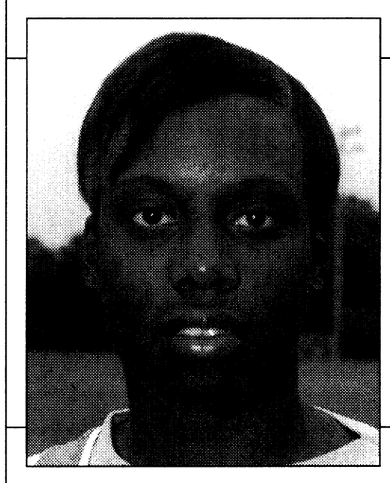
Staff Sgt. Brenda Brown, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 13th Corps Support Battalion, 36th Engineer Group— "No, they are not prepared. They are coming to the units not able to hang on the runs, pass their PT test or fire a weapon, and then it falls on the NCOs to push them, something they should have gotten in basic training."



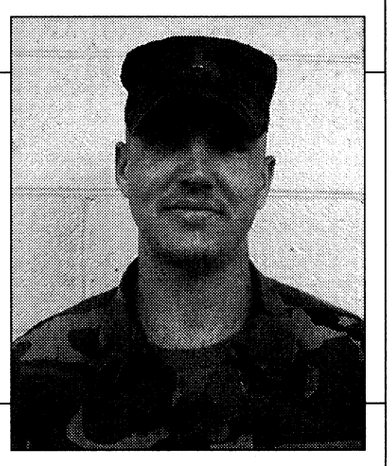
Sgt. 1st Class Charles Cowan, Advanced Noncommissioned Officers Course — "Absolutely not. Basic training is just a necessary stepping stone and they benefit from it, but they are never completely prepared. It isn't until they get to their unit and are part of a team that they are prepared."



Spc. Richard Robins, 988th Military Police Company — "I was ready when I left and I think most basic trainees are. However it really depends on the drill sergeants."



Sgt. Angela Jackson, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 13th Corps Support Bn., 36th Engineer Group — "No, because we get a lot of Soldiers coming to the unit undisciplined. The basic principles of the Army need to be instilled before they leave basic training."



1st Lt. Scott Stagner, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "No, because we are concentrating too much on sensitivity and political correctness and we are making our Soldiers too dependent on technology."

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Team of cooks competes for top honors



Pfc. Mark Watson

Pfc. Dimitrios Minadakis serves up food in the field.

Field chow brightens up Soldiers' day

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

People say the way to a man's heart is through his stomach. Soldiers from 3rd Brigade's consolidated team of cooks know this all too well.

The team is competing for this year's Training and Doctrine Command Commanding General's Best Dining Facility award and were judged July 28.

Being evaluated on their performance, setup, sanitation and food preparation, the team of eight cooks and 10 Soldiers helping the cooks, prepared to win the best field site Armywide since May 6.

"It is a lot of hard work and long hours," said Staff Sgt. Michael Eberhart.

"We are working 12 to 14 hour days and in 90 degree plus heat with all our gear on (kevlar, LBE and other items that Soldiers in the field need). It isn't an easy job."

As the aroma of teriyaki steak, grilled chicken, buttered peas and seasoned corn filled the air, Sgt. Maj. Frederick Jackson, the evaluator for the competition, from Fort Monroe, Va., roamed the site.

"The site looks very good," Jackson said. "The setup is very impressive, the Soldiers are very knowledgeable and things are well above standards."

Jackson, who has participated in the event since 1975, said being nominated to be in the competition is a huge honor and to win requires what few can give.

"To win the Soldiers need vigorous training, attention to detail, the utmost dedication, selfless service and the desire and will to win," he said. "Fort Benning has performed admirably in all those areas."

Although the results of the competition won't be in for several weeks, Eberhart said he is confident his team will win and continue to serve good nutritious food with a friendly face.

> "I remember when I was in basic while out in the field ... a hot meal was the best thing in the world. Hot meals keep spirits high and who wouldn't like a nice steak rather than a little folded up MRE."
>
> **Pfc. Dimitrios Minadakis**
> Cook with 3rd Brigade's consolidated team

"Our job has so many moving parts which can deadline a unit," Jackson said. "Improper preparation, handling or sanitation can be detrimental to a unit within two hours.

"The Army travels on its stomach," he said. "We have to ensure it is ready for the trip."

Pfc. Dimitrios Minadakis, a cook on the team, said he feels that hot food in the field is nearly worth its weight in gold.

"I remember when I was in basic while out in the field a hot meal was the best thing in the world," Minadakis said.

"Hot meals keep spirits high and who wouldn't like a nice steak rather than a little folded up MRE."

Although the Army cooks don't often get thanked for their labors, they do get satisfaction in a little different way, said Chief Warrant Officer Georgene Pipkins, the brigade's food advisor.

"Our Soldiers can't go to war with all their weapons without energy, and they get that energy from food," said Pipkins. "When we win we know we won for what we did."

Public Works director retires after 29 years of service

Buck leaves job, 3 loves: DPW, Schools, LEAD

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Col. Randy Buck said good-bye to active duty after 29 years in uniform during a retirement ceremony in front of Infantry Hall Monday.

Serving as a post engineer had always been a goal of Buck's and he described his four years as the director of Public Works at Fort Benning as "Nirvana."

"I was able to do engineer things and at the same time interact daily with units and Soldiers," Buck said.

Buck's dream job involved overseeing as many as 500 employees and managing a budget in excess of $50 million a year.

DPW's responsibilities include maintaining the post's roads, water treatment and sewer facilities, electrical and natural gas distribution, Lawson Army Airfield, dozens of ranges and training facilities, as well as 20 million square feet of facilities on the installation — including barracks and family housing.

"To describe this position as challenging is an understatement," Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander, said.

"Randy Buck has carried this load for more than four years — quietly, professionally and without complaining. He has accomplished miracles with limited resources," Mitchell said.

"There was a new adventure everyday," Buck said referring to the post's infrastructure, which features buildings and underground systems first built in the 1920s.

And then there were the occasional instances of bats roosting in tile roofs and alligators threatening dogs along the post's ponds.

"Yeah, those types of things would crop up," he said.

Buck cited numerous reasons why his last tour has been so special, and three earned the label "professional loves."

The first was the chance to serve as DPW and work with a staff who were "under-manned and under-resourced, but not out-gunned," he said.

Buck then highlighted his second "professional love" — the Fort Benning Schools. He served as a member one year and then as the president of the Fort Benning School Board for the past two years.

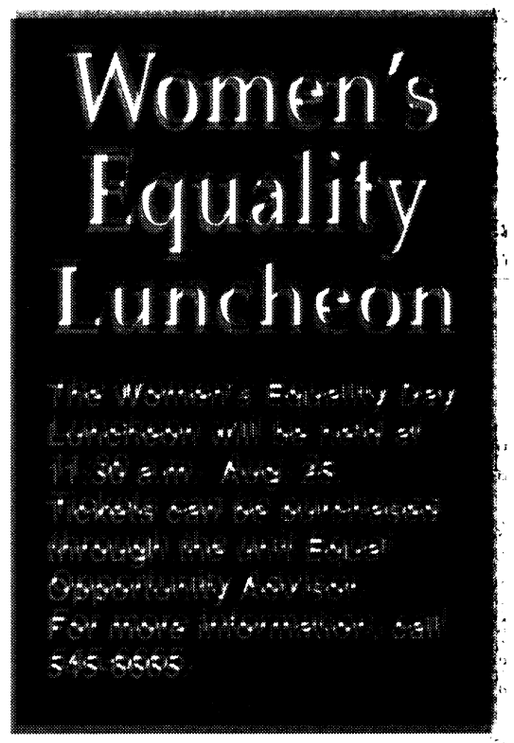
"In spite of having one of the busiest jobs on the post, Col. Buck always found time to write a teacher a note for a job well-done, to stop and chat with a principal to see how he might help, or to call me late in the afternoon just to see how things were going," said Dr. Dell McMullen, school superintendent.

"He will truly be missed," she said.

Buck's final "love" was working with the Leadership Education and Development Program as a facilitator.

"The one-week course is intended for all new supervisors, but is a great review for experienced leaders," Buck said, urging all leaders to make use of this important force multiplier.

Buck, his wife, Kellie, and daughter, Robin, 12, will remain in the Columbus area.





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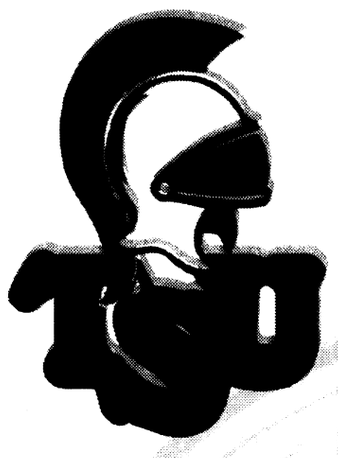

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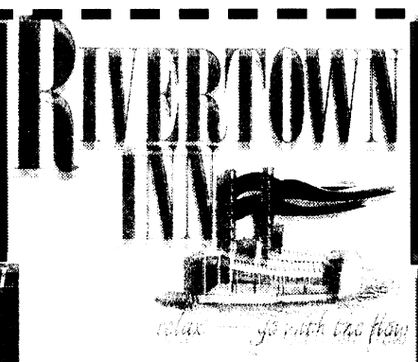

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Terrorism comes in different forms

Soldiers should remain alert for suspicious parcel

Sherry Wade
Directorate of Threat and Security

When someone mentions antiterrorism, do you think of foreign terrorism, bombings, kidnappings or even hijackings of aircraft in far away places?

Because of the increase in domestic terrorism such as the Oklahoma City and Olympic games bombing, it is important for all of us to be alert to all forms of terrorism.

Terrorism can take many forms, including manmade explosive devices or other hazards in letters or packages.

Awareness of this form of terrorism requires active support from everyone to protect our Soldiers, civilians, and family members.

The first line of defense is education and detection of certain indicators on mail that may alert you as being suspicious.

In 1997 eight letters containing explosive devices were sent through the U.S. Postal Service to the National Press Building in Washington, D.C., and to the Federal Penitentiary in Leavenworth, Kansas.

One letter was partially opened by an employee who observed wires inside the letter. The letter was immediately turned over to the authorities and was determined it contained a bomb.

The other letters were intercepted before they were opened. Inside the envelopes were musical holiday cards that contained a letter bomb, which, if detonated, could have caused severe bodily injury to the recipient.

The envelopes carried a postmark from Alexandria, Egypt, with no return address. The cards were enclosed in plain white envelopes, 5 inches by 6 inches in size, with computer generated addresses on the front of the envelopes.

It is very important for military and civilian personnel, and their dependents, to remain alert for suspicious parcels.

In 1991 in Dumfries, Va., a letter carrier identified a suspect parcel in a collection box.

The parcel contained a bomb. By acting quickly, the carrier may have saved lives.

Becoming familiar with the characteristics of suspect parcels could help avert a tragedy. It is important to know the type of mail your organization or your home receives.

If you become suspicious of a letter or package and are unable to verify the contents don't open the article. Isolate the suspect parcel and evacuate the immediate area. Don't put it in water or a confined space, such as a desk drawer or cabinet.

If possible, open windows in the immediate area to assist in venting potentially explosive gases. Make sure family members or clerical staff know to refuse all unexpected mail at home or the office.

Don't worry about possible embarrassment if the item turns out to be innocent. Instead, contact your supervisor, the Military Police or your local police department.

It is important to be alert for suspicious parcels.

Remember that the item does not have to be delivered by a professional carrier. A designated "runner," a secretary, mail handling personnel, or even a family member could make the delivery or bring it into the home.

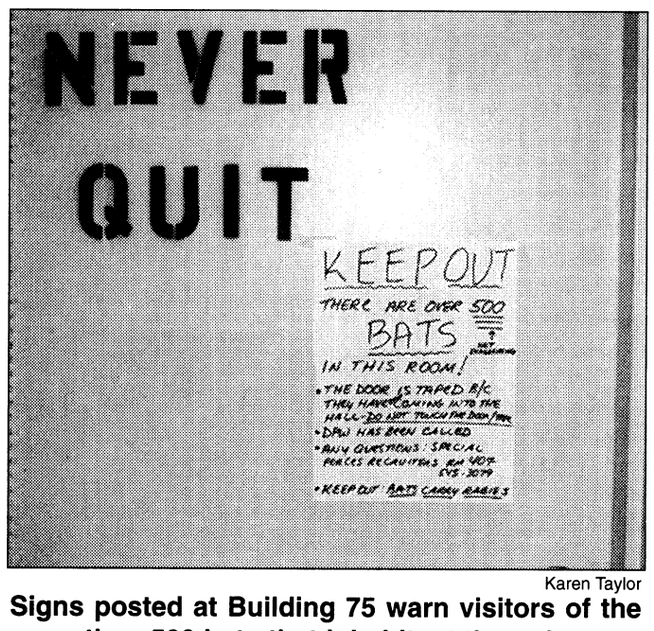
When in doubt, remember the steps previously mentioned.

A CLOSER LOOK

Individuals should be aware of the following to protect themselves.

- Improper spelling of common names, places or titles
- Generic or incorrect titles
- Leaks, stains or protruding wires, string, tape, etc.
- Strange odor
- No return address or nonsensical return address
- Any foreign writing, addresses or postage.
- Excess postage on small packages or letters indicates that the object was not weighted by the Post Office. Normally, a bomber does not want to mail a parcel over the counter and have to deal face-to-face with a window clerk.
- Packages wrapped in string are automatically suspicious, as modern packaging materials have eliminated the need for twine or string.
- Handwritten addresses or labels from companies. Check to see if the company exists and if they sent a package or letter to you.
- Inspect for lumps, bulges or protrusions without applying pressure.
- Check if lopsided or heavy sided.
- No postage or non-canceled postage.
- Handwritten notes, such as: "To Be Opened in the Privacy of," "CONFIDENTIAL," "Your Lucky Day is Here," "Prize Enclosed".
- Hand delivered or "dropped off for a friend" packages or letters.
- Any letters or packages arriving before or after a phone call from an unknown person asking if the item was received.

Bats: Create ruckus in buildings all over Fort Benning



Karen Taylor

Signs posted at Building 75 warn visitors of the more than 500 bats that inhabitant the attic.

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"Some get in places where they can't get out, like stuck in the door jam," he said.

There are two rooms down the hallway that have an estimated 500 bats in each and not only make a stink, but make a racket, too.

"I remember my first day and I said 'What is that squeaking?'" Prussian said.

The bats make squeaking noises almost every time someone opens the double doors to go down the hallway or footsteps are nearby.

"It's like a horror movie, with the long empty hallway," he said.

Each door has towels stuffed under the opening and tape around the bottom and the door knob to prevent the bats from getting out into the hall.

The occasional bat that has made it out of the room usually finds its way out of the building.

If a bat does make it into a building or home, it is important to call the Conservation Branch at 544-7319 during business hours or the military police at 545-5222 during evenings and weekends.

Currently, DPW is working on removing the bats from the fourth floor of the quartel, but in the meantime the bats are not harming anyone.

"You don't want to hit them with tennis racquets," Trostle said. "Besides the fact that it is very hard to do, there's no reason to kill the bat."

Aside from its ecological benefits, all bats are protected and will therefore not be exterminated.

"Due to habitat loss and pesticide use, there's been a decline (in bats)," Trostle said.

The Conservation Branch works closely with housing and Environmental Health among others to safely remove the bats out of the building.

The worst case scenario regarding a bat problem would be removing the residents, tearing the walls down and cleaning them out to remove the bats and their feces, but that is a rare occurrence.

Most times require the installation of netting or a plastic funnel on the opening to allow the bats to exit but not return, forcing them to find another home.

"We're trying for a win-win situation for the residents and the bats," Swiderek said.

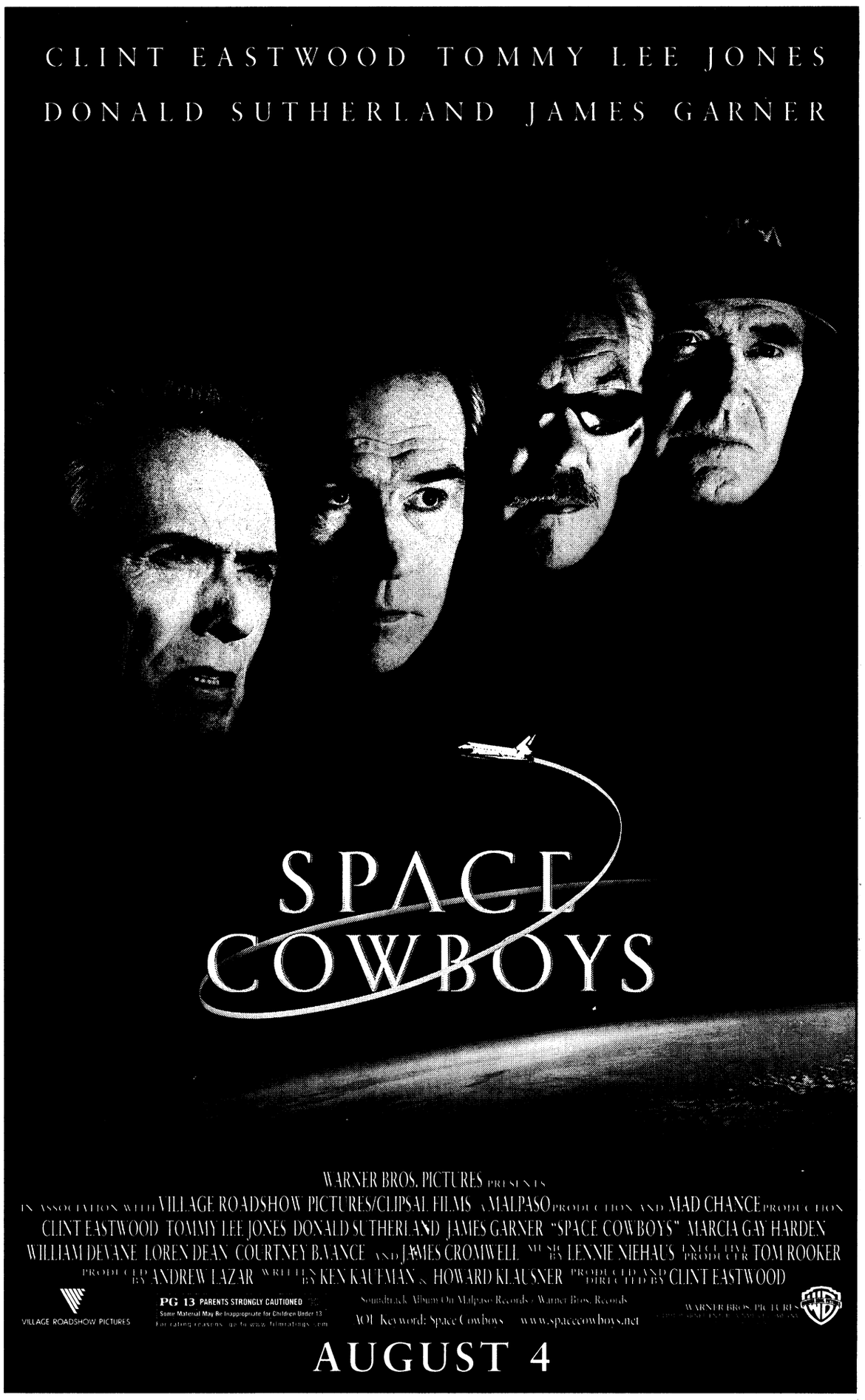
Although rabies is a concern with most wildlife, there is a very small chance that a bat would be a carrier.

"The chances are less than 1/10th of 1 percent," he said.

Obvious signs of a bat with rabies would be seeing it in the daytime. "It's like any other animal that's acting strangely. If a person finds a bat lying on the ground during the day, there's something wrong with it. Don't pick it up," Trostle said.

To learn more about bats, the Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center will be holding a program on bats at 2 p.m. Aug. 13. The program will feature guest speaker Dr. Art Cleveland, dean of the science department at Columbus State University. For more information, call 687-4090.





Leaders: Learn strategy from McKenna MOUT demonstration

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"It was the first time that they had a chance to act like a battalion and brigade staff and practice with the equipment and they said that alone was worth the trip," Melody said. "The other posts didn't force them to act as a brigade like we did."

The senior leaders of the IBCT have trained at Fort Lee, Va., in logistics, Fort Huachuaca, Ariz., in intelligence and sensor systems and Fort Knox, Ky., in reconnaissance and target acquisition.

The next stop for IBCT is Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for a capstone exercise that will include all training aspects of the past five weeks.

Fort Benning's contribution to the IBCT training began with a demonstration by A Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, at McKenna MOUT.

Then the leaders used what they learned in the demonstration and various briefings and exercises to develop their own strategy for operating in urban terrain.

One of the exercises was a reconnaissance mission in uptown Columbus to gather information about the area.

The IBCT's senior leaders walked the uptown area looking at the terrain from the ground and from atop the 12-story Government Center Tower for a better view.

"We were able to put together our vision of the entire city," said Maj. Doug Fields, operations officer, 1st Bn., 32nd Armor Regt.

This regiment will soon be renamed the Reconnaissance, Surveillance and Target Acquisition squadron of IBCT.

From the government building they noted the locations of key elements within the urban environment such as waterways, road networks and communication stations.

They also talked with the local population as a part of the exercise.

"We decided to just try it," said Lt. Col. Pittard, commander, 1st Bn.., 32nd Armor Regt.

In the past, reconnaissance missions focused mainly on terrain, but now the local population is a major component because of the nature of the battlefield.

In urban environments, similar to Kosovo or Bosnia, Soldiers now seek multidimensional situational awareness, which incorporates terrain, people, political structure, culture and architecture, just to name a few.

The IBCT's senior leaders were looking for such elements in uptown Columbus during the exercise.

"What we hadn't had in the past was real civilians (to work with)," said Capt. Vinnie Bellisario, effects coordinator, 1st Bn., 32nd Armor Regt.

The group spoke with a variety of people from construction workers to the city manager, Carmen Cavezza.

"We found out he was a former commander at Fort Lewis and that was kind of neat," Pittard said.

Soldiers asked a variety of questions such as how people felt about crime in the area and the history of the buildings.

Most people were very friendly and not intimidated by being approached by a Soldier in BDUs, Bellisario said.

But there was a reason for that.

Because the people of Columbus are used to seeing Soldiers in uniform, it wasn't as difficult to obtain information, said Capt. Tod Langley, surveillance troop commander, RSTA squadron.

"What we took 10 minutes to get out of a conversation would take a long time in a foreign country, probably 30 to 40 minutes," Langley said.

Language and cultural differences would quickly add time to information gathering.

Other challenges the Soldiers face during this type of exercise is the ability to filter biases, personalities and pre-judgements out of conversations.

The situation dictates how many people the Soldiers talk to in order to make an accurate analysis and assessment on the area.

"You're painting the picture. Once you paint the picture and you think that's correct, then you report it," Bellisario said.

By the end of the exercise, the team was able to get a real-life perspective on the complexity of an operation in a confusing urban environment.

"People don't realize that it's not from a *Saving Private Ryan* point of view, where buildings are empty and you can go in and set up camp. You'll have traffic jams and civilians on the battlefield, things like that to deal with," Langley said.

Many of the IBCT's senior leaders found this exercise helpful and enlightening and looked forward to repeating it after returning to Fort Lewis, Wash.

"We could do a general application of this (exercise) in a larger-sized city or town that we could be operating in and talking through it," Fields said.

A CLOSER LOOK

- The IBCT, although built around the Infantry, is a combined arms brigade comprised of cavalry, artillery, engineering, military intelligence, signal and basic support branches that, with the help of technology, will become a faster, lighter force operating in an urban environment.
- One unique aspect of the brigade is branches such as military intelligence and field artillery, which used to be attached to a unit, are a permanent part of the unit and train with them 24-hours a day.
- "We have never had this much intelligence-gathering capability," Pittard said.
- Currently, there are two of these "Infantry-centric" brigades at Fort Lewis, Wash., one is based upon a heavy unit, 3rd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division and the other is based upon a light unit, 1st Bde., 26th Inf. Div.
- Each of these brigades are referred to as medium because they blend the boundaries between light and heavy Infantry.
- The Initial Brigade Combat Team is the heavy brigade, 3rd Bde., 2nd Inf. Div., that, after the Senior Leader Course, will train the rest of the brigade on tactics and techniques learned in Fort Lewis, Wash.
- The new Infantry vehicle that will be the primary means of transport for brigade — still to be determined as to its type or kind — has a fielding date of March 16.
- The second brigade, based upon a light Infantry unit, will follow the same line of training as the IBCT starting with its leaders in a Senior Leader Course. Training is set to start next summer.
- Eventually there will be five brigades, two out of Fort Lewis, Wash., and the location of other three have yet to be determined. These five will make up the Interim Brigade Combat Team.
- The next step after forming the Interim Brigade Combat Team is creating the objective force, which will be the brigade fielding all the latest technology.

Exchange: Raises issues over cultural, historical artifacts

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acres, the North Tract, east of Schatulga Road to the city in return for 2,156 acres, the South Tract, in Chattahoochee County.

The city plans to use the land it acquires for industrial development, parks and recreation facilities; the post will use its acquisition for training.

In April tribal representatives met with post and city officials at Fort Benning and expressed concern over the protection of more than 60 archaeological sites identified on the land the post would turn over to the city under the proposal.

"They have some very deep-seated objections to the transfer of any federal lands out of federal control," Mitchell said.

"The fundamental issue for them — when lands are transferred out of federal control to a municipality or state agency — is that the protections under federal law might not be observed.

"It's a threat to their cultural resources and sacred sites," he said.

"We are counting on the representatives to help us construct the language in the written agreement with the city that addresses their concerns and gives them the assurance they seek that any cultural resources or human remains found on the land will be treated with the appropriate respect," he said.

After the land exchange consultation, the representatives have been asked to stay an additional two days to discuss the post's Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan, the Integrated Cultural Resource Management Plan and other projects being proposed at the post.

Army regulations mandate that all military installations develop these plans.

"You can see why both of these plans would require consultation with Native Americans," Mitchell said.

"They have interests in the natural resources — for example, some tribes use certain plant life in religious ceremonies — and in the cultural resources, physical evidence of earlier residents and their cultures."

Discussion of projects planned at Lawson Army Airfield will be on the agenda also.

"Lawson Army Airfield sits squarely on an important cultural site — the archaeological site of Kasita, one of the main towns for the Creek Indians prior to their removal to Oklahoma," said Chris Hamilton, cultural resource manager and coordinator of Native American Affairs, Directorate of Public Works.

"It's the site from which the town of Cusseta is named after," he said.

Post officials have talked with groups from other installations who have worked with American Indian tribes on similar issues, Hamilton said.

"We are learning lessons from their work and they are learning from ours," he said. "Actually Fort Benning is on the cutting edge of a lot of this, particularly since there is no previous example for the proposed land exchange.

"That's a new thing for the Army," he said.

The city is covering travel and lodging expenses for the American Indian representatives during the two-day land exchange consultation.

The post will pick up lodging for the visitors during the follow-on meeting, Mitchell said.

The representatives will arrive Monday and stay at the Hilton Hotel in Columbus. After visiting the National Infantry Museum, they will attend a dinner at the O'Club.

The consultation begins at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

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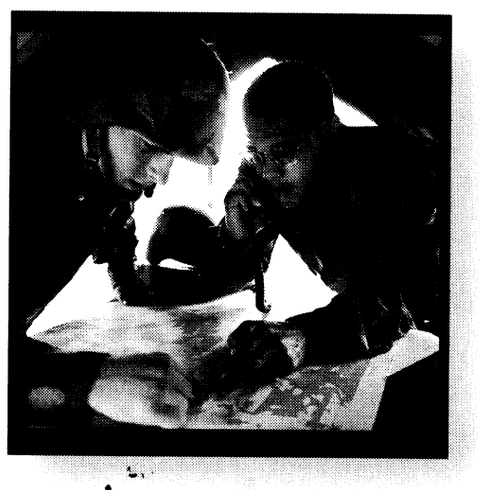

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Soldiers from A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, move a raft downstream after taking it out of the water to avoid "enemy" contact.

Trainees take river plunge

Water exercise gives Soldiers added confidence

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

In the second to last task before graduation soon-to-be Infantrymen floated a raft downstream to deliver ammunition to their allies July 28.

Along the way the "enemy" was sighted and the trainees of A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, portaged the raft to avoid an ambush.

Soldiers dragged the 300 pound boat from the water, up a steep bank and across rough terrain before they were able to find a suitable area to launch the boat again.

While doing this the platoon received several casualties. Now the Soldiers needed to carry their "dead and wounded" along with the boat.

The river movement was based on the movie *Northwest Passage* where the explorers had to take their boats out of the river to avoid contact with the French outposts, said Lt. Col. Doug McCallum, 1st Battalion's commander.

This was the first time the battalion took part in this type of training.

"The company has the opportunity to create a water scenario," said 1st Sgt. Randall Allen.

"No mater what the scenario, we try to pull out a value. On this exercise it was loyalty. They learned they needed loyalty to help each other haul the boat across the land."

"We all needed to work together to get the job done," said Pvt. Thomas Geary. "This smoked us. This is by far the hardest thing we have done."

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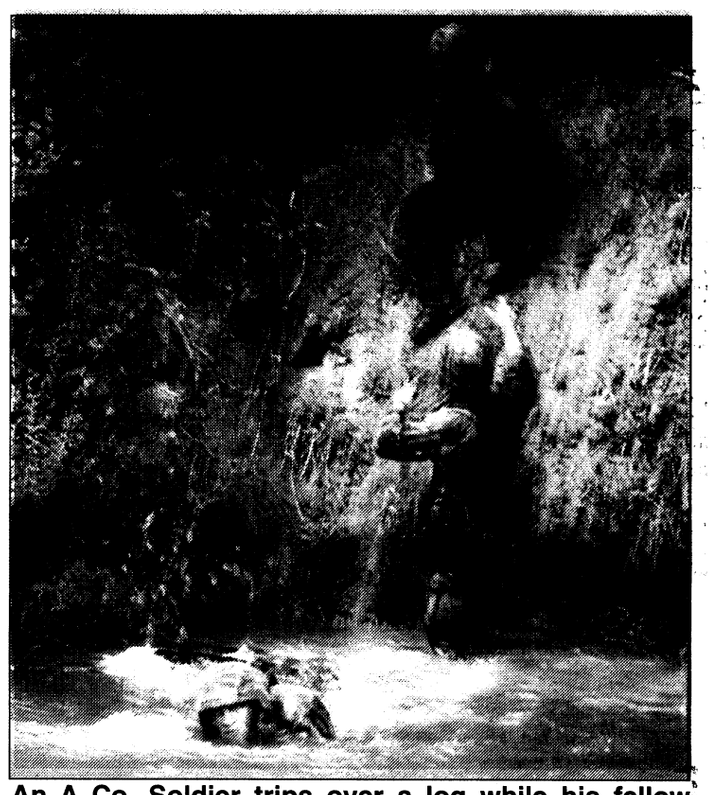
> A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment

"The water felt really good for the first 20 minutes or so, but then we got tired, especially when we started taking casualties," he said.

Tired and sore from being awake and working on the field training exercise for nearly 24 hours, the Soldiers finally reached the shore. With one more task ahead of them, they said they had motivation to continue with the Bayonet, the name of the field training exercise.

"Everyone is really motivated to get the crossed rifles," said Pvt. Yair Oaxaca. "We are hurting, but we still are driving on."



An A Co. Soldier trips over a log while his fellow trainee helps another down the steep bank.

Units help Fort Benning beat summer heat with shade

Maj. J.F. Lightner
2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment

Soldiers at Fort Benning are getting relief from the summer sun this year thanks to the efforts of the 29th Infantry Regiment and Infantry Training Brigade.

Starting in late May NCOs of the 2nd Battalion, 29th Inf. Regt., and ITB Soldiers started constructing shade at several of the most heavily used ranges on post.

Leaders have long noted the requirements for some sort of relief for Soldiers at Fort Benning from the oppressive heat. In the past, many steps have been taken to include the use of ice, changes in the wear of the uniform and strict guidelines for the amount of time that Soldier can be trained to lessen the likelihood of heat injury.

Despite these many actions by the Fort Benning leadership, this post has consistently been the top installation in the Army for heat related injuries. With the bulk of these injuries occurring within the ITB and BCTB units.

The original plan called for the construction of wood and metal carport type structures. The total proposed cost for these structures was more than $200,000 and would have taken months to build.

The 29th Regiment developed a plan to accomplish the task with minimal funds. The 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt. S-4 shop planned and resourced the project using standard camouflage nets, poles and locally purchased hardware.

The first range to have the shade constructed on was the Mortar Training Area at Sand Hill. In addition to the need for shade at this range, it was also used as a testing area to see the feasibility of installing the shade at other ranges.

After a small amount of "tweaking" it was found to be useful. The decision to build the shade at key ranges was made and fully supported by both the 29th and ITB.

Currently the ranges that have shade are the M-16 zero and qualification ranges and McAndrews range.

The total cost of the project was about $6,000 dollars and took 10-weeks to construct.

More important than the money saved, will be a reduction in heat injuries this summer.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Lt. Col. Edward B. Daly, commander of the 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, shapes a piece of steel during a Cold Steel Ceremony July 27.

Basic training molds future Soldiers

Cold Steel Ceremony celebrates finish of nine-week training

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

This is the final story of a six-part series, which takes an in-depth look at basic training.

Before daybreak Soldiers from D Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, were awake and ready to make their final trek to become full-fledged Soldiers.

With the 72-hour field training exercise completed, the final task was to march nine and one-half miles back to the Cold Steel Ceremony

Before they rounded the final corner, many of the new Soldiers limped or their faces showed pain. But when they could hear the music playing and see the light from the fire barrel, as if by magic, all the pain left their bodies — they knew they had made it, said Capt. Bill Burley, D Co.'s commander.

The Soldiers gathered around the fire where they were greeted by Lt. Col. Edward B. Daly, the battalion commander.

"This is the circle of honor and only Soldiers have stood here," Daly said addressing the Army's newest Soldiers.

During the ceremony Daly pulled a white-hot bar of steel from the flames and took it to an anvil. He told the Soldiers how when they first came to basic training they were all individuals but the drill sergeants began to mold them into Soldiers, then pounded on the steel.

He retrieved another bar of steel from the fire and pounded it with the hammer.

They went through many hours of training, doing PT and learning the Army values still being formed, he told the Soldiers.

And after many hard weeks of training they were formed into an instrument of war, he said as he pulled a saber from its sheath and held it above his head.

Finally after weeks of hard training, the trainees were now full fledged Soldiers. The drill sergeants walked through the ranks pinning the U.S. insignia in the Soldiers collars. Several of the Soldiers shed tears of joy while many others choked back those tears.

"It was the hardest but most worthwhile nine weeks I have ever spent," said Pvt. Stephen Clark. "During the ceremony everything came together and I really had to hold back the tears."

Pvt. Clyde Tincher said that he has changed a lot since he joined.

"I really have upped my standards," he said. "Everything that has changed in me has been for the better."

The Cold Steel Ceremony, finished the Soldiers' FTX, which tested them on everything they learned during their training.

They worked on individual fighting positions, two-man fighting positions and crew served positions, said Staff Sgt. Stanley Mitchell.

They reinforced their individual tactical training, set up day and night defensive positions and it was their first introduction to sleep deprivation.

Not only did they have to worry about the mission, but they had to do it with a lack of sleep," Mitchell said. "Also for the first time we filmed the Soldiers in the field and then took a TV and VCR out to let them watch themselves in action and to critique the mission."

All the tasks they learned throughout their training came to a head at the ceremony, said 1st Sgt. James Luze.

"When they received the insignia, it became a whole lot more to them than just a piece of brass," he said.

During the training they marched more than 100 miles, conducted more than 80 hours of organized PT and worked 100 hours with weapons.

The Soldiers of D Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB, graduated Thursday. More than 60 percent of the Soldiers will go home to finish high school as they opted to forego their summer vacations to become Soldiers.

The others will spread out across the country where they will attend their advanced individual training.

Although the Soldiers were in basic training for a short time, the memories they received will last forever.

"I actually became a Soldier tonight," Pvt. Daniel Robinson said after the Cold Steel Ceremony. "I am glad it is over with, but I sure had a lot of fun along the way."

Army Combatives manual gets make-over

Soldiers receive new training in hand-to-hand

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

Super kicks, exotic flips and potent punches are fine and dandy on the big screen and in professional competition, but when it comes down to raw, one-on-one sparring there is no room for fancy fighting.

This is especially true in combat, which is why the Army is giving its combatives manual, FM 21-150, a make over.

For as long as there has been an Army, Soldiers have received training in some form of combatives. However, this training hasn't always proved to be a foundation of realism for hand-to-hand fighting, said Sgt. 1st Class Matt Larsen, NCOIC of Army combatives, C Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion.

Larsen, who is involved in rewriting the manual, said the process of looking for an improved way to train Soldiers in hand-to-hand came a few years back when it was realized the current program wasn't "cutting it."

"We have had hand-to-hand programs all along, but no one actually thinks our guys are proficient hand-to-hand fighters," Larsen said. "So we started searching the world to see what was out there and who had effective programs."

One program that caught their eye was Russian Sambo, a form of fighting based almost entirely on ground grappling.

Because it is easy to teach and doesn't require a lot of natural ability, Larsen said it became a good starting point for the kind of program they wanted to develop.

"We decided to come up with something that had those (Sambo) strengths, but develop it around the realities of a military unit."

After searching the world over, Larsen said they began to look in the U.S. for other programs and ideas — what they found was Brazilian jujitsu.

He said Brazilian jujitsu "fit the bill" and ended up becoming a base for the current program. However, there were still a number of weaknesses that had to be fixed so the training would better suit the Army's needs.

With a little molding the final product became a combatives program unique to the Army that is easy to teach and easy to learn, but also effective enough to produce proficient fighters in a matter of hours, Larsen said.

Currently the program is being taught in a number of schools on Fort Benning including the Officer Candidate School, Infantry Officer Basic Course, Ranger Indoctrination Program and the Infantry Captains' Career Course.

Eventually this training will be taught all over Fort Benning with the hopes of it trickling over into the rest of the Army, Larsen said.

Col. Michael Ferriter, 11th Infantry Regiment commander, said more than 2,500 Soldiers in schools and directorates within the 11th Regt. have received the training with zero injuries.

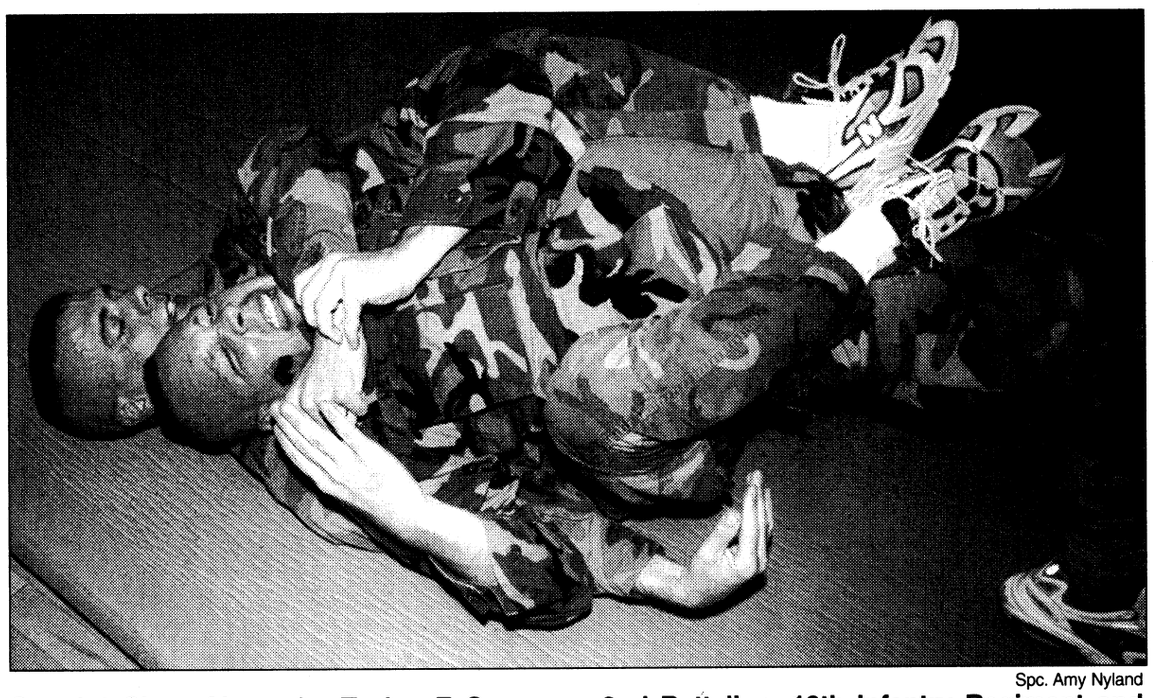
Besides being fun, Ferriter said it is a total body work out that instills warrior ethos.

"It's always a great workout and always exciting," Ferriter said. "And females like it as much as the males because it gives them a set of skills and confidence they can use."

He also said the progressive nature of the training makes it safe and doesn't push Soldiers past their abilities.

Larsen agreed, saying the program was designed with a graduated set of rules and techniques, so each step builds upon the last to make a Soldier that much better fighter.

However, the program isn't about just teaching Soldiers to beat up the enemy, he said.



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Sgt. 1st Class Alexander Taylor, E Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment and Capt. Wayne Metz, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment bout for submission as part of the "train the trainer" program at the 11th Inf. Regt.

"It's about attitude," Larsen said. "The main thing for the Army is not that we become great hand-to-hand fighters, because in the long run what difference does it make? What really matters is we have a warrior culture and the mental toughness to drive on.

"Being a warrior is not just a set of skills you are required to learn, it's more about the way you think and that's really the main benefit of this."

1st Sgt. Frank McConnell, C Co., 4th RTBn, said the skills and confidence gained from jujitsu helps smaller Soldiers defeat the size advantage. He also commented that teaching ground fighting is one of the program's greatest strengths.

"The old stuff never addressed fights on the ground and that's where they end up," McConnell said.

"With modern combatives the focus is defeating a guy on the ground, which is one of its best aspects."

"We are in reaching distance of having an Army of proficient hand-to-hand fighters, which is really a first time ever," said Larsen.

Alligators: Become nuisance when fed by humans

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not causing a problem.

The presence of alligators was evidenced in the marina area by the pushed down grass along the bank, Swiderek said. Although he said he hasn't seen it yet.

"This is the first time to my knowledge," Hails said of the alligator sighting. "It's very rare. I hadn't seen anything since."

One other sighting at the marina, reported July 16, involved a man and his Labrador retriever.

The dog was swimming in the water in the early afternoon and he saw an alligator moving toward it, Hails said.

The man and his dog left the scene unscathed, but it should be a caution to dog owners about allowing their pets to swim in the marina area or in lakes or ponds around Fort Benning.

"Alligators will eat a dog," Swiderek said.

It is recommended to be alert for alligators, but not just in the Uchee Creek marina. This applies to any lake, pond or swamp, at least until the drought subsides.

If an alligator is seen, rule No. 1 is to stay away from it.

Signs will be posted in the marina and lake areas at Uchee Creek to warn people about the possible presence of alligators and to not feed them, or they will be fined $200, Swiderek said.

"The worst thing anybody here can do is feed the alligator," said Jim Trostle, coordinator of wildlife and trails at the Oxbow Meadows Environmental Learning Center.

"If you feed them they become habituated to people and the alligators will associate people with food."

There was an incident a few years ago that required a Georgia Department of Natural Resources Alligator agent to kill a 12-foot alligator in Weems Pond because the alligator was hand-fed by humans and becoming a nuisance.

Currently, Swiderek and others from the Conservation Branch are performing a survey of the alligator population as well as checking on the alligators in the area.

"I have been checking on the 4.5 and 6-foot gators at Twilight Pond. They are not in the main pond, but in an adjacent 1-acre swamp pond. They are not causing any problems that I can detect," he said.

"Actually seeing an alligator is not a problem," Swiderek said. "It's typical to see them there sunning themselves."

"People see alligators all the time at Riverbend," Hails said.

Alligators, by nature, keep to themselves and will not attack humans.

"Gators are not man-eaters," Swiderek said. People commonly confuse alligators with crocodiles, which will attack humans. Crocodiles are not native to the United States except for the extreme southern tip of Florida.

"Alligator bites are extremely rare," he said.

If an alligator is seen where it not normally should be, such as in the marina at Uchee Creek, report it to the Conservation Branch at 544-7319.

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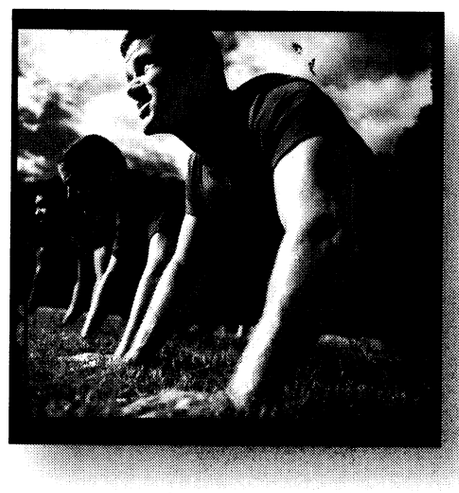
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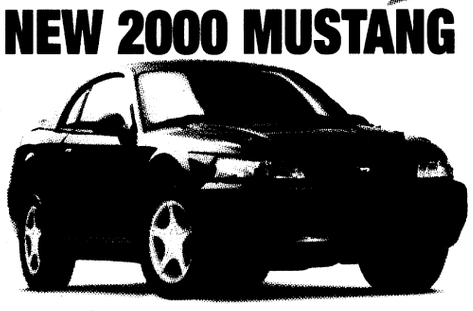

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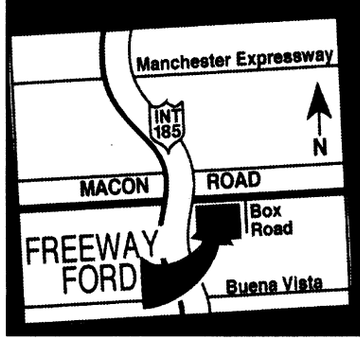

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SECTION B

Operation Schoolhouse tests readiness

Mock crisis gets schools ready for year

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Fort Benning schools passed a major test July 28.

The second annual Operation Schoolhouse training and response exercise was conducted at Stowers Elementary School, and all participating factions received an A-plus from principal Glenn Hughes.

Hughes and several staff members got a first-hand look at how Fort Benning's finest would react to an emergency situation at a post school during a mock hostage crisis.

"I feel confident, very, very confident, we're in good hands," Hughes said.

Fort Benning has a detailed plan of action for a myriad of possible school emergencies, as does the school system itself. The two come together once a year to test their logistical and tactical coherency in what has become known as Operation Schoolhouse.

"This is one of the times we can dust off and refine every detail of our plan, with the focus on protecting our children from any of a number of possible threats to their safety," said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief of Law Enforcement Division. "Their well-being is always our first concern."

Kelley said Operation Schoolhouse is designed to gauge the time it takes all key personal to respond and disseminate information in an emergency situation, ranging from something as common as adverse weather conditions to the opposite end of the spectrum, a hostage crisis.

To an onlooker, last week's training and response exercise would have appeared frighteningly realistic. Capt. Andrew Sullivan, plans and operations officer, scripted the scenario, and Staff Sgt. Kevin Sparks role-played an enraged parent who entered the building with a gun and barricaded himself in a classroom with three hostages. A staff member and Sparks' two children played the part of hostages.

School staff, though aware of the exercise in progress, reacted as they would in a real situation.

At the first hint of danger they activated the Safe Schools Plan and called 911. Within minutes military police surrounded the building — step one of Operation Schoolhouse.

"It was quite a scenario," said Donna Ford, support services supervisor for Fort Benning Schools. "Unless you've actually been through this, you have no real understanding of the time line involved in a situation like this."

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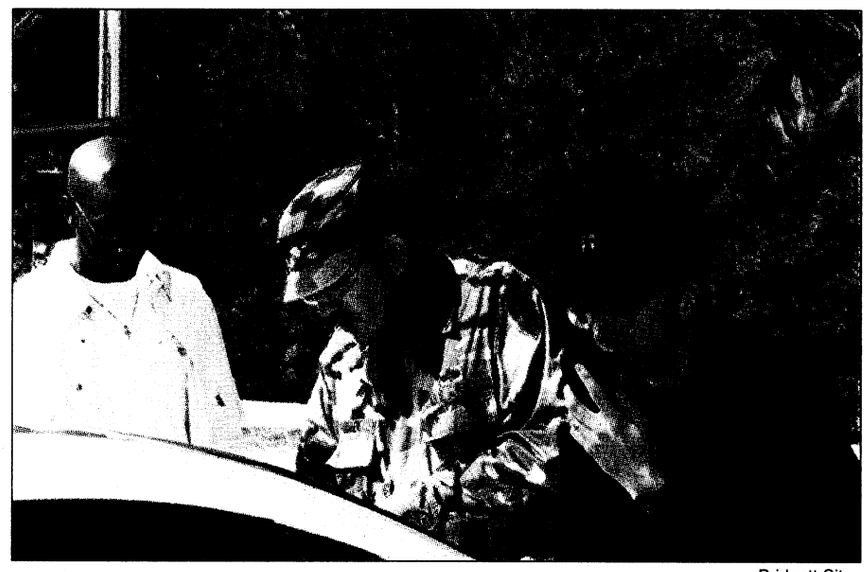

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Special Agent Nathanial Dunlap Jr., Lt. Col. Terry Kelley and Capt. Darrell Sides participate in Operation Schoolhouse July 28.

Doctor gives gift of vision

Seniors suffering from cataracts get relief at hospital

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In about 15 minutes, Maj. Scott Barnes can make clouds disappear — not those found in the sky, rather the ones seen by older adults suffering from cataracts.

Barnes has looked into the faces of happy patients during the past two years as a staff ophthalmologist at Martin Army Community Hospital.

But, more importantly, the patients have been able to clearly see his face without the cloudiness associated with cataracts.

"I couldn't see red lights anymore and couldn't drive," said 57-year-old Joseph Gagnon. "I went to Dr. Barnes and he told me when I was ready to see better, to come back."

After having cataract surgery on both eyes, Gagnon's vision improved from 20/160 in one and 20/100 in the other, to 20/20 in both eyes.

"I could see almost immediately," Gagnon said. "Thank God for Dr. Barnes."

Making an incision only 3.2 mm wide, Barnes can remove a damaged lens and replace it with a clear artificial version.

"I have done the procedure in 11 minutes, but I usually average 15," Barnes said from his office in the hospital's basement. "However, speed is not the issue, quality of care is the issue."

A cataract is a cloudiness that gradually develops in the normally transparent lens of the eye, blocking some light rays from

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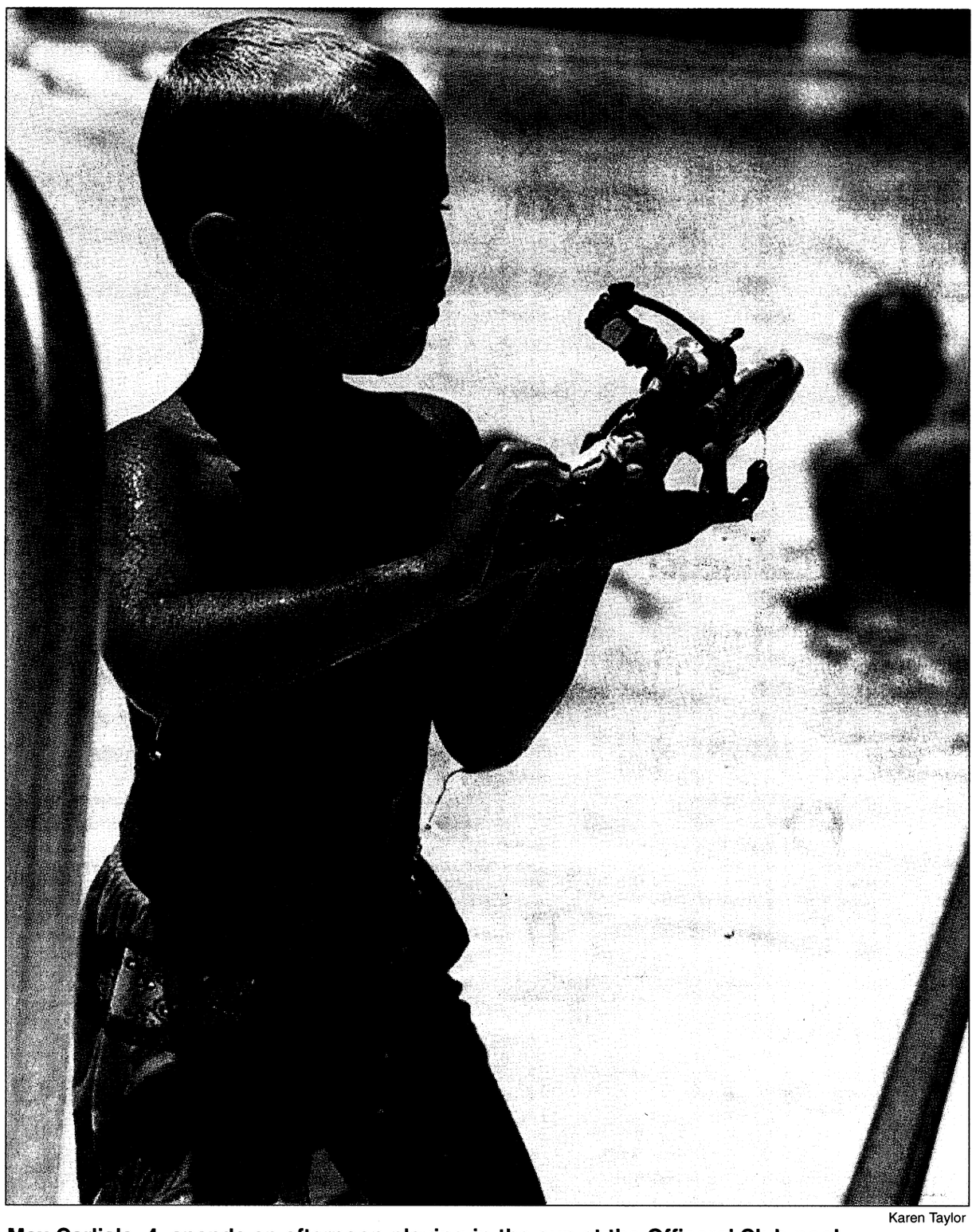
Sunny days swelter sensitive skin



Karen Taylor

Max Carlisle, 4, spends an afternoon playing in the sun at the Officers' Club pool.

Overexposure to sun can cause scarring, possibility of cancer

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As the human body's largest organ, the skin sometimes doesn't get the respect it deserves.

It gets cut, bruised, banged-up, dried-out and peeled off, without a second thought.

So give the epidermis some TLC this summer and shield it from the sun's ultraviolet rays. Unlike a scab turning into a scar, a sunburn can leave a more serious, lasting impression — premature wrinkles and even worse, skin cancer.

"We see a fair amount of skin cancer and premature aging of the skin," said Maj. Brian Sandler, OIC of Dermatology Service, Martin Army Community Hospital. "Most of the skin cancer we see is from sunburns before a person is 18 years old.

"It's especially important for children to go out with sunscreen with more than SPF 30, a hat and sunglasses," he said.

If a person has from two to 10 sunburns before the age of 18, the chances of skin cancer significantly increase, Sandler said.

"There's evidence to show that one severe sunburn at a very young age can increase chances of skin cancer," said Capt. Bryan Alsip, chief, Preventive Medicine, Martin Army Community Hospital.

To prevent sunburns the most recommended types of sunscreens are those with titanium or zinc-oxide, which are the blocking agents, within the lotion.

Parents should not apply sunscreen to babies less than 6 months old with PABA in it. The skin of a baby is thin at that age and PABA, which is easily absorbed, can cause illness.

Babies 6 months or younger should be kept out of the sun entirely and when outside they should be well-shaded with bonnets, clothing and umbrellas.

Peak sun hours, where the ultraviolet rays are strongest, are from 10 a.m. to 3 or 4 p.m. and either should be avoided or extra attention paid to sunscreen application.

Sunscreen should be applied about 15 to 20 minutes before going to the pool, beach, or even if

See **SUNSCREEN**, B-4

Parents keep watchful eye over children's Internet surfing habits



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Lt. Col. Bob Morris keeps tabs on his daughter Katie's internet usage. Katie maintains her own web site dedicated to computer animation.

Pornographic sites, chat rooms create Web danger zone

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In today's high-tech society, most parents feel a home computer is essential to a good education. Unfortunately, if Mom and Dad aren't watching when the kids are surfing the Net, they may get the kind of "education" their parents aren't prepared for.

When Jeremy W. discovered he could visit a pornographic playground half-way around the world with just a few key strokes and his telephone number, his parents found themselves faced with several hundred dollars in telephone charges.

"I didn't even know it was possible to charge something to your telephone on the computer," Jeremy's mom said. "I was furious he was able to do this and sickened he had actually been able to spend hours looking at this trash without us knowing it."

According to National Public Radio, nearly a third of kids between 10 and 17 from households with computers say they have seen pornographic web sites.

"There's an abundance of this kind of stuff out there," said Paul Yates, Fort Benning's director of Information Management. "You don't even have to go looking for it. You turn on the computer and it's offered to you. Kids are curious, and they just have to punch a few keys and see just about anything you can imagine, legal or not."

Dozens of sites have been established for the very purpose of combating this problem and alerting parents to the dangers of web porn. Some advertise software filters that can be downloaded, usually for a fee, to screen potentially harmful sites, including, but not limited to pornography, hate group and occult sites. They come with names like Net Nanny, Safe Surf or Cyber Patrol, and they're designed to prohibit viewers from entering sites they've established to be inappropriate according to their specified standards.

Janet Tartaglia uses a blocker that rates sites, much like movie ratings, and requires a password to enter anything above a G rating.

"It works good — sometimes too good," Tartaglia said. "My son was blocked from entering an educational site, *The Magic School Bus,* because it showed the human anatomy. The blocker considered it a PG-13 site and he's not permitted to go to anything above a G. But that's OK, better safe than sorry. At least we know it's working."

Like Tartaglia, the American Library Association says that Internet filters often work too well. The ALA says they "block out an average of 21 percent, or one out of

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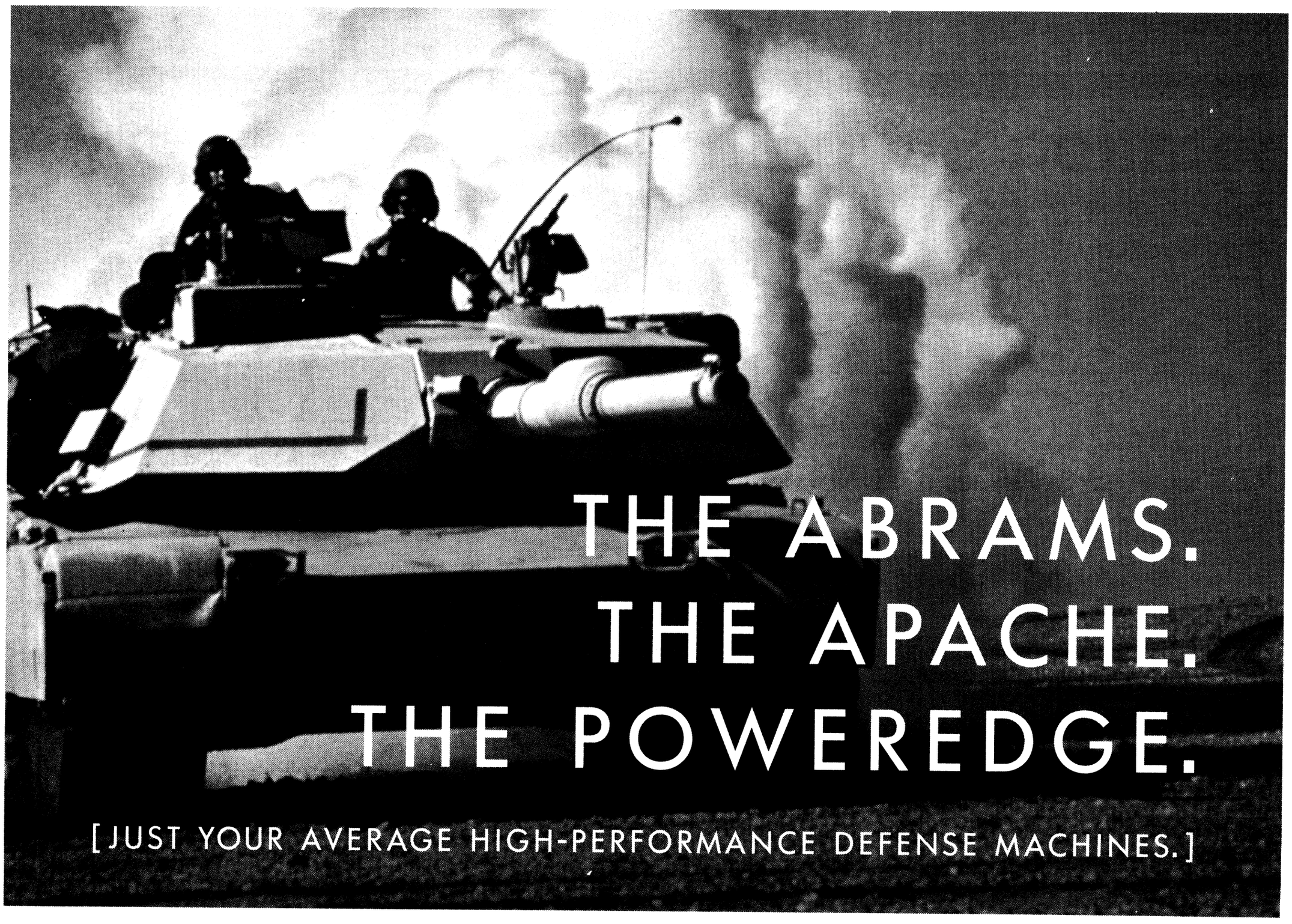

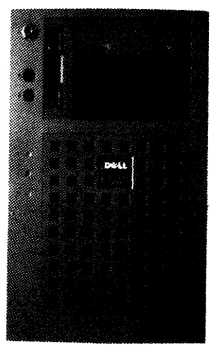

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Parents: Monitor Internet use

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every five sites containing legal, useful information."

But any computer-savvy surfer knows there are ways to circumvent blockers and access any site with a minimum of computer knowledge. So while filters won't really hamper a user's access to "legal, useful information," they won't prevent minors from being exposed to cyber-sin either.

"These filters can't block out everybody," Yates said. "They're good but they're not infallible. They're useless if they're not correctly installed, and even then they have to be continually updated to keep up with the new sites that pop up every day.

"Even if you keep it updated, the kids are probably smarter than the filter, and they'll find a way around it if they really want to."

Yates offered a solution to parents who wonder if there is anything they can do to minimize the risk of exposure to pornography.

"The only sure way to make sure they never see it is to lock them in their room," Yates laughed.

"But the real issue is monitoring their use. Don't be afraid of the computer. It's not going to bite you. There are ways of tracking where they've been on the web if you know how to do it. If you want to find out if there is a problem, find out where they've been."

Yates said parents can track sites their children have been visiting by opening temporary files and periodically checking the user history on the Internet Explorer.

"It's never really deleted. When you visit a site on the worldwide web, it temporarily downloads to your PC. It stays there for a little while until the browser cleans it out. There's always a trace of it somewhere," Yates said.

"If you go into New Internet Explorer history and find 'xxx.com,' you know where they've been. They may hate you for it, but it's a matter of what you're comfortable with."

Eighth-grader Katie Morris has her own web site, dedicated to her interest in computer animation. She spends a lot of time checking message boards and chatting with friends. But she's always aware that her dad keeps tabs of everywhere she's been.

"I'd be in major trouble if I went to one of 'those' sites," she said. "Dad's got a software program that reviews every web site I visit, so I know he can tell what I've been up to."

Yates said "the normal stuff parents are worried about," like pornography, doesn't concern him nearly as much as what he calls the Internet's greatest threat, chat rooms.

Yates advises parents to carefully monitor any time their children spend in chat rooms, and "never, under any circumstances, let them use their real name or an acronym for their name."

"They're spooky. When you're dealing with real people on the Net, you're dealing with real danger — significant danger," he said. "I'd worry much more about chat rooms than I would pornography. The biggest danger on the Net is e-mail relationships that form through chat rooms."

Thirteen-year-old Morris spends a great deal of time in her web site chat room visiting with her best friends who live in different states. She said she's occasionally encountered objectionable conversation and offers from unwelcome visitors.

"I keep things clean in my site, and I'm strictly against porn. I delete anything nasty and my server helps me ban anyone I don't want in."

Morris said she's never formed a relationship via the Internet, and she's careful not give personal information about herself to strangers.

"No I don't do the cyber-romance thing. At my age I don't even do the real-life romance thing. I just use my chat room to visit with my friends because phone bills are so expensive."

Not all teens take such a pragmatic approach to the Internet.

Yates recommends parents err on the side of caution until they're assured their children are not yielding to technological temptation.

"Snoop. I tell my kids there's no such thing as privacy while they're living in my house," he said.

"There's no silver bullet for this problem — nothing magical about the solution. Just monitor where they're going."

garden tips

Jennifer White
Special to the Bayonet

It is time to plan for fall crops. One of the benefits of living in the South is the opportunity for a second sowing of vegetables.

If there is no prepared bed, there is still time for that too. It only takes a day to prepare a bed. Simply take off the top inch of soil, then dig down six to eight inches. If possible, add compost or manure and turn over the soil to mix.

Some of the crop choices for fall and the planting dates are as follows:



- **bush beans —** Blue Lake 274 by Aug. 15.
- **pole beans** — Kentucky Wonder by Aug. 15.
- **broccoli** — Southern Comet by Sept. 1
- **cabbage** — Rio Verde by Sept. 1.
- **cauliflower** — Super Snowball by Aug. 15.
- **cucumbers** —Marketmore 76 by Aug. 15.
- **collard greens** — Blue Max by Sept. 1.
- **kale greens** — Dwarf Siberian by Sept. 1.
- **mustard greens** — Southern Giant Curled by Sept. 1.
- **lettuce** — Bibb by October.
- **bell pepper** — Carnival Mix by Aug. 15.
- **indeterminate tomato** — Better Boy by Aug. 1.
- **determinate tomato** — Celebrity by Aug. 1.

Some crops take up more space than others so choose vegetables the bed will accommodate.

A layer of pine straw for mulch will help retain moisture and reduce weeds.

Remember to water regularly and fertilize every seven to 14 days.

For a more complete list of crops to plant, visit the Cooperative Extension office.

REMEMBER:

Fort Benning is still under water restrictions:
- All outdoor watering must be done by hand. All sprinklers are prohibited.
- Even-numbered addresses can only water on Mondays and Fridays; all odd-numbered addresses on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

ask the judge

Michael M. Mejia
Legal Assistance Attorney

Q: You previously ran an article on refunds on life insurance policies from American Fidelity Life Insurance Company. Can you give me some pointers about purchasing life insurance so that I won't fall prey to a scam or buy a policy that I don't need?

A: Here are six quick tips for shopping for life insurance. Remember: buying insurance is like any other product you purchase. The salesperson's or insurance agent's mission is to make a sale. That means persuading you as much as possible to buy his product.

- Determine if you need insurance. Are you single or married? If you are married and have children, what would happen to your family financially if you were to die prematurely? How would they be able to pay bills? To make monthly house or rent payments? Car payments?
- Estimate the amount of life insurance needed. Is $200,000 from your SGLI enough for your spouse and four children? Might you need supplemental insurance from a private company?

You must carefully evaluate the cost of your family's expenses, thinking about current bills, a mortgage, child care costs, college tuition and your family's current living standard. A general rule of thumb is life insurance that is equal to five to seven times your gross annual income.

- Decide on the best type of life insurance. There are several types of policies available, depending on your financial needs.

Typically, if your need is temporary then you might consider term insurance. Term insurance is relatively inexpensive at first and is designed for coverage for a specific period of time, renewable for some period of time. On the other hand, permanent life insurance is designed for lifelong protection and includes numerous variations, known as ordinary life, universal life or variable life.

These types of policies have a set premium, which may be cost prohibitive on a tight budget. However, these policies, if payments are made faithfully and continuously, will accumulate a "cash value" that can be surrendered in total or part for cash or converted into an annuity. Term insurance has no "cash value."

- Consider the financial strength of the insurance company. In other words, do your homework on the company that will insure you.

A number of private organizations rate insurance companies, evaluating their financial strength. For example, these companies are rated based upon their amount of capital and surplus, legal reserves, quality of investments, past profitability, competency of management and other factors. A.M. Best, Standard & Poor's and Duffy & Phelps all rate insurance companies. Go to your local library in the reference section or jump on the Internet (www.ambest.com or www.standardandpoors.com).

- Deal with a competent agent. Like any other salesperson, there is pressure on a life insurance agent to "make a sale." How much experience has the agent actually had?
- Don't sign any contract until at least 48 hours has passed. Give yourself some time to think about the consequences of entering any contract.

Be wary of insurance agents that provide you with a Voluntary Allotment Form for you to sign on the spot — it is illegal for an agent to have these forms to present to you.

The insurance agent should provide you with the allottee information and then direct you to your Personnel Administration Center to initiate the allotment.

Consult with people you trust or stop by the Legal Assistance Office before you sign any contract. You can make an appointment to meet with a Legal Assistance Attorney by calling the Legal Assistance Division at 545-3281.

births

Twins

Jalyn Amaru and Jahkele Ali Goins — born July 15 to Spc. Tuesday and Pvt. Tiawuan Goins.

Boys

Royce Earl Staley — born July 12 to Sgt. 1st Class Sharon and Royce Staley.

Wendell Javonte McGhee Jr. — born July 15 to Gwendolyn and Sgt. Wendell McGhee.

Terrance LaQuint Davis Jr. — born July 15 to Janine and Pfc. Terrance Davis.

Garett Hunter Keen — born July 16 to Shelly and Staff Sgt. John Keen.

Erik Luis Perozo — born July 17 to Liz and Maj. Luis Perozo.

Justin Matthew Burns — born July 19 to Rebekah and Sgt. Brian Burns.

Haden William Smith — born July 23 to Lori and Staff Sgt. Glen Smith.

Ryan W. Sourathathone — born July 21 to Jolanta and Sgt. Vieng Sourathathone.

D'Andre Maurice Houssel — born July 21 to Veronica and Sgt. Maurice Houssel.

Koby Jamall Means — born July 22 to Leslie and Spc. Travis Means.

Girls

Jessica Kalynn Mount — born July 14 to Nanci and Spc. Benjamin Mount.

Ashonti Layauna Campbell — born July 17 to Xenia and Spc. Dwayne Campbell.

Alexis Marie Stone — born July 20 to Theresa and Spc. Shannon Stone.

JacqueLynn Rashawn Farquharson — born July 20 to Spc. Stacie Lynn and Sgt. David Farquharson.

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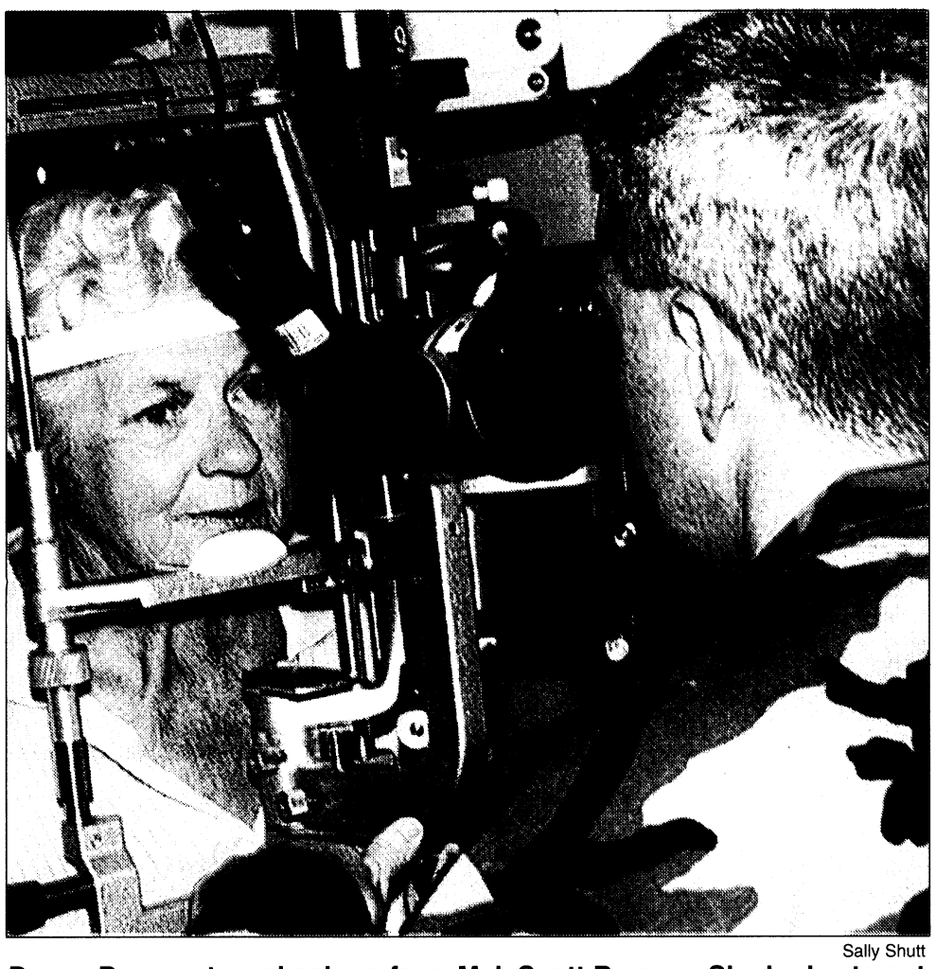

Sally Shutt

Peggy Dunn gets a check-up from Maj. Scott Barnes. She had cataract surgery last year. Her vision is now 20/40.

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passing through the lens and focusing clearing on the retina.

Peggie Dunn, a retired nurse from Lee County, Ala., is well acquainted with the cloudiness.

Last May, Barnes performed Dunn's cataract surgery, and she was in his office last week for a follow-up exam. Dunn also suffers from retina problems associated with her diabetes.

"I've received excellent care for cataracts and retinopathy," said Dunn, whose vision improved from 20/80 to 20/40.

The visit gave Dunn the chance to bid Barnes farewell before he leaves Fort Benning for Fort Bragg, N.C., where he will serve as the deputy surgeon for the Special Operations Command.

Dunn lavished glowing comments on Barnes, who handles the praise in stride.

"While I try to have a pleasant bedside manner, the patients are so excited to see well that they would probably still write nice comment cards even if I was a real jerk. It's an easy field as far as patient satisfaction," he said.

Cataracts usually are associated with aging, and most patients adjust their corrective prescription as the condition worsens.

Rarely is there ever a medical reason a cataract has to be removed, Barnes said.

"The main reason patients seek surgery is they are bothered by poor vision and their lifestyles are affected — their driving or ability to read — and they can't function as well.

"I tell patients, 'when it's cold you know when to put on a coat. You will know when you need surgery,'" he said.

When an optometrist can no longer prescribe corrective lenses to help with the problem, patients can seek a referral from their primary care manager to be seen in the Ophthalmology Clinic.

"In the past two years we have not turned down a cataract patient, regardless of Tricare status," Barnes said.

In addition to examining patients and conducting glaucoma, cataract, trauma, muscle and lid surgeries, the doctor has conducted cost-saving research in his field and been recognized by his peers.

Barnes and former Martin Army ophthalmologist, Maj. David Zumbro, worked on a research project using topical anesthetic drops for cataract surgery versus using intravenous medication and local injection.

"Specifically it raised the question of using higher-skilled, but more expensive, anesthesia providers to monitor the case compared to the less costly nurses or licensed practical nurses. The potential cost saving associated with this could be tremendous," Barnes said.

The work was presented last fall at the American Academy of Ophthalmology's annual meeting and is being reviewed for publication in *Ophthalmology*.

Barnes was also recognized for his research comparing a new pressure lowering medication, brimonidine, to the "gold standard," apraclonidine, for preventing painful pressure elevations associated with laser surgery for glaucoma.

"This was a previously unstudied use of brimonidine and resulted in a 97 percent cost savings compared to the expensive 'gold standard,'" Barnes said. "It was 13 cents versus $5 per surgery."

"We showed that there was no difference, that they worked the same," he said.

Barnes was the first military ophthalmologist to be selected to present his work in the Pan American Association of Ophthalmology's Free Paper Competition and his paper was published in *Ophthalmology* in October.

In addition to his duties with the Special Forces Command at Fort Bragg, Barnes will spend half of his time at Womack Army Medical Center's new Refractive Surgery Clinic performing refractive surgery on Soldiers.

Fort Bragg is the only Army installation offering the laser surgery to Soldiers at this time, Barnes said.

Exercise: Tests post schools' safety plan

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While first respondents assessed the situation and took immediate steps to secure the building, emergency response forces, including the military police, fire department, hostage negotiators and emergency medical services, established a command post near the school.

Kelley was on hand to observe and relay information to the incident command center on Main Post, where representatives from each directorate met to discuss their roles in a crisis situation.

Fort Benning's Special Reaction Team waited for the opportunity to "practice" their role in the scenario. Shortly before noon they entered the building from a side door and quickly disarmed the perpetrator.

"It was awesome," said Victoria Burns, who acted as a hostage. "They were on him so fast it took us all by surprise. It was very real and very scary."

Ford said the success of the operation was due to the combined efforts of everyone involved.

"I've been so impressed by all the support we've received from the entire installation," Ford said. "All the related departments worked together to coordinate all their efforts into a very detailed, fine-tuned plan.

This is a 'walk through' of that plan, and all the key players have responded as if it were a real crisis."

Kelley said he feels confident Fort Benning will not experience a crisis of this nature, but parents and teachers can rest assured post schools and response teams are prepared for any kind of emergency.

"We always want to be prepared for the worst-case scenario, and it's important that we exercise our plan," he said. "

At Fort Benning our emphasis has always been on school safety. There's nothing more important than our children."

Sunscreen: Keeps sun-goers from burning

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going outside for more than 30 minutes.

"It gives time for the active ingredients to penetrate the skin," Alsip said.

Also, sunscreen should be reapplied every three hours, especially if sweating heavily or swimming for 30 minutes.

But sunscreen is not just for the pool or beach, it should be applied every day for protection, even cloudy days.

The ultraviolet rays of the sun penetrate the cloud layer and are still present even though the sun is not visible.

"Overcast days give you a false sense of security," Alsip said.

Also, 30 percent of the sun's rays can penetrate most T-shirt fabrics, making even covered skin at risk for sunburn.

If people are running errands all-day, sunscreen is necessary because car windows, thought to be safe from the sun's rays, actually allow some UV penetration.

"You could get a fair amount of sun exposure through the windshield of a car," Sandler said.

Some sun-block alternatives for everyday use are a daily moisturizer with sunscreen added or a spray-on sunscreen.

The thought that tanning beds are safer than the sun is a myth and actually poses more danger than sunlight, Sandler said.

It doesn't mean people have to go without a healthy glow from the sun this summer.

Sunscreen allows for some gradual color from the sun that's safe for your skin, he said.

Also, for people who want quicker results, there are suntan products that help the tan along that will produce a brown tan rather than the much feared orange-color of the '80s, Sandler said.

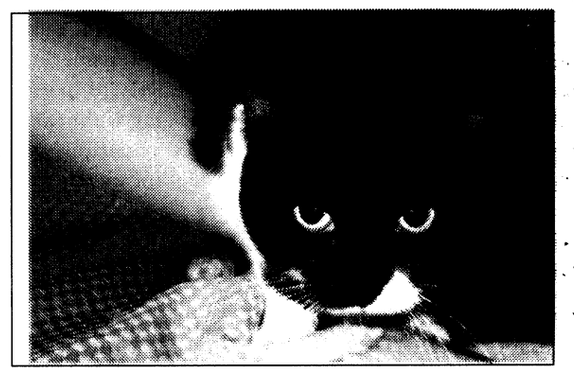
Even with conscientious application of sun block, there's still a chance to get burned.

For treating sunburn use a 1 percent cortizone cream or a special product for burn victims that has aloe vera.

Taking ibuprofen or aspirin is recommended to relieve pain and inflammation.

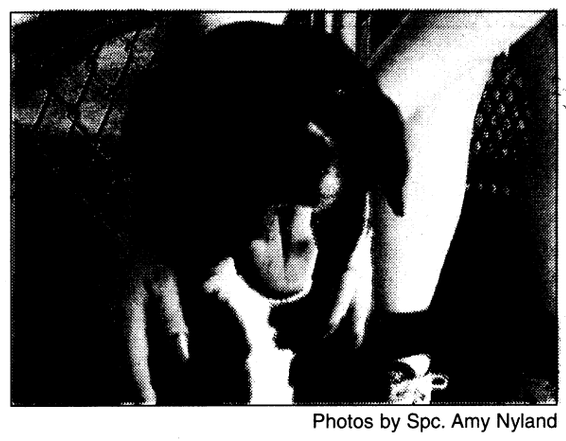
For extreme sunburn cases, where there is extensive blistering and fluid coming out of the burn accompanied with a high degree of pain, then it is best to see a doctor for a prescription of an oral corticosteroid.

Pets of the week



An adult female domestic short-haired cat and an adult female Lab are just a few of the animals available for adoption at the Vet Clinic. There are still more in need of a good home.

Pets can be adopted by Soldiers and civilians. For more information about these or any other pets, call Veterinary Services at 545-4826.



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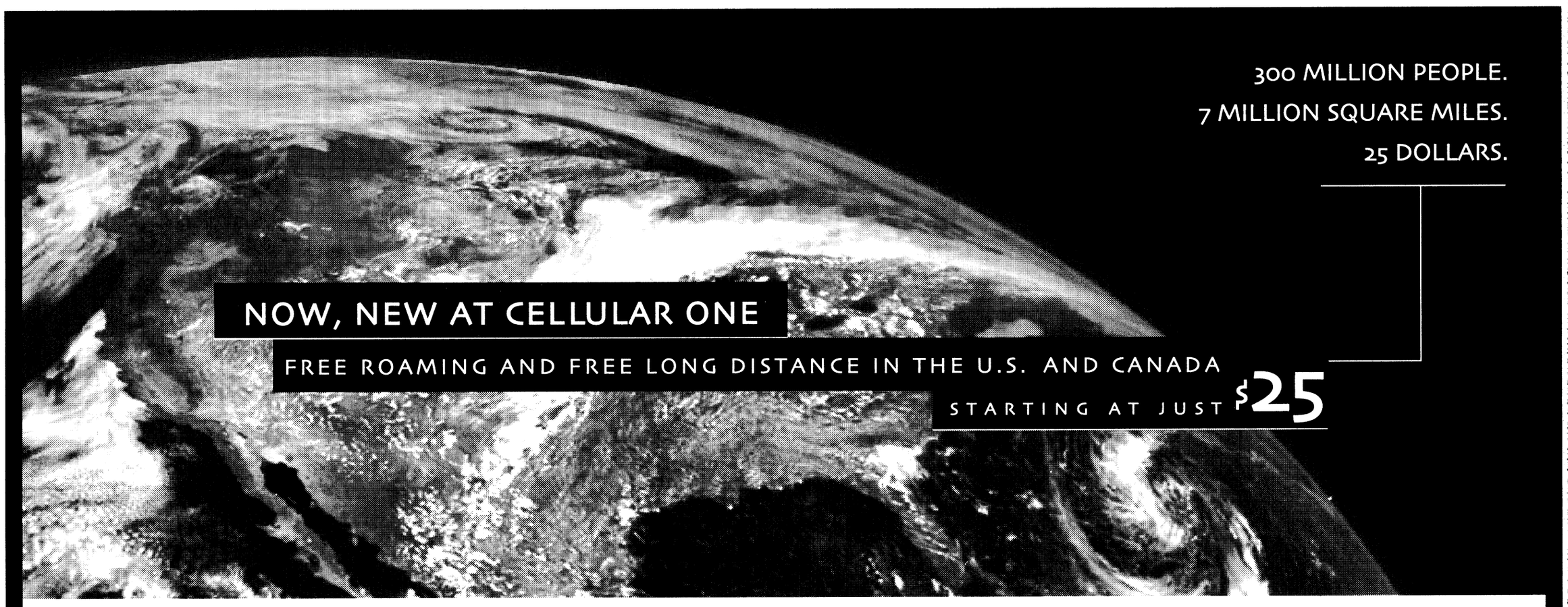

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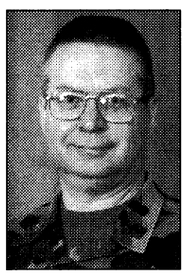
Golden rule takes aggravation out of life

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond Koop
Family Life Training Program

When both the husband and wife work outside the home, their lives can be quite hectic.

If children are present, the many activities of Scouting, athletics, music lessons and church can have them running ragged in no time.

Choosing to simplify life will help make things easier, but being considerate of one another will also make things better. Here are some practical ways to reduce irritations by applying the Golden Rule to your lives. Applying these common courtesies in your families can reduce your aggravation and make your homes run smoother.



Koop

• If you open it, close it. If you unlock it, lock it when you are done. If you turn it on, turn it off.

• If you don't know how to operate it, leave it alone. If its not broke, don't fix it. If you break it, repair it. If you can't fix it, call someone who can.

• If it belongs to somebody else and you want to use it, get permission first. If you use it, take care of it. If you borrow it, return it as soon as you are finished with it.

• If you make a mess, clean it up.

• If you move it, put it back. If you take it from the refrigerator, put it back in the refrigerator unless it's empty.

• If its trash, put it in the trash can.

• If you put the lid of the toilet seat up, put the lid of the toilet seat down when you are finished.

• When you take off your shoes or clothes, put them or hang them in the closet. If your clothes are dirty, put them in the clothes hamper.

• If it doesn't concern you, don't mess with it.

For more information on making your home run smoother, call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center, at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

chapel notes

Sunday jobs — The Funds Custodian is seeking a pianist for the Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. and a child care provider from 9:15 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

Interested and qualified personnel should call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The junior high, middle school Youth of the Chapel are having small group meeting during the summer.

For more information and meeting times and places, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel.

All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

Sunday School — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The program includes prayer, praise, Bible study and fellowship. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided.

Sign up for fall Bible studies is Sept. 7.

The theme is "Proclaim the Blessed Hope."

For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551.

God lights way in darkness

Chaplain (Maj.) Sherman Baker
36th Engineer Group

reflections

No one knows how long a light bulb will last. Many of us have had the experience of installing several light bulbs at the same time and discovering that some burn out before others.

The average light bulb lasts from 750 to 1,000 hours. A notable exception to this is a light bulb in the fire department at Livermore, Calif., that is said to have burned continuously since 1901.

Certainly it is frustrating when a light bulb burns out, forcing us to walk in darkness until it can be replaced.

In the spiritual world, the light from God never stops showing us the way.

If we walk in darkness, it is because we choose to walk in darkness.

When one thinks how easy it is to stumble in the dark, and how dangerous it is in the dark, one wonders why anyone would choose darkness over light.

The light of God's wisdom and holiness shines brightly, and when we walk in that light we walk safely and with a real sense of security.

No one can ever turn out his light, but anyone can choose to ignore it and stumble through life. To do so is more than foolish; we all must walk in God's light.

"Blessed is he who considers the poor."
— Psalm 41:1

BIBLE QUIZ

1. Name Ruth's two husbands, as listed in the Book of Ruth.
2. Name Ruth's sister-in-law.
3. How was it that Moses, a Jew, became the "son" of an Egyptian princess?
4. How many plagues did God send upon the Egyptians before they released the Jews from bondage?
5. How did the observance of Passover begin?
6. How is Passover related to the Christian observance of the Lord's Supper, or Holy Communion?
7. How long did Moses and the Israelites wander in the desert?
8. How long did it rain, causing "Noah's Flood?"
9. How long did Jesus spend in the wilderness before he began his ministry?
10. Who baptized Jesus?
11. Which book of the New Testament gives the genealogy of Jesus?
12. What was the first recorded miracle which Jesus performed?
13. Where did this miracle take place?
14. What is a tithe?
15. In what book of the Bible does God make a specific promise concerning tithing?

Answers

1. Mahlon and Boaz
2. Orpah
3. Read Exodus 2:2-10
4. Ten
5. Read Exodus 12:21-27
6. Read Luke 22:14-20
7. 40 years
8. 40 days and nights
9. 40 days
10. John the Baptist
11. Matthew
12. Jesus turned water into wine
13. At a wedding feast in Cana in Galilee
14. A tenth (Genesis 14:20 and 28:22)
15. Malachi (3:6-12)

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220



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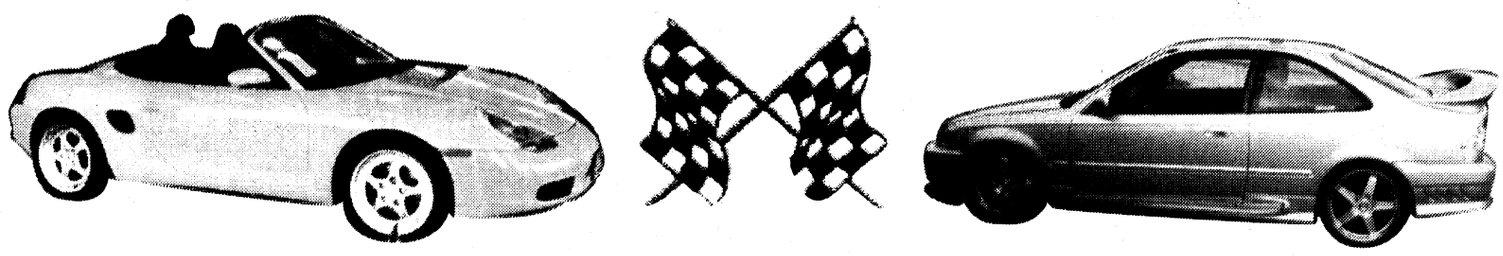

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SPORTS

Local man brings home Gold medals

Fort Benning swimmer wins four events in Georgia games

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There isn't an athlete in this country who doesn't dream of "bringing home the Gold" from a competition.

Swimmer Chuck Gantner has been bringing home the gold for a long time now, since he was in high school.

His most recent wins were at the 2000 Georgia Games in the Master's events, 55-59 age group, July 23 at Georgia Tech in Atlanta. He won all four of his events, the 50-meter backstroke in 34 seconds, the 100-meter backstroke in 1:19, the 50-meter freestyle in 29.2 seconds and the 50-meter butterfly in 32 seconds, all meet records in his age group.

This brought the tally to more than 20 Gold medals during his seven competitions at the Georgia Games since 1991.

"He's 55 years old and most people 25 won't be able to keep up with him," said Dr. Lloyd Sampson, a local dermatologist and good friend and fellow athlete of Gantner. "He's a monster in the pool. He's very modest, but when he gets in the pool he just crushes everybody."

If the playing field was adjusted for age, he is one of the world's top swimmers, Sampson said. "I mean, look at his times."

The times that he won his events at the 2000 Georgia Games are in close competition with a swimmer in his 20s.

But his resume, riddled with world records and recognition, spans much farther back than nine years ago.

Since he was 11, the Piscataway, N.J., native swam competitively but it was in high school where he began to make his mark.

His strongest event was in the individual medley, which entails swimming all four strokes, butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle, in that order.

"I was always good in backstroke and in butterfly, but putting it together was always what my strength was," he said. "When I was in age-group swimming and in college swimming, it was

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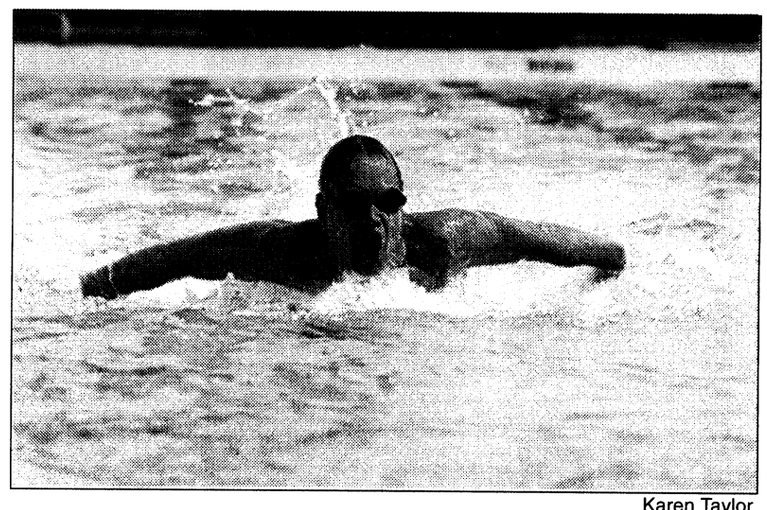

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Chuck Gantner shows off his Gold-medal style.

Cannons duel with Rockies

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A duel between the Rockies' and the Cannons' defense left both teams standing at the end of Saturday's doubleheader at Spencer High School.

The Rockies were able to squeeze out a last-inning run to steal the first game from the Cannons 3-2, but the Cannons robbed the Rockies of a second win, edging them out by the same score, 3-2.

Both teams were banking on their big guns throughout both games — their pitching.

Orlando Vega-Torres, B Company, 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade, pitched a stellar first game for the Cannons: tallying six strikeouts with five of them ending innings for the Rockies.

"The fast ball was most effective, but for the top of the order we went with the off-speed stuff to throw them off," said Cannons' catcher, Matt Quiroz, C Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt.

To counter Vega-Torres, the Rockies had pitcher Brennan Knight, who totaled five strikeouts, throwing some heat.

When hitters were able to make contact with the ball, the fielders of both teams gave their pitchers first-rate backup. Fly balls rarely hit the outfield grass; and grounders seldom got past the dirt of the diamond, which put a premium on scoring opportunities.

For most of the game each side was retired with a waltz's rhythm, 1-2-3, 1-2-3.

The game was scoreless until the top of the third inning when the Cannons managed to put two runs on the board.

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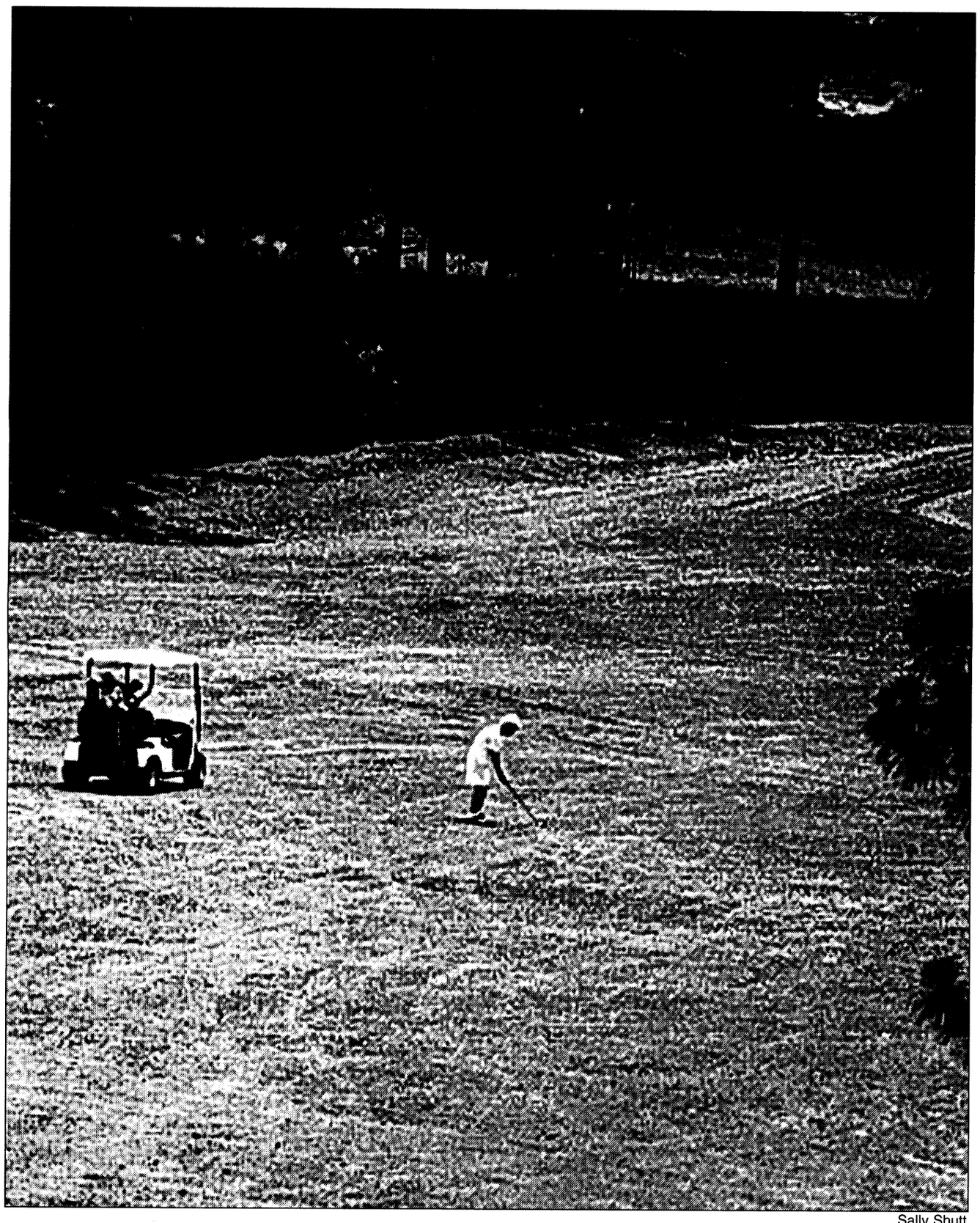
Golf course receives much needed facelift



Sally Shutt

A lone golfer drives the ball down the fairway at the Follow Me Golf Course. Nine Lakeside fairways were re-sprigged last year and brush was cleared from around the lake.

Fort Benning course under repair to bring golfers back to links

Sally Shutt
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Fort Benning's Follow Me Golf Course is considered the best bargain around for area golfers, but being a bargain is just not enough.

"Golfers are looking for a balance between quality and price," Roger Garrity, the course's general manager, said.

"There's too much competition out there. If a course is not to their liking, golfers will not come back. Golf is a word of mouth game, and we have to get our reputation back," he said.

Garrity is determined to attract more golfers to the Fort Benning course and new greens are part of his plan.

Two new greens were constructed last week, replacing two trouble spots — Holes 10 and 12 — on the Pineside course.

"Quality grass would not grow on these two locations," Garrity said.

The troublesome greens, where bare sandy spots and moss stood in place of lush grass, had continually stumped Pat O'Brien, a turf expert from the U.S. Golf Association, during his annual consultation visits.

The newly constructed greens were sprigged with the state-of-the-art TifEagle grass from Tifton, Ga., the center of turf management for golf courses and lawns in the Southeast, Garrity said.

"It was developed to take a lower mowing height and gives you a more consistent and truer ball roll," he said.

The project's goal is to improve playability on the Pineside course and eventually attract golfers, who have several other course options, including Oxbow Meadows, located just off post, and Maple Ridge, which reopened late last month after a major facelift.

"Competition is tough," Garrity said. "This course was constructed in 1923 and is one of the oldest in the area."

Garrity, golf course superintendent Ray Meredith and other personnel have been doing the work and the greens will be ready for play in about six weeks.

Last year nine fairways on the Lakeside course were re-sprigged with 419 Bermuda grass, which is the top of the line grass for fairways, and

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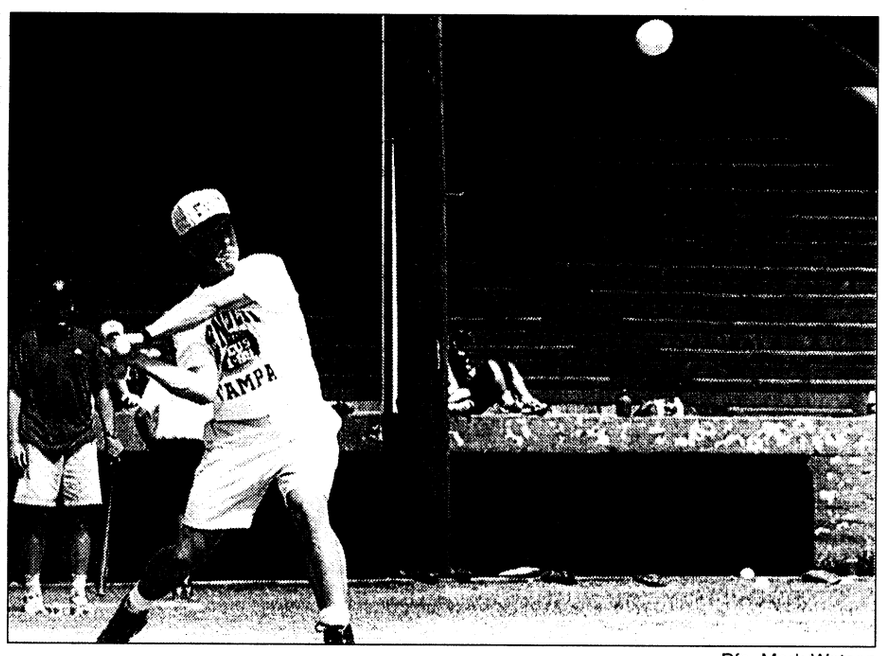
Officers, NCOs battle at Gowdy Field: NCOs victorious 10-5



Pfc. Mark Watson

Officers' right fielder Charles Durr prepares to hit the ball July 28.

NCOs win in final innings scoring frenzy

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

With rain promising to fall at a moment's notice, the NCOs of the 11th Infantry Regiment faced the officers of the 11th Inf. Regt. at Gowdy Field to see who was the best of the best. The NCOs emerged victorious July 28, 10-5.

While the Soldiers warmed up, game talk was thrown around as well as the softballs.

Starting off the game the officers were able to shut out the first three NCOs using a defense that would make major league teams proud.

In the bottom of the first inning, the officers' left-center fielder Dana Foley smacked the ball for a double and then was driven in by shortstop David Osborne who also hit a double. He rounded the bases when third baseman Douglas Moriarty tapped the ball out on the infield for a single.

Determined to regain the two runs, NCOs' shortstop John Johnson and short fielder Darron Johnson both singled and were pushed around the horn when right fielder Edmond Lasanta and first baseman Ed Crivello drove them home.

The game would remain the same score until the bottom of the third inning when second baseman Jeffrey Terhune, Osborne and Moriarty scored in consecutive plays outfield to score Terhune who singled and gave the officers the lead, 5-2.

The officers pounced on the balls hit by the NCOs to keep them scoreless in the fourth inning.

The officers had the same luck in the fourth inning when two runners were left stranded in scoring position.

The fifth inning was well underway when NCOs' catcher Frank Kabaum tapped the ball out of the infield to score Crivelo bringing the game within two, 5-3.

After their final out of the inning, the NCOs took to the field and sent all three officers that showed packing.

At the top of the sixth, the NCOs made it apparent they would not lose as long as they had a say in the matter.

Single after single drove in five runs during the inning. The NCOs whole lineup made it through the gauntlet of officer defense. Even when caught in a double pickle, both D. Johnson and J. Johnson kept their heads, allowing J. Johnson to score.

Finally after 10 batters showed themselves, a grounder was to be the final out, but only after the NCOs scored five runs and took the lead, 8-5.

Although the officers tried to get on the boards once again, their momentum was shut down and they would score no more runs.

The NCOs, however, were not

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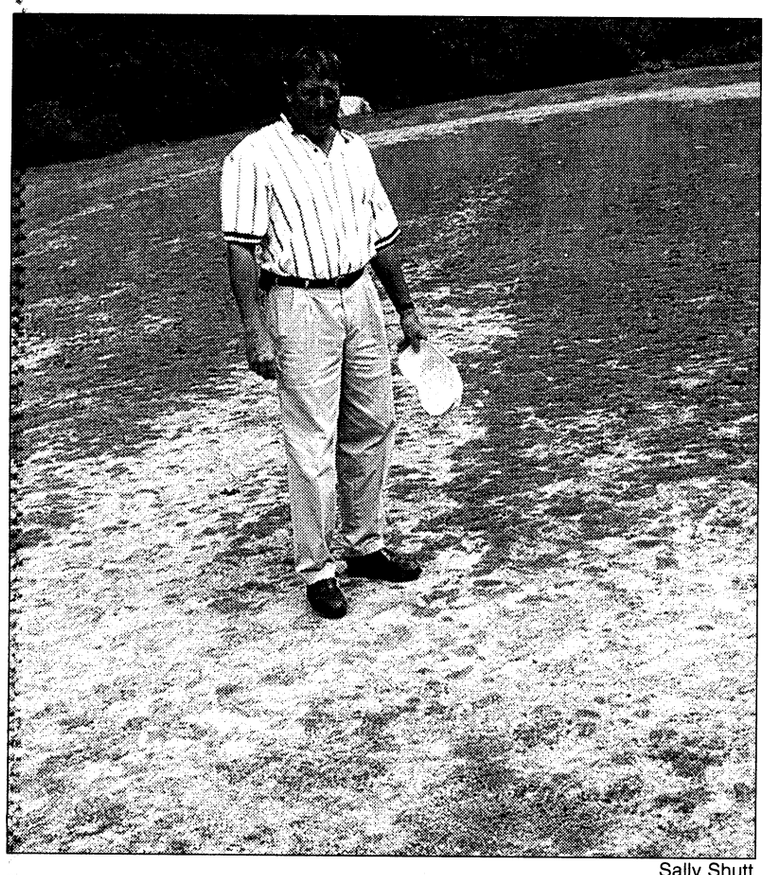
Course: Seeks $10 million for major repairs, renovations



Sally Shutt

Roger Garrity, Follow Me Golf Course general manager, stands on Hole 12 before work started to rebuild greens.

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Meredith said they are looking great. The Pineside course also features 419 Bermuda on its fairways.

A master plan was developed with the help of the turf consultant, and golfers are noticing the changes.

Sandy Casey plays at Maple Ridge and Fort Benning. July 25 she was on the Follow Me Course with the ladies' golf group she plays with three days a week on post.

"I've seen great improvements," Casey said. "This could be a showplace again."

Mozelle Dunn, another member of the ladies' group, has seen major changes.

"There have been overall major improvements in the past 12 to 16 months. Considering the weather we've had, the course is in excellent condition," she said.

One of those improvements has been the clearing of brush from around the lake. While offering golfers an enhanced view of the water, the project's main goal was to increase air flow and allow morning sun to shine on the greens — important keys to growing lush fairways.

"I've been around golf my entire life and I know what avid and casual golfers enjoy and what qualities on a golf course they look for when they play," Garrity said.

Col. Arch Arnold is the president of the 20-member Follow Me Golf Council. Course conditions and profitability hit a low point two years ago, Arnold said, but he has seen great improvements in the last 18 months.

"We have turned the corner," he said. "I have been here for 36 months and the golf course has gone from being threadbare, worn-out and poorly conditioned to being very healthy, green and lush."

Arnold credits the management's "investment in fertilizer and state-of-the-art turf management techniques that have given us better playing conditions," he said.

"I'm optimistic that the word of mouth reputation of what the golfing experience is like at Fort Benning is getting better each day."

Arnold thinks Fort Benning's golf course should be consistent with the post's reputation as the world's best installation.

"People expect on a world-class post to find a world-class golf course for our customers — the Soldiers, family members and retirees who play here," Arnold said.

Along that line the course is seeking more than $10 million in funding from the Department of Army to finance a major renovation project at the Follow Me course, including a new clubhouse and catering facility, Arnold said.

If funding is approved, it would mean in the next couple of years a complete overhaul for the two courses, which have 36 holes. The master plan calls for closing nine holes, or "mothballing them," Garrity said.

"The remaining 27 holes, tees, greens and irrigation system will be upgraded," he said.

"Based on our overall membership and the play we are getting, 27 holes is enough," Garrity said.

Other plans include construction of a two-story combined clubhouse, banquet and convention center for catered events, said John Bush, chief Community Operations Division, Directorate of Community Affairs.

The lower level will be devoted to the golfing community and feature parking for the club's 105 golf carts, a pro shop and golfers' lounge.

The upstairs will be a banquet and convention center with four banquet rooms, which can be combined to handle more than 700 people for catered events, and an Officers' Club lounge capable of entertaining 100 people, Bush said.

The design is similar to one at Fort McPherson, Ga. Founded as a nine-hole course, the Follow Me will celebrate its 77th anniversary in December with a tournament, Larry Cruise, head professional, said.

Shirts sporting a Fort Benning emblem are available in the pro shop, which has undergone a few improvements of its own, Cruise said, including carrying a "pro line" of golf equipment and new shoe and clothing lines as well as offering custom club fittings. For information on rates and to book a tee time, call 687-1940 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Swimmer: Misses Olympics to serve country in Vietnam

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always the individual medley."

During the '60s, U.S. teen-agers were at the top of the swimming world, where they would sweep events at international competition.

"There were a lot of kids at that time that were really doing well from New Jersey," Gantner said.

Despite the stiff competition among teen-age swimmers during the '60s, Gantner's performances made a lasting impression.

He was selected in February as the New Jersey High School Swimmer of the Century. It marked a pinnacle in his career.

"I was really taken aback, there were so many good swimmers, who have done so well," he said.

"When I think about the perspective and awards I've received over the years in sports and academics, Swimmer of the Century is the greatest and most humbling," he said.

It was something his wife, Lisa, and children were ecstatic about.

"We're all really proud of him," Lisa said. "They (the children) think it's terrific.

Sampson felt the honor holds true as to what Gantner was capable of in the pool then and is capable of now and, more specifically, his swimming speaks for itself.

"Swimmer of the Century, well, it tells you something, doesn't it?" Sampson said.

Two clinching factors that got Gantner the title was the fact that he won every state championship since his freshman year, which to this day has never been done. Also, he was ranked No. 5 in the world in men's swimming as a high school swimmer for the 400 I.M.

During his junior year, 1962, he was a member of the U.S. world record-breaking 400-meter freestyle relay team and he also was a member of the U.S. National Team in 1962.

Although he swam at a variety of national and international competitions during his high-school years, his grades didn't falter. He was consistently on the honor roll; was a member of the honor society; and graduated in the top five percent of his class.

"It really made me focus and concentrate on my studies so there was no goofing around," he said.

After graduating from high school in 1963, Gantner went on to swim at the United States Military Academy as an All-American swimmer and finished his studies and college swimming career at North Carolina State University in 1968.

Gantner had Olympic dreams, but he didn't make the team in 1964 and he missed making the team in 1968 because he was in Vietnam.

"There were opportunities but there were a lot of things going on in my life, there was a war," he said.

After returning from Vietnam in 1970, he was stationed at Fort Benning and has remained here since 1974, where he now works as the chief of Personnel Proponency Division, Office of Infantry Proponency.

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> **Chuck Gantner**
> 2000 Georgia Games Gold medalist

But in 1974, swimming was on the backburner.

After college, he took a 15-year break because there wasn't a venue, besides the Olympics, to compete.

It wasn't until 1983 that he decided to start swimming again.

"I just wanted to get back into shape, and it was relaxing," he said.

He trains during his lunch break outdoors at Carey Pool or the indoor pool at Briant Wells Gym, swimming about 1 mile, 32 lengths of the 50-meter pool.

If lunch time is booked, then he swims in the morning, at 6 a.m.

"I try to make it a daily habit," he said. "I feel better when I do. It's more than the competition now. It's more just a healthy lifestyle kind of thing."

By 1985 he was competing again when the first Master Games came to Toronto, Canada.

"When they had the first Master World Games, I said this is something to shoot for, you know, there's a goal and I can place out there, I can start organizing a schedule personally. I didn't have a coach or anything I just did it myself," he said.

His decision was a winning one.

He won four events in Toronto: 50, 100 and 200-meter backstroke and 50-meter butterfly — including breaking the world record in the 100-meter backstroke with a time of 1:07.31 — a record which stood for more than 10 years.

In 1986 he competed at the Master's World Swimming Championships in Tokyo, where he broke the world record in the 200-meter backstroke with a time of 2:30.56.

That meet was especially memorable because he had a chance to compete in the 1964 Olympic swim stadium, a place he missed getting to decades earlier.

Now, Gantner looks to still keeping in shape and competing, but he has other priorities, his family.

"I have an 8-year-old and an 11-year-old and a lot of those priorities are properly placed with family," he said.

Gantner enjoys sharing his wins with his children and his nieces and nephews by giving them his medals.

"He gives them to everybody," Lisa said. "I think he likes to encourage kids to do sports."

Although his children, 11-year-old Glenn and 8-year-old Alyssa are involved in other sports, Gantner himself has followed in his father's footsteps.

"My dad was a world record holder in, well, they called it breaststroke, but it evolved into the butterfly," he said.

Gantner's father was a member of the 1944 Olympic Team, a team that never saw the Olympic stadium because of World War II.

"In '44 he was fighting the Japanese in the Pacific," he said.

Another connection he shares through swimming is with his wife.

After meeting her twice before, it was in the pool at the YMCA on Warms Springs Road where he finally mustered up the courage to ask her on a date.

"I met her when I was at the swimming pool where she looked different, with goggles and stuff like that, I said this is strike three, I better ... wake up," he said.

"I was swimming my laps at the 'Y' and he was there," Lisa said. "We decided we had too many things in common and had to go out."

A year-and-a-half later they were married.

Lisa, a family practice physician, also swam in Tokyo at the Master World Championships in 1986.

Gantner plans to continue competing on a master level, but views competition differently than in the past.

"A lot of the competitiveness at the master's level is competitiveness with oneself and improvement and that's how I look at it.

"I would love to do the times I did way back when and maybe I can get there, if I put my nose to the grindstone, but that is hard right now.

"To really get to that level, it hurts. You really have to feel pain, you can't get away from it," he said.

Although Gantner downplays his abilities to achieve the times of yesteryear, Sampson is confident that Gantner could beat any one his age any day of the week, even former Olympians.

As much as he's kept up with swimming, he would beat the Gold medalists from the 1964 Games today, he's that good, Sampson said.

For now, Gantner enjoys the physical and psychological benefits of swimming laps while savoring the friendships he's made with fellow swimmers and athletes such as Sampson.

"I've made friends from all over the world," he said. "It's nice."

Cannons: Split doubleheader

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It started with a walk, putting Quiroz on first. A bunt by Vega-Torres, which was overthrown to first, landed him on second and Quiroz on third. Chris Folk, A Co., 2nd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., then hit a sacrifice grounder that moved Vega-Torres to third and scored Quiroz for the first run of the game.

Brian Baker, 1st Bn., 10th Field Artillery Regt., followed with a sacrifice fly, scoring Vega-Torres and the Cannons led 2-0.

The score remained 2-0 until the bottom of the fifth when Jeffrey McCalister hit a solo home run putting the Rockies on the board. But they still trailed 2-1.

It wasn't until the bottom of the seventh that the Rockies managed to make a comeback. Vega-Torres walked the first batter, Alvin Mitchell, for the Rockies. Mitchell stole second, which put him in scoring position. Eddy Jamieson then hit a double to score Mitchell and tie up the game.

Vega-Torres was showing signs of fatigue as he walked two more to load up the bases. Nervous energy resonated throughout the ball field as Will Peoples, stepped up to bat for the Rockies. Peoples was 0 for 2 on the day, including a strikeout.

Vega-Torres, trying to work the corners, threw a pitch in the dirt that went by the catcher and Jamieson stole home, putting the Rockies up on the Cannons by one.

"The outside pitch was low and I didn't get out to block it quick enough, and the rest was history," Quiroz said.

The Cannons, however, still had another game to play.

"I just tell them to forget about it," said Cannons' coach Ed Gawlik, 3rd Bn. (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt., after a most frustrating loss. "I give them a minute to feel sorry for themselves and 15 to get ready for the next game."

Gawlik made some position changes, moving Baker from second to third base, bringing in Joseph Mann, 1st Bn. (Airborne), 507th Inf., 11th Inf. Regt., to second and playing Allen at center field. Gawlik also put left-hander, Steve Bielak, a family member, on the mound for the second game.

Pitchers for both teams maintained their big-gun status in the second game. Bielak had seven strikeouts, with three that clinched the game in the last inning.

Will Peoples, on the mound for the Rockies, only had one strikeout, but again, the fielders kept the Cannons' batters at bay.

The Rockies were on the board early making it 1-0 at the end of the first inning.

The Cannons countered with a run at the top of the second, tying it up 1-1.

The Cannons got ahead 2-1 in the third with a few extra-base hits but were only matched by the Rockies as they fought back to tie it up again, 2-2.

It wasn't until the top of the sixth that the Cannons scored a go-ahead run that would stick.

Baker started the inning with a single. He stole second and got to third on an overthrow. Still no outs, Peoples walked the next batter.

Then Chris Allen, B Co., 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., hit an infield grounder that scored the go-ahead run. Luciano Lucuanos, shortstop for the Rockies, didn't have enough time to catch Baker sprinting home and had to settle for an out at second base.

The Rockies threatened in the sixth to no avail and were put away by Bielak in the seventh with three consecutive strikeouts.

"We were trying to mix it up, in and out and throwing the fastball, curveball and change-up," Bielak said.

"He was hitting on everything at the end, everything was working for him," said Cannons' catcher Jacob Stimson, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

The Cannons and the Rockies will duel again 1 p.m. Saturday at Spencer High School, where Gawlik hopes to have the right combination of fielders anchored by his strong pitching staff to take both games.

Game: Attracts officers, NCOs for tournament

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done with throwing their weight around.

With two out in the final inning, third baseman William Lendof stepped up to the plate and with one mighty swing of the bat, crushed the ball to the fence, driving in one run and rounding the bases himself to score the last run of the game taking the score to 10-5.

Although the officers made a valiant attempt to score in their last at bat, their efforts were unrewarded and the game ended.

After the game Lasanta said everything went according to their plan.

"The game was great," Lasanta said. "We had only three practices, but the game was nearly flawless. We only made a few errors and we were hitting well. Both teams played great games."

Herman Kirsch, the officers coach, said the game was a great time and both teams played their hearts out.

"We couldn't have lost to a better group of guys," he said.

Although this was the first meeting of the officers and NCOs, they are already planning another game and possibly making the regimental slugging fest an annual event.

sports briefs

RedStixx tickets — There are 1,500 free tickets available to Soldiers for the Association of the U.S. Army Night tonight.

For more information, call 563-0425.

Soccer teaching clinic — Youth Services will be holding a soccer teaching clinic for coaches to gain additional information about the sport, at 9 a.m. Saturday at Youth Services, Building 1056..

For more information, call Dorrie Wagner, 545-3070 or 545-3540.

A Co. bowling party — A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, is hosting an A Co. bowling party at 3 p.m. Aug. 11 at the Main Post Bowling Center.

The first 90 Soldiers will receive two free games and free shoe rental.

For more information, call 545-1959.

Rifle match — There will be a tactical rifle match at 2 p.m. Aug. 13 on English Range.

The match consists of four runs of five rounds each timed by an electronic timer.

The targets will be placed between 50 and 360 yards.

For more information, call 689-3371.

Golf tournament — The U.S. Field Artillery Association is hosting its annual Redleg Open charity golf tournament at 9 am. Aug. 11 at the Follow Me Golf Course.

The entry fee is $22 for members, $32 for non-members and $27 for staff sergeants and below.For more information, call 544-3036.

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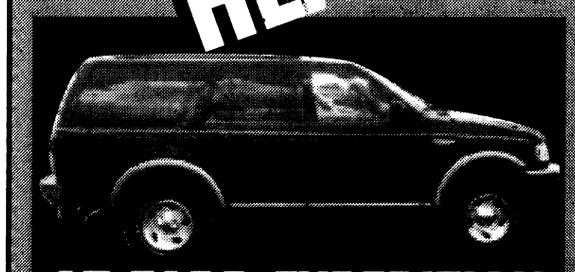

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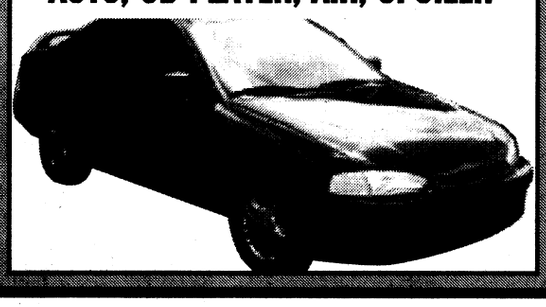



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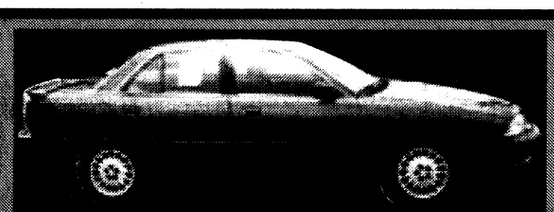

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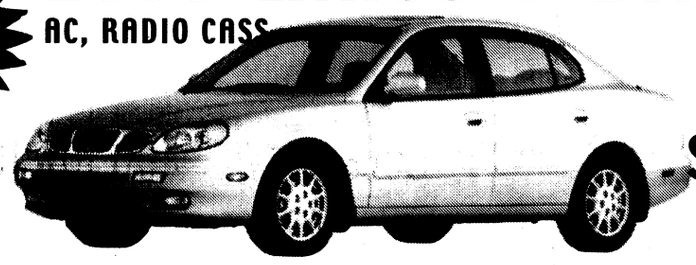

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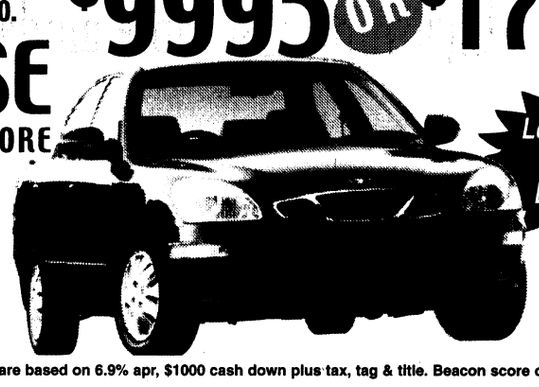

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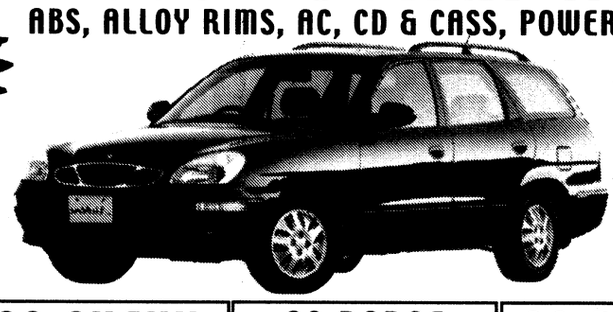

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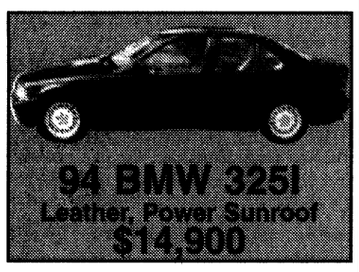

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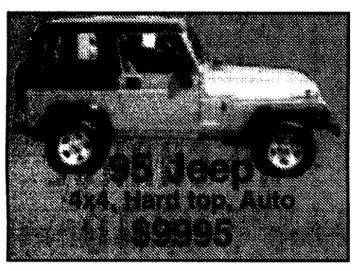

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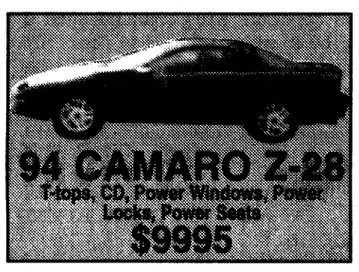

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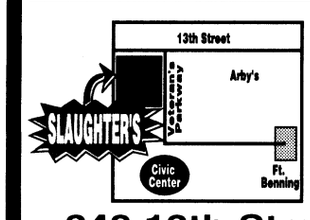

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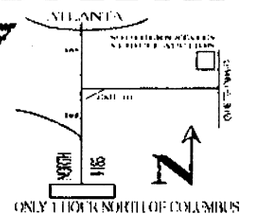

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308B Kawamura St. (Lower Davis Hill) August 5th from 8am-12 noon. Multi family with baby stuff, kids toys, etc. (F4)

132 A Arrowhead Rd. (Custer Terrace) PCS Yard Sale!! We have kids toys, small and big, computer, dinning room set, bikes, fish, army gear, and more. Come check it out. Saturday 5 Aug, 8am-?. (F4)

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179 B Arrowhead Rd. Multi Family Moving Sale. Aug 5 , 8am. (F4)

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535-b North Valdez Ct. (Custer Terrace) Multi-family yard sale.Saturday, August 5. 9am-?. (F4)

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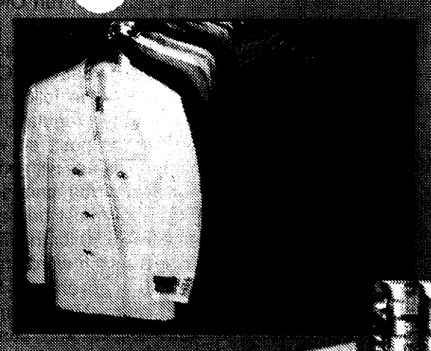

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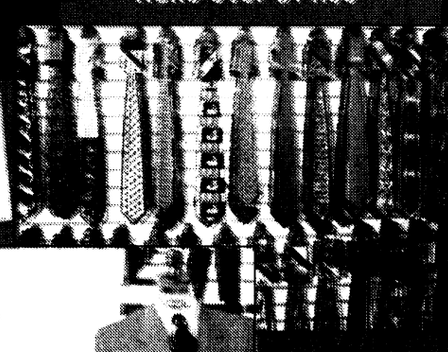



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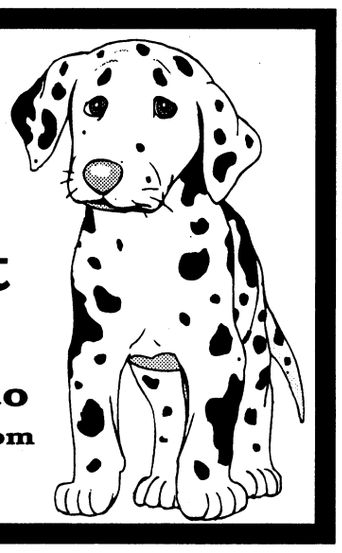

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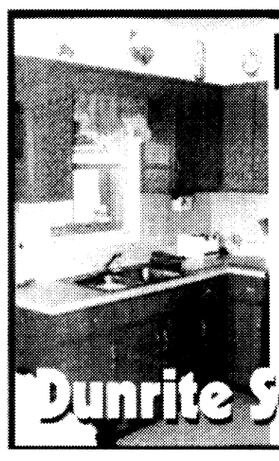

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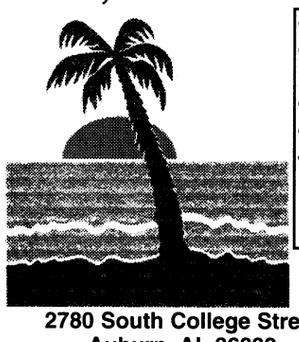

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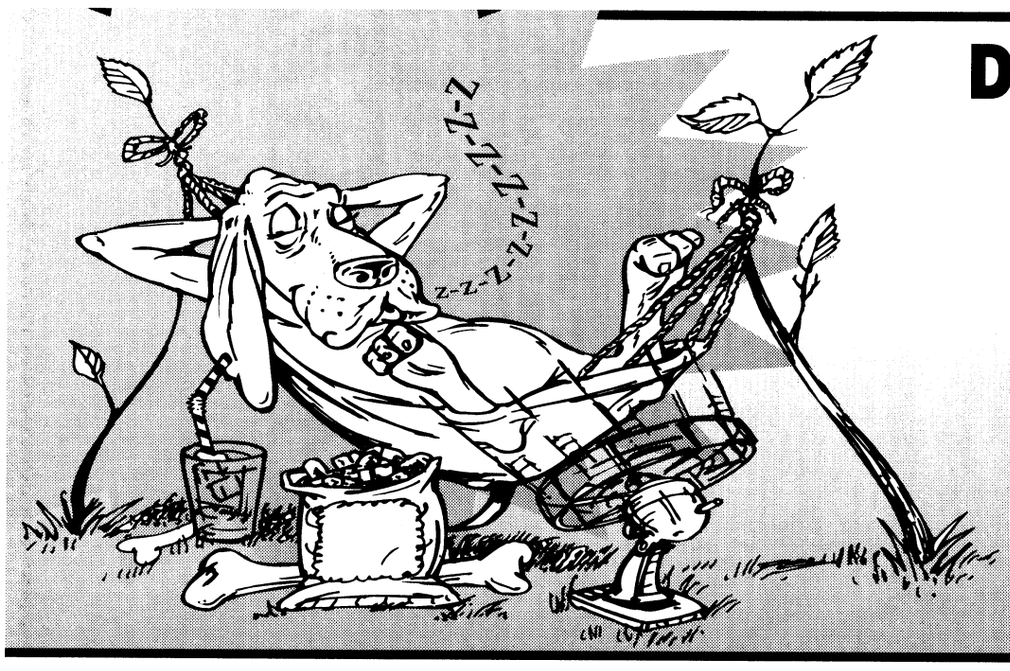

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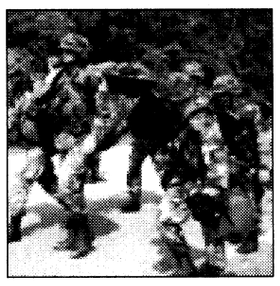

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Representatives from six American Indian tribes visited Fort Benning this week, consulting with post officials on a proposed land exchange between the installation and the city of Columbus.

The commanding general invited leaders from 11 federally recognized tribes who have historical and cultural ties to Fort Benning to the meeting Tuesday and Wednesday. It was a chance to voice their concerns about protecting cultural sites and to review the wording, line by line, used in two documents related to the swap.

Allen Harjo, a tribal administrator with the Thlopthlocco Tribal Town, traveled from Oklahoma to attend the consultation. Harjo's tribe was forced to leave the area now known as Fort Benning and move to Oklahoma in the 1830s.

"We are interested in preserving the cultural sites when the land is transferred from Fort Benning — and federal protection — to the city of Columbus," Harjo said.

Under the proposal the post would deed 2,124 acres, the North Tract, east of Schatulga Road to the city in exchange for 2,156 acres in Chattahoochee County, the South Tract, and $3.8 million. The city plans to use the North Tract for parks and economic development. The post will train on the South Tract property.

The tribal representatives want to make sure the language in the two documents addresses the protection of cultural sites and procedures for handling artifacts and American Indian remains that may be found on the land.

The documents are a memorandum of agreement and restrictive preservation covenants included with the deed.

Federal law requires federal agencies to consult with tribes on a government-to-government basis on issues that affect their cultural heritage. The tribes are considered separate government entities and Fort Benning must specifically consult with each tribe that has a historical interest.

The six tribes represented were the Muskogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Thlopthlocco Tribal Town, Alabama-Coushata Tribe of Texas and the Chickasaw Nation.

Post officials talked and corresponded with representatives from the other five tribes. All 11 American Indian nations received copies of the documents discussed before the meeting and feedback was requested, said Dr. Chris Hamilton, cultural resource manager at Fort Benning.

City and military officials first started talking about swapping about 3,000 acres each in 1988; however, an environmental study later found that part of the city's land was home to the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker. Revisions in the proposal dropped the acreage to around 2,000.

Now the post is working to meet federal legal guidelines that require consultation with the

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Soldiers test new technology

Land Warrior system aims to give troops high-tech advantage

Bridgett Siter
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A platoon of Soldiers from Fort Bragg, N.C., spent two weeks at Fort Benning testing a leaner, meaner prototype of the Army's modernized warfighting equipment, the Land Warrior.

Nearly 45 Soldiers from the 82nd Airborne Division began training at the McKenna Military Operations in Urban Terrain site July 31. They'll wrap up operations today, ending the Army's first unit-level training exercise using the latest version of the high-tech Land Warrior system.

The exercise was designed to give the Soldiers the opportunity to evaluate the new system's tactical and logistical efficiency in various urban battle scenarios.

"They're outfitted with Land Warrior prototypes, and they'll be telling us what they like and don't like about the system," said Lt. Col. Scott Crizer, Land Warrior product manager.

The idea for the Land Warrior was first introduced in 1991 after an Army Science Board Study recommended the service look at the Soldier as a complete weapon system. It then fell to the Training and Doctrine Command Systems Manager-Soldier at Fort Benning to develop a totally integrated fighting system primarily for use in close combat situations.

Raytheon produced early models, which weighed about 40 pounds and often proved too bulky to be practical in the field.

In 1998, the Army hired Exponent to redesign the Land Warrior with an eye on functionality as well as lethality. Crizer said contracting production to a smaller commercial industry reduced costs significantly and ultimately resulted in a smaller, more efficient model.

"Our thought process was called COST —

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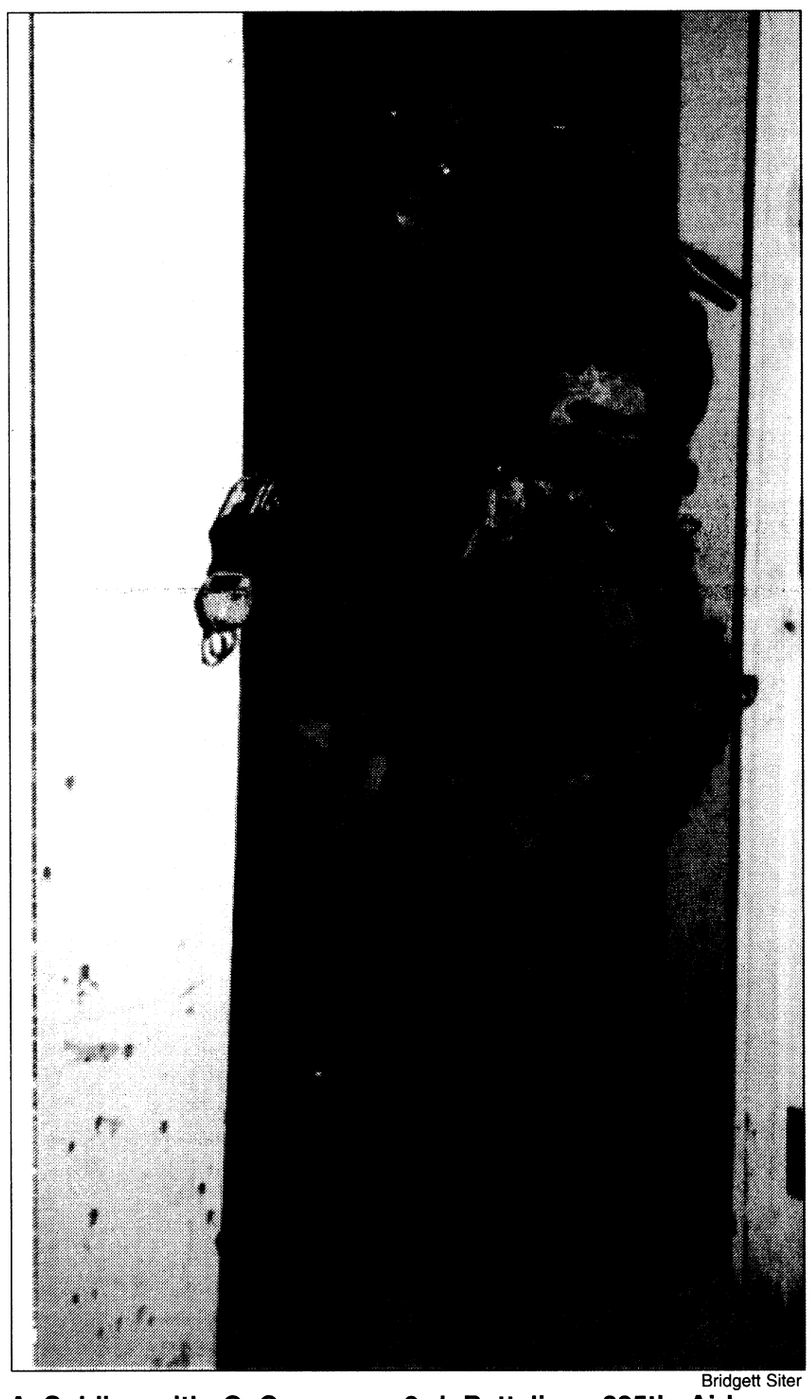

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A Soldier with C Company, 3rd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, demonstrates the capabilities of the Land Warrior System at McKenna MOUT site Monday.

Drought's effects lessening

Water situation no longer 'critical' on post

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Recent rains and "climatic factors" prompted post officials to reduce water restrictions for post starting today.

Residents will now be allowed to resume the three-day-a-week outdoor watering schedule started in June, said Col. Keith Stelzer, director of Public Works.

"The recent rains and climatic factors that contribute to the flow of our water supply of Upatoi Creek achieved a sustained level of flow above the levels of deep concern we were experiencing when we tightened the restrictions last month," Stelzer said.

The entire state of Georgia was called upon earlier this summer to reduce water usage as the South continued to battle drought conditions for the third consecutive year.

Since that call for restrictions was issued, Fort Benning reduction efforts decreased water usage here by nearly 2 million gallons a day, Stelzer said.

"The post did extremely well in conserving water," he said. "But by decreasing the restrictions, this does not mean we are no longer concerned about water conservation efforts."

The post will continue to limit all

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Sex-crime victims could see additional help

Study gives Army planners assistance in revamping policy

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army is working to improve how it investigates and prosecutes sexual misconduct crimes, and will expand victim services, as it adopts the recommendations of a recent study.

The study was completed earlier this year by a process action team made up of both military and civilian experts from fields such as medicine and psychiatry, law, social services, criminal investigation and automation. At the direction of Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera, the team examined how the Army handles sexual misconduct cases, from sexual harassment to rape.

The team recently finished its report titled "Improving the Investigation, Prosecution, and Victim Services Concerning Sexual Offenses."

The report recommends increased training and communication among medical, law enforcement, and legal personnel. It states the Army should assign and train more forensic investigative experts, as well as expand physician training relating to physical examination, documentation, handling of victims, and treating post-traumatic stress disorder.

The report also recommends the Army implement a number of other victim services such as hire full-time regional-level victim coordinators, hold regional training conferences, and expand the Victim Information and Notification Everyday program called VINE.

"The Army is committed to treating everyone with dignity and respect," said Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki. "We must treat every case seriously and do right for our Soldiers, civilians and families."

"This report reviewed our programs and identified areas needing improvement. The Army will aggressively implement improvements to our system," Shinseki said.

The team of experts recommended various ways the Army can improve the processing of these cases from offense reporting through trial.

Gregory Maggs, a professor at George Washington Law School and team consultant, said, "The Army does an excellent job investigating and prosecuting sexual offenses; however, improvement is still possible, particularly in the area of specialized training."

The study recommends using automation to improve distance learning and communication, as well as more frequent coordination for all involved, including commanders, medical personnel, investigators, prosecutors, and victim assistance liaisons.

"Enhanced training will ensure that a fundamentally solid system becomes even better," Maggs said. "The potential for gaps in case processing will be filled and mistakes will be avoided."

Joseph Tauber, an attorney from Baltimore and consultant to the Process Action Team, lauded the work the Army had done in sexual misconduct cases. But he said the Army can further improve by drawing from civilian expertise and attending specialized civilian training programs.

The Army has already taken the next step toward implementing these initiatives, officials said, by funding them at $1.3 million for the first year, and a total of more than $5 million over five years.

School proves good choice

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary



I'm pro-choice. Now that I have your attention, let me explain.

I think parents should have the right to decide where their children will attend high school. I'm glad we have that option here on Fort Benning.

If your child, like mine, is entering the eighth grade, it's time to start thinking about where he'll be attending school a year from now. And if, like me, you've heard a lot of negative talk about the closest and most obvious choice, Spencer High School, here's something to chew on while you're considering your options.

James Tanksley, Spencer's assistant principal, said the school experiences fewer disciplinary problems than any other high school in Muscogee County.

I suspect that might be true, because "the Tank," as he's respectfully referred to by Spencer students, looks like he'd be a pretty effective deterrent for any budding criminal. And he and his colleague, Assistant Principal Dom Manio are both retired from the Army with combat experience, a real plus if you're going to work with 1,100 teenagers.

Tanksley said he credits "that military mentality" with keeping the hallowed halls of Spencer High safe and secure for Fort Benning's Army brats.

He still thinks like a Soldier, always keeping an eye out for potential problems and taking a proactive approach to safety and prevention. It's good to know one of our own is minding the kids.

As the new school year kicks off, you'll be reading a lot more about Spencer High School in *The Bayonet*.

With more than 80 percent of its student population living on Fort Benning, and the school itself within rock-throwing distance, there's really no denying that Spencer is Fort Benning's high school. Therefore we feel it's our responsibility to include Spencer coverage in Fort Benning's paper.

Spencer will have an open house for students and parents 7 p.m. Sept. 19. If you haven't made up your mind where your eighth-grader will be attending high school, take this opportunity to visit Spencer and get to know principal Olivia Rutledge and her staff.

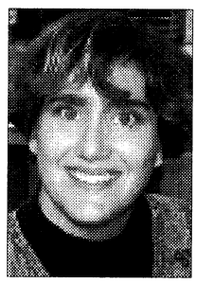
Ask lots of questions — they're not afraid to answer.

As Kimberly Brown-Boynton — a third-generation Spencer graduate, and now a teacher at Spencer — put it, "We believe in Spencer. It's the best kept secret in Columbus."

Post parking warps sane minds

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary



It simply amazes me how something so inconsequential can become such a major problem for people.

I am talking about cars and parking lots.

We have a lot of parking lots on Fort Benning; Infantry Hall is surrounded by so may parking possibilities it boggles the mind.

Of course with so many choices it is sometimes hard to make a choice. I witnessed this very fiasco the other day.

As I pulled into a parking row, a car was reversing out of the parking spot. I stopped and waited for the driver to pull forward. I waited. And I waited.

Now I wondered why this person didn't pull forward but I saw some people walking in the parking lot in our general direction so I figured the driver was waiting for passengers. The people walked by the car, got in their own and drove away. I was still waiting for the driver to pull forward.

After about five minutes, I got out of my car and walked to the silver-tinted window. I knocked on the window and the driver put it down and said, "I am waiting for you to back up."

"Why are you waiting for me to back up?" I asked.

"I want to park in that spot," she said gesturing to an empty spot on the other side of the row.

I looked where she was pointing and there was an empty spot, a car in the next spot and then three more empty spots. And she had reversed out of another spot.

Too many parking choices continues to boggle the minds of other drivers, too.

At School Age Services, parents drop off their children in the morning and then return for them in the afternoon.

There are plenty of parking spots along the fence but many parents choose to drive up to the steps or park along the side of the parking lot when dropping off or collecting their children.

So young children are now walking in an area where drivers are reversing into to leave the parking lot. This bothers me because often many parents are running late. (OK, so it's only me who's running late.)

When drivers park along the side of the parking lot, they block the drivers who've parked in the spaces. So now those rushed parents are now prevented from leaving the parking space.

Combat parking is what a coworker called the parking mentality for some people at Fort Benning. She said she's seen some people reverse into a diagonal parking spot at Infantry Hall. We've surmised the reason was for making a quick getaway.

I think people have watched the television commercial where the two women in sport utility vehicles race each other to a parking spot too many times. It's warped their ability to park sanely.

Reality of getting older strikes again

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



I looked in the mirror earlier this year and was shocked to see my mother.

This was suspicious because I knew for a fact that my mother was several thousand miles away.

Then, when I took my daughter to Honolulu for a visit in June, I almost mistook my mother for my grandmother, who crossed the great divide years ago.

As I do not indulge in, shall we say, "recreational pharmaceuticals," I had to face the facts ... time and gravity were trying to catch up.

Yep. At 70-plus, poor mom could be aging better.

At least mom has a lot of company. While we were visiting, we went to a graduation party that my cousin threw for her son.

My dad, whose hearing isn't what it used to be, speaks more quietly than he once did to avoid speaking way too loudly.

This did nothing for his brother and sisters, who pump up the volume when they talk because they don't hear very well either, but refuse to admit it.

Caught in the middle, I found myself alternating between leaning in to hear Dad and leaning back to avoid an eardrum rupture.

Still suffering from jet lag, I thought I was stuck in a time warp continuum when parts of the conversation kept going into instant replay, with variations, every few minutes.

Take this conversation between my uncle and one of his sisters.

"Ann! How's your leg?"

"My head's OK, but my leg is a little stiff."

"I didn't ask about your head, I asked about your leg."

"No, Margaret only gave Elsie a lei because she's visiting."

"You need to start wearing your hearing aid! I didn't ask about a lei, I asked about your leg!"

"If you have a hearing aid, you should use it. My leg is OK, thanks for asking. Did you have to go to the doctor for your head?"

Another sibling joined in. "What are you guys talking about?"

"Ann's leg."

That's when Dad chimed in with "What's wrong with her head?"

It went on (and on) from there.

To top it off, I found myself swiping at my face with a napkin almost nonstop because everyone else at the table kept staring at my mouth.

It finally occurred to me that lip-reading must take more practice, or better bifocals, than I once thought.

The last time my high school alumni newsletter arrived, I took off my bifocals to get a better look at a photo of some of my classmates. Those women had better start taking better care of themselves.

Except for having the same hair color we had in high school (only our, I mean, their hairdressers know for sure) they're starting to look middle-aged.

I'm not sure what happened to them.

When I look in a mirror, I see someone who pretty much looks the same as she did in Algebra II.

Actually, I look better ... much less stressed. Algebra was not my forte.

It's got to be something in the water back there. It's the only thing my former classmates, my mom, dad and his siblings would have in common.

What I don't understand is how the water here has a reverse effect, making the junior enlisted and second lieutenants look like high schoolers. At least, they used to look like high schoolers.

Lately, they've started looking like middle schoolers.

It's the career course captains who look like they're in high school now. Just last week I saw one that looked like he shaved twice a week, whether he needed to or not.

My friend Sandra's mom has a sampler hanging prominently in their home.

It's not as funny now as the first time I saw it 20 years ago:

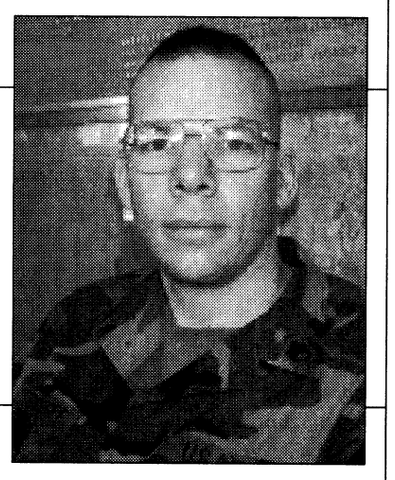
I like my new bifocals,
My hearing aid works just fine.
My false teeth fit me perfectly,
But Lord how I miss my mind.

VARIOUS VOICES

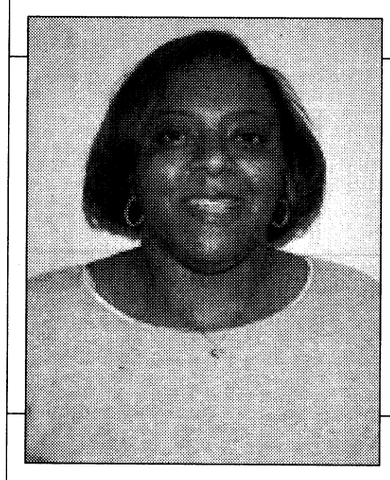
What are the advantages to on-post schools versus off-post?



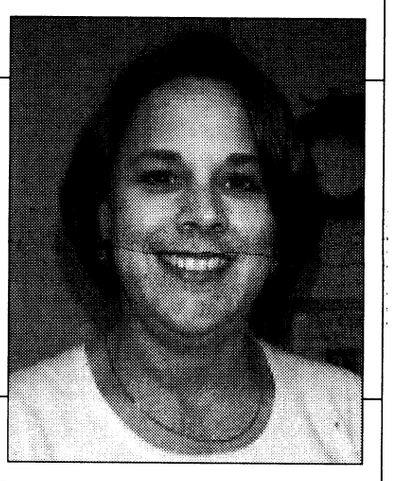
Laura Rakow, family member — "I think the DoDEA school system is much better than the public school system. I just feel safer having my children go to a school on post rather than off."



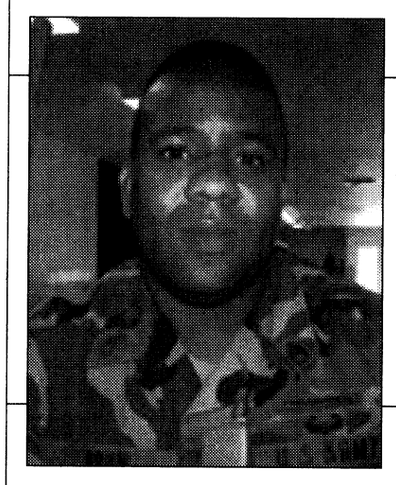
Staff Sgt. Michael Treglazoff, A Company , 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I believe it's a safer environment, it's convenient and the schools on post have better quality teachers. It also looks like the facilities are much nicer."



Winnie Wimberly, family member — "When my kids were going to post schools I really liked the diverse culture they were exposed to. And the teachers were unique in that they could understand my children and the special circumstances of the military."



Beth Roberts, secretary, Dexter Elementary School — "I believe there's more understanding of the Soldier's child and their needs in post schools. There is more compassion for the situations that come up such as deployments and PCSs."



Staff Sgt. Roberto Aron, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, NCO Academy — "I feel safer having my kids in on post schools because I can tell the difference between the on and off post environments."



Tawanna Tyler, family member — "There is just so much more culture in post schools. They get a chance to learn from children who come from all over the world as opposed to just being exposed to one culture in an off post school."

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Former POW dedicates memorial today

Soldiers receive thanks 55 years after liberation

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Tales of Ranger exploits have spread throughout the world, but few know of the Rangers who successfully pulled off a daring rescue during World War II.

For former prisoner of war John M. Cook, the rescue gave him a second chance at life.

Now he is dedicating a memorial in honor of the Rangers, Alamo Scouts and aviators who risked their lives to save him along with 511 other POWs held at Camp Cabanatuan, in the Philippines.

The dedication is slated for 1 p.m. today at the Ranger Training Brigade and will honor the men who pulled off the virtually flawless mission

"The dedication is long overdue," Master Sgt. John Farley, Ranger Training Battalion's civil affairs officer, said. "The mission they pulled off is only one piece of Ranger history, but it is a classic example and a teaching point of a well-executed raid."

The raid began after only two days of preparation.

As the Rangers, Alamo Scouts and Philippine guerrillas infiltrated 30 miles behind enemy lines, airmen from the 547th Night Fighter Squadron flew over the camp as a diversion.

One particular airplane gave the raiders the opportunity to crawl more than 1/2 mile across an open rice patty when its pilot, much to the surprise of the plane's navigator, pretended to stall the plane directly above the camp attracting the full attention of the Japanese guards.

As the plane neared the altitude that was in range of the guards' rifles, the pilot took full control of the plane and flew away from the camp, allowing the raiders to start the attack undetected.

"The attack began at 7:30 in the evening," Cook said. "A friend and I had just got done with our work for the evening and were sharing a cigarette butt, tobacco was in very short supply. Thirty minutes after the attack began, the camp was cleared of all the prisoners except for one man who was in the latrine.

"He was hard of hearing and didn't know the camp was cleared," Cook said. "After he got done, he went back into the barracks and went to sleep.

"In the morning he realized he was all alone, but some of the raiders went back in and brought him out the next day," he said.

All 512 prisoners were taken out of the camp unscathed, but one man died of a heart attack along the 30-mile trek back to the American lines, Cook said.

Two of the raiders were killed and 10 were wounded in the liberation, which took the lives of all 270 guards in the camp.

"We marched all night and arrived at the American lines at 8 a.m., in Gimba 30 miles from the camp," Cook said. "We were checked out by doctors, then shipped to the states. I gained a pound a day by eating the great Navy food, then we arrived at the states. It was great to be home!"

"It has been 55 years since we were liberated," Cook said. "I think it is about time their story was told. They gave me a second chance at life."

Cook will unveil the memorial — a bronze plaque engraved with the names of the rescuers.

MEPS receives up-close look at new Soldiers

Station's workers witness turnout of their labors

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

The Atlanta Military Entrance Processing Station closed its office Aug. 4 and 43 of its personnel boarded a bus to Fort Benning for the chance to see firsthand what the young men who depart from their station experience in their first 24 hours — and beyond — at Sand Hill.

One of 65 MEPS in the country, the Atlanta station "ships out" nearly 6,000 troops each year to 10 training centers all across the different branches of the military, said Maj. Robert Larsen, commander of the Atlanta MEPS.

The Army has five centers — including the 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), 29th Infantry Regiment, that processes Soldiers entering training at the Infantry Training Brigade and the Basic Combat Training Brigade.

"We wanted all our employees to come down and see what happens during the first few days after they leave us," Larsen said.

It's a direct handoff from the MEPS to the reception battalion, and communication between the two agencies is important, he said.

The U.S. Military Entrance Processing Command evaluates and processes applicants for enlistment, and then ships the accepted applicants to the appropriate training reception centers.

The trip included touring the 30th AG Bn. (Reception), observing training at the BCTB and attending an ITB graduation ceremony on Kannel Field.

"The snapshot glimpses of all this training will give them a better appreciation of what will happen next as they are processing the applicants," Larsen said.

Maj. Mike Matthews, executive officer for the reception battalion, conducted an orientation tour of Johnston Hall, and the group ate lunch in the dining facility.

Earlier this spring, a group from the 30th AG Bn. (Reception) visited the Atlanta MEPS where applicants are tested for their skills, examined by a staff physician and given background screenings to ensure enlistees are suitable for military service.

"In this day and age, with the recruiting challenges we face, it's important that all parts of the recruiting and reception process work together," Matthews said.

The Atlanta station works as the liaison between the reception battalion and MEPCOM, Larson said.

"Any problems that arise here with applicants are communicated to us, and we work to resolve them," he said.

Active-duty members from each branch of the service make up half of the "purple suit organization," Larsen said.

The other staff members are civilians like Betty Battle, who is a systems administrator.

"I wanted to see what the troops do when they come to basic training," Battle said.

Edward McFadden, a military processing clerk, enjoys his job at the station.

"I like meeting people, and although I have to ask the same questions over and over every day, it's always a different person," McFadden, who retired from the Air Force after 20 years, said.

After eight years on the job, McFadden said he has only once encountered an applicant he processed after she left the station.

"We were in a grocery store and she recognized me. She said, 'Look, there's the man who took my fingerprints,'" he said.

During the short visit at the reception battalion, Larsen admitted he was tempted numerous times to ask some of the newly arrived troops if they had been in Atlanta the day before, he said.

Restrictions: Get break thanks to recent rainfall

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outdoor watering to between the hours of 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. and require all watering to be done by hand.

"We want to be as helpful to our water users as the conditions of the Upatoi will allow," Stelzer said. "Adding this additional day will provide as much relief as we can afford under the current conditions."

The now effective watering schedule will allow for residents living in even-numbered addresses to water outdoors on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and residents living at odd-numbered addresses will be allowed to water on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Although local water conditions have seen some gain over the past few weeks, the Fort Benning area is still at a deficit of 14 inches of rainfall, according to the National Weather Service.

So far this year, Fort Benning has measured 19.48 inches of rainfall, a number that is nearly 58 percent less than the average rainfall for the area for this time of year.

"It would be a dangerous assumption to misread these modified restrictions as an end to our problems," Stelzer said. "The drought is not over, but for the time being, the intensity seems to have diminished for the watershed area that feeds the Upatoi Creek."

While Stelzer sees the intensity diminishing, it could very easily be prone to change.

According to the latest report from the National Weather Service, drier than normal conditions are on the way for the Fort Benning area for the next 90 days.

While Stelzer said he didn't want to make a prediction on the weather, he said he has reviewed the last four years of data on the flow rates of the Upatoi. If history repeats itself, the flow rates should take a significant upswing sometime in mid- to late-September.

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Talks: Give tribal leaders voice in proposed land exchange

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American Indians — eventually clearing the way for the exchange to finally be completed.

"The city and Fort Benning are eager to see this long-standing effort brought to a conclusion," Col. John Mitchell, post garrison commander, said.

Mitchell represented Fort Benning at the consultation table. His goal for the two-day meeting was "to produce documents that address the concerns of the tribes and still permit the city reasonable use of the land," he said.

"We are deeply committed to addressing the legitimate concerns of the tribes for the preservation of their cultural resources," Mitchell said.

Fort Benning agreed to set aside one acre to be used as a cemetery for any remains found.

Mayor Bobby Peters represented the city during the meeting. City officials said they want to complete the swap by the end of the year.

The National Historic Preservation Act mandates federal agencies consult with American Indians and other groups to resolve cultural heritage issues involving historical properties, said Don Klima of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

"We are participating in the discussion in hopes that the issues can be resolved and a memorandum of agreement reached. That agreement would be the Army's evidence that it satisfied the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act," Klima said.

The agreement would be signed by the Army, the State Historic Preservation Office and the Advisory Council.

The city and tribal leaders are acting as consulting agents for the memorandum and will also be invited to concur, or not concur, with the agreement.

"The state's role is to serve as a technical adviser to the city, the tribes and the Army," said David Crass who represented the state's historic preservation office in the talks.

But he pointed out that it was really a government to government meeting between the federal government and the tribal nations.

"This is a very unique process that the fort is going through. From the state's perspective, Fort Benning, the city of Columbus and the tribes negotiated openly and in good faith," he said.

Most of the tribal delegates remained on post Thursday and today to discuss the post's Integrated Natural Resource Plan, Integrated Cultural Resource Plan and future developments on the installation including projects at Lawson Army Airfield.

Test: Puts high-tech fighting equipment in Soldiers' hands

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commercial-off-the-shelf technology," Crizer said. "We drew from some of the technology that was already available in the private sector at a cost less prohibitive, and reduced some of what the Soldier had to carry to increase functionality."

The new Land Warrior Version 0.6 integrates small arms and high-speed digitized equipment into a light-weight wearable package that replaces the earlier version that was heavier and bulkier.

Though designed to be used primarily in urban surroundings, the new Land Warrior system can be used for navigational purposes in any environment.

Crizer said the Army expects to field 34,000 of the new systems by 2003, at a cost of nearly $10,000 per unit.

Each unit of the system weighs a mere 14 pounds and is comprised of five subsystems: the weapon, integrated helmet assembly, computer-radio system, software, and protective clothing and equipment.

Each subsystem is designed to increase the Soldier's margin of survivability by enhancing his ability to navigate, communicate, relay real-time intelligence data and observe the enemy with minimal exposure to gunfire.

"We're just bringing 21st century technology to the 21st century Soldier," Crizer said.

The weapon system is built around the M-4 modular carbine. It has a laser range finder, daylight video camera, laser aiming light and thermal sight device — all attached to the weapon and a body-armored vest.

The integrated helmet assembly has a computer and sensor display mounted on a light-weight assault helmet, which relays images from the M-4's camera, thereby allowing the Soldier to peek around corners without exposing himself to enemy fire.

The integrated helmet system also boasts a night sensor and panel display, laser detection, ballistic-laser eye protection, headset and microphone.

The protective clothing and equipment system incorporates interceptor body armor designed to withstand the impact from 9 mm fire and interchangeable armored plates that can stop point-blank small arms fire.

The armor is 17 pounds lighter than armor currently being used by Infantry Soldiers throughout the ranks of the Army.

A global positioning system locator, computer and radio are housed in the modular, load-bearing pack, making the 0.6 version more compact and lighter than previous versions.

"This feels pretty comfortable compared to commonly used load carrying equipment," said Sgt. Ryan Recktenwald, who demonstrated the system's purpose and capabilities. "It's not as apt to bounce around when you're running because it's closer to the body and fitted more tightly."

> "We're just bringing 21st century technology to the 21st century Soldier."
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> **Lt. Col. Scott Crizer**
> Land Warrior Product Manager

The Land Warrior derives its functionality from its software system, which enables the Soldier to capture, display and relay video images.

It also provides multiple map displays and voice and digital communications.

A light-weight battery pack provides more than 20 hours of power to the hi-tech system and replaces earlier more cumbersome, short-life packs.

"This system has the potential to be revolutionary," Crizer said. "We want to stress that this is a prototype, not the finished product. We're still gathering feedback and making adjustments that will make this system better serve the Soldiers who will be using it."

Pfc. Damien Robinson, C Company, 3rd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, was one of the Soldiers putting the Land Warrior system through the rigorous testing at the MOUT site earlier this week.

He had nothing but praise for the system.

"It took me three or four times to feel comfortable using it," he said, as he demonstrated by extending his gun around a corner and viewing his target on the helmet-mounted miniature screen. "Now I think it's easier to fire indirectly than directly."

The two-week train-up exercise prepared the unit for the Joint Contingency Force Advanced Warfighting Experiment in September at Fort Polk, La., where Soldiers will test the Land Warrior system during the large-scale battle operations.

Fort Benning troops take Land Warrior worldwide

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The old adage, "Don't believe everything you see," has traditionally applied to the big screen science-fiction movies Hollywood turns out on a regular basis. But one Fort Benning Soldier says the movie industry's futuristic fantasies are becoming Army realities.

His name is Sgt. Ryan Recktenwald, but when he's outfitted in the Land Warrior Version 0.6 prototype, he answers to various Hollywood handles like "Robo-cop," "Universal Soldier" and "Starship Trooper." At first glance he looks more like a Schwarzenegger stunt double than a plausible picture of today's Army Soldier.

"I get a lot of comments comparing me to movie characters," Recktenwald said. "But I respond by saying with today's advanced technology, the things we're seeing out of Hollywood are now becoming reality."

Recktenwald has been demonstrating the Land Warrior since May. He's one of only two Army demonstrators who spend about four days each week traveling the country, and sometimes the globe, giving head-to-toe demonstrations of the functions and capabilities of the Army's newest integrated weapons system.

Recktenwald was present for the Times Square celebration of the Army's 100th birthday June 14, and he's appeared on CNN and ABC. He just returned from a four-day stint at the Republican National Convention where he modeled the system for senators and congressmen. As part of a bipartisan agreement, his colleague, Sgt. Robert Benedict, will appear at the Democratic National Convention.

"I love the travel," Recktenwald said. "I consider myself a liaison between the Army and the general public who's often misinformed about the Army's direction. I'm like a walking advertisement for advanced technology and the Army's holistic approach to the total Soldier."

The 27-year-old Almond, N.Y., native said it didn't take long to feel comfortable handling the Land Warrior system.

"It took me about a week to be able to handle it proficiently," he said. "It's user friendly, and anyone with just a little computer knowledge will feel comfortable with it."





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post briefs

Sick call

To improve Soldier care, weekend and holiday sick call for all active duty Soldiers will move from TMC No. 5 to Winder Health Clinic, Building 3306 on Sand Hill.

The move goes into effect Saturday and the hours will remain 7 a.m.-noon.

Change-of-command

Lt. Col. Jay Chambers, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, commander, will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Donald Sando at 9 a.m. Wednesday on Kanell Field.

Air Force Lt. Col. Keith Maresca, commander of 17th Air Support Operations Squadron, will relinquish command to Air Force Lt. Col. Donald Tharp at 9 a.m. Thursday at 4155 Russell Road, Harmony Church.

Lt. Col. Kenneth Strickland, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Michael Culpepper at 9 a.m. Aug. 22 at Pomeroy Field.

ACAP

There will be several ACAP meetings held in Building 2634, in Soldiers' Plaza. They are:

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, LaGrange WalMart's distributing center is recruiting for several positions. Also Bayou Steel Company is recruiting.

From 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 29, the Georgia Department of Corrections will be recruiting and testing for officers and other positions.

Off-limits businesses

There are several businesses the Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board has placed off limits to all military persons in the Fort Benning area.

They are the All Breed Dog Training Academy at 1302 Sandusky Drive and Mr. Transmission at 3137 Macon Road in Columbus and The Pen Dixie Pit on Old Perry Road in Clinchfield, Ga.

Free education

The HOPE Grant Program will pay all tuition and fees and up to $100 per quarter for textbooks for all active duty military and their dependents stationed at Fort Benning and living in Georgia.

Day and evening classes are offered at Columbus Technical College.

For more information, call 685-8549.

Promotion boards

The Department of the Army is holding a selection board Oct. 17 for consideration of promotion from master sergeant to command sergeant major.

The NCOs who meet the eligibility criteria must review their personal records and authenticate their qualification record.

For more information, call 545-2872.

Green to Gold

There are several Green to Gold briefings for interested Soldiers. They are Aug. 24, Sept. 21, Oct. 27, Nov. 16, Dec. 7, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22 and April 26.

The briefings will cover the purpose of the program along with eligibility and how to apply for the program.

For more information, call 568-2449.

TSU classes

Troy State University offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during non-traditional hours and dates.

Units have the flexibility to schedule classes during times, dates and locations of their choice and when it is convenient to them.

For more information, call 685-9555.

CID recruitment

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command is looking for qualified Soldiers to become special agents.

Soldiers must be specialist, corporal or sergeant non-promotable, have a GT score of 110 or higher and at least 60 hours of undergraduate education. For more information, call 545-2414.

CID investigations

The U.S. Army is seeking information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the persons responsible for the larceny of a 1994 Plymouth Sundance from the west side parking lot of Martin Army Community Hospital June 9. A 1999 Ford Expedition was also damaged during an unsuccessful attempt to steal the vehicle.

Community Oriented Policing

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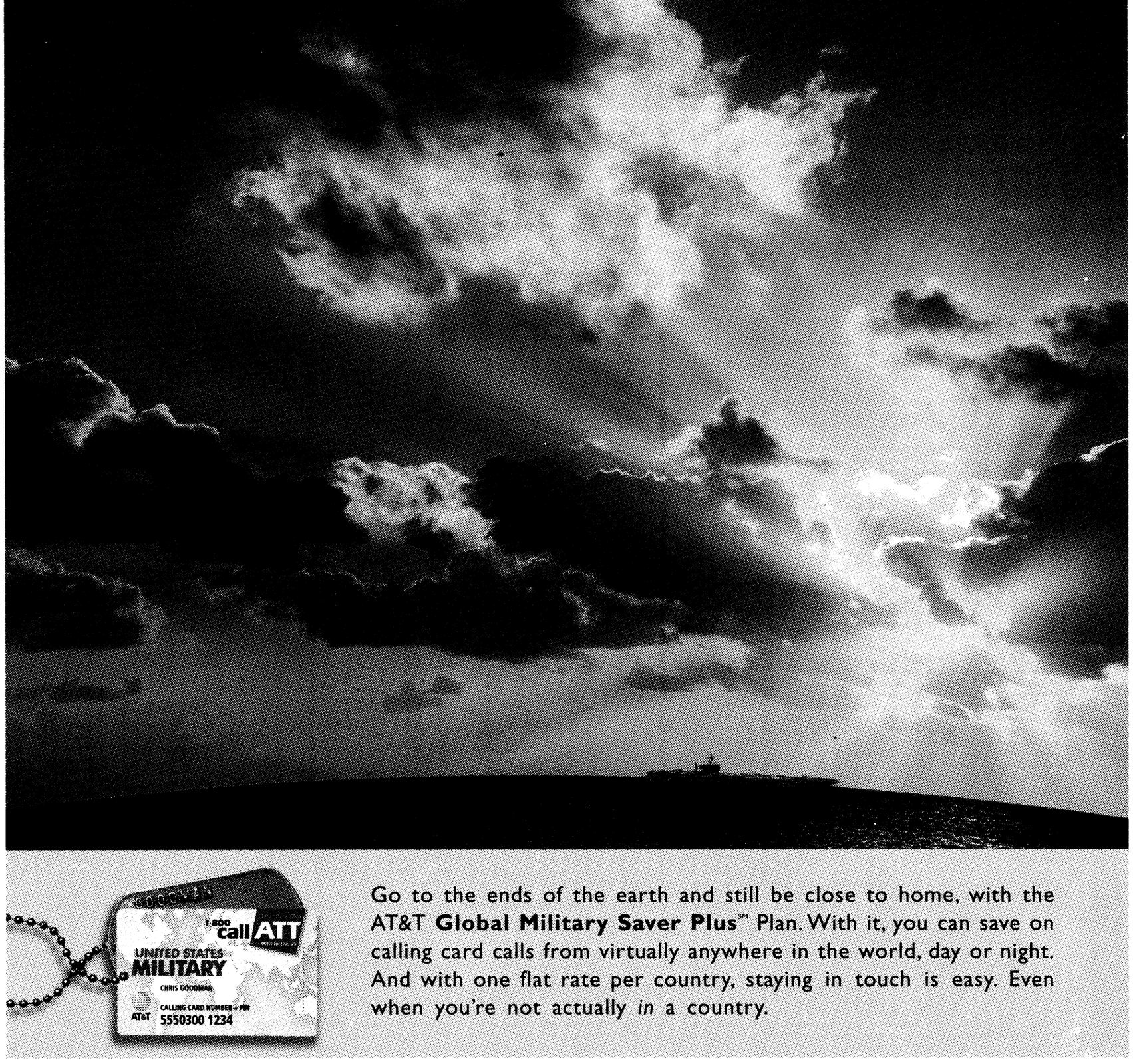

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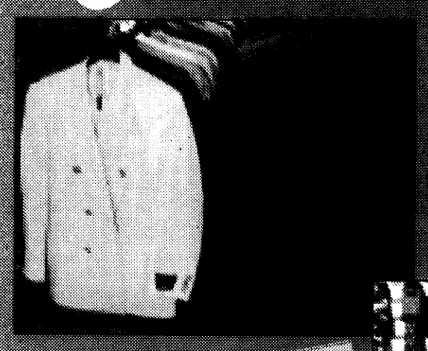

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Soldiers go from basic training to band

Trainees graduate, return to field to play in ceremony

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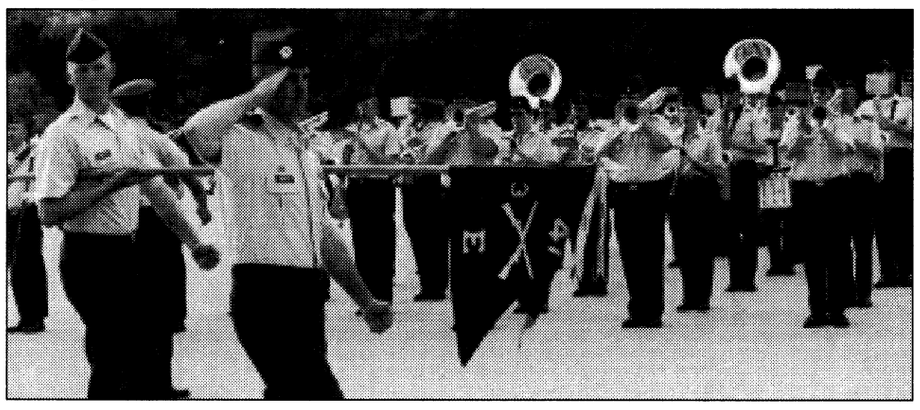
A week after standing on Pomeroy Field at Sand Hill and graduating from basic training, six Soldiers returned to march in another graduation ceremony on the same field — this time as members of the band.

Likewise, six men who graduated during that Aug. 3 ceremony for D and E Companies, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, joined the band this week for a month of rehearsal and performances.

Fort Benning's 283rd Infantry Band has increased its numbers considerably in the last few weeks thanks to the reserve and National Guard musicians graduating from the BCTB and moving across post for their advanced individual training.



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The 283rd Infantry Band performs at a graduation ceremony on post.

Their numbers have also been bolstered by elements from two reserve bands — the 84th Division Band from Milwaukee, Wis., and the 85th Division Band from Chicago. The reservists are conducting their annual training on post and performing at graduations and other functions, along with the Soldiers in AIT and permanent-party band members.

Active-duty musicians complete their AIT at the Army's School of Music in Norfolk, Va. Guardsmen and reservists complete their four-week AIT with active-duty bands.

"Their training is actually performing, and we are preparing them to perform," said Sgt. 1st Class Mark Eister, the Infantry Center Band's first sergeant.

"Our job is to make sure they look, march and play up to standard," he said.

And there are plenty of opportunities get a chance to perform during the summer at Fort Benning.

In addition to graduations every Thursday and Friday morning at Sand Hill, there are all the other schools on post conducting graduation ceremonies, as well as battalion and brigade changes of command and other functions.

"It's been a typical summer. We just plan on not having a life at home during June, July and August," said Chief Warrant Officer Paul Clark, the bandmaster and company commander.

Pulling a calendar from his pocket, Clark showed during the week of July 10-15, the band performed 13 jobs in addition to a TDY trip to Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

Pfc. Brandon D'Acquisto, 20, of Jacksonville, Ala., completed basic training two weeks ago and had already performed at a retirement and three graduation ceremonies.

"I've had to learn to march the Army way. It's a totally different style from high school," said the reservist who plays the saxophone.

The age range for the AIT students is 18 to 25. All but Spc. Timothy Storly, a high school band director from Oneida, S.D., are enrolled in college and five are music majors.

From Utah to New York and Vermont to Louisiana, the musicians all agreed one of the hardest aspects of basic training was not being able to play their instruments or listen to music for nine weeks.

Once assigned to the Infantry Band, the Soldiers were provided with instruments to play during their training.

3rd Brigade 'Mechwarriors' battle it out in squad competition

Competition measures endurance

2nd Lt. Peter Bikos
1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment

For the average Soldier the week of July 24-28 was just another work week, but to the Infantry Squads of 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade "Battle Boars" it was their biggest test since the last three deployments.

During the Infantry Squad Competition these "Mechwarriors" competed against each other in various events that measure physical and mental endurance as well as Infantry skills at the squad level.

A point score was kept on each event to determine the winner, but every member of every squad was keeping score in their head.

The week started out with an APFT test in the morning, with Soldiers grunting to push out the last repetition that might make the difference for their squad.



Photos by 1st Lt. Michael J. Fortenberry

Members of 1st Squad, 2nd Platoon, A Company, race to finish the litter carry event of the unit's Infantry Squad Competition held July 24-28.

Later under a blazing Georgia sun Soldiers engaged moving pop-up targets with deadly accuracy on the advanced rifle marksmanship range.

To add even more technical events and challenges to the first day, a quarter of the required Expert Infantry Badge were completed.

The second day the squads raced from point to point on the day land navigation course, completed five more EIB tasks before going back to find more points in the pitch-black during the night land navigation course.

It was during the confidence and obstacle courses and the litter carry. that every point made the difference.

Some Soldiers considered the litter carry the most difficult event because it came after the confidence and obstacle course, and the litters were filled to capacity with sandbags.

"The litter carry was sheer pain and a serious gut check," said Pvt. Matthew Gadalinski.

After wrenching through the tasks, the squads moved to Sand Hill to negotiate the bayonet assault course.

With bayonets fixed, the "Battle Boar" squads screamed their way through the course slashing and butt-stroking everything in their way.

The scores before the final event, a timed six-mile road march were so close; it would prove to be the event that would decide the winner of the Infantry Squad Competition.

Knowing the scores were close, the squads did their best racing against the clock and each other to win.

After the road march everyone was completely exhausted from their week-long ordeal and it was 2nd Squad, 3rd Platoon, A Company that took home the win.

"Consistency helped us win. Everybody gave 110 percent all the way through," said Sgt. Richard Robak, squad leader of the winning squad.

The squad members were Sgt. Carl Black, Sgt. Mark Miller and Spc. Julian Campbell, Spc. Michael Dawson, Spc. Shawn Wilson, Pvt. Michael Bayles, Pvt. David Floyd and Pvt. Matthew Gadalinski.



Soldiers tackle the "Weaver" during the Obstacle Course portion of the Infantry Squad Competition.

Specialist shares musical talent

Zenobia becomes one of four viola players in Army

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In less than a week, a graduate from the Basic Combat Training Brigade was promoted from specialist to staff sergeant.

Spc. Tim Zenobia graduated from E Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, BCTB, Aug. 3. Four days later, he became a staff sergeant at Fort Myer, Va.

One of four viola players in the Army, Zenobia is assigned to the U.S. Army Strings, an ensemble of the U.S. Army Band, or "Pershing's Own." As part of the "Strolling Strings," the 23-year-old will perform regularly at the White House for the president and other dignitaries.

"He has a great job ahead of him," Chief Warrant Officer Paul Clark, bandmaster of Fort Benning's Infantry Band, said.

"There are only four slots for the viola and in order to get in, you must have a master's degree in performance. He will become a staff sergeant on Monday because of his civilian skills," Clark said.

Those skills were honed at the Juilliard School of Music for four years and the Eastman School of Music in New York. Zenobia earned his master's degree in viola performance from the Cleveland School of Music.



Zenobia

After graduation he auditioned with various symphony orchestras around the country.

"Typically they would have 200 people trying out for one slot," Zenobia said.

He met another musician who was considering auditioning for the Army band, and Zenobia decided to pursue a spot with the Army's premiere musical organization — Pershing's Own.

He completed four rounds of interviews and auditions before being offered a chair with the elite orchestra. But he still had to complete basic training.

"I knew when they offered me the job what the repercussions would be," he said referring to the gas chamber, road marches and not being allowed to listen to or play music during nine weeks of basic training.

During his final week at Sand Hill, the musician was allowed to share his talent with his fellow trainees on two occasions.

The Sunday before graduation he played six different hymn arrangements on a rented viola during the Protestant Worship Service at the Regimental Chapel at Sand Hill.

Weeks before he had approached Chaplain (Capt.) Stan Vaughan asking to assist with the worship services, but neither Vaughan nor the chapel had a viola to offer him.

"He mentioned that he went to the Juilliard School of Music. It's kind of rare to get someone of that caliber, and I had an idea of how we could use his talent as part of the worship service. He wasn't giving a performance, but acting as a musical worship leader," said Vaughan, 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., chaplain.

"He wanted to contribute to the service and to his fellow Soldiers," Vaughan said.

The chaplain found a student-grade viola at a local music store and rented it for Zenobia to use.

"The men were in awe," Vaughan said. "They didn't know they had someone of that talent in their own ranks."

The day before graduation Zenobia performed again in the Regimental Chapel, this time using his own viola and playing classical pieces. His parents, John and Grace, brought his instrument from their Hollidaysburg, Pa., home. The instrument is valued at $25,000 and the bow at $3,500, Zenobia said.

"We wanted to allow others from across post to hear the newest addition to Pershing's Own Band, and he was willing to give up part of his Family Day to play," Vaughan said.

Zenobia started playing the piano at age 8 and at 15 he transitioned to the viola when his high school orchestra needed a viola player. "I loved it," he said.

His long-term goal is to teach viola and work with a national symphony, he said.

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Pvt. Joshua Moeller
Riverside, Calif.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade



Award: Soldier of the Cycle.

What made you join the Army? I've always had a great respect for those who have the courage to defend our nation. **Why were you chosen as honor graduate?** I exhibited Soldierly qualities and behavior to my fellow Soldiers on a daily basis, performed well on the APFT and demonstrated my knowledge of the information taught to me during basic training.

Staff Sgt. Michael Patton
Memphis, Tenn.
A Co., 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade



Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle

Define your leadership style. A combination of authoritarian and participative where I maintain total control of the "whats," "hows," and "whens" of assigned tasks, yet there are times I allow my Soldiers input in accomplishing these tasks.

What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from seeing the transformation from civilian to Soldier and knowing that I've had a positive influence on the lives of those I've trained.

Pfc. Steven C. Jacobsen
Burgettstown, Penn.
B Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade



Award: Soldier of the Cycle.

What made you join the Army? The training, discipline and opportunity for future advancement.

Why were you chosen as honor graduate? For being the most well rounded Soldier and doing well both mentally and physically in all tasks assigned.

Staff Sgt. Brian Korves
New Athens, Ill.
B Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade



Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle

Define your leadership style. I lead by example.

What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Seeing the change in the Soldier from day one to graduation.

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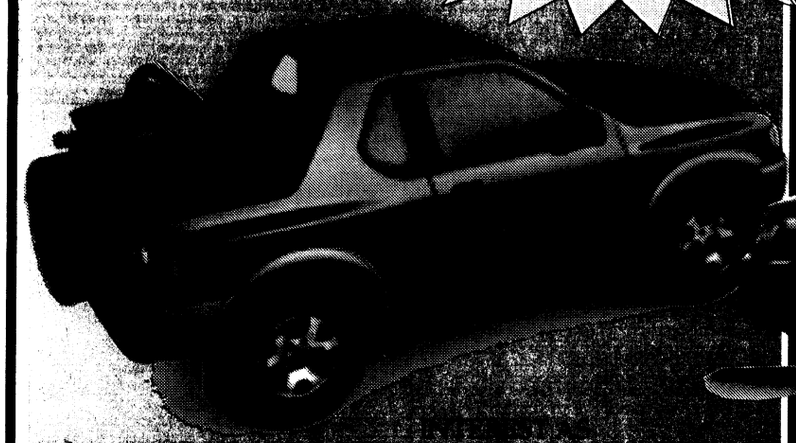

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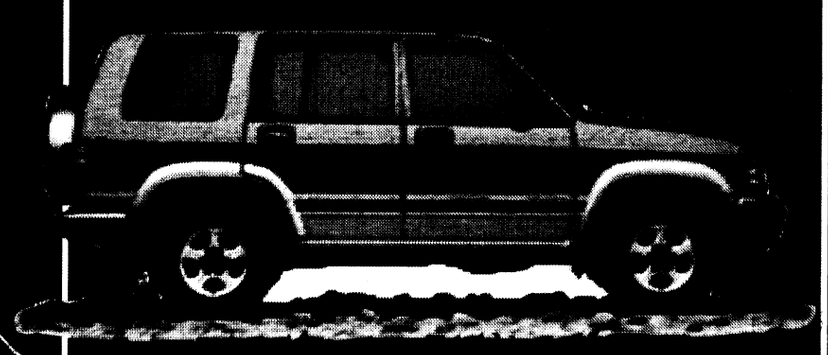

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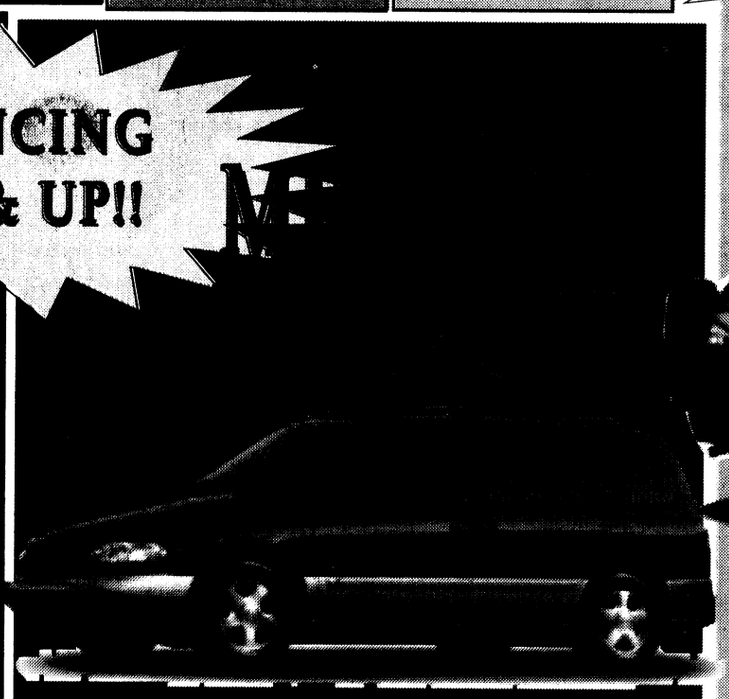

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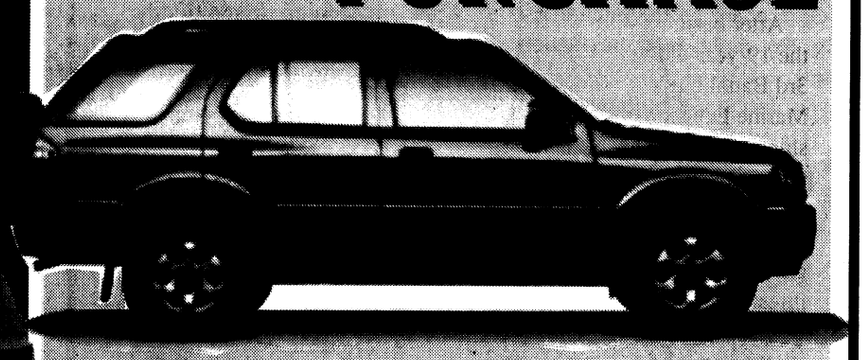

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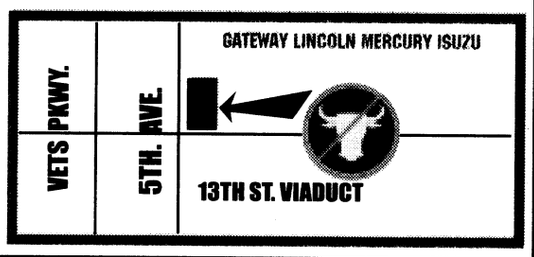

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COMMUNITY

SECTION B

Engineers clear path for pond project

Walking trails connect Russ Pond to Riverwalk

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

In a matter of one, two, three, Russ Pond will be the place to go on Fort Benning.

The pond, which has been undergoing a transformation, is currently in phase two of a three-phase make-over that began in September.

Phase one, which was primarily a clean-up phase, converted the pond from a dingy swamp into a manageable recreation area, said Capt. Ken Law, civil engineer for the project, 36th Engineer Group.

Phase two is in the process of creating a one mile walking trail that circles the upper and lower pond and connects to the Riverwalk, Law said.

Since early July, crews from the 63rd Engineer Company (Combat Support Equipment), 36th Engineer Group, have been hard at work creating the 6-foot wide path, said 2nd Lt. Endia Cook, officer in charge of the project.

Using smaller scale equipment to minimize the destruction of habitat, Cook said the company cleared a path through the woods around the pond. Besides digging out the path and laying it with a gravel mix, the company created a culvert and reinforced areas of the trail with sand bags.

Although the company is used to larger scale jobs such as building roads, phase two hasn't been a piece of cake, Cook said.

"This is a change of pace for us, but it is still a challenge," she said. "We have to keep up with what's going on in the motorpool along with the job. I think the Soldiers like it ... it's a good experience for them."

Law said the Soldiers are also cross training on different equipment as well as different skills. One of these skills is bridge building.

Along with everything else, the Soldiers are building and refurbishing four bridges — something that is not in their MOS, he said.

"These Soldiers are equipment operators by trade, so this is a good opportunity for them to broaden their horizons."

Some features to the new path are hand

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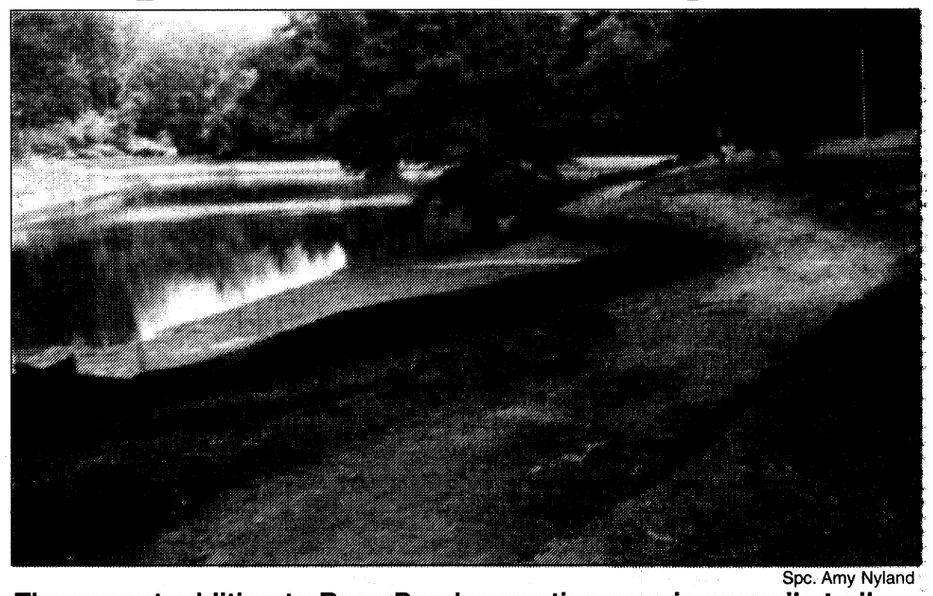

Spc. Amy Nyland
The newest addition to Russ Pond recreation area is one-mile trail.

Marine remembers Guadalcanal

58th anniversary of island battle still in Marine's mind

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

At 78, John Sanders doesn't hesitate to admit there are days when he cries, and Monday proved to be one. It was a day that evoked emotional memories dating back 58 years for the former Marine and Purple Heart recipient.

Aug. 7, 1942, was the day Sanders and thousands of other Marines landed on Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands. The invasion surprised the Japanese and was the starting point of a six-month battle for the island, one of the most vicious campaigns of World War II.

Eight months earlier when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, Sanders was living in the small town of Cordele, Ga.

"I knew nothing about the military or rifles," he said.

He enlisted a month later, choosing the Marines on the advice of a cousin serving in the Corps.

"He told me that if I would do, or try to do, everything that the instructors told me I would make it through boot camp.

I did and I learned discipline that has helped me through life," Sanders said from the kitchen of his Columbus home.

After basic training at Parris island, S.C., the 19-year-old was assigned to I Company, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, and within a few months shipped to New Zealand and then to Guadalcanal for the Aug. 7 invasion.

Sanders recalled the constant shelling from Japanese ships and gunfire from ground troops, as well as eating worm-infested rice.

"One day we would call it ham, the next chicken and the next pork. I didn't care whether I lived or died, I was just so tired and hungry," he said.

"I can remember seeing many Marines getting killed, but the one I will never forget is the first one," he said. "He was my buddy from the same squad."

Exactly two months after the invasion, on Oct. 7, Sanders was shot in the chest.

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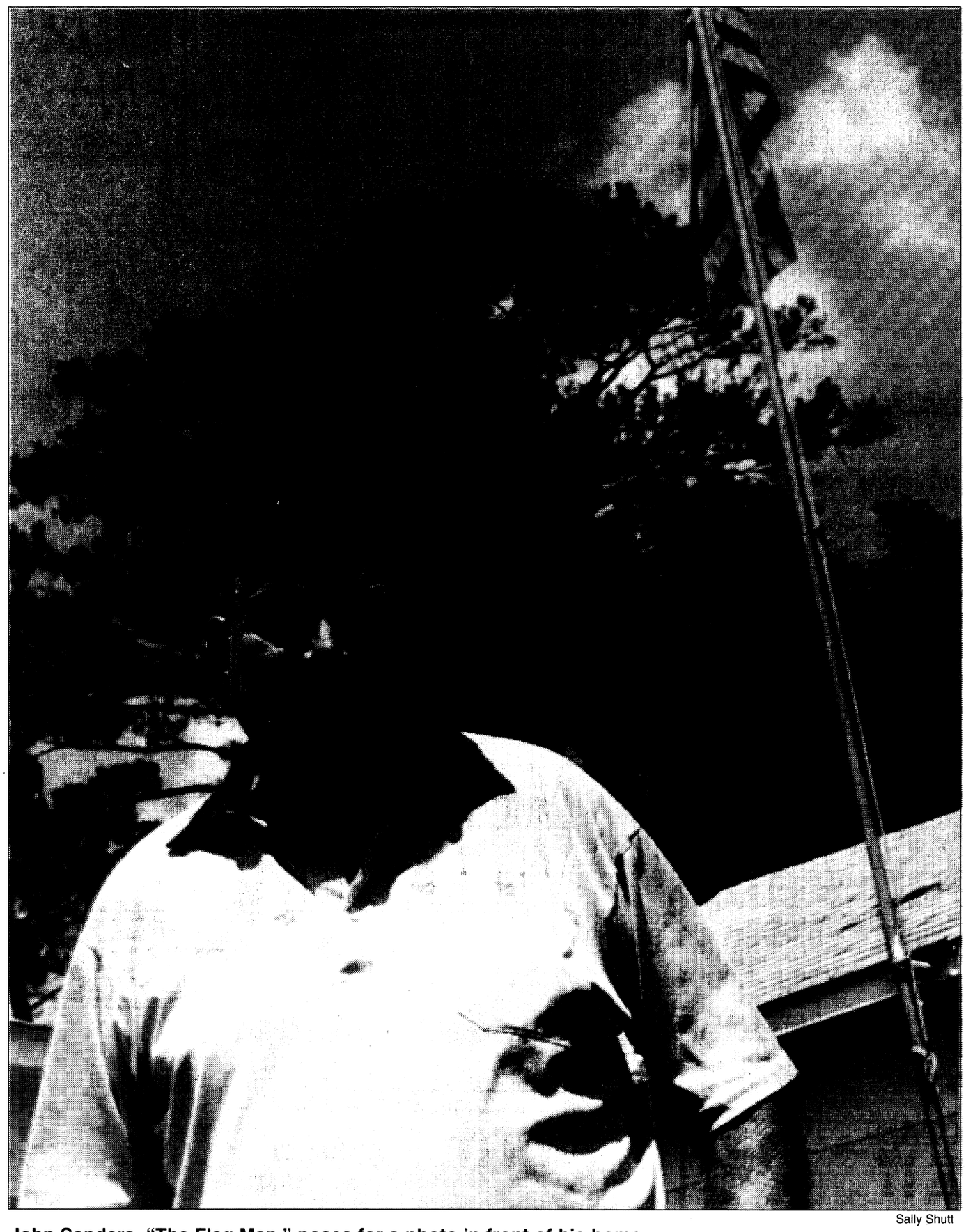

Sally Shutt
John Sanders, "The Flag Man," poses for a photo in front of his home.

'Hooch to get cleanup

Post volunteers needed for trash pickup

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

The banks of the Chattahoochee River require some tidying up, and need volunteers to do it.

Fort Benning needs volunteers to participate in the Help the Hooch project. Working in conjunction with the Keep Columbus Beautiful's Help the Hooch project, the post effort will work on cleaning up the Fort Benning portion of the Chattahoochee River.

The event will be from 9 a.m. to noon on Oct. 13, and volunteers can register by calling 545-1007. The last day of registration is Sept. 22.

"It will be a structured event and everyone will have a job to do," said Chief Warrant Officer Ken Shuler, coordinator of the event and chief of operations for the Environmental Management Branch, Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Public Works.

The different jobs for the volunteers include working concession stands during lunch, collecting trash from the banks of the Chattahoochee River and consolidating trash.

"We collected 7.25 tons of trash last year," Shuler said.

Some of the items found during last year's Help the Hooch project were two washing machines, 19 car parts and a variety of other items from bike helmets to beer bottles.

In addition, recycling and disposal of the trash was done at Fort Benning and will be done here again this year.

"We have the resources to weigh it, categorize it and dispose of it," Shuler said.

Keep Columbus Beautiful will supply all trash bags and gloves for the Fort Benning Help the Hooch.

The Fort Benning event will be on a Friday to encourage the work force to participate.

"We don't want to take family time away, but we want to give everyone a chance to participate," he said.

Families will have the chance to participate in the Fort Benning Help the Hooch project on Oct. 14 when many schools will be conducting their own clean ups.

Dexter Elementary school, home of the Earthwatchers, GreenThumbs and eClub, plan to participate in the Help the Hooch effort this year.

Earthwatchers, GreenThumbs and eClub are the school's environmental groups made up of

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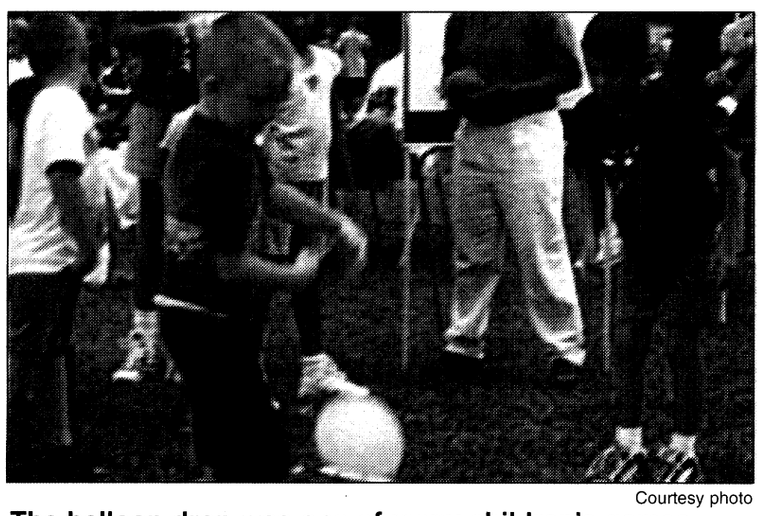
Pioneers' family day provides fun for all



Courtesy photo
The balloon drop was one of many children's games.

2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt. plays at Uchee Creek

Maj. J. F. Lightner
2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment

With overcast skies and thunderstorms in the forecast, the 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry conducted their annual family day at Uchee Creek Campgroud.

The activities started with Chaplain (Capt.) Mickey Jett giving the invocation followed by the master of ceremonies, Staff Sgt. Anthony Babilonia, D Company, briefing everyone of the activities to be conducted.

The weather cooperated and the activities began with BJ's Dance Studio, a local girls' group located in Columbus.

The BJ Dancers collected $172 in donations from Pioneer members and families for their trip to perform in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Fun was the menu for the day. Adults participated in different activities such as basketball, volleyball, horseshoes and tug of war.

Kids ran free within the park, enjoyed the trolley ride, and an abundance of games and activities consisting of face painting, air bubble trampoline, cotton candy, snow cones and games and prizes.

Approximately 500 people feasted on an array of foods prepared by the cooks of D Co. The menu included 55 slabs of barbecue ribs, 50 lbs of potato salad, 500 pieces of barbecue chicken, 300 hamburgers, 250 hotdogs and six large cans of baked beans.

Following lunch, 2nd Battalion,

See **FAMILY DAY**, B-4

Compost improves soil quality

Jennifer White
Bayonet correspondent

A gardeners best asset is compost. No matter how nutrient rich your soil is compost can always make it better. But what exactly is compost?

Compost is the loamy mixture produced from decomposed organic materials.

Often referred to as "black gold" by gardeners, compost is the perfect additive to garden beds or containers.

Compost improves soil quality by increasing the soils ability to retain water without being soggy. Although compost only has an average of 1 percent of nitrogen, it does provide nutrients for plants in small doses.

In clay soils, like here at Fort Benning,



compost added to the soil makes it more friable and reduces the risk of root rot. The more friable soil also enables plant roots to extend out easily. The composts ability to retain water without being soggy reduces the risk of root rot. Root rot can be a serious problem in clay soils.

When compost is dug into a bed of clay soil the clay breaks apart and smaller pieces stick to the compost. The soil then retains the texture of the smaller pieces of clay rather than the larger pieces. The more compost that is put in, the better the texture of the soil.

In sandy soils compost enables the soil to retain moisture and keeps nutrients from leaching out. The compost makes the sandy soil thicker trapping moisture around thirsty plant roots.

Container gardens need good drainage but also dry out faster than garden beds. Compost used in containers keeps the soil moist for longer periods of time. At the same time, it allows for drainage so not to cause root rot from roots sitting in water.

Compost is great for the environment as well. It adds to the loamy portion of soil that makes it nutrient rich. Unlike fertilizer and chemical garden agents there is nothing harmful about compost. So pile it on without any worries.

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births

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Shawnee Patrick Vercammen — born July 23 to Dominique and 1st Lt. Eric Vercammen.

Cameron Anthony Davison — born July 25 to Debbie and Staff Sgt. Anthony Davison.

Patrick Smythe Flynn — born July 25 to Kristen and Capt. David Flynn.

Jack Thomas Nixon — born July 26 to Lisa and Sgt. 1st Class William Nixon.

Joshua Edward Loudon — born July 26 to Lisa and Sgt. Edward Loudon.

Jevon Jaquez Clayton — born July 26 to Spc. Kimberly and Staff Sgt. James Clayton.

Noah Mackenzie Shanaman — born July 26 to Rachel and Pfc. Grant Shanaman.

Markeece Amari Shufford — born July 22 to Sylvia and Sgt. Mark Shufford.

Clayton Neel Puckett — born July 22 to Khristin and Staff Sgt. Walter Puckett Jr.

Damore Jyquan Simmons — born July 23 to Pfc. Rebecca Simmons.

Tristen John Brewington — born July 27 to Meilysa and Pfc. Travis Brewington.

Logan Angelo Niemi — born July 27 to Melissa and Spc. Tait Niemi.

Nathan Alexander Ogle-Dickson — born July 28 to Briannon and Spc. Craig Dickson.

Jaylin Latrell Carter — born July 29 to Stephanie and Sgt. Melloyd Carter.

Barry Tyler Frederick — born July 30 to Buffy and Spc. Angus Frederick.

Chase Andrew Baker — born July 31 to Sharon and Chief Warrant Officer Chad Baker.

Rurik Harrison Lancaster — born Aug. 1 to Lynn and Staff Sgt. John Lancaster.

Jacobi Rae Milway Retallic — born Aug. 3 to Spc. Michelle Retallic and Spc. Timothy Milway.

Marquis Jerome Franklin Jr. — born Aug. 3 to Fernisha and Spc. Marquis Franklin.

Girls

Daesha Clairese Conner — born July 13 to Marilyn and Staff Sgt. Loviet Conner.

Tasia Lashay McCullough — born July 12 to Pfc. Rhonda and Pfc. Terrence McCullough.

Gabriel Lynn Bieller — born July 12 to Felicia and Pvt. Ruben Bieller.

Kiara Janie Patterson — born July 21 to Janette and Sgt. Jermaine Patterson.

Nahjai Samone Wells — born July 22 to Spc. Janice and Spc. Nahshon Wells.

Lexus Jade Harvey — born July 23 to Lydia Hood and Sgt. John Harvey.

Ariana Celeste Shorter — born July 26 to Sheryll and Sgt. Randy Shorter.

Brianna Renae Wilson — born July 27 to Michelle and Staff Sgt. Gregory Wilson.

Daphna Anise Torbert — born July 27 to Marie and Staff Sgt. Robert Torbert.

Ashley Jessica Pope — born July 27 to Carla and Staff Sgt. Joseph Pope.

Lola Taylor Jenkins — born July 30 to Kathryn and Capt. John Jenkins.

Ahdeyah Deyjaunay Vance — born July 30 to Spc. Belinda and Stevie Vance.

Kensley Elise Rise — born July 31 to Lisa and Pfc. Michael Rice.

Olivia Lillian Heyward — born July 31 to Cynthia and Master Sgt. Terrence Heyward.

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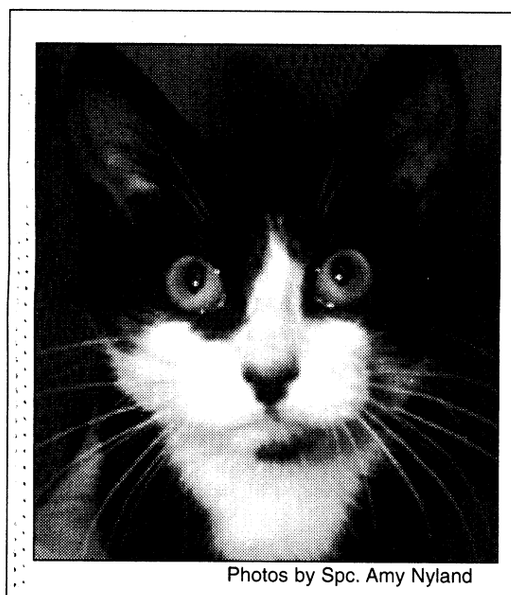

Photos by Spc. Amy Nyland

Pets of the week

An adult male domestic short-haired cat and a young female Lab and chow mix are just a few of the animals available for adoption at the Vet Clinic. There are still more in need of a good home.

Pets can be adopted by Soldiers and civilians. For more information about these or any other pets, call Veterinary Services at 545-4826.



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School is about to start.
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Tricare benefit covers most immunizations

Preventive Services benefit also covers physical examination

Tricare

Those lazy, hazy, summer days are flying by, and school will be starting again before you know it.

Now is the time to begin preparations for the children's return to school, and that includes planning for student immunizations and physical examinations.

Each year, school children entering specified grades are required to have immunizations before the start of the school year.

While immunization requirements may vary slightly from state to state, most of these immunizations will be covered by Tricare under the Clinical Preventive Services benefit.

Covered immunizations include inoculations for diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus (DPT), measles, mumps, chicken pox, rubella, polio vaccine and hepatitis B.

As a Tricare Clinical Preventive Services benefit, these immunizations are available to all Tricare beneficiaries in age-appropriate doses and at specified age intervals.

Comprehensive physical examinations are also covered under the Clinical Preventive Services benefit at specified age intervals.

One comprehensive disease prevention exam is covered in each of the following age ranges: 2-4; 5-11; 12-17; 18-39; 40-64.

Tricare prime beneficiaries

The following guidelines apply for immunizations given as part of the Tricare Prime Clinical Preventive Services benefit:

- They are available to all Prime enrollees.
- They do not require an authorization.
- If performed by a network provider, they do not require a referral.
- If performed by a non-network provider, a referral is required.
- The immunizations must be administered in a physician's office.
- If the patient goes to the doctor for the immunizations only, no copayment will be required at the time of service.
- One copayment may be required if the immunizations are given along with a comprehensive disease prevention exam for which the age and frequency guidelines have been exceeded.

For Tricare extra and standard beneficiaries

- There is no prior authorization required.
- There may be cost shares associated with individual Tricare services.

Your child's school should be notifying you soon if your child is due to have immunizations.

If you are notified, make an appointment right away with your child's doctor for the required immunizations, plus any other preventive services due under the Clinical Preventive Services benefit.

For more information about the Tricare Clinical Preventive Service, call the Beneficiary Service Line, 800-444-5445.

Recommended ages for immunizations

The following chart gives the recommended ages for inoculations covered by the Tricare Clinical Preventive Services Benefit.

- Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis — 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, 15 months, 18 months, 4-6 years; Tetanus and diphtheria, once 11-16 years
- Polio — 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, 4-6 years
- Mumps, measles, rubella — 12-15 months, 4-6 years, 11-12 years; adults born after 1956 without written documentation of immunization on or after first birthday; HIV-infected persons; persons entering college
- Influenza — Adults any age with chronic cardiovascular or pulmonary disorders, including asthma; adults with chronic diseases (diabetes), renal dysfunction, anemia, immunosuppresion disorders
- Hemophilus Influenza Type B — 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, 12-18 months
- Pneumococcal disease — Adults with significant chronic cardiovascular disease or pulmonary disorders, including asthma; adults with splenic dysfunction, asplenia, Hodgkins disease
- Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B — birth-2 months, 1-4 months, 6-18 months, should complete series by 11-12 years
- Rotovirus — 2 months, 4 months, 6 months
- Lyme disease — Adults and children age 15 and older
- Varicella (chicken pox) — After first birthday, or at 11-12 year visit if no history of chicken pox; adults with no history of chicken pox; nonpregnant women of childbearing age.

community briefs

on post

Weekend seminars — There will be several weekend seminars offered by Vincennes University.

- Saturday and Sunday — Personal management skills
- Aug. 26 to 27 — Military effective writing, Preparing and giving a briefing and Computer awareness.

Tuition is $90 which can be reduced by tuition assistance.

To register, or for more information, call 689-0098.

Veterans Affairs office — The Fort Benning Veterans Affairs Office will have a reduced work schedule starting Monday running through Aug. 18.

The office will be open 11 a.m.to 4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays to assist active-duty Soldiers with new disabilities claims.

Regular office hours will begin Aug. 18.

For more information, call (800) 827-1000.

Continuing Education — The Continuing and Regional Education Services fall course catalogs are on their way. Classes are offered at the Elizabeth Bradley Turner Center, on post, online and through independent study.

For more information or to reserve a catalog, call 568-2023.

OWC sign-ups — The Officers' Wives' Club is seeking vendors, organizations and membership sign-ups.

They are also seeking instructors for activities such as basket making, drawing, painting and other activities.

For more information, call 682-5319.

Tot Town applications — Tot Town Child Development Center is seeking applications of children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old.

For more information, or to reserve a spot, call 689-8698.

ACS offices move — The Army Community Service Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program and the Relocation Program have relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2633 in Soldier's Plaza.

The phone number to schedule appointments is 545-5485.

The Army Community Service Relocation Program has relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2629. The new phone number is 545-4485.

For information, call Rebecca Welch, Family Advocacy program manager, at 545-7517.

Reunion — The Ranger Infantry Companies Airborne Association will have the 50th Reunion of Korean War Rangers during Ranger Rendezvous 2000.

There will be a barbecue at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 in Hanger 2492, on Lawson Army Airfield. Also there will be a banquet at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 7 at Iron Works in Columbus.

For more information, call Maj. Marcus DeOlivera at 545-5669.

off post

Library meeting — Dr. Virginia Causey a professor at Columbus State University will speak at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the South Columbus Branch Library on Images of Women in Popular Music.

For more information, call 649-1470.

Free Training — Columbus State University's Division of Continuing and Regional Education Services will provide free training for the prevention of workplace accidents in sessions throughout the entire months of August and September.

The six-hour Basic Safety Training course will be held 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, through Aug. 15, and 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 22.

A 12-hour Train the Trainer course will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays Sept. 19-26.

For more information, call 568-2023.

Association meeting — The Columbus branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 9:30 a.m. Aug. 19 at Columbus State University in the Columbus Room. The program topic is tech savvy. For more information, call 568-2033.

Diabetes test — A seven question, free phone call Sunday can help determine who is at risk for the Number 7 killer in the nation, diabetes.

The risk test can be taken by calling (800) DIABETES or visiting a Web site at www.diabetes.org.

Literacy program volunteers — The Adult 1:1 Literacy program is seeking volunteer tutors and students.

The tutors will be trained and matched with adult students following a confidential assessment by the program coordinator.

Tutoring services are offered at different locations around Muscogee County and surrounding communities for convenience.

For more information on how to become a volunteer or a student, call 633-0369.

Career Information — There will be a career information day 2 to 6 p.m. Aug. 25 in the FCI Training Center Building in Marianna, Fla.

There will information regarding opportunities within the Federal Bureau of Prisons along with other occupations. For more information, call (850) 526-2313.

mayors' forum

Jodie Bowers
Community LIfe Mayors' Program

Lately there have been some issues concerning children shooting their BB guns in the housing areas.

Not only is this extremely unsafe, but post regulation states that shooting BB guns in post housing areas is strictly prohibited. Already, three people have been warned. Parents are asked to make sure this does not become a problem.

Once again a reminder that post regulation prohibits children who are younger than 6 years old to be outside without parental supervision.

Also, residents who have an outside dog need to make sure their pet has shade and water.

Dogs get hot, thirsty and hungry and can also suffer from such things as heat stroke.

If anyone sees a case of neglect or abuse, they should call their community life NCO.

For more information about the Community Life Mayors program, call Jodie Bowers at 685-0030.

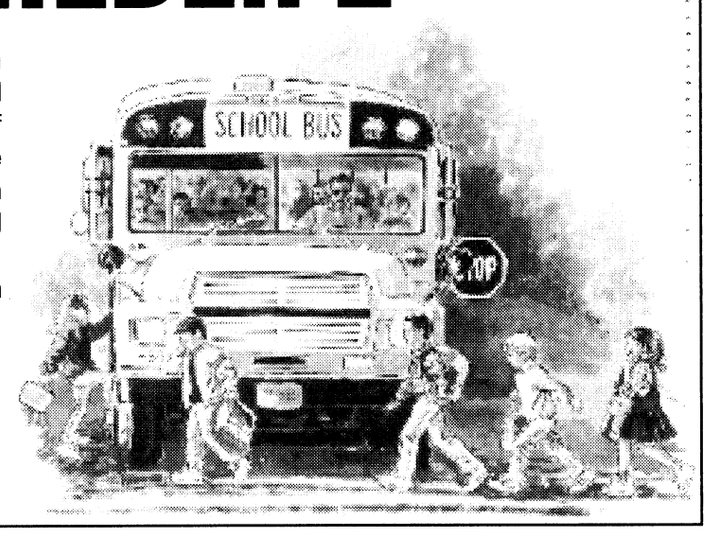
Restrictions

- People in even-numbered addresses may water outside Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- People in odd-numbered addresses may water outside Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- Watering is limited to less than 30 minutes between the hours of 6 and 10 p.m.
- Sprinklers are prohibited.

PRESERVE OUR CHILDLIFE

More than 1,000 children between the ages of 5 and 14 are killed annually as the result of pedestrian-motor vehicle accidents. Stay alert for children going to and coming from school this fall:

- Obey the speed limit (15 MPH on post) in school zones.
- Watch for children walking, skating or cycling.
- Stop for buses loading and unloading children.





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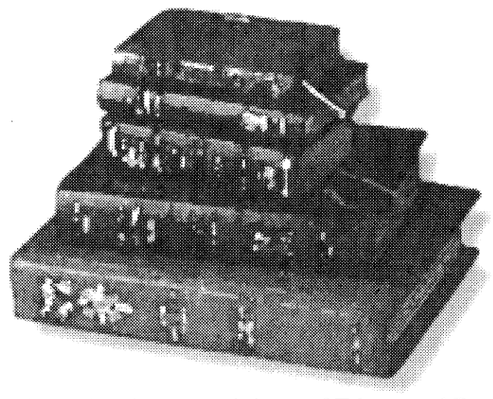

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Back to school shopping



Bridgett Siter

Mona Stoneking and her 10-year-old granddaughter Michelle Hall shop for school clothing at the Main Mall Post Exchange's side-walk sale.

Engineers: Connect trails

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rails along sections of the trail and hand rails on all the bridges. Also, he said the bridges have been redesigned for handicap accessibility.

In the past there were safety concerns with snakes and other creatures near the pond, but with a specific trail, there should be less of a chance visitors will encounter dangerous wildlife, Law said.

"The wildlife has to live here with us also, so we don't want to get rid of the wildlife ... but we want to make sure people can enjoy the wildlife without getting hurt by it," Law said. "With a defined walking trail they will be able to tell if there's danger."

If all goes well and the weather remains dry, phase two should be completed today, he said.

"We want to complete it as soon as possible so we can get people out here walking the trail and enjoying this area once again," Law said.

In phase three of the project, the Directorate of Public Works will take over the work and will continue to upgrade the Russ Pond area and to such things as playground areas and the pavilion.



Spec. Amy Nyland

Soldiers from the 63rd Engineer Company fill sand bags.

Volunteers: Help clean up river

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students. Earthwatchers are third-graders, GreenThumbs are fifth graders and eClub members are kindergarten and first-grade students.

"We participate in an environmental project each month to keep awareness up all year," said Terri Bond, third-grade teacher and sponsor of Earthwatchers at Dexter Elementary. October will be Help the Hooch.

"We've found that the little kids are just as energetic about cleaning up the river," said Earnestine Ezekiel, kindergarten teacher and sponsor of the eClub.

"It's important that we help to preserve and protect the environment because it holds our most important resources," Ezekiel said.

Last year volunteers helped the elementary school's environmental clubs clean up the stream that runs in front of Infantry Hall.

The children then attended a festival in Columbus that followed the Help the Hooch project, where the eClub sang a song about the Chattahoochee River.

The three clubs plan to meet in the next few weeks, after school begins, to determine an itinerary of their participation in the project.

Keep Columbus Beautiful will also hold its own Help the Hooch that will incorporate the Chattahoochee River as well as lakes, streams, parks and some of the main roadways within the tricommunity area from 9 to 11 a.m. Oct. 14. Following the event there will be a kick-off celebration at noon at Golden Park.

"We're asking all our schools to conduct cleanup on campus on Friday and the groups and individuals to come out on Saturday," said Gloria Weston-Smart, executive director for Keep Columbus Beautiful.

There is no age limit and children are welcome to participate, but must be accompanied by an adult.

To register for Help the Hooch on Oct. 14, call Keep Columbus Beautiful at 653-4008 by Oct. 5.

"If there's an area that a person would like to clean up, just let us know," she said.

Weston-Smart said many times people have a certain area in mind they want to pick up, and Keep Columbus Beautiful would be happy to put it on the list and supply them with trash bags and gloves.

Jobs for the event include site captains that distribute supplies to volunteers and people to clean up the area.

Also at the festival volunteers will be needed to help with concessions and different booths that are either learning stations about water projects, or rides and games.

For more information about Help the Hooch at Fort Benning, call 545-1007 or in the tri-community area, call 653-4008.

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Marine: Marks anniversary of bloody World War II battle

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His right lung was punctured and a rib shattered. Two Marines carried him 300 feet behind the front line to the field ambulance, which transported him to an underground operating room where a surgeon removed part of the bullet.

"Part of it he had to leave in me," he said.

"The doctor told me, 'If you trust in me and trust in the Lord, I will pull you out of this mess,' and he did," Sanders said.

Two days later he was transported to a naval hospital in New Caledonia and eventually sent to the states to recover. He received a Purple Heart in 1944.

Sanders left the Marine Corps in September 1944 and went to work at Fort Benning. He retired from civil service after 21 years, and his final job was as a supervisor of the air conditioning section of the Directorate of Public Works.

During the last 12 years, Sanders has earned the name "The Flag Man" throughout the region in recognition of his flag-bearing Buick, which often appears in parades. Saturday Sanders drove his car in the Old Soldiers' Day Parade in Alpharetta, Ga., and he plans to participate in Veterans Day events in November.

He came up with the idea of the car after he could no longer walk in parades due to problems with gout. He mounts 15 flags on the vehicle, five representing each branch of the military.

Sanders has traveled as far away as Indiana, Florida and Tennessee to participate in parades, something he does at no charge.

"I do this because I love my country and I love the men and women who serve today to protect our freedom," he said.

"My only ambition is to try to remind people of what our men have done over the last 225 years."

Family day: Provides fun

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29th Infantry Regiment's Honorary Command Sgt. Maj. Frank Plass presented the awards to the companies participating in the events.

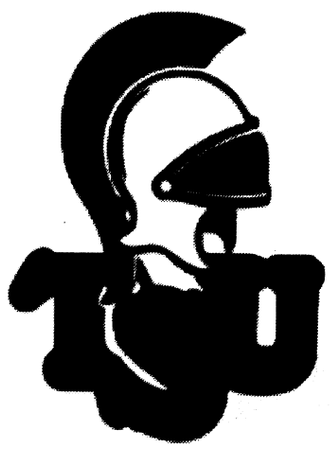
The main objective was to concentrate on the kids' activities. D Co. 1st Sgt. Joshua Simmons, and his dream team staff's hard work paid off.

Taking a pontoon boat ride was popular.

This and more were provided to all families and guests free of charge.

"My wife and children said the family day celebration was enjoyable and worth attending," said Sgt. Richard Funke, B Co. "The activities for the children were pleasurable and they had a good time.

"Food was great and well planned, and the serving of the food was well thought out. Past family days ... couldn't even compare."



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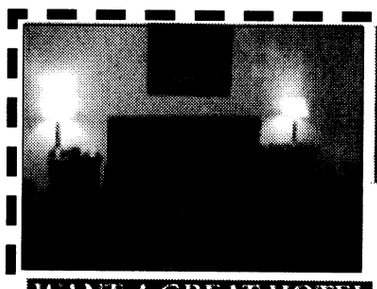

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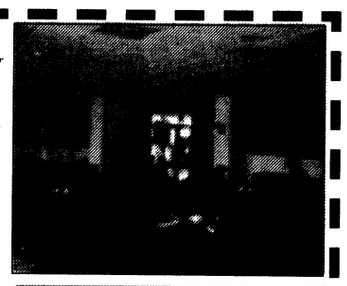

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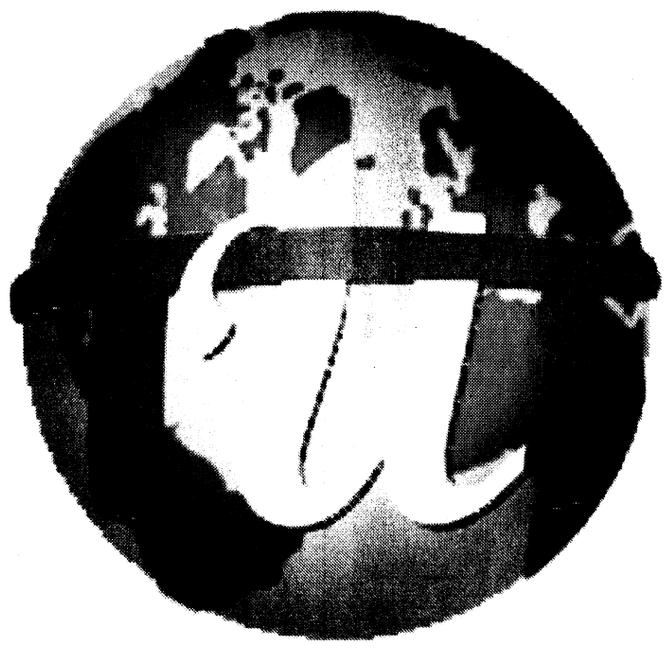

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Worship has many different meanings

Chaplain (Maj.) Don Blickhan
1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

reflections

The word "worship," like many English words has multiple meanings. Our modern word comes from an earlier root which means simply "to acknowledge the worth or value of something."

A man who, for example, gives flowers in affection for his wife is "worshipping" her. "Worship" is used in other ways also. In British tradition a person would address a bishop as "My Worship," something akin to our modern "Reverend."

It meant simply "respected one."

Most of the time today however, when we use the word "worship" we mean the practice of putting something at the heart and center of our life. The Scriptures teach us that the only worship that truly rewards us is the worship of God.

Indeed the worship of something or someone else is fruitless and even sinful (e.g. the worship of idols). Worship of idols is wrong because it leads us down a dead end road for no false god can answer our prayers.

Catholics are perceived by many other Christians as worshipping Mary.

This misconception comes often from observing the devotion of some Catholics whose cultural style is given to an emotional and outward expression of feelings.

Hispanic persons, for example, might be found praying or placing flowers before a statue of Mary. They are not praying to the statue, but only using it as a reminder, much as any person might gaze at a picture of a loved one.

I recently visited my mother's grave, knelt at the grave stone and found tears welling in my eyes.

Was I worshipping that stone? No! It merely brought thoughts of Mom into my heart. For a moment she felt very close as I viewed her stone in the cemetery.

People of Germanic and English heritage are much more reserved in their interpersonal and religious expressions.

Very often, because of cultural differences, people misunderstand each other. Germanic and Hispanic persons, for example, have widely divergent concepts of time and affection. What is normal to one appears strange to the other.

Catholics do indeed have a great love and respect for Mary and often express that emotionally, and that is appropriate. Jesus, who all Christians respect as one who perfectly observed God's law, followed the Fourth Commandment, "Honor thy father and mother."

He held his mother in the deepest respect and affection.

She held the same respect for her son and was one of the few who remained at the foot of his cross till the end. Catholics also follow the Christian practice of imitating Jesus, and so we try to respect his mother as he did.

Catholics do not look upon God as someone stern and distant, but as a kindly father who would send his own son to be a human being like us, a man born of a humble woman, Mary.

We unabashedly love and cherish that woman, but we reserve formal worship to her son, Jesus, to the Father, and to the Spirit.

chapel notes

Sunday School meets at White Elementary — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Everyone is invited. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The program includes prayer, praise, bible study and fellowship.

All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The Junior High and Middle School Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The Senior High group meets Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

Funds custodian seeks applications — The Funds Custodian is seeking applications for a pianist for the Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. Also applications are being accepted for a watchcare provider from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Custer Terrace Chapel. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Applications must be received not later than Aug. 15 at the NAF Office, Room 512, Infantry Hall. Those interested should contact Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at the aforementioned location.

Emotions can rise, fall, flood lives

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Chaplain Family Life Training Program

Emotions flood our lives with pleasure and pain.

During our lives we will experience anger, jealously, pride, grief, love, peace and joy.

Sometimes we may feel our lives are a roller coaster of emotions. To be human is to experience emotions.

Are emotions bad or good? Most likely it's not the emotion that is good or bad, but how we respond to that emotion that results in negative or positive results.

When a person encounters injustice in this world, anger is a natural feeling. We can respond through legal and moral means to redress the injustice (good) or we can take the law into our own hands to inflict revenge (bad).


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An example of a positive response to anger is the formation of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers.

A mother, whose loved ones were killed by a driver under the influence of alcohol, resolved to reduce the number of human fatalities caused by drivers driving drunk.

Do emotions control us or do we control our emotions? One of the qualities that separate us from lower animals is our ability to control our responses to our emotions.

As we respond to emotions, our responses become a pattern, a habit and then part of our character.

The choice is ours to make. If we respond poorly to our emotions, we may develop outbursts of hostility, risky behaviors and addictions. If we learn to respond well to our emotions, we will demonstrate patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness and self-control within us and toward others.

For information on getting control over your responses to your emotions contact the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center, the Chaplain Family Life Training Program at 545-1760 or email me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

"Salvation belongs to the Lord. Your blessing is upon your people." — Psalm 3:8

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, PYOC, the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
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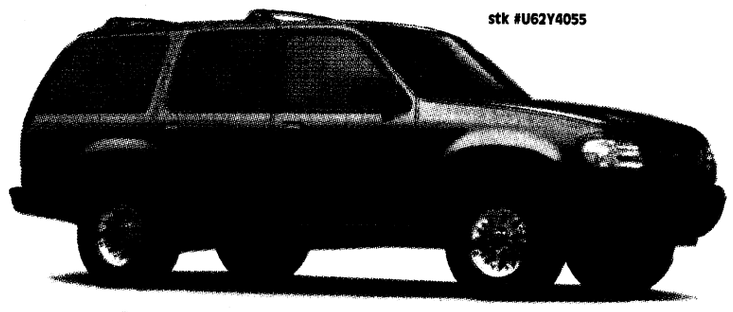

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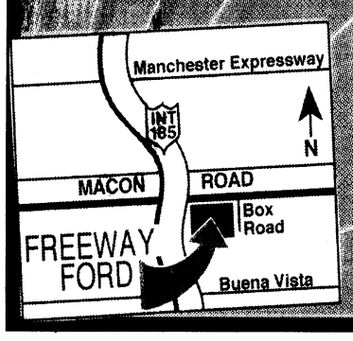

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Oct. 15 marks the Army 10-Miler, where Fort Benning's best runners will compete against other posts from all over the world in Washington, D.C., for the Commander's Cup.

"It's one of the biggest races in the country as far as big races go," said Todd Bearden, 75th Ranger Regiment public affairs officer and Ranger team captain.

Both Fort Benning and the 75th Ranger Regiment are sending teams to the 2000 10-Miler presented by the Association of the U. S. Army to compete and hopefully fill four categories: military men's open, military women's open, military masters men's open (age 40 and older) and military mixed team.

Team times are determined by the cumulative times of the first four runner to finish the race.

Teams can have from four to eight members, but the more members, the better.

"You never know what can happen. You have to account for injuries," said Andrew Snoddy, chief community recreation division.

The 75th Ranger Regiment is sending four teams of eight: one for each of the three battalions and one regimental team.

Currently the Ranger regiment's top runners are John Detro, physician's assistant, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.; Tom Spahr, regimental intelligence officer, Brian Eifler, operations officer, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.; and Chris Hallows, regimental reconnaissance detachment.

Last year the Ranger Regiment placed eighth in the military men's open category, with the battalion teams placing 17th, 19th and 20th.

"Our goal is a top five finish in the regimental team," Bearden said.

The Fort Benning teams will be determined after the third and final qualifier Aug. 19.

The final qualifier will start at 7 a.m. Aug. 19 in front of Santiago Gym to determine the final teams and its members.

Registration is from 6 to 6:45 a.m. and to be eligible for participation, runners must be active duty personnel assigned to Fort Benning.

"The 10-Miler qualifier will determine who would give Fort Benning the best opportunity for success," Snoddy said.

"Based on the times, we will send up teams that are competitive to win the Gold," he said.

After the final qualifier, the best times will be compared to the times of last year's 10-Miler finishers in each team category in order to determine if a team will be competitive.

Individuals who make the team will have transportation to and from Washington, D.C., lodging, meals and uniforms provided for them and will be on TDY status for the event, Snoddy said.

Last year Fort Benning sent two teams, the military mixed team — comprised of two men and two women — which placed second with a time of 3 hours, 50 minutes, 8.5 seconds and a military master men's team.

Another Fort Benning team accolade includes winning the Commander's Cup in 1991 in the military men's open category. Team Follow Me, which included Lloyd McDonald, Infantry Training Brigade supply officer and this year's Fort Benning team captain, set a course record with a time of 3 hours, 25 minutes that still stands.

McDonald said the goal this year would be to win, but if not, to finish in the top five.

"In order for the (men's) team to be competitive, we must have some of the runners break the 55-minute barrier," Bearden said. "If you come in under 55 minutes, you're smoking."

Spahr developed a training calendar for the Rangers team, which includes everything from interval training to the long, easy run.

"Workouts won't get easier just because you made the team," McDonald said.

For women, a time of 1 hour, 5 minutes, to 1 hour, 10 minutes, is competitive, said Kerryn Davidson, Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., who currently is the top women's runner for the Fort Benning team as of the July 29 qualifier.

P.K. Keen, commander, 75th Ranger Regt., who has supported the team's participation in the event, as well as donations by Mike Kostiw of Texaco and Jim Tully of Orion International to The Ranger Regiment Association Fund made the trip possible for the Ranger runners.

It also afforded them uniforms, which will include CoolMax running shorts and top, a warm-up suit and a Ranger T-shirt.

"It's a competition that for all the hard work and running, they get a trip to D.C.," Bearden said.

This year the participants will be able to do some sight-seeing during the race as well as in their spare time.

The race course travels past the Arlington Cemetery, Kennedy Center as well as past the Lincoln, Jefferson and FDR memorials and the Washington Monument.

"It's a great experience," Snoddy said.

For more information about the Army 10-Miler, log on to www.armytenmiler.com.

For more information about the Aug. 19 tryouts, call Calvin Abrams or Fred Woods at 545-4300 or 545-5777.

YS action continues

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

Something was a bit foul at the Youth Services Gym as the Ballers tore up the hardwood and defeated the Spurs, 54-19, in the 12- to 15-year-old age division of YS basketball Aug. 3.

With barely two minutes on the clock, the teams were already lining up at the free throw line to begin their endless succession of foul shots. The Ballers' steady hands gave them a considerable advantage as they sunk nearly all of the freebies.

The Ballers started the game strong with guard Dominic Whitley driving to the hoop for the first two points of the game. The Spurs couldn't keep their fouls under control and center Roberto Celestine found himself handling the ball more at the free throw line than on the court.

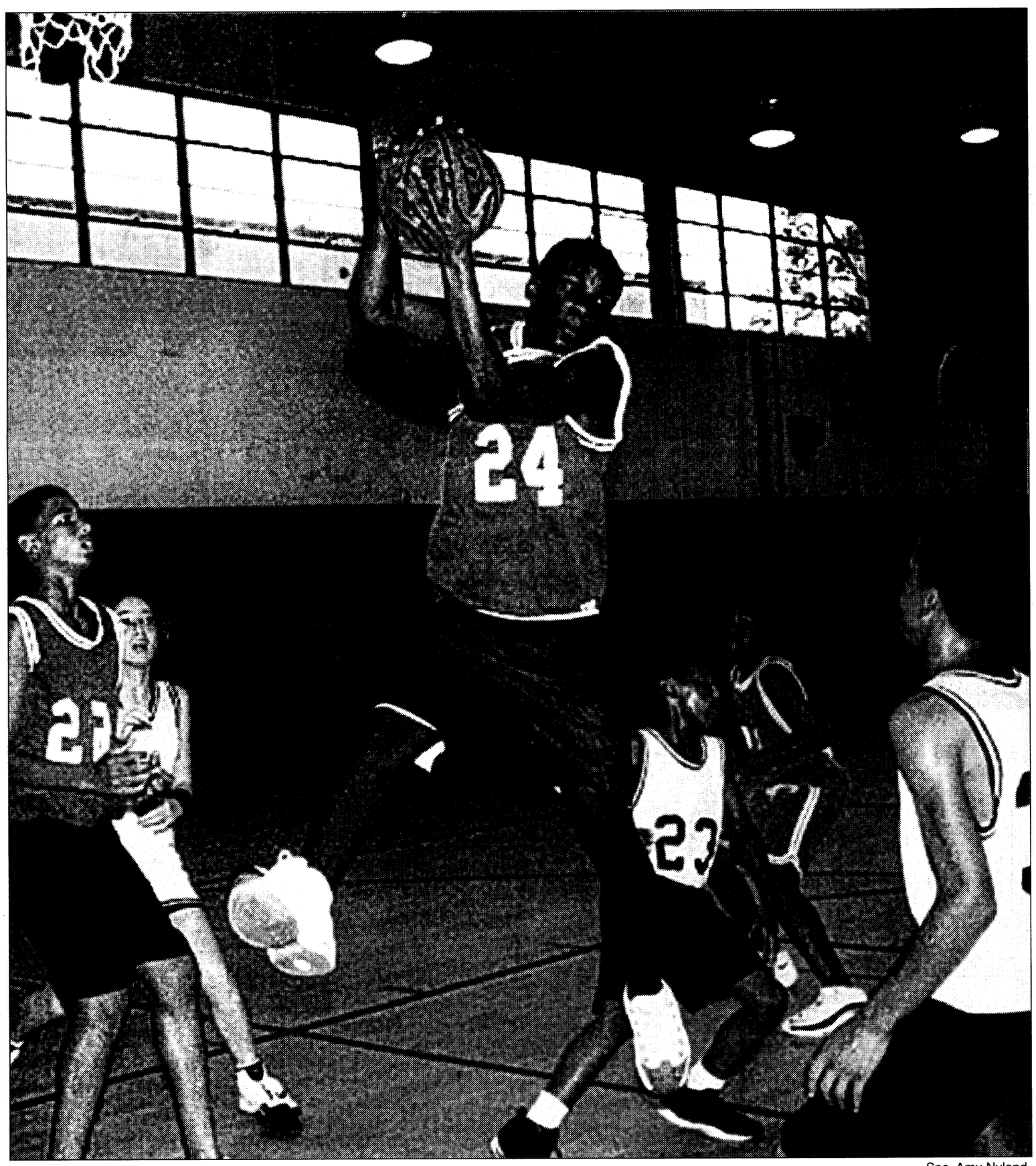
Whitley's aggressive play and Celestine's foul shots gave the Ballers a significant lead, and by the end of the first quarter the score was sitting at 16-4.

It didn't appear the fouls would slow any in the second quarter when, after just moments of play, both the Ballers and the Spurs were going back and forth to the worn out free throw line.

Spurs' guard Tony Toliver made headway for his team by forcing the Ballers downcourt and ultimately allowing a few more baskets for his team, while contributing 2 points himself.

However, it wasn't enough to keep the Ballers from dominating the hoop, and the second quarter ended with the Spurs hanging on 27-10.

Getting their limbs under control, the teams headed into the third-quarter with a little more grace and a



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YS Ballers' guard Dominic Whitley soars above his opponents and teammates to add to his team's run-away victory.

Local hunting season nears

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Directorate of Community Activities

As we approach fall and the sportsman's focus changes from fishing to hunting, the first thing many deer hunters think of is bow season.



Hughes

Bow season, which offers some of the finest hunting in the area, begins Sept. 16 in Georgia and Oct. 14 in Alabama.

Good hunters know the key to success is preseason scouting, a good map and preparation. Scouting, however, can be the cause of some hunting controversy because many hunters believe scouting is a continuous process throughout the year — not just done during the preseason. Continuous scouting is relatively impossible for most of the Fort Benning community because of rigorous schedules. But all is not lost. The continuous scout often finds that the wily white tail is generally a creature of habit. Deer tend to do and eat the same things year after year.

During the summer months the deer separate after the winter rut; the does, yearlings and younger bucks in one group and the large, mature bucks form bachelor groups. The does are more apt to stay in areas that support their gestation period, seeking legumes,

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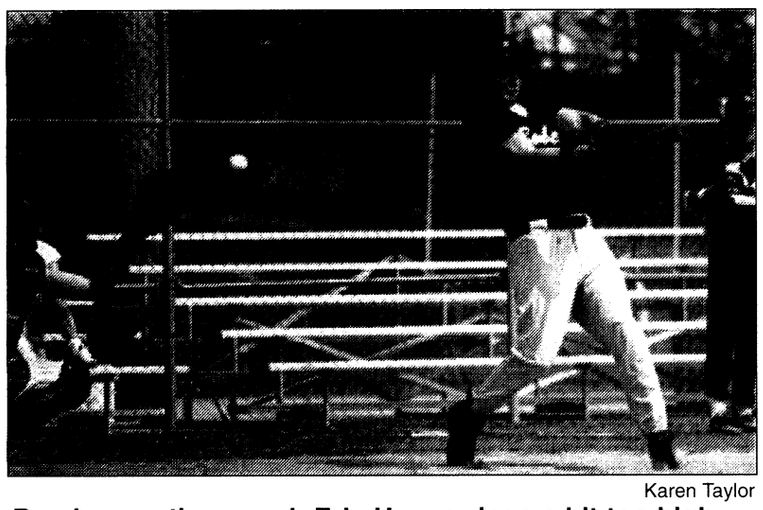
Bombers lead the way, dominate games in weekend doubleheader



Karen Taylor

Bombers acting coach Eric Hare swings a bit too high.

Baseball club defeats Rangers back-to-back

Karen Taylor
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The Rangers might have had an easier time climbing the Rock of Gibraltar than trying to beat the Bombers in Sunday's doubleheader at Britt David Park in Columbus.

The Bombers asserted a lead that never faltered, from their first at bat to the final inning of the second game. They sealed the first game 11-3, and even though the second game was called after three innings, the Bombers left the field on top 4-0.

"We just had good hitting," said Eric Hare, student detachment, and acting coach for the Bombers. "Everyone was making contact."

In the first game, the Bombers quickly posted five runs on the board after the first inning.

After capitalizing on Ranger errors to bring the first run home, Chuck McGarry, A Company, 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment, hit a single deep to center, which scored the second run of the game.

Jeremy Cook, a Columbus University student and ball player, followed McGarry with a single to deep left center.

McGarry stole third and with runners on first and third, Walter Edwards, C Co., 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., hit a blooper to shallow left field for a double, bringing the score to 3-0.

Jeff Zimmerman, Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 36th Eng. Group, brought two more home with a solid hit between first and second for the notorious 5-0 lead.

Although the Bombers' bats were silent for the next few innings, it didn't take long for them to get cracking again.

After the Rangers threatened at the top of the third by scoring two runs and brought the game within three at 5-2, the Bombers countered with two more. Derrick Denny, student detachment, hit a RBI double. Denny stole third and then home on a wild pitch boosting their lead to 7-2.

The Rangers managed to put one more run on the board but couldn't counter the bats of the Bombers as they tallied 11 by game's end for an 11-3 final.

"You treat every at bat like it's just you and the pitcher," McGarry

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Tourists flock to coast

Spc. Amy Nyland
Bayonet staff

outdoor corner



The word sultry never had any significant meaning to me until I took my first trip to Savannah, Ga. There I experienced the true meaning of a sizzling southern summer.

Kissed by salt from the ocean, the air contains a humid sweetness that keeps you breathing deep and makes you appreciate the beauty of the Deep South.

At just about every turn it's like taking a step back in time to an earlier era — with plantation-style houses lining the streets and spanish moss hanging from the tree canopy.

Savannah is no doubt a tourist mecca. With just about everything to see and do, it provides a perfect getaway for anyone and everyone.

During my two visits to Savannah, I experienced two very distinct sides to the city.

On my first adventure I got on the road with no plan, no map and no idea where I was going. All I knew was I wanted to find some sand and some salt water.

Where I finally ended up was Tybee Island — a miniature version of Panama City about 15 minutes from the city limit. Bright with neon-signs advertising hotels, restaurants and every kind of beach store, Tybee Island provides a haven for beach bums looking for some fun.

With the ocean only a few short blocks from the actual main street, you can finish off your day in the sun with a little shopping and some fresh seafood.

While it can get quite crowded, nothing beats the beauty of the rolling ocean and the crisp white sand.

My recommendation is to end your stay at Tybee with a midnight trip to the beach. After dark, the temperature falls and the wind provides a soothing relief to the early day temperatures.

With a brilliant moon reflecting off the water and waves lapping out a gentle melody it's easy to find yourself wanting to stay forever.

Tybee Island is definitely a modern twist to an old-fashioned city.

On my second trip I experienced the "real" Savannah I had heard so much about — River Street.

The cobblestone lined street is indicative of all that is old and beautiful. Located in the downtown historic district, River Street runs along the water and gives you that feeling you've just stepped back in time.

Tons of stores, shops, restaurants and galleries are located in the old buildings that line the street and tour trolleys pass like clockwork with guides reviewing the history that makes Savannah famous.

No matter what your tastes are you can find something to explore on the street. From collectible shops featuring kites and chimes to old fashioned candy stores where you can watch chunks of fudge and taffy pour off the assembly line, the adult in you is temporarily put on hold.

I have to admit it is Savannah's atmosphere that makes it so alluring. Even getting lost isn't all that bad because you are constantly finding something worth looking at.

It was kind of neat seeing two different sides to the same city.

I'm already looking forward to my next visit, because there is still so much more to see and do.

I'll admit, it's hard not to find a little place in your heart for the kind of beauty Savannah provides.

More information can be found at www.savannah-visit.com.

Scouting: Helps hunters find deer

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grasses and water for their young.

The bachelor groups often retreat to secluded areas, lose their antlers and wait for the antlers to reappear and the onset of prerut.

The hunter who scouts year-round has the ability to locate and stay with a large buck until hunting season starts.

After six years of very successful hunting on Fort Benning, I believe scouts who start in mid to late August will still be successful because that is when the deer's pattern switches from summer to fall and prerut characteristics.

So let's get down to the nitty-gritty. Starting in August, I concentrate on scouting the deer's prerut habitat, where the deer eat, bed and water.

Muscadines

If it's a doe I'm looking for I concentrate on grassy areas and low-lying bottoms that harbor muscadines, also known as scuppernongs. Muscadines are large green or purple grapes that can be found in the bottoms.

A hunter's success is usually limited to the first couple of weeks of bow season in these areas due to the muscadines ripening and falling. Chances for a large buck fresh out of velvet are possible but not likely unless hunting deep in the thickest, coolest areas. Muscadines grow there as well.

Persimmons

After the muscadines drop, the persimmon crop begins to ripen. This is one of my favorite times to hunt for several reasons. Deer love persimmons and the areas where they grow are easy to hunt. There is enough time to hunt after work and get to the deer stand without rushing. And the prerut is beginning to take place.

Persimmons grow around the edges of fields and are plentiful on post. As the fruit ripens it begins to turn dark orange. Resembling a small tomato, it eventually falls to the ground. Many animals love the fruit — deer, raccoons and even coyote. It is not uncommon to see all three animals while hunting during the persimmon season. Deer especially love persimmons and I have seen as many as 20 does in a herd followed by some really nice bucks. Usually the deer are less wary because of the long summer break from hunters. This provides the bow hunter with a somewhat relaxed situation. Remember this is on the Georgia side of Fort Benning. Alabama hunting season doesn't begin until Oct. 14.

Acorns

The persimmon season lasts for two to four weeks, then almost overnight, the white tails' favorite food above all begins to fall — the acorns.

Many things begin to happen in the woods now at this time of year. First the acorns fall from the pin or water oaks, then the post oaks, next the white and red oaks.

The rut begins, Georgia's rifle season starts, the Alabama side opens and hunters invade the woods.

With all this commotion in the woods on the Georgia side, the deer begin to turn nocturnal until the rut. This is when I take my bow and head to Alabama.

Note: Fort Benning has one of the finest archery ranges and 3-D tournament programs in the area headed up by Dewayne Mosher and Donny Kinard.

The Directorate of Community Activities Outdoor Recreation runs the ranges. For more information, call 545-7978.

The Bayonet needs your outdoors articles. Articles on hunting, fishing, tips or outdoors humor are appreciated. For more information, call 545-8351.

Editor's note: *Cliff Hughes is the vice president of the CG's Natural Resource Advisory Council.*

YS Action: Wraps up summer season

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lot less fouls. The teams kept each other in check driving up and down the court and forcing turnover after turnover. But the Ballers were able to keep a tighter reign on the ball and with the help of Whitley's four points finished with 10 points at the end of the quarter.

Spurs' center JaCee Lawary and Jerome Bussey were both able to tip one for their team to bring the score to 37-14.All grace gained from the third quarter magically disappeared in the fourth when fouls were once again the name of the game. Both teams matched each other in fouls, but it was the Ballers who kept the lead strong by sinking at least one each time. Spurs' guard Christina Mudayh gained 3 points at the free throw line.

Deciding to permanently seal the victory, the Ballers stepped up the heat and put up a succession of three baskets in the last minutes of play, shutting down the Spurs, 54-19.

"I think we had a really good team effort," said Ballers' coach Carl James. "Everyone got in the rotation and played well. Overall we stuck together, played as a team and had fun doing it.

"They did a good job of rebounding and getting on the fast break, but they also had great man-to-man coverage," James said.

In other team action that night, the 10- to 11-year-old No Limit Ballers beat the Celtics, 41-36. The Georgia Heat went head-to-head with the '76ers nixing them, 22-18.

Bombers: Pull off back-to-back wins

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said.

The Bombers' batters were definitely in the zone, but their hitting was just half the story.

Cook kept the Rangers at bay in the batter's box during the first game with five strikeouts and allowing only six hits on the game.

Cook, who joined the team mid-season with his CSU coach's permission, has anchored the Bombers from the mound ever since and Sunday was no exception.

"I was just trying to throw strikes keeping it in the outside corners," he said. "I was throwing some sliders but mostly fastballs to try to keep them off balance and hopefully the defense plays well for you, and they did today."

The Bombers defense was indestructible as they not only made the outs the old-fashioned way but also consistently caught runners away from the bag throughout the first and second games.

"We had a solid defense," Hare said.

In this case the word "solid" had a literal meaning as Bombers' first baseman Joe Schwankhaus, student detachment, fielded a bad hop in the first game's fifth inning with his shoulder, picked up the ball and got to the bag in time for the out.

Hare, however, emphasized the consistency of the pitching staff during the doubleheader enabled the Bombers to extend their lead.

"If you've got good pitching you can stay in every game," Hare said.

The Bombers did more than just "stay in it" in the second game with Josh Kronyak, B Co., 1st Bn., 15th Inf. Regt., on the mound.

Although the game was called after three innings due to the heat and an injury to the Rangers' sole second-game pitcher, Mike Govar, Kronyak was on his way to pitching a shutout and already tallied three strikeouts.

Kronyak, who joined the team only two weeks ago, has proved to be a solid addition to the Bombers pitching staff. His first pitching performance was as a reliever July 22 against the Rockies, where he single handedly got the game going after the Bombers struggled to find their rhythm on the mound.

By the end of the third, and last inning Sunday, the Bombers were up 4-0 and the last time the Rangers saw one of their players come home was the fourth inning of the first game.

sports briefs

Bowling party — A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment is hosting a bowling party at 3 p.m. today at the Main Post Bowling Center.

The first 90 Soldiers will receive two free games as well as free shoe rental. For more information, call 545-1959.

Golf tournament — The U.S. Field Artillery Association is hosting its annual Redleg Open charity golf tournament at 9 a.m. today at the Follow Me Golf Course. The format is a four-man scramble.

The entry fee is $22 for members, $32 for non-members and $27 for staff sergeants and below.

For more information, call 544-3036.

English Range rifle match — There will be a tactical rifle match at 2 p.m. Sunday on English Range. The match consists of four runs of five rounds each timed by an electronic timer. For more information, call 689-3371.

Spencer softball players — Spencer High School is seeking girls' fastpitch softball players for this year's season. Several slots are still open. For more information, call Mike Blackwell at 323-9120.

Chess tournament — There will be a three-round chess tournament at noon Aug. 26 in the Kelley Hill Recreation Center. The entry fee is $4, and there will be three categories with prizes to the winners.

For more information, call 687-6483.

Hunting safety class — The next Georgia Hunter Safety Course is from 6 to 10 p.m. Aug. 22-24 in classroom 7, Infantry Hall. Students must attend both nights. Anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1961 must attend a Hunter Safety course to hunt on Fort Benning or in Georgia. For more information, call Harley Chase at 545-4812.

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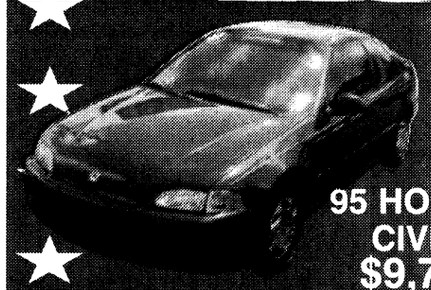

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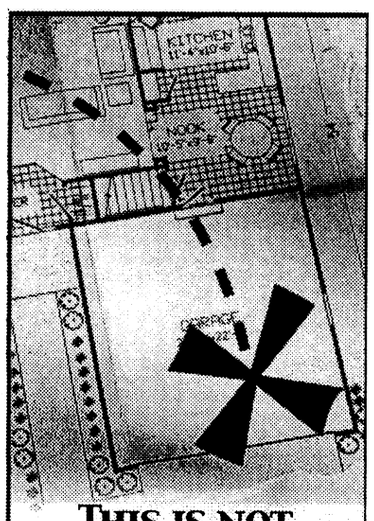

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Anthrax vaccines under new limits

Dwindling supply prompts DoD slowdown

Rudi Williams
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WASHINGTON — DoD's dwindling supply of anthrax vaccine has forced a temporary slowdown in inoculations, except to those personnel serving or about to serve in high-threat areas of Southwest Asia and South Korea, defense officials said during Pentagon press conference last month.

Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Randy L. West, senior adviser to the deputy secretary of defense for chemical and biological protection, told reporters DoD has only about 160,000 doses of the vaccine on hand. He said DoD is trying to avoid suspending or shutting down the anthrax inoculation program.

What's left of the vaccine is being largely reserved for the 10,000 DoD people "with boots on the ground" in Southwest Asia and 37,000 in South Korea, said Dr. J. Jarrett Clinton, first assistant to the assistant secretary of defense for health affairs.

For the time being, most personnel in those areas who have begun the six-shot series will stop the inoculations if they rotate out. West said DoD guidance allows for local commanders' discretion, so, for instance, rotating Soldiers might still get shots because the 10-dose vaccine vials can only be used or discarded once opened.

So far, 455,378 people have started vaccinations and have received a total of about 1.8 million shots. Some 56,725 have received all six shots, West said. During the slowdown, dosing will fall from about 75,000 vaccinations monthly to around 14,000. At that rate, DoD has enough vaccine to last up to 10 months, he estimated.

The mandatory six shots provide full protection as required by the FDA, West noted. He pointed out that receiving fewer than six shots causes no damage or harm to individuals, but does mean they lack the additional immunity protection provided by the complete series.

Clinton said the first three shots are given in two-week intervals and the last three, six months apart. An annual booster shot keeps troops fully protected. Although a person gains some protection by the second or third shot, it takes the full six for full, sustained immunity, he said.

Persons who have started the series but not finished will only need to pick up where they left off once their vaccinations resume, Clinton said. That's the guidance, he said, of the Centers for Disease Control's expert Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices.

West attributed the slowdown to the inability of the sole contractor, Bioport of Lansing, Mich., to gain Food and Drug Administration approval for its production facility. He said immunizations will resume at full speed when the FDA approves and certifies a sufficient supply of vaccine as safe and effective, but he emphasized Bioport's own timetable doesn't call for its new vaccine to be available before the end of the year.

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Heavy load



File photo

Army leaders met this week at Infantry Hall to begin the process of reducing the loads Soldiers carry into combat. Presently Soldiers like the one pictured above carry up to 130 pounds during wartime.

Too much weight tops talks

Conference aims to lessen Soldier's load

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

After the government has put millions of dollars into researching and developing a lighter, faster, more mobile Army, Soldiers serving on the front lines are still having trouble making that goal reality.

The problem — too much gear that is too heavy to carry, and more of it on its way from Washington planners.

In hopes of stymieing the back-breaking problem, the Army's lead agency on the Soldier of tomorrow, the TRADOC System Manager-Soldier, located here, invited senior enlisted Soldiers, officers and research and development firms for a three-day conference aimed at breaking the present too-heavy trend Tuesday.

"What we are looking for is some feedback on how units are dealing with managing loads," said Maj. John Matlock, the officer spearheading the conference and the lessening load initiative for TSM. "We are seeing increasing technology bringing the Soldier more lightweight equipment, but that begins to add up and cause a problem for the Soldier."

Studies by the agency and

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Former POW honors liberators

Man's thanks will stand as reminder at RTB

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

During a tear-filled ceremony, former prisoner of war John Cook thanked his liberators for giving him a second chance at life and unveiled a memorial for the Rangers, Alamo Scouts and airmen who were involved in his release.

During the dedication ceremony, Cook told of his experiences in the camp and the night of his liberation.

Cook was taken prisoner by the Japanese and held in the Cabanatuan Prison Camp in the Philippines for 34 months before a group of men would change his life forever.

Rangers and Alamo Scouts were within 1/2 mile of the camp, on the evening of Jan. 31, 1945. Planes of the 547th Night Fighter Squadron flew over as a diversion.

The pilots attracted the full attention of the Japanese guards while the raiders crawled over an open rice paddy to get into their final positions.

One pilot cut his engine as if he stalled and circled toward the camp until he was almost in the range of the guards' weapons.

The pilot turned and flew just

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Geese could keep planes grounded

Airfield officials' battle with birds over temporarily

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

In 1995 a military plane crashed after hitting a goose on takeoff in Alaska killing 22 people.

Now Fort Benning has to worry about the same thing happening here.

A flock of 75 Canada geese flew into Lawson Army Airfield Aug. 1

"They normally aren't here," said Roger Sigmon, the supervisor of Lawson Army Airfield's base operations. "As soon as we saw them on the field in the morning we chased them with our vehicles harassing them and made them leave.

"They showed up again the next morning so we chased them off again," Sigmon said.

Since then the geese have showed only several times. They were chased off each time by people checking the runways.

The geese, like all other large birds are a hazard to all aircraft.

"They could penetrate the planes if they hit head on," Sigmon said. "Bird strikes have brought down airplanes before," he said.

"We have had strikes with smaller birds like doves and sparrows," he said. "Once a vulture hit a C-141 and punctured a hole in the wing, but nothing bad happened."

Pilots have notices posted that tell them of the immediate dangers surrounding particular airfields. Chief Warrant Officer Ricardo Martinez said bird strikes are nothing to take lightly.

"On takeoff or landing if a bird is ingested into the engine, it could lead to engine failure and then a catastrophe," said Martinez, C Company, 1st Battalion, 171st Aviation Regiment, a Georgia National Guard unit.

"When a pilot is landing he has a split second decision to make whether to land or to fly over the runway," he said. Martinez himself recently had a bird strike while flying his Blackhawk, but no damage was caused.

There are ways of avoiding the birds, he said. "It starts in the pre-mission preparations," he said. You just need to pay attention to notices."

The airfield is working hand-in-hand with Fort Benning's conservation branch.

"Right now we are just driving around and honking the horns to scare them away," said Pete Swiderek, chief of the conservation branch. "We also have shell crackers that we can use." Shell crackers are fired from a shotgun and will travel about 100 feet before they explode. They only make noise and are harmless to the birds.

> "It is a serious issue ... Birds have caused crashes before and we are taking precautions not to have that happen here."
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> **Pete Swiderek**
> Conservation Branch chief

"It is a serious issue to have birds on the airfield," he said. "Birds have caused crashes before and we are taking precautions not to have that happen here."

Swiderek said the geese are local and are attracted to the airfield as a resting stop as they fly along the Chattahoochee River.

Mandatory service makes sense

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

commentary



To win in any campaign you have to find the biggest group of people and cater to their needs. If you can get these special interest groups to favor you and your campaign, you're set.

It's a simple ploy. I think the first time I learned about it was in junior high school when I ran for student council. While everyone else was busy putting up their posterboard election signs, I was busy handing out candy and promising the world to the basketball team, cheerleaders and home-ec club.

OK, so I probably didn't pioneer this method of legal bribery, but it did work, and the bureaucrats in DC are still using it today.

I heard on the radio on the way in to work last week a candidate who earned his way into politics thanks to his daddy (not to name names or anything). He said the military needs help in getting ready to go to wars. He said there weren't enough people to fight or enough equipment to win. But he, like any good politician, said he had a way to resolve the problems that plague today's fighting force.

Now really, how many times have we heard this story before? Kind of sounds like the young aspiring politician who handed out candy to the "popular" kids promising them the world to get their vote, huh?

The military has more people associated with it than any other organization in the country. Why wouldn't he say he is going to be the one to cure the warfighting woes we have seen in the past decade thanks to downsizing and cutbacks?

While he didn't say how he would resolve the problems of what he called the military's inability to deploy quickly, it made me think what America could do to make the military a quick deploying organization with its ranks filled to capacity.

Mandatory times of service for all men and women at the age of 18 is a certain way to solve short staffing problems and give America's youth a strong footing before starting their lives.

While the plan has come under fire, it certainly has not been completely eliminated from the government's lists of possibilities. Young men are still required to sign up with selective service as soon as they turn 18, keeping the possibility of drafting teens into service a viable option.

Perhaps it is the thought of bringing people into the ranks who aren't willing gives many a dislike of the plan, but consider what recruiting command is doing presently.

Within the last year, the Army has decided to bring in recruits with GEDs. Are these people really willing to come in or is this their last hope?

A new plan was introduced just this summer to bring college-bound kids in, promising them a job with a Fortune 500 company upon completing four years of service.

Are these kids really wanting to be all they can be, or are they just tolerating life in green to make green when they depart after their first tour?

We are doing these kids favors just to fill the ranks of war fighting units.

We cannot keep giving millions of dollars out in bonuses a year and spending money on failing recruiting plans. Save the money. Invest it in finding new ways to train more troops. Then re-implement the draft.

We will in turn bring in a new culture to the service. One that will put banker's children alongside those who have grown up in tar-paper shacks.

They will learn from each other, become better more well-rounded people and citizens, and America will no longer have to worry about being able to fight and win on the modern battlefield because all the services will be staffed beyond 100 percent.

In turn the service will produce youth who have discipline, leadership and, even more importantly a job skill.

We can keep spending money on social programs to help young, economically challenged people find a job, on failed recruiting campaigns or reinstate the draft.

The choice is clear.

Competition teaches sportsmanship

Karen Taylor
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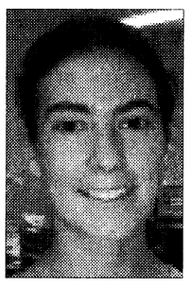
commentary



There's an unspoken element in sports that goes beyond strength, endurance and coordination.

It's the key to character development.

It's the reason athletics are so important for young people.

It's called sportsmanship.

Sportsmanship is something that children may find hard to understand during the heat of an athletic competition.

I remember playing softball as a child and after a game one of the girls from the opposing team said to me, "Hey, good game." I replied with a simple "Thanks," thinking that was a sufficient response.

My mom then turned to me and said "You know you should tell her 'good game' too," and I said, "But why? They lost?"

It wasn't until I started swimming competitively I truly understood the meaning of good sportsmanship.

Every summer there is a league meet where all the teams from the league compete in a variety of events. One of the events I was swimming that day was the 50-meter butterfly. I was 13 years old and very nervous because I knew the other girls swimming in this event were good. One girl in particular, Megan Beeler, was known to be a phenomenal swimmer and was virtually unbeatable in this event.

Without ever actually having a conversation with her, I immediately assumed she was a ferocious competitor who would do anything to win. I was intimidated.

Just my luck, as we stepped up to the blocks, I was in Lane 3, she was in the lane next to me, Lane 4. "Great," I thought, "I'll get to gulp down her waves as she swims past."

On the blocks I'm just trying to keep myself in a steady crouch, waiting for the official's gun.

Swimmers take your mark ... BANG!

All six of us were off into pool. I surfaced and just started stroking.

I came to the wall at 25 meters: two-hands, touch, turn, push off, pull, kick, pull, kick.

I was almost at the finish, and for a split second I noticed out of the corners of my eyes there was no one next to me. I touched the wall and looked to my left and then to my right and realized I won the race.

I was dizzy from the effort and the euphoria I felt because it was the first time I had won this event.

But before I had a chance to yell for joy, I was confronted by one of the lane judges who informed me that my turn at the far side of the pool wasn't a regulation two-hand turn and I was disqualified.

My yell for joy quickly turned into a cry of anguish. I couldn't believe it. I remembered my hand slipping on the wall, but I know I touched with two hands. I've never been DQ-ed in my life!

My body sagged as I returned to where my mom was and we got ready to leave, that was my last event for the day.

My coach and teammates quickly gathered round and tried to console me, but the shock only gave way to intense frustration. I kept rehashing the event over and over and my turn, over and over, but the official's word was final.

While my team and I were huddled together, a girl broke through the crowd and handed a medal to me.

I looked up at her, it was Megan Beeler. She finished second in the race but because I was disqualified she got the Gold and she gave it to me.

Everyone went silent.

As Beeler walked away, I went after her, thanked her and tried to return it to her, telling her she won it fair and square.

She refused the medal and said "It's yours, you earned it, you finished first."

To me, that day, Beeler finished an immortal first.

She opened my eyes to what good sportsmanship is — a selfless act that demonstrates the pure love of competition, not just winning, but appreciating and respecting others who win, even if it meant they did it by beating you.

I now saw competition in a whole new light: that it's possible to be competitors, even rivals, and still be friends.

19th Amendment gives women right to vote

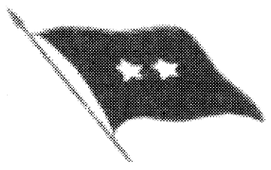
This year, Women's Equality Day celebrates the 80th anniversary of the 19th Amendment. The right to vote is a precious privilege, which should not be taken lightly. Men and women who cast their votes enhance the entire governmental process.

Women's Equality Day is an excellent opportunity to acknowledge our responsibility to vote and to recognize equality for all Americans.

From its beginning in 1848, during the Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, N.Y., the suffrage movement was a long uphill battle for courageous women like Elizabeth Cady Stanton who drafted the Declaration of Sentiments. The declaration listed the legal disadvantages of women who became the catalyst for future Suffrage Conventions.

From 1870 to 1920, there were 480 attempts across the nation to pass legislation, resulting in 27 state votes, of which only two were successful.

On Aug. 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment became a reality and provided women the constitutional right to vote.



It wasn't until Aug. 26, 1973, that the President of the United States designated Women's Equality Day, denoting the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution reminding us of women's continuing efforts toward equality in all arenas of our society.



The 19th Amendment provides everyone a chance to honor the work of Stanton and others who worked so hard to gain the right to vote. By observing this celebration and casting our vote, we ensure equality for all.

Maj. Gen. John M. Le Moyne
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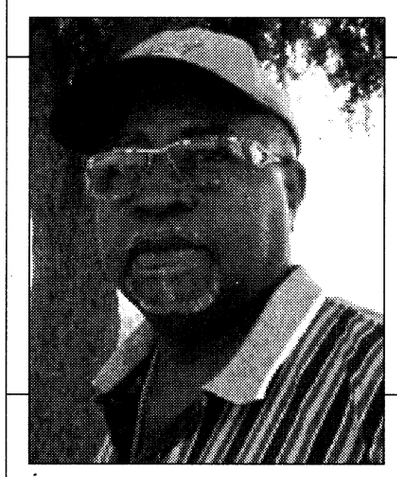
Do you think the U.S. should have mandatory military service and why?



John McGhee, independent contractor — "Yes, because the country's defense is very important to our freedom. It is the essence of it."



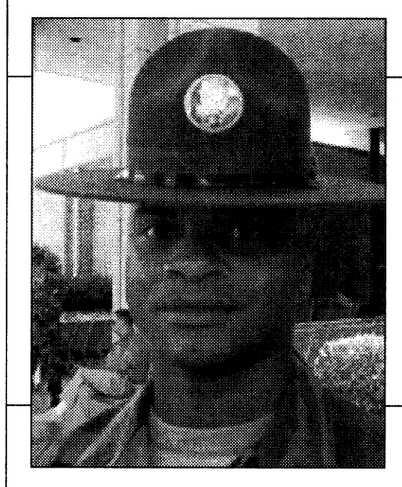
Staff Sgt. Sherry Ingraham, Defense Military Pay Office — "No, I think we are doing fine with an all-volunteer force. A mandatory service should only be considered if the current force can't survive with what we have."



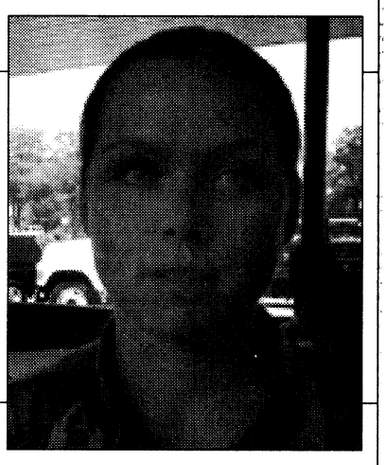
Pvt. Jamie Yates, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "Yes, because people need to learn leadership and discipline. In the Army they learn how to face problems without a great deal of conflict. The Army provides good training — physically and mentally."



Spc. Bryan Bates, 63rd Engineer Company, 36th Engineer Group — "Yes, because mandatory service gives the citizens of the country discipline and pride in their country."



Staff Sgt. Chris Turner, E Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment — "Yes, mandatory service would cut down on recruiting problems. Everyone from 17 to 19 should serve their country. It gives them the opportunity to mature."



Spc. Shelly Ring, 988th Military Police Company — "No, there shouldn't be mandatory military service unless there is a time of crisis."

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Couple's marriage makes Army family affair

Officer-enlisted duo takes love across rank lines

Karen Taylor
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When a person joins the military he expects to answer to the chain of command.

For Lisa Wills and Walter Edwards, however, work is not the only place where someone's outranked.

Wills, a second lieutenant, 63rd Engineer Company, 36th Engineer Group, and Edwards, a sergeant, C Co., 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, are husband and wife.

Although Lt. Wills is on the nameplate of their Perkins Place home she hasn't always worn the bar on her collar.

She joined the Army at age 29 as a private, assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 7th Inf. Division. While stationed at Fort Ord, Calif., she met Spc. Walter Edwards, A Co., U.S. Army Garrison, in the dining facility.

After dating for three years they were married at Fort Hood, Texas in 1996.

During the three years they dated, Edwards left the active Army and joined the National Guard. He was promoted to the rank of sergeant during his five years in the National Guard, but when he decided to rejoin the Army ranks in 1998, he had to re-enter as a specialist.

At this point Wills was a sergeant and the next year she was accepted to Officer Candidate School and eventually became an officer.

But after the lieutenant bar was pinned on her uniform, Edwards, now a sergeant, said the two are not affected by the difference in rank at home.

Although rank remains a non-issue around the house, Edwards admits he gets teased at work on occasion.

"At work they say, 'Do you salute your wife?' 'Come on, you've got to tell us, do you salute her a lot?'" he said.

In all seriousness, however, Edwards does salute his wife not only because it's protocol, but also because it's respectful.

By not sharing the same name a salute becomes even more important because it is not as obvious that they are husband and wife.

Wills kept her name because she had established herself in her career as a Soldier with it and wanted to keep that identity within the military.

Wills and Edwards are not the only ones in the family that are in the military. Their son, Jonathan Vick enlisted in June.

Although it may seem like a natural progression for a child of theirs to enter the military, it came as a total shock to Wills and Edwards.

"He first came to us and said 'There's no way I will ever join the military,'" Edwards said.

It wasn't until Vick lived on his own and got a taste of the real world he realized the military might be a good choice after all, they said.

He went back to Wills' hometown of Montgomery, Ala., for a while to stay with family and it was from there the couple got the call saying he enlisted.

Vick joined the field artillery branch and is a multiple launch rocket system crew member currently in basic training in Fort Sill, Okla.

The family "chain of command," however, doesn't stop there. Wills' brother, Eric Nard, followed his sister's lead and joined the Army in 1998. Now a specialist, he works as a meteorologist in a field artillery unit also at Fort Sill.

With a private, specialist, sergeant and lieutenant at the table during family gatherings, its bound to get interesting.

"Well, Mom outranks everybody," Wills said.



Karen Taylor

2nd Lt. Lisa Wills and Sgt. Walter Edwards married after dating while both were assigned to different units at Fort Ord, Calif., as enlisted Soldiers. After the two were married, Wills earned her commission at Officer Candidate School.

But Edwards gets to push his share of the weight around.

"I tell her brother to get down and give me pushups," Edwards said.

The private in the family, Vick, however, has learned more than how to take a little teasing from parents who outrank him.

"He has learned more respect for what rank I'm actually at ... what I did to achieve that rank and what respect comes from it. He didn't know that before going in," Wills said. "Now being in and learning the rank structure and what comes with it, Jon had a little bit more respect."

"It enlightens the family to have three different ranks within one household," said Capt. Antoinette Gant, adjutant, 64rd Eng. Co., 36th Eng., Group.

Wills and Edwards, who both went through basic training many years ago, can see what's changed through their son.

In addition, having four ranks within one family, each has a better understanding of the other's job.

Both Edwards and Wills use their military experience to guide Vick and Nard on ways to succeed in the Army.

They encourage them to go to the boards, pursue their education and take military correspondence courses to gain promotion points.

Sometimes the encouragement turns into competition. Wills admits she competes with her brother on the PT test.

> "At work they say, 'Do you salute your wife?' 'Come on, you've got to tell us, do you salute her a lot?'"
>
> **Sgt. Walter Edwards**
> Husband

The most rewarding aspect of having family members in the military, no matter what the rank, for Wills and Edwards is to be able to talk the lingo together.

The military experience has cultivated a strong sense of family among them.

"My brother and I have been all over the world, and we still find ways to drive to the other one's place," she said.

Wills and Edwards continue to build on the chain of command they've established within the family.

Edwards plans to put in his own OCS packet and hopes to start classes next year.



Vaccine: Could now face slow down thanks to short supply

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"We're disappointed because we wish we were vaccinating the whole force now. We're running about a year behind our planned schedule in this program," West said.

"When we began the program, there was an existing supply and there was one company that had a license," he noted. "In retrospect, I wish that we would have immediately advertised for a second source. We did not. We recently have."

BioPort will cooperate with that second-source contractor, he said.

The FDA says that company could earn certification sometime within the next two to four years.

He said Britain and Russia have anthrax vaccines, but neither has FDA approval.

The British vaccine is similar to the U.S. vaccine, but also in limited supply, and DoD has no interest in the Russians' live-bacteria vaccine, West noted.

The number of people who are refusing shots and the number of adverse reactions have declined, West noted.

"We've had 351 people that have refused to take the shot and have remained adamant enough about that to receive disciplinary action or be discharged or released from service," he said.

"There have been 848 Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System forms reviewed as of last month. That's out of 1.8 million-plus shots."

He said 163 people have missed a day of work because of adverse reaction to the shots and 38 have been hospitalized since the shots began being administered.

He said intelligence reports indicate the threat of biological warfare has increased since the anthrax vaccination program started in 1998.

"There has also been an increase in the number of both state actors and nonstate actors that have done things that have prompted our intelligence committee to believe they are trying to obtain the capability (for biological weapons)."

But, West emphasized, "We're less at risk than we were in 1998, because we have more than 455,000 people that have some protection and 56,725 are fully protected. But we're less protected than we want to be."

Dedication: Gives former POW chance to honor liberators

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over the tops of the trees out of gun range and then the attack ensued.

"We had just gotten done with work for the evening. While sitting outside the barracks smoking a cigarette a crazy guy came running up. He had the craziest look on his face and he told us to get the hell out the front gate," Cook said during the dedication. "We asked who he was 'We're Yanks,' the man in the crazy uniform said. I told him that no Yank would wear anything so ugly.

"He told us again to get out the front gate along with the rest of the prisoners. I said 'Yes sir,' and we were free."

At 8 p.m. the raid was over.

All 512 prisoners were taken out of the camp unscathed, but one man died of a heart attack along the 30-mile trek back to the American lines, Cook said.

The raid cost the lives of two Rangers, Capt. James Fisher and Cpl. Roy Sweezy and 10 men were wounded.

The Cabanatuan raid is still used today as a textbook example of how to conduct a proper raid to Ranger students.

"Day after day and night after night I thank God for the training that the men took to save us," Cook said. "And now I am so happy to have met and be able to associate with them."

Several of the members of the raid were able to attend the dedication.

Retired Maj. Robert Prince, who led the raid for C Company, 6th Ranger Regiment, was among the speakers.

"This dedication is for one event which saved lives," Prince said. "I am honored and proud to have participated. It honors all who participated in the raid."

Another member of the raid, Retired 1st Sgt. Robert Anderson said the memorial dedication meant a tremendous amount to him as well as serving as a reunion of sorts for he and his old buddies.

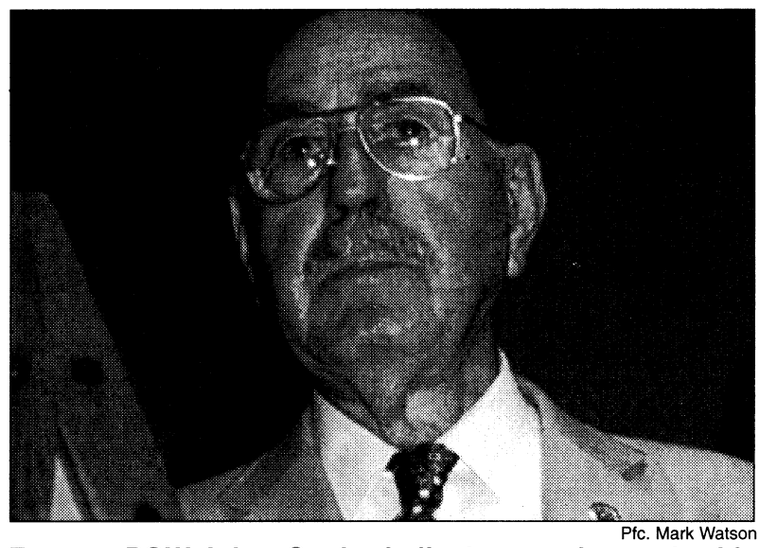
"I haven't seen some of these guys in 55 years," Anderson said. "It is nice to get the recognition, but we all had to volunteer to go and no one turned it down. It is a miracle the raid went like it did."

The men who were involved in the raid are what heroes are made of, said Col. Hazen Baron, commander of the Ranger Training Brigade.

"The men of the Cabanatuan raid and the prisoners epitomize the Ranger creed."

The memorial will become a permanent part of the Ranger training community.

The plaque, which will be placed on a 2,500 piece of granite, will be located in front of the Ranger Training Brigades' headquarter located at Camp Rogers near Harmony Church.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Former POW John Cook dedicates a plaque to his liberators Friday at RTB.

Conference: Hopes to find ways to lighten load for troops

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information from senior enlisted officials from the field reveal the average Infantryman carries between 75 to 80 pounds into combat, a weight spectrum Matlock said is way above Army standard.

"For a Soldier to really be effective, we need to bring that weight down to about 35 or 40 pounds," he said. "And while I don't think that is possible by the end of the conference, these sergeants major and first sergeants will have hopefully traded enough ideas they can go back and refine what they are doing now to cut some of the weight the Soldiers are carrying.

"This is just the beginning of tackling this problem," he said.

The too-heavy technical problem that has plagued the Infantry since its inception seems to stem from the inability of the ground warrior to tailor a combat load to a mission rather than rely solely up upon a packing list, Matlock said.

"We have got to get away from the days of treating a packing list as gospel," he said. "Units have got to tailor a combat load to the mission if they want to see a lessened load."

Many of the Army's high-tech programs to save the Soldier from carrying more weight into combat are yet to be fielded to units worldwide, but Matlock said introducing new technologies isn't the answer to thwarting the too-heavy trend.

"We may be able to give the Soldier a Kevlar that is more functional and can stop a 9 mm round, but it may weigh the same as the present one," he said. "So even while the new model increases survivability and lethality, the weight issue is still a problem."

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>
> **Maj. John Matlock**
> TSM officer spearheading lessening Soldier's load

Army planners hope to reduce the weight Soldiers carry into combat to one third of the Soldier's body weight. That would a mean an average Soldier, weighing 180 pounds would only carry a maximum combat load of 60 pounds.

"We are a ways from that now," said Capt. Christopher Nicolaus, a recent graduate of the Infantry Captains' Career Course assigned to assist Matlock in combating the weight issue. "But it can be done."

Nicolaus said the key to bringing weight to an acceptable standard starts with teaching squad leaders and team leaders how to properly pack and tailor the Soldier's load to the mission profile.

"If we are going to do an attack in a mountainous environment, we know we'll need rope and cold weather gear, but we can forget the mosquito net and hot weather gear because of the environment we are going into," he said. "If we can teach small unit leaders how to manage loads and put loads together like this, we'll be headed in the right direction."

While it is unclear if units in the field will see any substantial changes resulting from this week's conference, Matlock said the effort to battle the weight woes is just getting started.

"We knew we weren't going to end the week with an approved packing list or a simple solution to the problem," Matlock said. "It's going to take a long time."

There is no word on if a similar conference is in the future for Matlock or TSM, but he said a review of the feedback from attendees should steer the planner's decisions on whether an additional conference is necessary.

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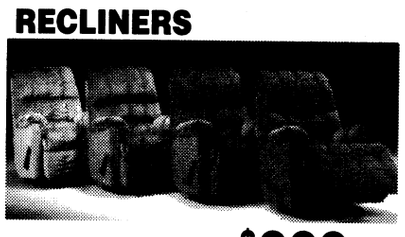

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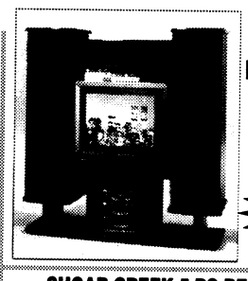

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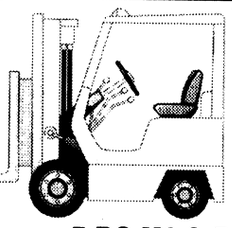

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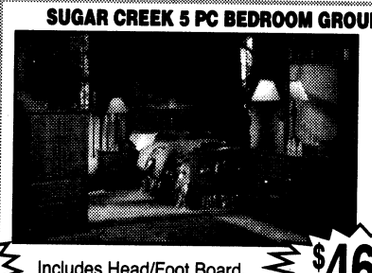

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OCS status review

C Company, 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment, plans a senior status review Wednesday at 9 a.m. on York Field. The public is invited to attend.

Graduations

C Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade and A Co., 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., will graduate at 9 a.m. today on Kanell Field.

Blood drive

There will be a blood drive sponsored by 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday in Classroom 5, in Infantry Hall.

For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Mike Wood at 545-7483 or 545-9918.

Sick call

To improve Soldier care, weekend and holiday sick call for all active duty Soldiers will move from TMC No. 5 to Winder Health Clinic, Building 3306 on Sand Hill.

The hours will remain 7 a.m. to noon.

Change of command

Lt. Col. Kenneth Strickland, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Michael Culpepper at 9 a.m. Tuesday at Pomeroy Field.

Luncheon

There will be a Women Equality Day luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Thursday at the O' Club in the Supper Room.

Tickets are $6.50 per person. For more information, call 545-6665.

Voter Registration

There will be an Army voter registration drive from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 28-31 at the Main Mall Post Exchange.

For more information, call Verna Clemons at 545-4702.

ACAP

From 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 29, the Georgia Department of Corrections will be recruiting and testing for officers and other positions in Building 2634 in Soldiers' Plaza.

For more information call, 545-2308.

Off-limits businesses

The Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board has placed these businesses off limits to all military persons in the Fort Benning area: the All Breed Dog Training Academy at 1302 Sandusky Drive and Mr. Transmission at 3137 Macon Road in Columbus and The Pen Dixie Pit on Old Perry Road in Clinchfield, Ga.

TSU classes

Troy State University offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during nontraditional hours and dates.

Units have the flexibility to schedule classes during times, dates and locations of their choice and when it is convenient to them.

For more information, call 685-9555.

Free education

The HOPE Grant Program will pay all tuition and fees and up to $100 per quarter for textbooks for all active duty military and their dependents stationed at Fort Benning and living in Georgia.

Day and evening classes are offered and are now available for registration at Columbus Technical College.

For more information, call 685-8549.

Promotion boards

The Department of the Army is holding a selection board Oct. 17 for consideration of promotion from master sergeant to command sergeant major.

The NCOs who meet the eligibility criteria must review their personal records and authenticate their qualification record.

For more information, call 545-2872.

Green to Gold

There are several Green to Gold briefings for interested Soldiers.

They are Thursday, Sept. 21, Oct. 27, Nov. 16, Dec. 7, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22 and April 26.

The briefings will cover the purpose of the program along with eligibility and how to apply for the program.

For more information, Captain Irvin Pete at Columbus Sate University at 568-2449.

Bus service

The post shuttle bus schedule will be curtailed Sept. 1-4 to allow the military drivers the opportunity to spend time with their families for the long Labor Day holiday weekend.

The bus will operate from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 1-3 and will not run on Sept. 4.

For more information, call 545-4788.

CID recruitment

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command is looking for qualified Soldiers to become special agents.

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Buddies help ease battle of basic training

Recruiters hope buddy program brings in troops

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

Basic training is no picnic, but it might be a little easier with a friend.

That's what U.S. Army Recruiting Command had in mind with the "buddy team" recruiting method. In order to reduce first-unit attrition and improve morale, the buddy team assignment allows two friends to enlist together, go through basic training together and be stationed together.

"Basic was a lot easier going with someone you know," said Pvt. John Finn IV, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade.

Finn said no matter what the activity or challenge basic training presented having a buddy with him always lowered the stress level as well as built confidence knowing there was a friend nearby.

"You knew you always had someone there that you know," he said.

During basic training each Soldier was assigned a battle buddy. While other Soldiers were paired with perfect strangers, which added a level of stress, Finn was able to pair up with a friend.

Finn enlisted with his "buddy" Eric Esler and started basic training Feb. 28.

"I've known him for 10 years," he said.

Finn and Esler grew up in the same town, Milwaukee, Ore., and went to high school together.

Both are 11M, a Bradley Infantryman, but Esler suffered a stress fracture in his foot during the five-mile Eagle Run three weeks ago and is currently on convalescent leave, which means he will not graduate with Finn.

But Finn knows he'll see Esler again soon.

"I think the buddy team is still in action, and he'll still go to the same place, he'll just catch up later," he said.

Finn said his contract included basic training, 11M training and a guarantee of spending their first year together at their duty station, which if Esler wasn't hurt, would bring them to a full two years spent together in the Army.

Although buddy team assignments offer many benefits to Soldiers, Sgt. 1st Class Phillip Mays, station commander of the North Columbus Army Recruiting Station, said it's difficult to find two people who qualify for the same job.

The program has been used within the Army for a long time, although has been dormant in the past few years, Mays said.

About one-and-a-half years ago the program was put back in motion, but he said hasn't been able to sign up two friends to the same assignment.

"If someone comes in with a buddy then we would suggest that (buddy team assignment), but sometimes both people don't qualify for the testing," Mays said.

"The enlistment process is a multistep process," said Doug Smith, a Recruiting Command spokesman from Fort Knox, Ky.

When a person decides to enlist in the Army, after the talking with the recruiter and going through a screening process, the person goes to a military entrance processing station where he takes an Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery.

"It measures aptitude and determines what military occupation a person would be eligible for," Smith said.

The person then meets with an Army guidance counselor to determine a military occupation that's most compatible with the individual's skills and the Army's needs.

A person would start training based on what classes are available.

Smith said some training could only be offered once a year or once every six months.

"It's like making an airline reservation. Depending on what job you want in the military, if the training seat is available in the next week or so, then you would go," Smith said.

Although the efforts to place buddy team assignments haven't come to fruition as of yet with the local recruiting office, recruiting numbers are up, which will increase chances of the program's success, Mays said.

Recruiting Command is well on its way to reaching its goal of 80,000 recruits by the end of the fiscal year.

"We had a very good recruiting month in July. Things are looking good," Smith said.

Cash cards get permanent status at training installations

Troops may see cards replace cash on deployments

David Rion and Gary Sheftick
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army has granted permanent status to an experiment that gives new Soldiers a new way to pay for items at post exchanges.

The Army "stored-value card" began as a pilot program for basic trainees in 1997 at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. The following year, trainees began using a similar card at Fort Knox, Ky., and Fort Sill, Okla. Last year, the remaining basic training sites joined the pilot program, and even Air Force trainees at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, are using the card.

Now the prototype cards at different sites are being replaced with a standard EZPay card. Trainees at Fort Jackson, S.C., began using the new card in July. Other Army and Air Force initial-entry training sites — Forts Benning, Knox, Leonard Wood, Sill and Lackland — will all begin using the new card by the end of October, officials said.

When basic trainees arrive on post, they receive their advance pay of $200 to $300 on an EZPay card. The card has a computer chip that keeps track of how much money is on it.

Trainees use the card as they wish to pay for haircuts, snacks, recreational activities and purchases at the PX. Any value remaining on the card after it expires is returned to the trainee's military pay.

The cards provide a better quality of life for trainees, said Ernest Gregory, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for financial operations. He said the cards eliminate the threat of cash theft in barracks and speed purchases at the exchange.

Gregory said the cards also save $125,000 of Soldiers' money a year, because they eliminate the need to purchase money orders. "Now Soldiers aren't paying to get paid," he said.

Since 1997, the cards have been used to buy $53 million worth of goods and services at training installations.

Now a version of the card is being tested for deployed Soldiers in Bosnia and Hungary.

In December, Stabilization Force Soldiers began using the "EagleCash" card in camp exchanges.

Since then the card has reduced U.S. currency disbursements in Bosnia and Hungary by $1 million, said Juan De Jesus, value card project manager.

"Cash is expensive to carry, manage and service," Gregory said.

Sending one plane of currency and coins to Germany for onward movement to Bosnia costs about $100,000 in freight charges, De Jesus said.

Korea ... 'the forgotten war' remembered

Jim Caldwell
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Fifty years ago, South Korean government officials moved the temporary capital from Taegu to Pusan as massive, North Korean forces threaten the city.

Aug. 17, 1950 — Three Americans, who were captured in fighting around Waegwan and then escaped, bring new atrocity charges against the communists.

They witnessed North Koreans gunning down 26 captured Americans. A North Korean major and two other enemy soldiers in charge of the killings reportedly have been captured themselves.

Aug. 17-18 — The North Korean Peoples Army attacks in force where U.S.-South Korean lines join at the Taegu perimeter.

The ROK First Division and the U.S. Army 27th Regiment repel the assault.

On Aug. 18 refugees return to the city, even though fighting continues around it. A city of 300,000 people before the war, refugees raise Taegu's population to more than 800,000.

Aug. 17-22 — U.S. Marines climb a 1,000-foot hill overlooking an NKPA bridgehead over the Naktong River near Changnyong. With the Marines firing down on the enemy, Soldiers of the 24th ID attack the communist positions. Marine and Air Force aircrews provide heavy and effective support.

About 1,500 soldiers of the NKPA 4th Division are killed in three days and the rest are driven back across the river.

With the crossing secured, UN Soldiers begin moving upstream on Aug. 22 to another bridgehead held by about 6,000 enemy troops at Hyonpung.

Aug. 18 — The 1st Cavalry Division recaptures a hill and finds the bodies of 36 Americans who had been bound and shot.

Aug. 18-22 — U.S. warships fire on military targets between Hamhung and Changjin on North Korea's east coast.

Both cities are bombed by B-29s on Aug. 19. The bombers revisit Hamhung Aug. 21 and Changjin Aug. 22.

Aug. 19 — At Fort Monroe, Va., Gen. Mark Clark, commander of Army Field Forces, announces that basic training will be cut from 14 to six weeks and toughened up. The recent policy of using "gentlemanly" NCOs to train recruits is scrapped in favor of using tough, old-line sergeants.

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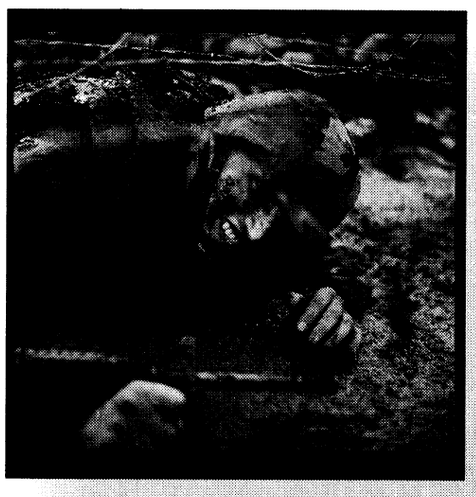

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Troops finish two-week training cycle

Completion sends Soldiers home as officers

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Two weeks ago Mike Brethorst was elbow deep in building plans, permits and conceptual drawings at his central Minnesota office.

Brethorst, a city planner, constantly searches for the best plan for the best price. Its his job, and now its his life.

He is one of 540 reserve-duty officer candidates taking part in the Army's 15-month reserve officer candidate school, a money-saving program designed to turn Soldiers into officers at their home state, rather than at the Army's only Officer Candidate School here, eliminating the costly 10-weeks or more of temporary duty pay.

The program began in 1998 when the Army decided to ditch the 10-week accelerated reserve officer candidate school it was presently using and opted to put the power of training young officers into the hands of each individual state under the guidance of the Fort Benning Officer Candidate School.

"It eliminated the problem many candidates had in trying to get permission from their civilian employer in trying to get off for 10 weeks to come to the school," said Lt. Col. David Osborne, commander 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment.

The program begins with an initial two-week active-duty stint that introduces enlisted Soldiers who hope to be officers to officer leadership.

The days are long and sometimes grueling during the initial training, Brethorst said. "It's designed to weed out the weak candidates who aren't officer material or who just don't want to be there."

During the active duty training, the officer-hopefuls learn basic leadership skills, land navigation and common combat tasks before returning to their home units where they will continue to hone the skills.

For the next 14 months, the candidates will pore over countless training manuals, be immersed in numerous leadership scenarios and try to learn all the intricacies that come along with officership, all while trying to juggle their civilian career as well.

"During the training cycle at home, it was tough," Brethorst said. "While we only met during our drill time for two days each month, our work wasn't confined to just that time. There was a lot of homework, and that made it tough trying to juggle the work and a career."

That juggling act ended for Brethorst and the other officer candidates as they returned to active-duty once again to finish up their 15 months of training last week.

"This active-duty training is intense," Brethorst said. "This brings together everything we have learned, and finally puts an end to the more than a year of training."



Spc. Mitch Frazier

Officer Candidates Gordon Campbell and Todd Orland practice radio techniques during the final days of training at Fort Benning. The two graduate National Guard Phase II OCS today and will be commissioned in their home states Saturday.

While Brethorst and the other officer candidates will graduate from OCS later today after spending only four weeks on active duty, Osborne said he believes the officers are competent and worthy of being commissioned in the U.S. Army.

"There is no difference from one of these officers than the ones that come out of the active Army school here," Osborne said. "Whether they earn their commission here, through ROTC or through the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, they all do the same things, learn the same skills and follow the same POI."

Since the program's inception in 1998 the National Guard Phase III program has trained nearly 1,600 new lieutenants.

Brethorst along with the other graduates of the course will graduate today and be commissioned in their home states Saturday.

Trainee's quick action saves battle buddy's life

Lunch leaves one trainee recovering from choking

1st Lt. Matthew W. Hauck
2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment

Trainees witnessed an example of how Soldiers accomplish great things in the face of danger July 24.

Pvt. Stephen Brousseau, 4th platoon, D Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, was sitting against a tree finishing his lunch on the Malone 1 training site when he saw a Soldier across from him in trouble.

Pvt. Emmanuel Kim started to panic when a piece of food stuck in his throat and he was unable to breathe.

"I stood up and put my hands around my throat, and told him to do it," Kim said.

One Soldier did not hesitate.

Before a drill sergeant could rush to the area to help, Pvt. Stephen Brousseau was already administering the Heimlich maneuver to dislodge the food, saving his fellow Soldiers' life.

"I did it three times, you know, thrusting with my hands like we were taught," Brousseau said.

Sgt. 1st Class Guy Harris, the first platoon senior drill sergeant, was the first cadre member to see the Soldiers.

"Before I could see the Soldier choking, I heard all the others yelling out and saw them pointing. I saw Private Brousseau doing the Heimlich maneuver on him."

Harris later said, "I was glad to see a Soldier do that, we put forth all we can to make sure these Soldiers are well trained, and to see that Soldier not hesitate to help out, just jump up and save that Soldier was very rewarding to me."

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> **Pvt. Stephen Brousseau**
> Soldier who saved another Soldier's life

Brousseau, a native of Pensacola, Fla., received the Army Commendation Medal for his efforts.

The Soldiers graduated from Basic Training Thursday.

Initial Entry troops takes dive into world of leadership

Reserve drills take trainees to leader course

1st Lt. Vylius Leskys
1st Battalion, 333rd Infantry Regiment

In one of the first times of incorporating the Leaders Reactionary Course in One Station Unit Training, E Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, leads the way in setting the example of teamwork and unit cohesion.

At one of the LRC lanes, 10 Initial Entry Training privates found themselves located in a Prisoner of War compound where the Soldiers must escape or face being "shot." Their only escape route to safety was to cross a moat and go over a wall.

However, they were told an alarm would activate if there was any movement of the moat's water occurred, and that a guard patrol was posted in front of the wall who could hear any loud talking or noises.

Using a ladder and two lengths of rope that had been left by the guards, the privates negotiated the obstacle and successfully evaded the patrols to get to safety.

This was only one of the eight LRC obstacle lanes that IET privates participated in last week during their Infantry OSUT training. Throughout the course, privates used their analytical skills to develop sound plans, emerge as leaders to bring unity of effort, and, most of all, work as a team to succeed at each obstacle.

"The purpose of the LRC course is to build teamwork, squad cohesion, and esprit de corps," said Staff Sgt. Jimmy Garcia, a drill sergeant from 1st Battalion, 333rd Regiment, 84th Division in Flint, Mich. "It boosted motivation of the privates and helped increase their appreciation for teamwork."

"We couldn't complete the lanes by ourselves," said Pfc. Jonathan Alvarez. "We had to put all of our heads together instead of acting as individuals to get the job done."

Much like the privates honing their skills in teamwork and unit cohesion, E Co., 1st Btn., 19th Regt., leads by example in these skills through its joint active-reserve force efforts. Year-round, the cadre of E Co., 1st Btn., 19th Regt., are comprised of eight active-duty drill sergeants, augmented by four reserve drill sergeants that change over every two weeks. These civilian Soldiers train up throughout the year to prepare for their OSUT training missions.

"Not only do they come prepared and ready to train, but they bring a whole new dynamic to OSUT training," said Staff Sgt. Chris Jackson, a drill of the 1st Battalion, 19th Regiment. "The way in which they interact with the privates is a little different then the way active drills do. From their primarily civilian lifestyles, the reserve drills easily relate to the transitioning IET privates on that level and are well suited to take the private from where he is at to their development into a Soldier."

Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Eric Shinseki's one Army concept suggests that the Army should take advantage of training assets dispersed throughout the active Army, National Guard and Reserves that benefit each other in mission preparation, said Maj. Carlton Allen, 1st Battalion, 333rd Regiment's commander.

"The 1st Battalion, 333rd Infantry Regiment hopes to lead the way in embracing Shinseki's concept," he added.

As a joint effort, Soldiers of the 1st Bn., 333rd Regt., 84th Div. (IT), trained more than 200 IET Soldiers while augmenting the staff of the 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment at Sand Hill.

Tire giant recalls product, government vehicles effected

Firestone recalls millions of tires found on SUVs

Army Air Force Exchange Service

DALLAS — The Army and Air Force Exchange Service has some answers regarding the Bridgestone/Firestone tire recall.

Bridgestone/Firestone officials announced recently the voluntary recall and free replacement of an estimated 6.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness AT all-terrain tires, AAFES is issuing the following guidelines to ensure customers take full advantage with minimal inconvenience.

AAFES will take back any eligible customer's tires that meet the Firestone recall criteria, regardless of the original purchase location.

Military customers at any Autopride Car Care facility are authorized credit equal to the AAFES retail price of a recalled tire. This may be applied to a new Firestone tire of their choice or any other brand.

Any difference between the credited amount and the sale price of the replacement tire, or tires, will be the responsibility of the customer.

Likewise, if the customer selects a tire with a sale price less than that of their recalled tire, AAFES will refund the difference on the spot and seek reimbursement from Firestone, rather than leaving it to the customer.

The replacement tires will be the same size, type, load range and tread design. Mounting and balancing will be provided at no charge and transfer of an AAFES road hazard warranty to recall replaced tires is free.

Customers not sure if their tires are subject to recall and those that suspect they have defective tires not subject to recall can bring them by any AAFES Autopride service facility for a free inspection and possible replacement or pro-rated exchange if warranted.

Customers with questions best addressed by the manufacturer are encouraged to contact Firestone at (800) 465-1904 or www.bridgestone-firestone.com.

AAFES, which stopped selling the problem tires even before Firestone's announcement, is now taking steps to ensure the recalled tires are completely removed from its inventory.

The decision to recall the tires came after a meeting between the officials of Bridgestone Corp., the Japanese owner of Firestone; Ford Motor Co. — whose best-selling Explorer is equipped with the tires — and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Overall, about 47 million of the tires have been sold.

The ATX models have been on the market for more than a decade and the Wilderness model since 1996.

The voluntary recall is limited to one size of three styles sold by AAFES. Right now, no other Bridgestone/Firestone tires are eligible for automatic adjustment or replacement by Firestone or AAFES under this recall.

A CLOSER LOOK

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■ The following are the size and style restrictions concerning the tires being recalled by Firestone.

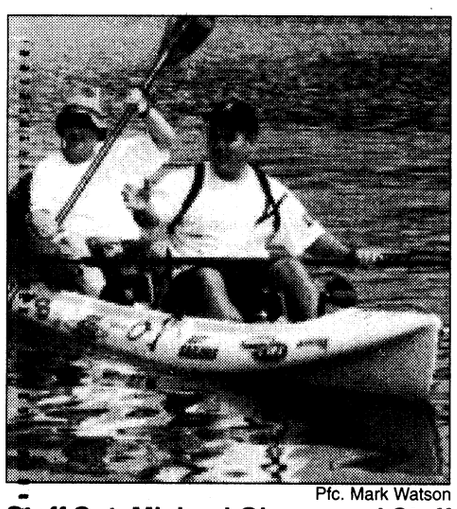
- P235/75R15, Firestone Radial ATX, all DOT codes.
- P235/75R15, Firestone Radial ATX II, all DOT codes.
- P235/75R15 XL, Firestone Radial ATX II, all DOT codes.
- P235/75R15, Wilderness AT, Only codes beginning with "VD."
- P235/75R15 XL Wilderness AT, Only codes beginning with "VD."

■ Reference recall of Firestone Radial ATX and Radial ATX II tires in size P235/75R15, and Wilderness AT tires in size P235/75R15 produced at the Decatur, Ill., plant.

■ Firestone has provided vehicle models equipped with Firestone Wilderness tires **NOT** involved in the recall. The vehicle models are:

- Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra pickup trucks.
- Chevrolet Tahoe and Suburban sport utility vehicles.
- Ford Expedition sport utility vehicles.
- Ford Escape sport utility vehicles.
- GMC Yukon and Yukon XL sport utility vehicles.
- Mazda Tribute sport utility vehicles.
- Nissan Frontier pickup trucks.

Soldiers embark on 500-mile adventure



Pfc. Mark Watson

Staff Sgt. Michael Glancy and Staff Sgt. Shane Jernigan will kayak their way to Florida raising money for the World War II Memorial.

Rangers attempt to raise money for WWII memorial

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Like Mark Twain's Huckleberry Finn and Jim, two men are on a journey down another of the South's mighty rivers.

The men, who are Ranger instructors at the 6th Ranger Training Battalion in Florida, are paddling down the Chattahoochee River to the Apalachicola River and into the Gulf of Mexico.

The duo will then travel along the inner coast and bays to get to Fort Walton Beach, Fla., and then will road march to Camp Rudder, home of the 6th RTBn.

The reason for the trip is to raise money for the National World War II Memorial in Washington D.C.

"We decided in January we were going to do the trip," Staff Sgt. Shane Jernigan said. "At first we wanted to start in June, hitting all three of the Ranger camps," but the amount of leave and the level of the water didn't permit the trip to happen then.

"We decided since we were making the trip anyway we should try to raise some money for a charity," Jernigan said.

The two decided they should do the trip for charity after watching the movie *Saving Private Ryan.*

"After the movie when Tom Hanks was talking about the World War II memorial, it brought it to our attention, and we both decided on that memorial," Staff Sgt. Michael Glancy.

Now the team had a charity, but they still needed the kayak and other equipment to make the 500-mile water adventure.

"About a month ago we found a place that donated the boat for us to use. We got some other sponsors and in the end, the whole thing cost us only $150," Jernigan said. "So far we have raised about $3,000 for the memorial and will stop along the way to distribute flyers and collect money for the memorial."

The two loaded their kayak into a pickup and drove to Rotary Park in Columbus where they made the final preparations before launching the kayak from the boat ramp.

"We are going to try to go 50 miles per day," Glancy said. "I don't know if we'll make that, but we are going to try for that."

The two said they are planning to take about 10 days and no more than 12. The two only have 12 days of leave they can take.

With their kayak loaded with food, water and a few other necessities, the Rangers shoved off into the slow moving current of the Chattahoochee River and began their journey at 3 p.m. Friday.

"The memorial for the World War II vets is long overdue," Jernigan said. "More than 55 years later, every major war this century has a memorial except for World War II."

Contributions for the memorial can be sent to National World War II Memorial Fund, c/o SSG Michael W. Glancy, B Company 6th Ranger Training Battalion, Eglin Air Force Base, FL, 32542-7000.

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Spc. Douglas Homes
A Company, 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I have always respected the military. I feel the greatest honor is to serve your country
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I feel I pushed myself and the others in my company to be the best Soldiers at this phase of their military career. I always feel that a person should strive to be a leader.

Pfc. Nathan D.Wilbanks
Hillsboro, Wisc.,
A Co., 2nd Battalion 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army: I joined the Army to serve my country and aid in preserving the freedom past Soldiers have earned for me.

Why were you chosen as honor graduate: First, I was chosen by my squad leader to represent fourth squad as an honor graduate candidate. The drill sergeants in our platoon held a small competition between the representatives chosen from each squad.

They asked questions on basic military knowledge. Based on my performance, my drill sergeants chose me to represent third platoon.

Finally, I appeared before a board consisting of the company first sergeant and the four senior drill sergeants.

Out of the four platoon honor graduates, one from each platoon, I was picked as the company honor graduate.

Staff Sgt. Eugene A. Viernes
Waimea, Hawaii,
A Co., 2nd Battalion 19 Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style: It depends on the situation, I use the combination of all three styles.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant: I get satisfaction from knowing I have an influence in the future of the Army. Seeing them walk across the parade field on graduation day and remembering the first couple weeks when they couldn't even stay in step. Turning them from a civilian into a Soldier, I think, is my greatest satisfaction as a drill sergeant.

Sgt. First Class Stephen Williams
C Company, 6th Ranger Training Battalion
Award: Instructor of the Cycle



Williams

What was your greatest challenge as a Ranger instructor: I think the biggest and most challenging aspect of being a Ranger instructor is having to teach the students basic Soldier skills they should already know.

I understand it is our responsibility to give the students an understanding of how to conduct operations while operating in a coastal and swamp environment but not to teach them how to conduct basic missions that they have already performed for 50 days.

If we adhered to the prerequisite standards of entering the school, our focus could change from being in a role as a drill sergeant to one more of the Ranger instructor (teach, coach and mentor).

As a senior NCO, I enjoy the challenge of teaching new Soldiers in a TO&E unit and look forward to getting back to it.

As Ranger instructors we should be a level above that point and concentrate on producing leaders, not basic Soldiers.

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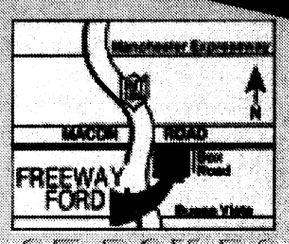

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SECTION B

RedStixx fund-raiser honors memory

Local woman's death helps deaf children

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A Columbus family is seeking solace after their daughter's untimely death by reaching out to disabled children.

Katie Elizabeth Turner died April 21, one month shy of her 24th birthday and just six days after being diagnosed with Burkitt's lymphoma, a rare form of cancer that strikes less than 100 people in the U.S. each year.

At the time of her death, Katie was pursuing a master's degree in pediatric audiology at the University of Georgia in Athens. She developed an interest in working with hearing-impaired children after serving as a swim instructor for disabled children during high school.


Katie Elizabeth Turner

Linda Turner described her daughter as vivacious, full of life and hard working. She led an active social life, but worked diligently to maintain her grades. She was awarded the HOPE scholarship four times.

"She loved life," Linda said, who teaches first grade at Dexter Elementary School. "One of her professors called her a shining star. I thought that said it best. She was really a shining star."

For Linda and her husband Dave, who retired from the Army in 1993, the sudden loss of their youngest daughter was incomprehensible, but the support of family and friends turned this tragic time into one of hope and possibilities.

"People were just wonderful," Linda said. "You think this is the worst thing in the world, but people surround you and encourage you. Her friends from school and the instructors at the college were there every day. It was uplifting."

Nearly a month after Katie's death, professors from the Department of Communications Sciences and Disorders at UGA contacted the Turners and suggested they establish an endowment in Katie's honor.

The Katie Elizabeth Turner Endowment would provide financial support for families of infants and children who need hearing aids and other assistive devices.

"We talked about trying to make something positive out of this," Linda said. "We could sit back and let it destroy us, or we could make something good come out of her death.

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Soldiers lend helping hand at MDA camp

BOSS program provides youth counselors

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Courtesy photo

Soldiers team up with children with muscular dystrophy last week at the MDA camp at Twin Lakes in Rutledge, Ga. Thirty-three Soldiers participated as counselors in the camp to help MD patients enjoy a variety of activities.

More than 200,000 children in the U.S. are afflicted with some form of muscular dystrophy.

It has claimed more victims than the the Vietnam and Korean wars combined.

No wonder Fort Benning Soldiers are joining the battle to find a cure and make life a little more pleasant for the children who suffer from MD.

Thirty three Fort Benning Soldiers spent a week at Camp Twin Lakes in Rutledge, Ga., Aug. 5-11, serving as counselors for children stricken with muscular dystrophy.

The camp, which is located 30 minutes east of Atlanta, is specially designed and equipped for handicapped campers.

Since the 1950s it has hosted week-long camps throughout the year for children who suffer from diseases such as cancer, AIDs and MD.

There are more than 90 camps in the U.S. designed for children with muscular dystrophy. Camp Twin Lakes is the only one of its kind in Georgia, and with more than 100 campers each year, it's the second largest in the U.S.

The term muscular dystrophy refers to a group of genetic diseases marked by progressive weakness and degeneration of the skeletal muscles, which control movement.

The muscles of the heart and other involuntary muscles are also affected in some forms of MD, and a few forms involve other organs as well.

The progression of MD often confines sufferers to wheelchairs, thereby limiting their ability to function independently. Though in most cases the disease does not affect the brain, those with progressive MD usually require assistance to perform the most basic tasks, such as bathing and eating.

Camp Twin Lakes gives children between the ages of 6 and 21 who suffer from MD the opportunity to participate in activities normally beyond their abilities.

Ideally each counselor is assigned to one camper, though a counselor shortage sometimes means one adult takes care of two campers.

Each counselor devotes the entire week to meeting the needs of his "camp buddy." They go swimming, fishing and dancing together. They make crafts and learn archery. And more often than not, the counselor also helps his buddy bathe, dress and eat.

"It's hard work. By the end of the week I was exhausted," said Sgt. Robert Brown, president of Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers. "It was tough meeting their every need physically but staying focused on their emotional need to forget about their disability for one week and just have a good time.

"Spiritually it was great, but it wore me out."

Brown learned about the camp from Joanie Rosenbaum, the camp director, who visits Fort Benning each year to recruit counselors. Rosenbaum said Fort Benning Soldiers have been attending the muscular dystrophy camp for 10 years.

"These guys are serving their country, and this is another way to do that," Rosenbaum said. "We've got phenomenal support from Fort Benning."

Rosenbaum encourages Soldiers and family members to contact the BOSS office at 545-6800 for information about serving as a counselor. She said Fort Benning's Soldiers, both men and women, bring physical and mental muscle to the camp program.

"They have the physical strength to do whatever they need to do to take care of these kids. That's important," she said. "But they've also been trained to stay focused on the task. That's just as important when you're talking about spending a whole week caring for children with disabilities."

Sgt. 1st Class Cheryl Woodhouse is a busy working mother with two children of her own. This was her second year serving as a camp counselor, and though she'll be moving to Fort Jackson, S.C., soon, she hopes to return to Camp Twin Lakes again

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CSU, Callaway team up for stars

Astronomy unveils beauty of night skies

Karen Taylor
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Cardinal Bellarmino who told Galileo Galilei in 1616 that he could not defend Copernican astronomy — which placed the sun at the center of the universe — because it went against the doctrine of the Roman Catholic church, was short-sighted to say the least.

In a time where the Earth was considered the center of all life, Galileo's celestial observations through a telescope not only displaced that theory, but also opened the gateway to the universe.

"When people think about the world, they just think about the Earth itself, but it's important to know about the universe that we live in. We're actually a tiny speck of dust," said Dr. Shawn Cruzen, director of the Mead Observatory at the Columbus State University Coca-Cola Space and Science Center and assistant professor of astronomy at CSU.

Cruzen was part of the staff from the CSU Coca-Cola Space and Science Center that taught the Monday night series "Oh My Stars" astronomy classes at the Callaway Gardens' Overlook Pavilion.

"It's important to know your way around the sky," Cruzen said.

Aside from the bedazzling properties of stars, they have been used as a navigational tool for centuries.

For example, the North Star, the sole stationary celestial body in the sky, is used to tell latitude. Although navigational equipment is much more sophisticated, the stars provide a sure-footed way to get around on a night hike, or for those Soldiers out on a night navigational exercise — unless it's cloudy.

Getting to know the universe better doesn't take the Hubble Space Telescope, just the desire to star gaze.

"The most important thing to look for first is the constellations," said Anthony Brand, Georgia Tech student and a staff member of the CSU Coca-Cola Space and Science Center. "That's your road map to the stars.

"Once you take a map and learn them, then you can find the ring nebulae, horseshoe nebulae, things like that," he said.

If the back yard isn't dark enough Craven suggests places like FDR State Park or Callaway Gardens to find a patch of unlit sky.

"This is a great place to view the sky because it's not around city lights," said Patricia Collins, director of education at Callaway Gardens.

But constellations are not the only

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Pep rally readies teachers for school


Karen Taylor

Dr. Brooks Coleman entertains the teachers Wednesday at Stowers.

State legislator inspires 'heroes and sheroes'

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

The walls of Stowers Elementary School cafeteria shook Wednesday as people laughed, cried, oooohed, aaaahed, hooted, howled and even a few "Amens" were shouted from the crowd.

In a place where stomachs do the rumbling, the faculty and staff of Fort Benning Schools were the ones making all the noise during a back to school celebration, thanks to the uproarious keynote speaker Dr. Brooks Coleman.

Coleman, a state representative in the Georgia legislature and retired superintendent from Gwinnet County, dynamically presented his speech titled "Heroes and Sheroes ... Changing the Lives of Children."

Coleman, an animated speaker, freely walked through the main aisle, pacing, running and jumping while he riddled his speech with personal stories that brought people to tears. They were laughing so hard, several people were dabbing their eyes with tissues.

But each story had a serious message about what makes a hero. The heart of the speech contained 10 elements that Coleman deemed important to success not only as a teacher, but as a human being.

- Always maintain a positive attitude.
- Believe in what you are doing.
- Show commitment and make a contribution.
- Keep your word, never disgrace your name.
- Take pride in what you do.
- Do quality work.
- Learn and embrace technology.
- Follow the Golden Rule.
- Never give up.
- Make your dreams come true.

Coleman emphasized how quickly the world is changing mainly because

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Computers can catch consumers in 'web' of confusion

Jeff Skinner
NetSystems Incorporated

It's back-to-school time, and many of your kids are heading off to college.

In the past all they needed were new clothes, some books, pens, pencils and paper. Of course we cannot forget the signed check from mom and dad to pay tuition. The highest tech tool they needed was a scientific calculator for physics and advanced math courses.

Today college dorms have a network connection and the students are encouraged to get connected. Virtually every professor will communicate via e-mail and will expect their students to do the same.

Thus begins the journey to purchase the new personal computer. On this journey you will discover many terms you thought you knew the meaning of, now have a completely different meaning. Ram was a goat, now it's random access memory.

Think of this as your short-term memory in your brain. You can remember a phone number and a street address for a short period of time, but the chances are as you go through out your day and encounter new experiences you will replace that phone number with something else in short term memory. This is the function of RAM.

A hard drive is not that long drive home from training exercises in the field after being up for three days; it is permanent storage in a computer. Windows is now an operating system that makes the PC easy to use, and the most confusing of all ... the Web, in the context of PCs, refers to the Internet and does not belong to a spider.

There are many choices out there when it comes to the purchase of a new PC.

The good news is the prices are better than ever. The bad news is, the computers you buy today will no longer last five years or longer.

Murphy's law states technology will double every 18 months. Murphy's law is out of date. Technology is increasing at an exponential rate. So do not try and buy something thinking you will hedge against obsolescence. It is impossible.

Here are a few rules that will aid you in buying your new PC.

Avoid mail order unless you know exactly what you are buying. You will want support if you are a new user and mail order is not going to give that to you. In addition you may not always get what you think you are getting.

Name brand doesn't necessarily mean better. Most of your name brand PCs are proprietary. If you buy a Gateway, most of the components are built on to the motherboard (the backbone of the PC) if one component fails it generally means you have to replace the entire thing.

The small guy generally will be the most helpful, the most knowledgeable and will be most competitive in price. The folks earn their living through the education of the consumer and must survive on a smaller profit margin, which means he is very dependent on keeping a good reputation.

Check around and be sure of the reputation of the small guy. If they have changed names three times in the last six years and have the same owners it is generally a warning sign.

Buy based on your needs not on fear of obsolescence. If you try to keep up with technology and hedge against obsolescence you will fight a losing battle.

If all you need is word processing and Internet connectivity a Celeron will meet your needs. If on the other hand you plan on playing some of the newest games on the market, you need to consider a higher end PC such as an AMD Athlon, or Intel PIII.

Cheaper is not always better. A good rule of thumb that applies more so in the PC industry than in any other industry I have ever worked in, is you get what you pay for. If you buy a $500 E-machine from an office super store chances are you will be buying a new one this time next year.

E-machines are built from some of the cheapest components available in the industry and have very little room for expansion.

"Ninety days same as cash" is a good thing. If you're a specialist or higher and have decent credit, almost any finance company will work with your retailer to give you 90 days same as cash.

Cheap printers are not always the best buy. If you plan on doing a lot of printing you will be better of with a laser printer than a cheap inkjet. You will get approximately 250 printed sheets of paper from an inkjet cartridge that will cost you $30-$40 for a refill. You will get approximately 5,000 printed sheets from a laser printer and will pay about $80-$100 for a toner refill. It doesn't take rocket science to figure out which one is cheaper in the long run. On the other hand if you want color, then an inkjet is your best choice.

Ask about Windows ME. This is the newest version of windows from Microsoft due to hit the market very soon. See if you can go ahead and purchase the upgrade ahead of time. Windows Millennium Edition has many new features such as an Internet connection sharing wizard that are worth the upgrade.

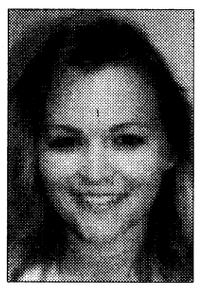
Keep all of your documentation related to warranties etc. and get a list of the brand name of each component in the computer. If for some reason the little guy goes out of business or you move away, the manufacturer of the components still provide a warranty on the parts inside the PC.

If you know for example the modem is a U.S. Robotics (BTW avoid win modems) and it dies and you have since moved from the area, 3Com (the manufacturer of USR modems) provides a five-year warranty on their modems. All you have to pay is the labor for someone to install it.

Editor's note: *Jeff Skinner is president of NetSystems Incorporated and is a Microsoft certified professional. He hosts a call-in show Thursdays on AM 1420 from 11:05 to 11:30 a.m. where people call in to ask technology related questions.*

garden tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet correspondent



Most gardeners know the benefits of compost. Many are unaware that they can make compost for themselves.

Here are some simple steps to making compost.

The first step is to decide on the type of bin to use. No bin is actually required if you have an offset unused part of your yard. If a bin is desired there are a number of options ranging from expensive to inexpensive.

Some of these options are: a purchased compost container, an old rubber trash can with several quarter sized holes punched into the sides, a three sided box made from wooden pallets or a cylindrical shaped chicken wire basket. Next determine where to place the pile. A sunny location is best because heat is a major concern with composting. Keep in mind the accessibility of the pile as well.

Begin by collecting compostable material. Lawn clippings, manure and vegetable scraps constitute the nitrogenous source of the pile. Dried leaves and newspaper shredding constitute the carbonaceous part of the pile.

The proportion of nitrogen and carbon should be one-third to two-thirds. So begin the pile with a thick layer of nitrogen source. Then pile a layer of dirt on top of that. The dirt contains microorganisms that assist in the break down of the material. Then add a layer of carbon. Alternating nitrogen, dirt and carbon layers until the pile has reached at least three feet in height.

Sprinkle the pile with a small amount of water. Just enough to wet the top layer. Sufficient rainfall eliminates the watering step for most gardeners. For the pile to turn into a useful source of nutrients it has to be aerated. Oxygen aids in the breaking down process and turning pile so the pile should be turned very often, as often as three times a day.

Because gardeners don't need an added chore in the garden, not all of them turn their piles often. But the more the pile is turned, the quicker the compost becomes available for use.

The pile should start to get hot. The heat comes from the decomposing of the material within the pile. If the pile is cold, add some more nitrogen rich sources. If the pile is wet and smelly, add some carbon rich sources. Make sure to turn the pile everyday.

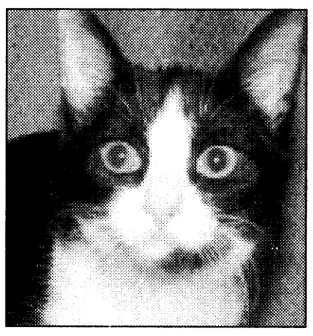
The time it takes to have useful compost varies. The availability is increased with more attention to the pile. A hot pile will be faster. A more aerated pile will be faster. The availability of compost is a factor that the gardener controls.

Pets of the week



Photos by Pfc. Mark Watson

A 10-month-old female chow and Gizmo, a 12-week-old female domestic shorthaired cat are just a few of the animals available for adoption at the Vet Clinic. There are still more in need of a good home. For more information, call 545-4444.



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Directorate of Public Works

The Directorate of Public Works announces the following schedule changes and closures for the Labor Day holiday.

Garbage and yard waste

There will be no yard waste picked up in Family Housing Sept. 4.

The next scheduled yard waste pickup will be Sept. 11.

There will be no garbage pick-ups Sept. 4. Port, Kawamura, Fernandez Streets, and Indianhead Terrace areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Monday, will be picked up Sept. 5. garbage collection in Family Housing for Sept. 5-8 will be picked up as normally scheduled.

Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center

Sections of the Self-Help Center will be closed Sept. 1-4.

The Self Help Center will reopen Sept. 5.

job announcements

There are several jobs available. For more information on the jobs listed below contact or go by the Personnel Services Center, Building 85, on Marchant Street, 545-3374.

Position	Grade	Closing date
Nurse	GS-06	Oct. 1
Medical Tech.	GS-06	Jan. 12
Registered nurse	GS-6	Oct. 1
Motor vehicle operator	WG-5	Sept. 29
Pharmacist	GS-06	April 261
Range maintenance equipment operator	WG-5	Tuesday
Paramedic	GS-06	Monday

The following ia a Non-appropriated Fund position. For more information call 545-2838.

Lifeguard	15-2000	until filled
Water safety instructor	16-2000	until filled

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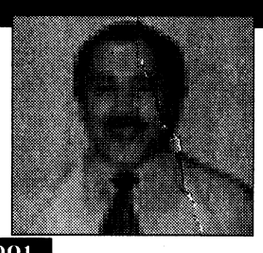

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RedStixx: Helps to raise money for Katie Turner endowment

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"When the college called us with this idea, we knew it was the perfect way to celebrate Katie's memory."

Katie's sister Kristen called the collaboration between the Turners and the college "the perfect match."

"Katie's dream was to help hearing impaired infants and children, and this endowment would ensure her wishes were fulfilled," she wrote in a fundraising letter July 28. "The cancer might have taken my sister from us, but we're not going to let it destroy her dreams."

While Department of Communications Sciences and Disorders representatives contact corporations and health industries, the Turners have begun raising funds locally. They need at least $10,000 to establish the endowment through the college. To date they've raised more than $2,500.

"We will get the money. We won't give up," Linda said. "We can't let her go and not do something to make sense of it."

The Turners both spend evenings and weekends at the RedStixx ticket booth at Golden Park in Columbus.

When team officials learned about the endowment, they offered to sponsor a fund-raiser.

> "Unfortunately many people will never experience Katie's warmth and humor and compassion. But this endowment will ensure my little sister will continue to touch many lives."
>
> **Kristen Turner**
> sister

A portion of ticket sales from Saturday's game against Delmarva will be donated to the fund.

The Columbus-based band *No Promises* will perform before the game and Cottonmouth players will sign autographs. The game starts at 7:15 p.m.

Linda's coworker, PE teacher Pam Koon, will perform the national anthem in sign language before the game, and a group of Dexter students will sing and sign "Take me Out to the Ballgame" during the seventh inning.

"We've had a lot of support," Linda said. "People on Fort Benning have just been absolutely wonderful. The Army has always been our family."

Kristen said support of the Katie Elizabeth Turner Endowment will help keep her sister's memory and dream alive.

"Unfortunately many people will never experience Katie's warmth and humor and compassion," she said. "But this endowment will ensure my little sister will continue to touch many lives."

Donations to the Katie Elizabeth Turner Endowment can be made to Dr. Albert De Chicchis at (706) 542-4582, or make checks out to the UGA Foundation, IT Discretionary Fund Acct. #50-R-4780 Katie.

Send checks to the Department of Communications Sciences and Disorders, University of Georgia, 516 Aderhold Hall, Athens, Ga., 30602-7152.

Tickets for Saturday's ballgame can be purchased at the gate or in advance at 571-8866.

Camp: Provides fun activities for children

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next year.

"Just seeing the smiles on those kids' faces makes it all worthwhile," she said. "That week means the world to them. It's like Disney World to us. Saying goodbye at the end of the week was heartbreaking."

Woodhouse said giving up a week of her time required little effort on her part.

"At 38, I've still got a lot of kid in me," she laughed. "I got to do everything they did and we had fun together. But at the end of the week when you see their parents drive up in these vans with all the special equipment they need, you realize what they have to go through day in and day out — every day of the year. It makes you realize how blessed you are to have healthy children."

Liz Persaud is a 14-year veteran of Camp Twin Lakes. The 21-year-old was diagnosed with MD when she was 9-months-old.

"I have a great family and they're here to help me with anything I need," she said. "But camp is my one chance out of the year to be on my own for a little while. I know I'll always be taken care of because the counselors are great."

Persaud said her favorite camp activity is swimming.

"Being in the water is so freeing. It's great for able-bodied people. Imagine what it's like for someone who's stuck in a wheelchair all day long," the Alpharetta, Ga., resident said.

The Muscular Dystrophy Association funds the MDA camps across the U.S. Fund-raisers like the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon not only raise millions of dollars each year to search for a cure, but also provide the $450 required for each child to attend camp.

Since the association was founded in 1950, scientists have identified the genes that cause several types of MD. Research teams have even identified the crucial protein which, when missing or deficient, causes the disease.

Persaud believes a cure for MD will soon be found. Little by little, she said, the pieces of the puzzle are starting to fall into place. One day she hopes to be able to walk on her own, something she's only experienced vicariously so far.

"When I was little I was stronger. My dad used to get me out of bed each morning. I'd wrap my arms around his neck and he'd place my feet on top of his," she said. "He'd take little steps backwards so I could feel what it was like to walk."

community briefs

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Weekend seminars — There will be a weekend seminar offered by Vincennes University.

They are: Saturday and Sunday, Personal management skills, Aug. 26-27 Military effective writing, Preparing and giving a briefing and Computer awareness.

Tuition is $90 which can be reduced by tuition assistance.

To register, or for more information, call 689-0098.

Continuing Education — The Continuing and Regional Education Services fall course catalogs are on their way. Classes are offered at the Elizabeth Bradley Turner Center, on post, online and through independent study.

For more information or to reserve a catalog, call 568-2023.

OWC sign-ups — The Officers' Wives' Club is seeking vendors, organizations and membership sign-ups.

They are also seeking instructors for activities such as basket making, drawing, painting and other activities.

For more information, call 682-5319.

Tot Town applications — Tot Town Child Development Center is seeking applications of children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old.

For more information, call 689-8698.

ACS offices move — The Army Community Service Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program and the Relocation Program have relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2633 in Soldier's Plaza.

The phone number to schedule appointments is 545-5485.

The Army Community Service Relocation Program has relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2629.

The new phone number is 545-4485.

For information, call Rebecca Welch, Family Advocacy program manager, at 545-7517.

Reunion — The Ranger Infantry Companies Airborne Association will have the 50th Reunion of Korean War Rangers during Ranger Rendezvous 2000.

There will be a barbecue at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 in Hanger 2492, on Lawson Army Airfield.

Also there will be a banquet at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 7 at Iron Works in Columbus.

For more information, call Maj. Marcus DeOlivera at 545-5669.

off post

Free Training — Columbus State University's Division of Continuing and Regional Education Services will provide free training for the prevention of workplace accidents in sessions throughout August and September.

The six-hour Basic Safety Training course will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 22.

A 12-hour Train the Trainer course will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays Sept. 19-26.

For more information call 568-2023

Library meeting — Dr. Virginia Causey a professor at Columbus State University will speak at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the South Columbus Branch Library on Images of Women in Popular Music.

For more information, call 649-1470.

Association meeting — The Columbus branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Columbus State University in the Columbus Room. The program topic is tech savvy. For more information, call 568-2033.

Diabetes test available — A seven question, free phone call Sunday can help determine who is at risk for the No. 7 killer in the nation, diabetes.

The risk test can be taken by calling (800) DIABETES or visiting a website at www.diabetes.org.

Literacy program — The Adult 1:1 Literacy program is seeking volunteer tutors and students.

The tutors will be trained and matched with adult students following a confidential assessment by the program coordinator.

Tutoring services are offered at different locations around Muscogee County and surrounding communities for convenience.

For more information on how to become a volunteer or a student, call 633-0369.

Career information — There will be a career information day 2-6 p.m. Aug. 25 in the FCI Training Center Building in Marianna, Fla.

There will information regarding opportunities within the Federal Bureau of Prisons along with other occupations.

For more information, call (850) 526-2313.

Telethon — The Muscular Dystrophy Association is seeking volunteers from the Columbus area to help with one of America's best known Labor Day traditions, the Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon which is scheduled to air Sept. 3-4 nationwide.

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Pep rally: Gears up teachers for post's first day of school

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technology, and as teachers, they need to be ready to use it and pass it along to their students.

"We've got to help children to get ready," he said.

Coleman not only urged teachers to be heroes to their students, but also to look to their own heroes for inspiration.

He then showed the audience memorabilia of his own hero, Roy Rogers, which included lunch box, coffee cup and a life-sized cardboard cut-out.

Coleman appropriately concluded his speech with the Roy Rogers theme song "Happy Trails" that had everybody singing.

But Coleman wasn't the only person who got the audience singing, Cy Dietrich, Fort Benning Schools teacher of 1999-2000 wrote and performed two songs during the celebration, *Touch a Child* and *It Takes a Teacher*, the Fort Benning Schools theme song.

The program also featured the introduction of new faculty members at the various Fort Benning schools as well as greetings from the unions and a greeting speech from Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander.

Mitchell reflected upon his time in school, how he attended five schools in seven years as a part of a military family and how hard it is to make that transition.

> "The greatest thing we can give our Soldiers, as heroes and sheroes, is to give them their children the best we got."
>
> **Dr. Dell McMullen**
> Fort Benning Schools superintendent

"I know you are world class in welcoming new people and dealing with that transition," Mitchell said.

Dr. Dell McMullen, superintendent of Stowers Elementary School, said the faculty and staff is committed to excellence and looks forward to serving the Fort Benning community.

"We strive to honor every family we serve," she said. "The greatest thing we can give our Soldiers, as heroes and sheroes, is to give them their children the best we got," McMullen said.

Many teachers expressed their excitement Wednesday about the upcoming school year, which started Thursday.

"I'm looking forward to the children coming, we are all fixing our rooms, decorating our boards," said Julie Pelletier, media specialist at Stowers.

"I'm looking forward to the new schedule for students," said Gloria Loar, art teacher at Faith Middle School.

The schedule adjustments at Faith Middle School included shortening the length of time between classes, meaning less hall time for students to linger and the order in which students attend classes.

"I'm excited about the new curriculum this year," said Faye Lewis Strong, music teacher at Faith Middle School.

She said the new curriculum includes new materials and technology that will enable students to be creative with more than their singing voices, such as simulating radio broadcasts and making music videos.

"What we're most excited about is that we're moving into a new building this year," said Vicki Rogers, principal of Dexter Elementary.

Dexter has been teaching classes out of portable classrooms awaiting the new building.

"It's a new beginning, a new year and a new group of children that we will touch," McMullen said.

Astronomy: Gives universe to star gazers

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celestial bodies that can be seen with the naked eye. There are satellites constantly passing overhead.

Satellites are the fast-moving, glowing dots seen scooting across the sky and sometimes are only visible for 30 seconds before retreating behind the tree tops.

"One night we were able to see the Mir Space Station. It was fun to see that," she said.

The Web site heavens-above.com gives details such as day, time and direction of path, of orbiting satellites.

One item in the sky taken for granted is the moon.

"A lot of times when people look at the moon, they don't know what they're looking at," Cruzen said.

The moon has been distinctively mapped out by astronomers.

Many areas on the moon's surface were named for seas because the dark patches lead astronomers to believe it was a body of water.

One notable spot on the moon is the Mare Tranquillitatis, or sea of tranquility, which was where Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin, first landed.

The nighttime sky always has a story to tell.

There's always something different in the sky — every day there's something different; every season the constellations change, Craven said.

The summer triange, pointed out during the program by Alisha Herrington, a senior at Hardaway High School in Columbus and staff member of the CSU Coca-Cola Space and Science Center, is an example of seasonal star sightings. This is a triangle, comprised of stars Vega, Deneb and Altair, are among the first stars seen in a summer sky at dusk because of their brightness.

During the class Herrington used a telescope to show star-gazers M13, the oldest star cluster made up of more than 100,000 stars and is 20 light years away. The M13, invisible to the naked eye, is in the constellation Hercules and resembles a cloud of dust when viewed through the telescope.

Herrington said she took astronomy class in school but accompanied her studies of the stars with mythology.

"It made it 20 times more interesting because of the stories of why and how the constellations got their names," she said.

For example, according to Greek myth, Centaurus, half-man, half-horse, was the one who first grouped the stars into constellations and taught humans how to read the sky.

He placed a picture of himself in the sky to guide the Argonauts on their search for the Golden Fleece.

Although Monday was the final night of the Oh My Stars summer series, the CSU Coca-Cola Space and Science Center offers an observation night once a month, throughout the year.

In addition to teaching beginners what the sky has to offer, Craven said these nights are an ideal opportunity for people to bring their own telescopes and become proficient using them.

"We will help get them oriented and show them around the sky."

For more information about upcoming observing nights with the staff at the CSU Coca-Cola Space and Science Center, call 649-1470 or log onto www.CCSSC.org.

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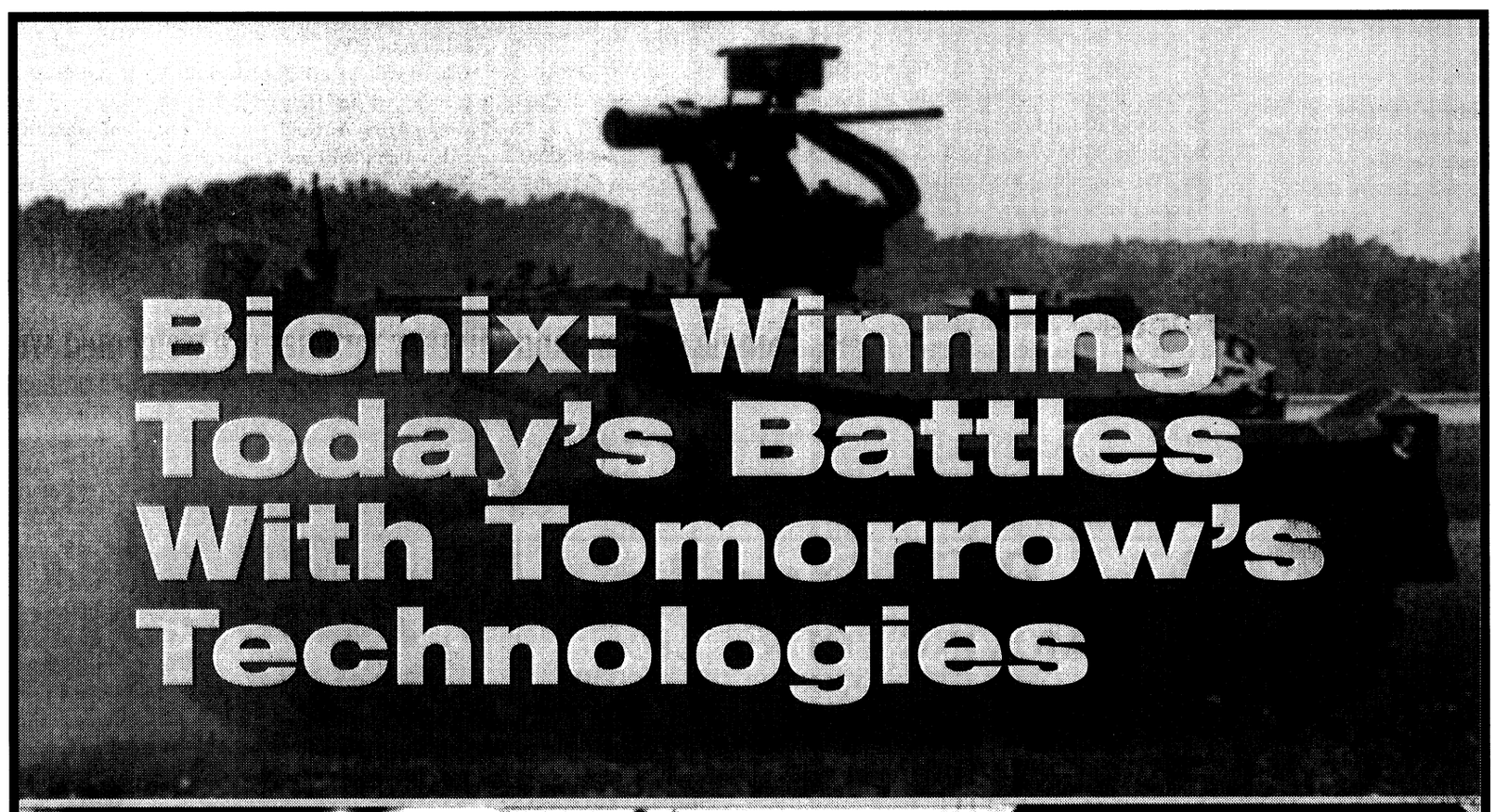

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reflections

We are set apart by God to be holy. Jesus commands us to be the salt and the light for him.

We are blessed to share the good news of Jesus with a lost and dying world!

"You are the Salt of the earth ... You are The Light of the world ... let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven." (Matthew 5:13a, 14a and 16 (NIV))

We are to be God's light to the world. When God's light shines, people have a chance to respond to God in a positive or negative manner.

Many people will be attracted to the light and will accept Jesus as Lord and savior. However, other people will shade their eyes and flee from the light.

They will not like to be around a true believer of Christ because each time they interact with us, God's light convicts them of their sin.

We are not to judge others. Our Christian duty is to witness to the lost and minister where God leads. We don't need to be "liked" or "popular." All we need to do is to serve God with our best effort.

Christians are to stand up for Jesus in all situations. To be the salt and the light of God means that we will not blend in with the crowd. We should be different.

Peter and John stood for Jesus despite opposition from the leaders of their day.

"They saw the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled ordinary men, they were astonished and they realized that they had been with Jesus." Acts 4:13 (NIV)

Do your family members, friends and co-workers know that you are a Christian?

If yes, then great. Keep up the good work. If no, then why are you keeping your faith in Jesus hidden?

God did not call us to be his secret police. No, we are to be clearly identified as a follower of Jesus. That means that in all situations you will strive to act as a Christian and let others know where you stand and who you belong to.

God wants to use you to make a difference for him today. Here are a few ways to share your faith daily:

• Let others know that you are a Christian through your words and deeds.

• Be a positive person with everyone. Christians need to be positive people!

• Pray before each meal and throughout the day when appropriate.

• Praise God (verbally) for each blessing you receive — remember, God gives us every good gift.

• Control your spirit. Don't let Satan take you off course through lust, anger or anything else.

• Don't hang around with people who use foul language and let them know that you do not appreciate their use of profanity. Witness to them, be their friend, but don't corrupt yourself by listening to their foul language.

• Go to church often. We need to be in God's house. Don't make excuses why no to go — just go. You will be blessed.

• Read God's Holy Bible

Keep up the good fight. Christians win in the end. Remember God loves you.

chapel notes

Pianist needed — The funds custodian is seeking applications for a pianist for the Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. Also applications are being accepted for a child care provider from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Custer Terrace Chapel. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Sunday School — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Everyone is invited.

There are classes for students from 3 years of age all the way through adult.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel. The program includes prayer, praise, Bible study and fellowship.

All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

Sign up for fall Bible studies will be Sept. 7. The theme is "Proclaim the Blessed Hope." For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551.

Club Beyond — The Junior High and Middle School Youth of the Chapel are having small group meetings during the summer.

For more information regarding when and where, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

The group meets Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

CCD registration — Registration for Confraternity of Christian Doctrine begins Saturday and Sunday after each Mass.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Don Blickhan at 545-1452 or Tina Bal at 682-8104.

Love needs more than physical attraction

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Chaplain Family Life Training Program

Love has always been a part of human history. Anthropologists, socialists and psychologists have only recently studied loves as a scientific endeavor. Here are some of their conclusions.

Love involves all four domains of personhood: body, soul, mind and will.



Body

Our physical senses of sight, sound, taste and touch arouse our passions and initially draw us toward another. We are physically and sexually (eros) attracted.

This attraction fuels our feelings of romance. But physical love and passion alone are not enough to keep us in love, for we will stay together as long as that person gratifies us. Physical love alone may lead to game playing and casual and transitory relationships.

Soul

The soul, or psyche, is the seat bed of emotions. Our feelings bond or attach us to others in intimacy. Our feelings of warmth, sharing and emotional closeness form the basis for lasting, caring and helping friendships (philia and storage).

We stay together as long as that person makes us happy. The relationship lasts as long as we like being with that person or doing for that person.

Mind

The mind is the rational and pragmatic center for love. We seek relationships with people who meet certain criteria and who share mutual interests. We stay together as long as we share common interests and goals. Cognitive love alone, however, is altruistic and devoid of passion and feeling.

Will

The will is the center of commitment. We make conscious decisions to love another and maintain a relationship over time in spite of difficulties that may arise. Commitment is the essential ingredient to lasting love. We stay together no matter what. Yet, commitment alone is empty love.

True love (agape) involves the physical, emotional, mental and volitional aspects of personhood. It balances infatuation, altruism, friendship, companionship, romance and sex to produce consummate love.

If your love life is less than consummate love, free counseling is available to help improve your love life and interpersonal relationships. Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or email me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
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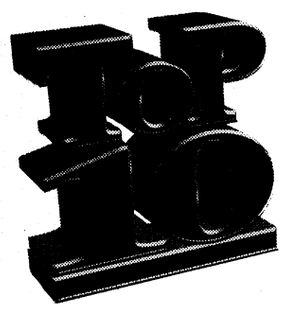

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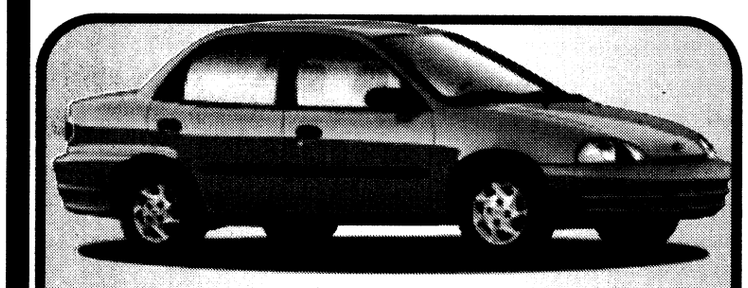

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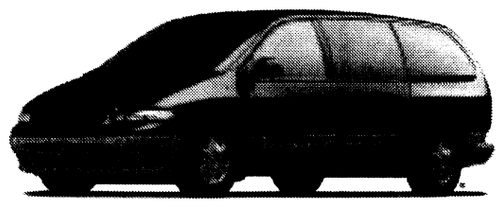

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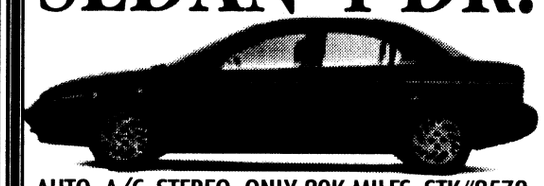

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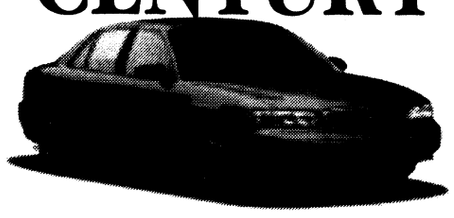

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SPORTS

SECTION C

Raptors soar above Hawks in last game

Raptors emerge victorious, 19-9; Youth Service season ends

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

A suffocating defense and good use of fast breaks gave the Raptors the chance to soar above the Hawks in the 8- to 9-year-old Youth Services basketball game Aug. 9.

Forcing the Hawks' ball handlers away from their teammates, the Raptors would double and triple team the lone Hawk, leading to the 19-9 Raptor victory.

The scoring action started slowly with both teams searching for a way to exploit each other's weaknesses.

After several minutes of running up and down the court, Raptors' center Robert Judkins scored the first basket of the game.

Making the most of several steals and the fast break, the Raptors drove to their basket and scored again.

On one of the breakaways, shortly before the first quarter ended, Judkins was fouled while shooting.

He stepped to the free-throw line and sunk both of the shots, giving the Raptors a six point advantage over the Hawks.

In the second quarter both teams couldn't score and fouled frequently. One basket for each team was sunk from a place other than the free throw line.

More than 10 players for both teams were fouled while shooting giving them the opportunity to add to their teams' score with no defense. Several of the foul shots paid off for the shooters.

One of the Hawks players, Natasha Yarbo, a guard, was able to draw three consecutive fouls and sink one basket for each time she stepped to the foul line.

Of the many free-throw shots, only six fell through the hoop all belonging to the Hawks, bringing the score to 9-8.

At the buzzer the Raptors lead by one point with the second half still ahead of them.

The Raptors owned the third quarter clipping the Hawks' wings and shutting them out.

They used an in-your-face defense, led by Shaquille Shaw, which totally overran the Hawks' offense.

With the tight defense, the Raptors repeatedly stole the ball leading to scoring opportunities, which devastated the Hawks.

The Raptors didn't have problems with scoring, and Judkins scored two of the three baskets.

Raptor forward Shaw scored the other basket, and his tough defense caused many turnovers and began to get the Hawks frustrated.

At the end of the third quarter the Raptors were in the lead, 15-9, and their momentum looked like it would carry them higher still for the final quarter.

Keene Ingraham, a Raptors' forward scored in the final quarter and was followed by guard Jeffery Sykes.

Sykes was fouled twice, and at the line he was able to sink two baskets giving his team the win for their last game of the season and a winning record.

Both coaches said their were more than pleased with their teams' performances and said everyone played great games.

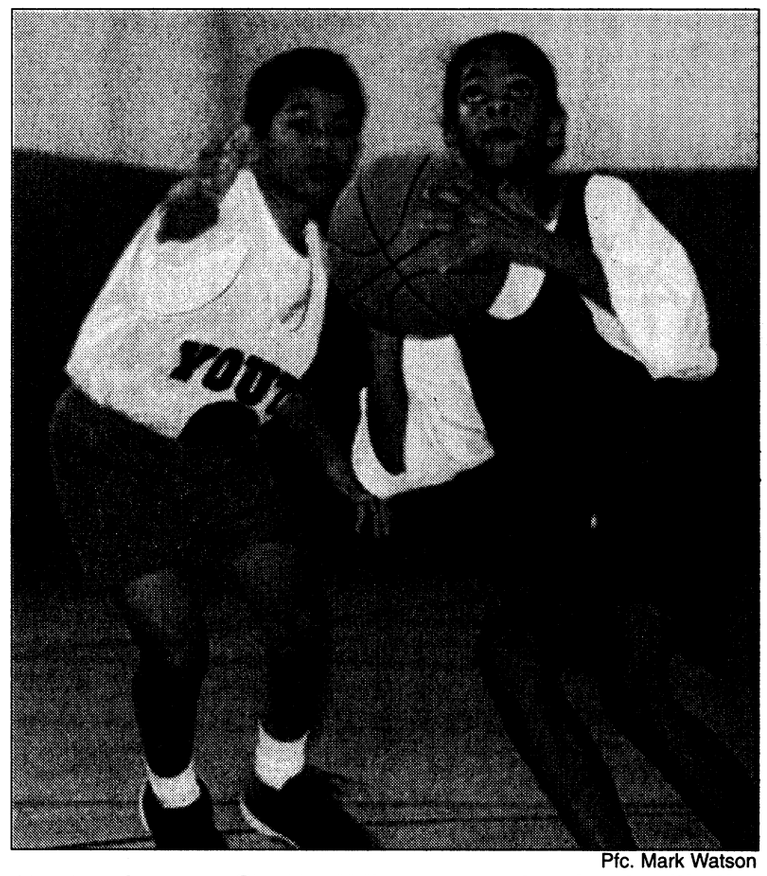
"We won by using great teamwork," said Raptors' coach Gary Hart Sr. "Everyone got involved and we all played as a team."

The team, which lost only two games throughout the season, played their hearts out, he said.

"Everyone played really well and we just had a fun year."

The Hawks coach, Richard Hite said the season was a learning experience for them.

"We only had three of four players who had ever played before," Hite said. "We really learned a lot throughout the season. From the beginning to now the team made a big improvement," he said.



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Hawks' forward Shekia Hill prepares to shoot with the Raptors defense closing in.

Hunters find tools for every situation

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Directorate of Community Activities

Billions of dollars are spent each year by hunters and outdoor enthusiasts. For each sport there is a plethora of gadgets and gismos available; from archery to rifle hunting the sporting industry has developed something for every situation.



It is always interesting to observe the variety of gear different hunters have.

Last year several devoted Fort Benning hunters got together to compare our "necessary" gear. I was truly amazed at the amount of stuff some hunters drag into the woods and the money spent to ensure they had every situation covered.

I along with many others have fallen victim to the gear syndrome but continually strive to cut the

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Lady Green Waves defeated in season opener



Pfc. Mark Watson

Spencer Green Waves' right fielder Tasha Sullivan connects with the ball during Monday's game against the Pacelli Vikings. The Green Waves lost 13-3. Their next game is today at 5 p.m. on Upson Lee Field in Thomaston, Ga.

Spencer girls lose to Vikings in first game

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

In their first game of the year the Spencer Lady Green Waves fast pitch softball team traveled to Pacelli High School Monday evening.

The Green Waves were left in the wake as the Pacelli Lady Vikings chipped away at the Green Waves defense scoring off singles and walks to end the game at 13-3.

As the Green Waves took to the plate the Vikings settled into a three count rhythm three up and three down, leaving the Green Waves hitless in the first.With the Vikings up to bat they needed no help but got it from Green Waves pitcher Katesha Hammonds who had trouble throwing into the strike zone.

Ball after ball was called with the count many times in favor of the Vikings. Five batters were walked and five hit singles before the inning was over.

Although the shaky first inning was over, the damage

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Cannons show good sportsmanship, demolish Rangers

Baseball club shuts out Rangers in Saturday's game

Karen Taylor
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It was the Rangers who came up short in Sunday's game against the Cannons even before the first pitch was thrown.

During pregame warm-ups Rangers' coach Mike Young informed Cannons' coach Ed Gawlik, 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment, he only had seven players. Although technically the Rangers could still field a team and make the game official, Young explained the team was missing its most integral players, a pitcher and a catcher.

Gawlik, in a gesture of good sportsmanship, "lent" three of his players to the Rangers: Rick Johanningsmeir, C Co., 1st Bn., 19th Inf. Regt.; Jimmy Brownlee, B Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt.; and Josh Kroynak, B Co., 1st Bn., 15th Inf. Regt., in order to get a game going.

Brownlee remained catcher for all six innings of Sunday's game and both Kroynak and Johanningsmeir had their chance on the mound for the Rangers as well as played infield positions.

Orlando Vega-Torres, B Co., 203rd Forward Support Bn., took the mound for the Cannons for the first three innings but not before he tallied six strikeouts.

Kronyak, who got two at-bats against Vega-Torres thanks to the temporary swap, said, "He's the best pitcher that I've seen in the league."

Kronyak said it was the fastball that he had to adjust to in the batter's box because it was faster than any other pitcher he's seen in the league.

"That's what's messing everyone up, he throws faster than anyone in this league," he said.

Vega-Torres isn't keeping his heat a secret.

"I use the fastball all the time," he said.

"Just about every pitch," said catcher Matt Quiroz, C Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt.

Vega-Torres said his fastball is his most effective pitch but when he finds himself behind in the count he tries to take some speed off it and work in the curveball.

"The curveball is pretty effective, too," said Quiroz, who witnessed it from the batter's box.

Quiroz fell victim to the curveball and subsequently was retired by Vega-Torres, who pitched for the Rangers in the fourth inning.

Gawlik moved Vega-Torres to the Rangers "so they (the Cannons) can see some heat," he said.

Johanningsmeir was then thrown into the mix on the mound and finished the game for the Rangers.

Left-hander Robert Carlisle, 1st Bn. (Airborne), 507th Inf., 11th Inf. Regt., pitched fourth and fifth innings for the Cannons. Carlisle's solid performance from the mound tallied two strikeouts and he gave up no hits in the six batters he faced.

Steve Bielak, a family member, finished off the game for the Cannons in style with three strikeouts.

Although the game was officially on the

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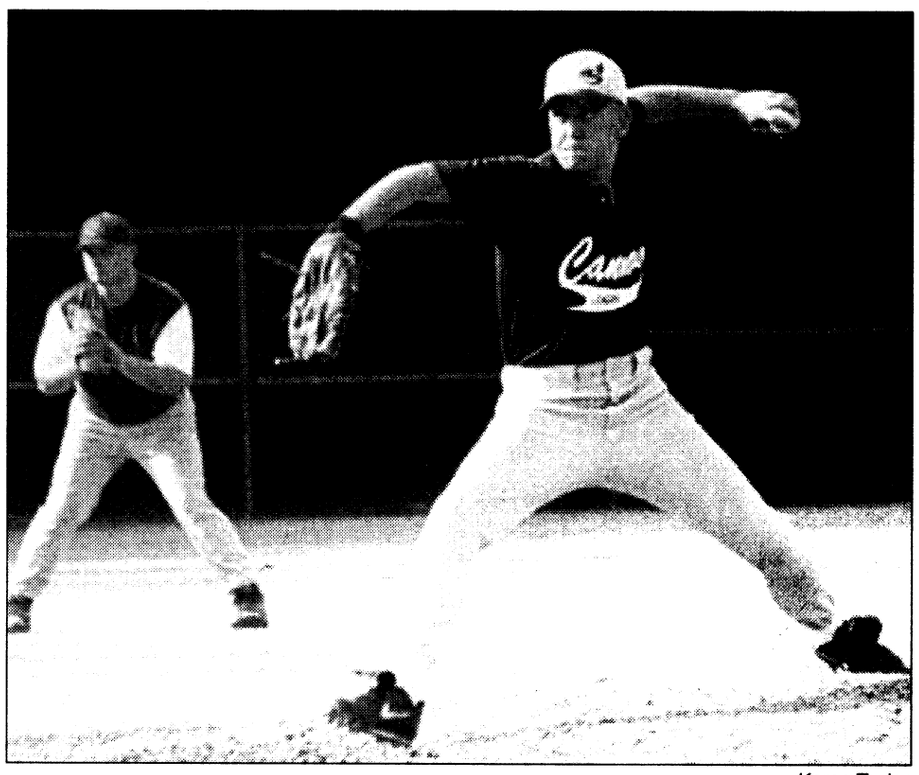

Karen Taylor

Robert Carlisle fires a heater in to help win Sundays' game 15-0.

Archers win big in tourney

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Directorate of Community Activities

The results of this weekend's 3D archery tournament were great.

Thirty-nine competitors shot for plaques and prizes,

The next shoot will be Sept. 10.

In addition to the 3D shoot there will be a novelty broad head shoot to help hunters get ready for a successful deer season.

Winners were:

Open pro
1st R.B. Smith
2nd Glenn Rowe

Open
1st Wayne Jordan
2nd Shane Eastridge
3rd Jerry Presley

Traditional
1st Donny Kinard
2nd Frank Bue
3rd Eric Sigmon

Masters
1st Dale Nettles
2nd Bob Besinger
3rd Eddie Meray

Novice
1st Tony O'Neal
2nd Shane Davis
3rd Grady Pollard

Youth
1st Kyle Tidwell
2nd Garrett Siford

Spencer: Kicks off girls softball season

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was done. The Vikings scored five runs.

The top of the second inning was another disaster for the Green Waves.

After a pop fly was caught, Vikings' pitcher Freddie Spivey added back-to-back strike outs to her stats ending the top of the second inning.

With the Vikings up to bat again, catcher Mandy Rowell was walked. She stole second base on a wild pitch thrown by Hammonds.

As fellow Viking Blair Hart hit a single, Rowell tried to reach third, but third baseman Sharla Sudial was able to stop the play when she made the easy tag.

The Green Waves ended the inning three batters later.

Although their defense was improving, the Green Waves offense still struggled. Second baseman San Bryant connected with the ball but was thrown out before she made it to base. The Vikings continued to throw heat and blew the ball past the next two batters for easy strike outs.

The Vikings continued to break down the Green Waves defense in the bottom of the third inning.

After the first batter was walked, Spivey made a hit and reached second on a throwing error advancing second baseman Mary Helen Peacock to third.

Shortstop Brooke Bucholtz stepped to the plate and hit the ball for a single scoring Peacock. Left fielder Christina Holder followed suit hitting a single to drive in Spivey

The inning ended in favor of the Vikings 7-0 when Hammonds grabbed the ball and threw out the runner.

In the top of the fourth, Hammonds scored the first hit of the game for the Green Waves and then stole second base on the next pitch.

With two outs against the Green Waves, shortstop Dee Taylor knocked the ball out of the infield for a single driving in Hammonds and giving the Green Waves their first run of the game.

They scored again on the next play when Sudial drove in Taylor who reached third base on back-to-back steals.

Although their momentum was increasing, they were finally put out, leaving two runners in scoring position.

The Vikings seemed to have a little more trouble in getting on base in the bottom of the fourth.

Vikings' first baseman Katie Gordon finally was driven in by left fielder Christina Holder who made it to first on an error four plays later.

At the end of the fourth inning, the Vikings' led 9-2.

At the start of the fifth, Bryant hit a single and then stole second. She was followed by center fielder Latesha Jackson who was walked. In an attempt to reach third base, Bryant was tagged out, but Jackson reached second.

Hammonds stepped up to the plate again and smacked another single scoring Jackson, giving the Green Waves their final run of the game.

Both teams were hitless in their next at bats, and the game was finally called in the bottom of the sixth when a double from Hart scored two runners who had reached base in the plays before. Hart rounded the bases when a throwing error turned a tipple into a homerun.

With the 10 run rule in effect the Vikings won their first game of the year, 13-3.

After the game Vikings' coach, David Dodd, said he was pleased with his team's performance.

"Our pitcher was really strong today," Dodd said. "We had great hitting and great fielding. I am just as pleased as can be.

"I think winning like this means we can compete with anyone," he said. "Our team has a lot of spirit and spunk. Everyone played real well today."

Taking the loss with a grain of salt, Green Waves coach Mike Blackwell said his team is doing better with every practice.

"We made a lot of good plays, but we made a lot of errors too," Blackwell said. "We will do a lot better next time if they commit to working really hard."

With only a handful of returning players, Blackwell said the team was left short-handed.

"I kind of expected the game to go like it did because we have so many new players, but we will get better," he said.

The Green Waves will play two games today. One will be at 5 and the other at 8:15 p.m. at Upson Lee Field in Thomaston, Ga.

They will play again on Saturday at 10:45 a.m. and 2 p.m. also at Upson Lee Field. The Green Waves will get a chance to avenge Monday's loss to the Vikings at 4:15 p.m. Aug. 23 at home.

Items: To carry for safety, survival

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load. One hunter at our gathering even had a self-inflated tent for emergency situations. Not to say he may never need it, but is all that stuff really necessary?

After 30 years of hunting from Alaska to Georgia and spending an amazing amount of money, I finally have eliminated some "just-in-case" gear and curtailed my load to what I really need. Of course there are several things you must take into consideration; some of which are geographical location, the season, and what you are hunting for.

Since the subject is so vast and it would take volumes of encyclopedias to cover everything. Let's concentrate on the Fort Benning archery and gun deer season.

Many items can be used for both seasons and carried in a small daypack.

Also, this year the equipment at outdoor recreation is specifically ordered, and based on hunter and Soldier input. They have a variety of gear at excellent prices.

Back to the pack, I prefer a fleece daypack (because it is one of the quietest packs on the market) to carry my precious items. (Some even have a waterproof lining for rainy days.)

The contents include the following.

Knives
An extra knife is nice to have; both of medium size, to use for processing the animal.

Extra safety strap
An extra safety strap is one of the most important items. Quite often hunters will forget this item and climbing a stand without one could be fatal.

Spare map and compass
A spare map and compass is always a good idea and the extra map will come in handy when you lose the one in your pocket.

The Fort Benning hunting map which has hunting areas clearly defined can be purchased at Outdoor Recreation. Furthermore, you must be in an area that is open to hunt.

30 foot length of 5/50 cord
Thirty feet of 5/50 cord can be used for many different things while in the woods as Soldiers know. But its primary purpose in your pack is to hoist your weapon and gear. It is very dangerous to attempt to climb your stand carrying your gun or bow.

Emergency blanket, candle and waterproof matches
An emergency blanket, candle and matches are your true emergency gear and could save your life in a true emergency situation.

Unscented insect repellent
Unscented insect repellent should only be used when you just can't stand the bugs anymore. Despite its lack of scent to us the deer often can smell it a hundred yards or more.

Box of cateyes
Reflective tape at the head of a tack makes a cateye. They are used to mark a trail at night but can also be seen during the day.

Roll of orange marking tape
Orange marking tape can be used to mark the trail to your stand as can the cateyes.

The tape can also be used to assist in tracking an animal's blood trail. This is done using a 30 to 50 foot length of tape and moving as you locate the blood.

Often the tape will indicate the animal's general direction of movement when the trail is looking grim.

Flashlight and extra batteries
A flashlight with extra batteries will always come in handy; some hunters carry two or three especially during archery season.

Quart water
A quart of water for those all night tracking experiences

15 foot length of rope for animal drag
The 15 feet of rope is necessary if you are by yourself and your drag is farther than 150 yards.

All of these items can neatly fit in your pack and weigh between 5 to 7 pounds.

These are just a few items from the billion-dollar industry and I am sure you will find many other items to fill up your pack.

But whether experienced or beginner these items should keep your load to a minimum, your costs down, and provide everything you might need while hunting.

Or you could always risk your inflatable tent blowing up in your stand.

Cannons: Prevail in weekend game

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books as a forfeit, the Cannons and the Rangers still kept score. After taking a 4-0, first-inning lead, the Cannons proceeded to leave the Rangers in the dust scoring a grand total of 15 runs by game's end for a final score of 15-0.

Gawlik, however, viewed the game as an ideal way to practice, especially in the batter's box and on the mound, which was the reason for the various pitching changes.

"This is a practice for next weekend and for the fall," Gawlik said Sunday.

Saturday marks the season finale with a doubleheader against their rivals, the Bombers, starting at 1 p.m. at Spencer High School.

The game will also serve as a means to encourage people to give blood for the Columbus American Red Cross Blood Drive Saturday at the Peachtree Mall. In addition to helping fill the Red Cross' depleted blood bank, the Soldiers' Baseball Association is asking people to help out the Columbus Adult Baseball League's president, Mike Curry's son, Kyle, who is 11 months old and because of a defective liver needs blood on a regular basis. Kyle is A-positive.

The Blood Drive will be at the Peachtree Mall in a vacant business site within the mall across from KayBee Toys, all day Saturday.

Also, Gawlik has plans in the works for a Soldiers' Baseball Association team to play during the fall season in the Chattahoochee Men's Fall Baseball League as well as scrimmage on Saturdays against Georgia colleges from September through November.

There is a final registration day on Aug. 26 for the fall league at Golden Park from 10 a.m to 1 p.m. The cost is $100 — which pays for uniform top, hat, field rental of Darnell and Golden parks, umpire fees, baseballs, helmets and at least 12 games plus a double-elimination tournament — but Gawlik is planning to obtain sponsorship from local businesses to offset the cost to players. Players interested in the fall team can call Ed Gawlik at 685-4903 for more information.

sports briefs

Spencer seeks softball players — Spencer High School is seeking girls fastpitch softball players for this year's season.

Several slots are still open.

For more information on how to participate with the softball team, call Mike Blackwell at 323-9120.

Club seeks Powerlifters — Anyone interested in powerlifting or wanting to form a powerlifting club on post for the purpose of going to competitions, call Richard Wideman at 689-2481.

Hunting safety class — The next Georgia Hunter Safety Course is from 6 to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday in classroom 7, Infantry Hall. Students must attend both nights. Anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1961 must attend a Hunter Safety course to hunt on Fort Benning or in Georgia.

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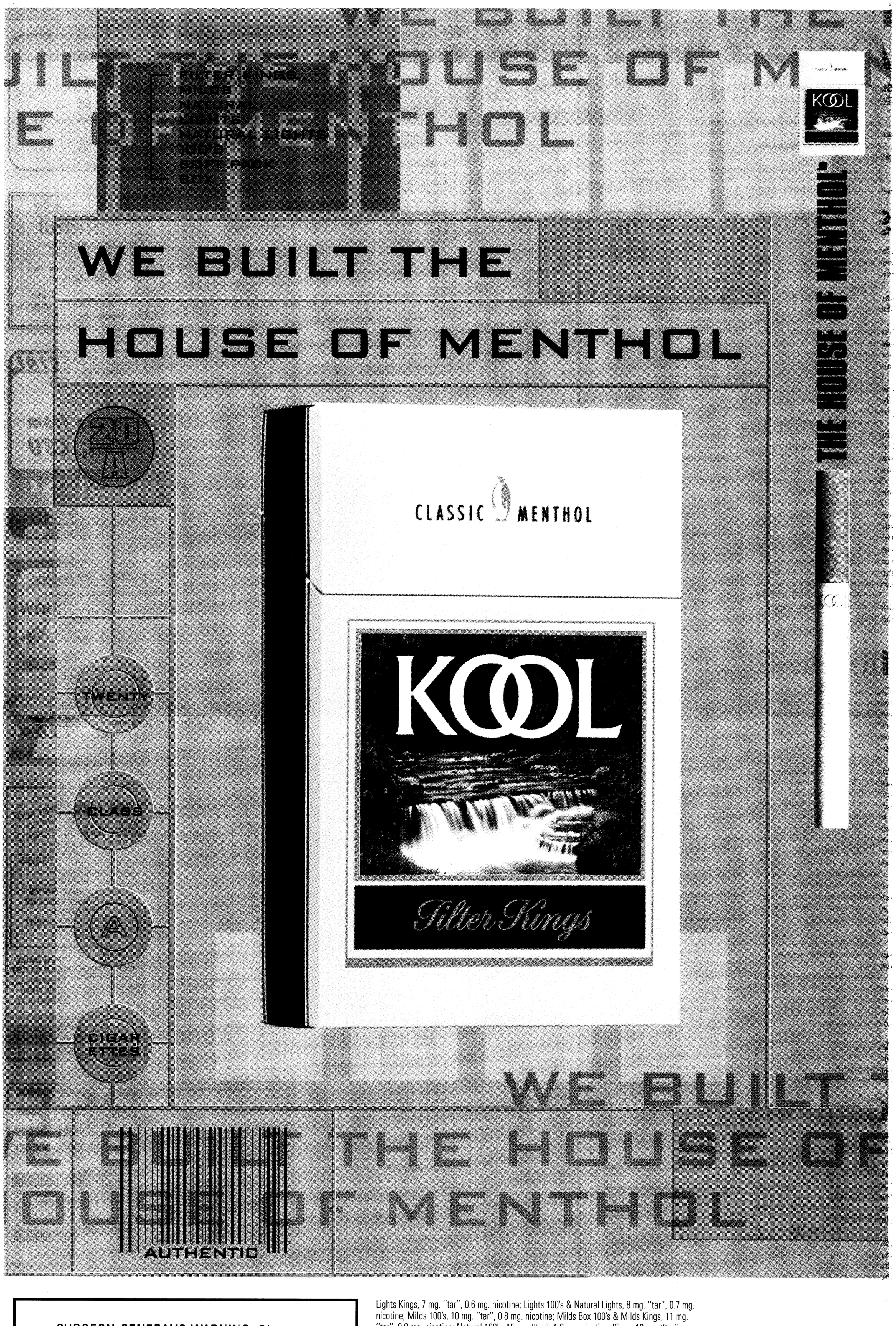

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97 Jeep Grand Cherokee Limited, V8, 4x4, automatic, white/gold, fully loaded, leather, all-power, excellent condition, $18k OBO, (706) 687-5791. (F25)

97 GMC Suburban SUV, fully loaded, cruise control, power steering, leather interior, CD/Cassette, AM/FM and much more. Retail $26900 plus tax. Sell for $23500. 682-1518 or 577-1916. (F18)

98 Chevy Blazer LS, fully loaded, CD player, tape deck, keyless entry, take over payments. 685-2131. (F18)

89 Mazda B2200. Short bed, A/C, P/S$2800 or take over payments. 682-0221. PCS'ing NOV. (F8)

99 Ford Expedition - Eddie Bauer Edition, Leather Interior, Loaded with options. 26,500. Call 321-9943 after 7 pm. (F25)

00 Chevy S-10 4x4,extended cab, 3rd door, 4k mi, loaded, 6year/100k warranty., $20,500. 323 3884. (F25)

Motorcycles

98 Kawasaki Ninja ZX-RG. 3,100 miles, with helmet. Barely used, asking $5000.00. 689-3676. (F18)

98 Suzuki RM 250. Dirt bike bought new in 1999, great condition, never been raced, moving must sell. $3500.00 o.b.o. 855-0259. (F8)

93 Honda CBR 600 F2 custom paint with 2 helmets and bike cover. Runs great. $3,500 O.B.O. Call 685-2308, before 10 P.M. (F18)

93 600 Katana w/GSX-R 750 racing engine stage 1 jetted, extend '6 inches' strutted, no shock, entire bike 'chromed,' D&D header very clean bike, $4500 firm. Tim: 315-7628 or 689-1995. (F8)

96 Kawaski Un1500 Volcan. Classic white, mint condition, lots of chrome, 7400 miles. Asking $7400.00. 565-0571. (F18)

94 Honda CBR 900RR, Polished Wheels, Power Pack, Jet Kit, New Tires, Matching Shoei Helmets, Vance and Hines Header, Absolutely Immaculate, $5,650.00 706-687-9853. (F25)

89 Suzuki RM 80, needs a little work, $300.00. 682-1080. (F25)

Kawasaki ZL600 Eliminator, 4600 miles, $2400.00 o.b.o. 687-3010 leave a message. (F1)

ZX9R Kawasaki, Chrome, Low Mileage Red, Brand new tires, Take over payments Call (706) 587-8684 (F8)

Utility Trailers

Draw tite Hitches, Sprayed Bed liners, Tailer repairs, Parts. Trailers and Hitches 596-0380. (PTFN)

Accessories

Auto-Truck-Van. Accessories by Mark Edwards. Body Works. "1 minute from Fort Benning" 2070 Phillips St. 31903, 689-0745, 1210 13th St. 31901, 653-6558. Columbus, Ga. (PTFN10/27)

Set of chrome wheels, manufactured by Prime, 16x8 inch, four lug bolt pattern, on 1988 Ford Thunderbird Turbo Coupe, will fit any Ford four lug bolt pattern including 1993 Mustang and below. 689-C Kandle CT, Ft Benning. Phone: 682-9547 (home) 544-8141 (work). Please feel free to drop by and look at them at anytime. Asking $300 O.B.O. (F25)

Brushguard and trailer hitch for Montero Sport 97-99 with WGHT hook-ups. Paid $700.00, will sell for $500.00 installed. 687-6544. (F1)

Boats

00 Stingray RS190 Ski Boat, 4.3L, 19.5ft, 190HP Merc I/O w/cover and trailer. Less than 20 hrs, $18,900 683-9280 or 545-2414.(F25)

98 Triton TR-17 bass boat with '99 Mercury 90HP; Too much time working, not enough time for fishing. Too many details to list; great buy at $12,000. Call after 5:00 PM (weekdays), 685-1797.(F25)

96 Glastron Ski/pleasure boat. Runs excellent, everything to start skiing today, giving away at $8500.00 neg. 682-9817. (F18)

95 Seadoo Sportster 14 ft. jetboat, 80 hp single engine, low hours, teal/white, good condition, trailer included, this boat is fast, fun and ready for the water! $4000 obo. 324-2548. (F8)

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Music Instructions: piano or flute. Military discount. 568-4908. (P8)

Highschool student looking for after school babysitting job. 685-0341. (P18)

2 FREE WEEKS! Daycare grand opening. Infants - school aged accepted. Weekends/evenings. 562-0600 or 568-9848. (P18)

Register in home daycare, has openings for toddler and preschool aged kids. 6a.m.-6p.m., Monday-Friday. 682-0821. (P18)

Quality child care in my home, 24 hours. 682-6526. (P1)

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-BUYING- Mahogany, bold front chest of drawers (low or high), quarter/master furniture, 1950 & 1960's, 324-3314 or 324-0695. (P18)

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Advertising Sales Person needed for the Fort Benning Bayonet Newspaper. FT, benefits, and 401k. Salary plus commission. Fax Resume to 706-682-3268. (FTFN)

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PT/ 12 hours a week. Requirements: A BS in ECE or BS in Child and Family Development or a BS with at least 20 qtr. hours or 15 semester hours. in ECE or a CDA. Please call 687-2404 for more information between 8:30a.m.-11:30 a.m. EOE. (F25)

Responsible childcare needed for four children ages 8, 6, 4 and 20 mths. Evenings and occasional weekends. Prefer someone in McGraw Manor but not necessary and must have own transportation. Need to be able to start immediately and be on call if needed. If interested contact Marcie at 682-4983 or email at Marcieavon@aol.com. (F25)

Yard Sales

2619 Broadmoor Drive. Off S. Lumpkin Rd. Saturday, August 19. (F18)

103 Sigerfoos (Main Post) Fort Benning, GA - August 19 @ 8am. (F18)

101 Zuckerman, 8-?. Noah's Ark bedding, Toy Story bedding, baby stuff. (F18)

864-E Arrowhead Road. (F18)

249 Mcfalls St. (Indianhead Terrace), August 19 and 20th. (F18)

637 Gibson Dr. Ft benning Ga, 31905. Custer Terrace housing. Multifamily Yard sale. Lots of baby stuff, clothes, furniture, etc. Sat Aug 19th 8 am -12 pm. (F18)

125-B Butts Street. Multi-family yard sale. 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (F18)

29 B Doanne Loop. Sat. 19 Aug 00 @ 0800-1400, 25" TV RCA, 25" TV VCR Model, car bed frame without mattress, dining room table with 4 chairs, children's clothes. (F18)

614 Bjornstad St (Perkins Place) Aug 19. 8 am - noon. Computer printer, office chair, rugs, books, picture frames, kitchen items, clothing: infant, women & men, etc. (F18)

6-B Stone Ct (Bouton Heights). Saturday Aug. 19th: clothes,toys,baby walker etc. (F18)

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Phillips Magnavox webtv plus...looks brand new, has remote, wireless keyboard, instruction video...cost $230 brand new asking $100. call 687-1141. (F18)

21.6 Cu Ft Estate by Whirlpool Side By Side refrigerator, water filter installed, very good condition $250.00. PH 569-1250 (F18)

Computers

Sharp Pocketmail E-Mail Device. Send and receive e-mails over 1-800 number. Great for traveling. $60.00. 322-9097. (F18)

Children's Items

White crib with mattress $20.00, porta crib $25.00, good condition. 685-8322. (F18)

Baby exersaucer $15, Winnie the Pooh crib bedding plus Pooh musical wall decorations and Winnie the Pooh crib musical tv screen toy all for $30. Call 687-8162 or e-mail callison983@cs.com for details. (F18)

Graco Tandem (Double) Stroller, navy blue, great condition, $45. Century 3000 Car Seat, Gray and Blue, $35. Oak Arched Crib and Mattress, great condition, $165. White toddler bed and mattress, $40. Call 563-2160 and leave message. (F25)

3 bicycles and electric jeep. 685-2589. (F8)

Girls white whicker and wood bed- twin with three door space underneath with mattress $65.00 o.b.o. Little tykes girls playhouse bed with mattress $100.00. 682-6637. (F25)

Infant car seat, rear facing with base, excellent condition, blue/white plaid-$35. 687-5623. (F25)

Evenflo Infant Carrier $25; Cosco Car Seat $50; Fisher Price Travel Bed $20 Misc. Baby Items available Call Michelle 682-8464 (F25)

Furniture

Dining Room table with leaf (cherry veneer) and 6 chairs (like new) $400.00; Two Futons, metal frames with mattresses, $80.00 ea., or $150.00 takes both; Large Girls Dresser, white wood, $40.00. Call: 682-7201 after 6:00 p.m. (F18)

PCS'ing complete living room furniture with huge entertainment center, formal dining table, cherry wood. Must see. All $500.00. 687-5146. (F18)

Cherry wood entertainment center, TLC needed. 4ft.H, 191/2in.W, 5ft.L. Holds 27" TV, stereo system, VCR tapes. Asking $30.00 obo. Call 298-8841. (F18)

Black leather sofa, under counter dish washer $100.00 each, both in good condition. 569-5922 after 5:00 p.m. (F18)

2 ends tables and 1 coffee table, medium oak, glass top, contemporary style. CALL 569-1320 and leave message. (F25)

Solid oak wood table. $100.00 deep green couch: $100.00, deep green loveseat and chair $150.00. For more information call Chad or Cassie at 682-3796. (F25)

4 piece oak wall unit in excellent condition. Glass doors on top, and oak doors on bottom. Corner pieces also have display lights on the top shelves,. Original price was over $800.....asking $300 Firm. Wood swing set. Has swings, a slide, and a covered tower. Good condition Selling due to overseas move. Original price over $900, asking $450 firm. Call 653-0465 after 6pm weekdays, or anytime on weekends. (F25)

7 piece living room group. $600.00 o.b.o. Please call for details 561-5024 or 239-9992. (F25)

Bedroom suit $180.00, side by side ref. $200.00, four bar stools $30.00, Vitamaster exercise bike $50.00. 687-3818. (F25)

2 piece living room set. $50.00. 685-2589. (F8)

Table with four chairs $25; Wood Desk with chair $50; AT&T Answering Machine $20; All negotiable. Call Michelle 682-8464 (F25)

Very clean ivory and tan loveseat, two years old, $165.00 obo. Two black/brass lamps, $40.00 for the pair. Call 562-9803.(F25)

Fencing

D&B Fence Co. Rent, Rent to own, credit cards, free estimates 562-8833 (PTFN)

40 feet of black 4" chain link fence with four poles, used, in good condition, will sell for $25.00. Ideal size for a kennel or pen for animals. Call 568-8863 if interested. (F25)

Sports & Fitness Equipment

WEIDER Weight Machine with the Stair Stepper. Excellent Condition MUST SELL TODAY $275.00 OBO 682-3353. (F25)

Miscellaneous

Apollo 50 cal. black powder inline, made by connecticut arms, has simmons scope and hard case, looks brand new, fired only five times, asking $175.00 call 687-1141. (F18)

Deer rifle .243 cal with 3X9 scope, new condition, $300.00. 334-448-4219. (F18)

Set of China, service for 8, white with gold trim, $95.00. 687-9678. (F18)

Ruger M77 .270win. Fiber. stock 3x9scope $350.00 T/C Hawken .50cal $350.00 Call Travis after 6 pm. 687-9259 (F18)

Contents of Storage Shed, must go!!! LR, DR, Entertainment Center etc..Call after 5 pm. 323-9889. (F25)

Electric Hospital bed with mattress. Clean. Good condition. $300.00 o.b.o. 291-0673. (F25)

Pre-ban SKS rifle with folding stock, bayonet, 30 round magazine, and ammo. $300 OBO, leave a message: 685-9054 (F25)

GI Joe collection for sale. Figures & Accessories, all new in box. Contact mike @ 689-0155 or email mikematzen@aol.com. (F18)

Murray 4.0 HP 22" push mower, used only ten times, bought for $139.00 but will sell for only $65.00. Call Kingsly at 568-8863 or 464-7807. (F25)

Kenwood KRV 7040 receiver, 200 watts per channel, Dolby Prologic, Dolby surround sound, loudness setting with 2 Cerwin Vega VS120 speakers, 12" woofers, 6 " midrange, 3" Tweeter, solid wood. $350.00. 562-1239 after 5:00p.m. (F25)

Epson, Digital Camera,brand new(never open)every thing included. 120,00 OBO. Call Joe @ 687-5172,email jag799@hotmail.com. (F18)

Pro-form bench press with weights $75.00, Infant car seat $20.00, Stroller $10.00. (F18)

Twin size bed w/mattress (1) boy; (1) girl $50 ea., weight machine, solo flex $50, exercise bike $35, coffee table w/end tables, white wash $75, rug oriental $25, ruck sack h/d camo lg $75, original boyscout ruck sack w/frame $25, child's easy bake oven $10, child's love & sound nursery $25, saddle bags hard shell $40, P.O.C. Leonard @ 689-0641. (F18)

Shed approx. 6X8, with built in floor $150.00, oriental style metal table (must see!) $40.00, can seat 6, no chairs, metal 155lbs. $40.00, used worn weight bench $5.00, washer and dryer $150.00 for both. 682-1518 or 577-1916. (F18)

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Marquise diamond engagement ring and six diamond wrap ring. total over 1/2 carat with certificate from AAFEES for trade up. Paid $1000, will sell for $500. Call 689-2227. (F25)

Encyclopedia set, brand new, never opened, plus oak bookshelf, brand new, $450. 687-4198, 6pm-9pm. (F25)

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75 gallon aquarium w/wooden cabinet stand, 2 power head filters, gravel, 2 heaters, & decorations: $225 obo, all you need to do is add fish. Call 687-8162 or e-mail callison983@cs.com for details. (F18)

Free Pets

Two free 8 month old kittens to good home. One female and one male. Female is white w/tiger tail and ears. Male is completely tiger in color. Call Barry at 682-0494. (F18)

Female lab mix puppy, 8 months old, black with white patches. Call June at 689-1115. (F18)

Free 4 yr old partial Siamese Cat, female, spayed, declawed front paws, lovable and independent, fine with children. Please call 682-3271 evenings, or may leave message. (F18)

Free 2 year old female chow/collie mix. Shots to date, spade, and house trained 682-0221. (F25)

Black lab, 10 months old, male, neutered, all shots, house broken, great with kids, very friendly, free to good home only. Call 689-2227. (F25)

Free male pitbull, 6 months old, 685-2589. (F8)

Free 8 month old, male, lab, border Collie mix, very friendly. 689-5216. (F1)

Male yellow lab puppy, 8 weeks old. 569-6522. (F25)

Free loveable 1 1/2 year old female cat, good with kids. Also, looking for homes for five kittens: 2 female, 3 male, Litter Box Trained. Free to homes with lots of love. 323-9889. (F25)

Pets for Sale

USAIC regulation 40-905 prohibits Fort Benning residents from selling pets on post. Because of this, no pets for sale ads with a Fort Benning address or telephone number will be accepted for publication in The Bayonet. This does not affect off-post soldiers or civilians.

Siberian Husky with papers. PCS'ing to Hawaii. Asking $150.00 o.b.o. Call Grace at 685-9732. (F25)

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2 BR plus brick home with large fenced in back yard. $450.00 plus deposit. 324-1122. (F18)

4 bdrm home, 3.5 miles from Fort Benning. 569-1494. (P25)

3 bdrm, 1 1/ bath, laundry room, fenced backyard, $600.00 plus security deposit, located near Fort Benning. 855-3023. (F25)

Location: Forest Park, Columbus Ga. Address: 6818 Playfield Dr., Lease: $600 month, Deposit: $300, Pets: Yes, Size: 1,200 Square Feet, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, Great Room, Washroom, Fresh paint, Kitchen w/refrigerator/stove, Central Heat/Air, Patio/Large backyard, Quiet neighborhood, Security system Phone: 298-3234 - After 5 PM or (910) 860-1645. (F1)

1 Bdrm, Historic District, $300.00 month, 2 bdrm, 1 ba, $330.00-$350.00 month. 2 miles from Fort Benning. 682-2480-566-1183. (P1)

Homes for Sale

By owner: 3 1/2 year old home, 4 bdrm, 3 full bath, 1930 sq. ft., tri-level, fireplace, master bath, garner tub, dining room, dishwasher, stove, Oak Crest Subdivision on Buena Vista Rd, beautiful area, PCS'ing. Must sell. $114,000.00. 562-9659. (F1)

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By owner- Tri-Level, 4 br, 3 ba, LR, DR, den, FP, 2 car garage, storage shed, recently painted, corner lot. Allison Estates on Floyd Rd. $120,000.00. 561-4120. (F25)

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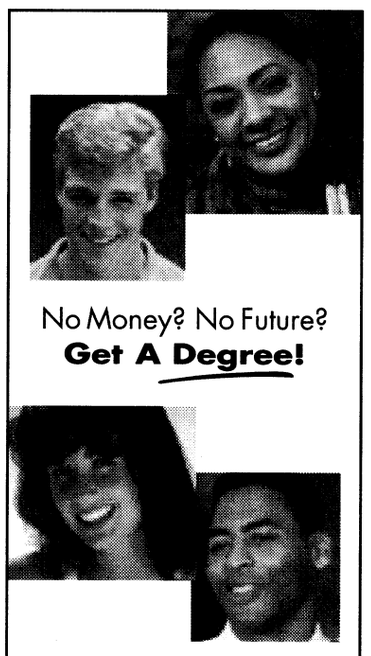
2300 sq. ft. Trilevel brick/vinyl, 3 bdrm, 2 1/2 ba, bonus room, one acre with pool, shed fruit trees. $122,000. 334-480-0973. (F1)



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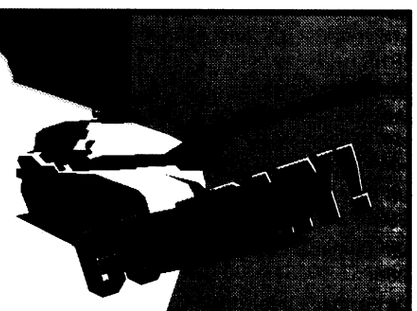



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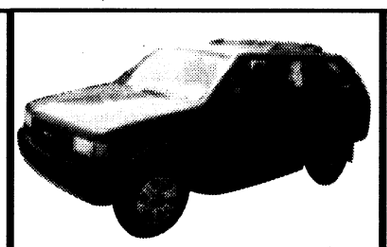

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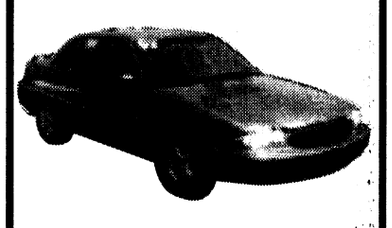

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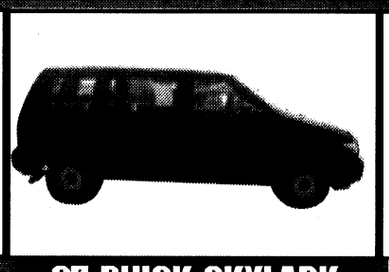

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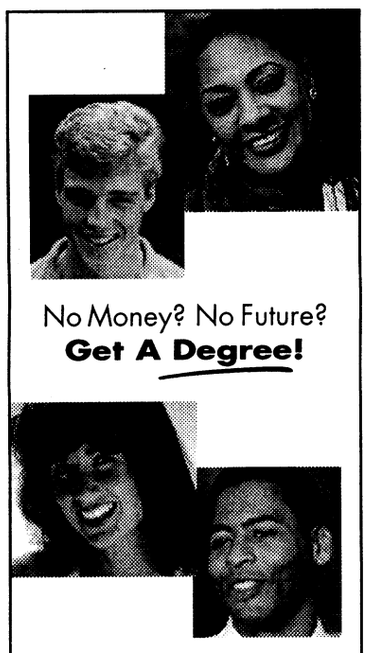

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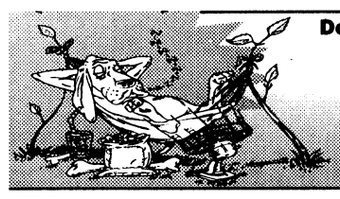

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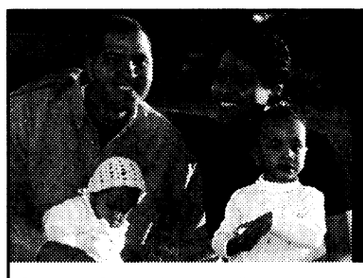

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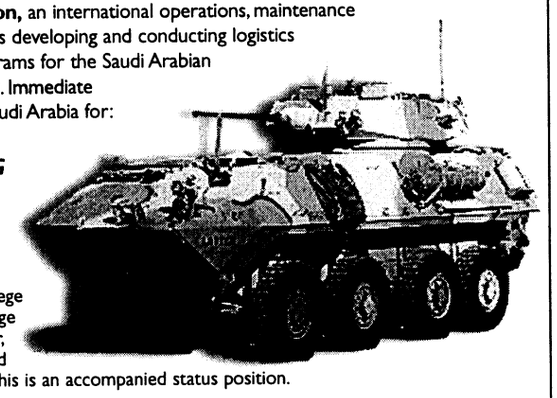

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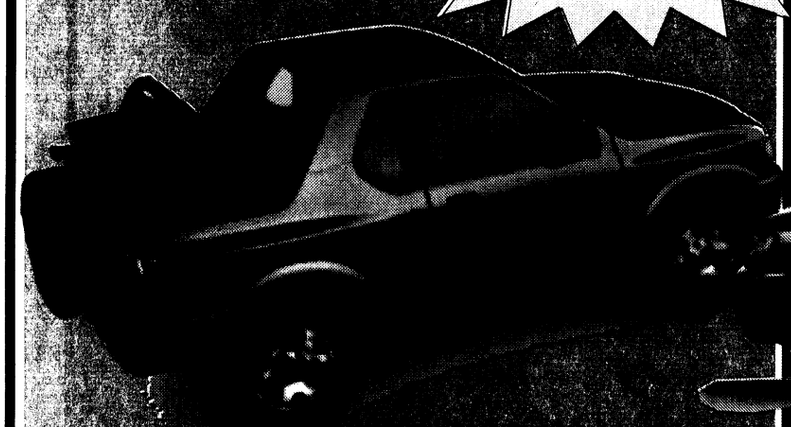

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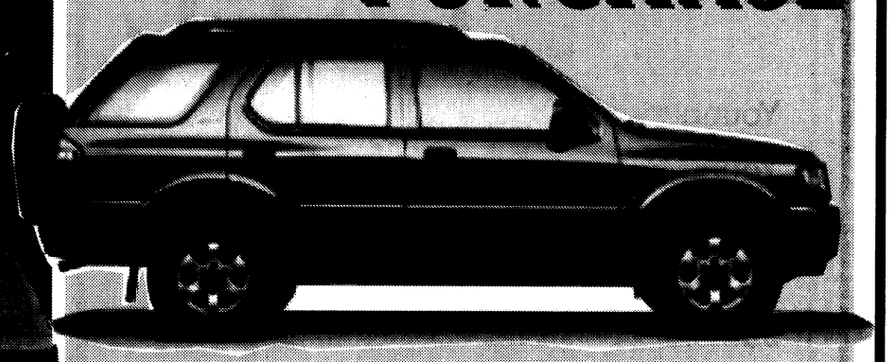

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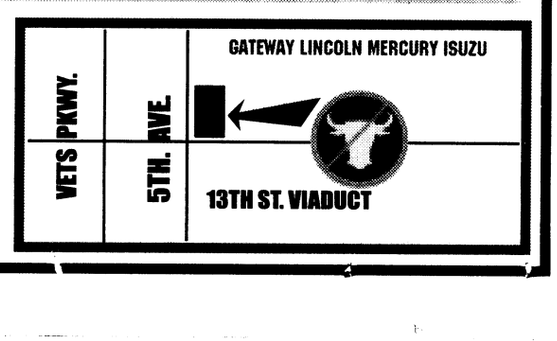

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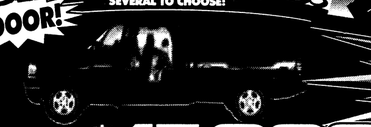

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Army will release cost study today

DPW, DOL get news at 1 p.m. in Infantry Hall

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

The fate of 1,077 positions at the post's Directorates of Public Works and Logistics will be released today giving employees their first chance to learn if the bid submitted by the Army will keep their jobs in civil service or if the functions will be transferred to a private contractor.

Employees will be told in Infantry Hall's Marshall Auditorium the outcome of the Commercial Activities Study that evaluated the two organizations cost-effectiveness at 1 p.m. today.

The study began nearly three years ago when the Army, directed by the Department of Defense, started its assessment to determine the most cost-effective method of providing services. At issue is whether the government can provide the services cheaper than private industry.

"These positions being studied are just that — positions, not people," said Rich McDowell, post public affairs officer. "There are some positions that don't have people in them. They haven't been filled in years."

The 900 civilian employees who work for the two directorates provide vehicle and equipment maintenance, transportation, roads, grounds and utility support to the post.

While it is still unclear how many of these employees would be affected if the private industry's bid is accepted, Col. John Mitchell, the post's garrison commander, said if the contract does go to private industry, Fort Benning will do all it can to keep employees employed.

"We are keeping faith with our civilian work force," Mitchell said. "Either outcome will mean change for these employees and for our institution.

"We are committed to helping our workers sort through their options as we learn how changes to these organizations affect each individual," he said.

Once the bid comparison is released, unions or contractors who responded to the solicitation can appeal the decision, but must cite costing issues and reference specific noncompliance with the Office of Management and Budget Circular, A-76 before Sept. 26.

If those appeals are denied and the decision is upheld, the contract would be awarded, McDowell said.

If appeals are upheld, the decision would be reversed and the government would keep the functions, but the organization will still be smaller than it is today.

If a private firm is awarded the contract, affected employees will receive priority placement with the new contractor.

"We have demonstrated our concern for our work force and no matter which way the bid goes, we'll continue to assist them," Mitchell said.

The study stems from a Bureau of Management and Budget policy letter issued in 1955 that told government agencies to rely on the private sector for goods and services whenever proper and economical.

Since then many revisions of the letter have been drafted, the latest requiring the private contractor's bid to be at least 10

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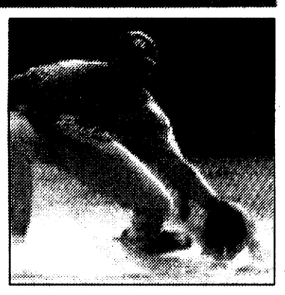

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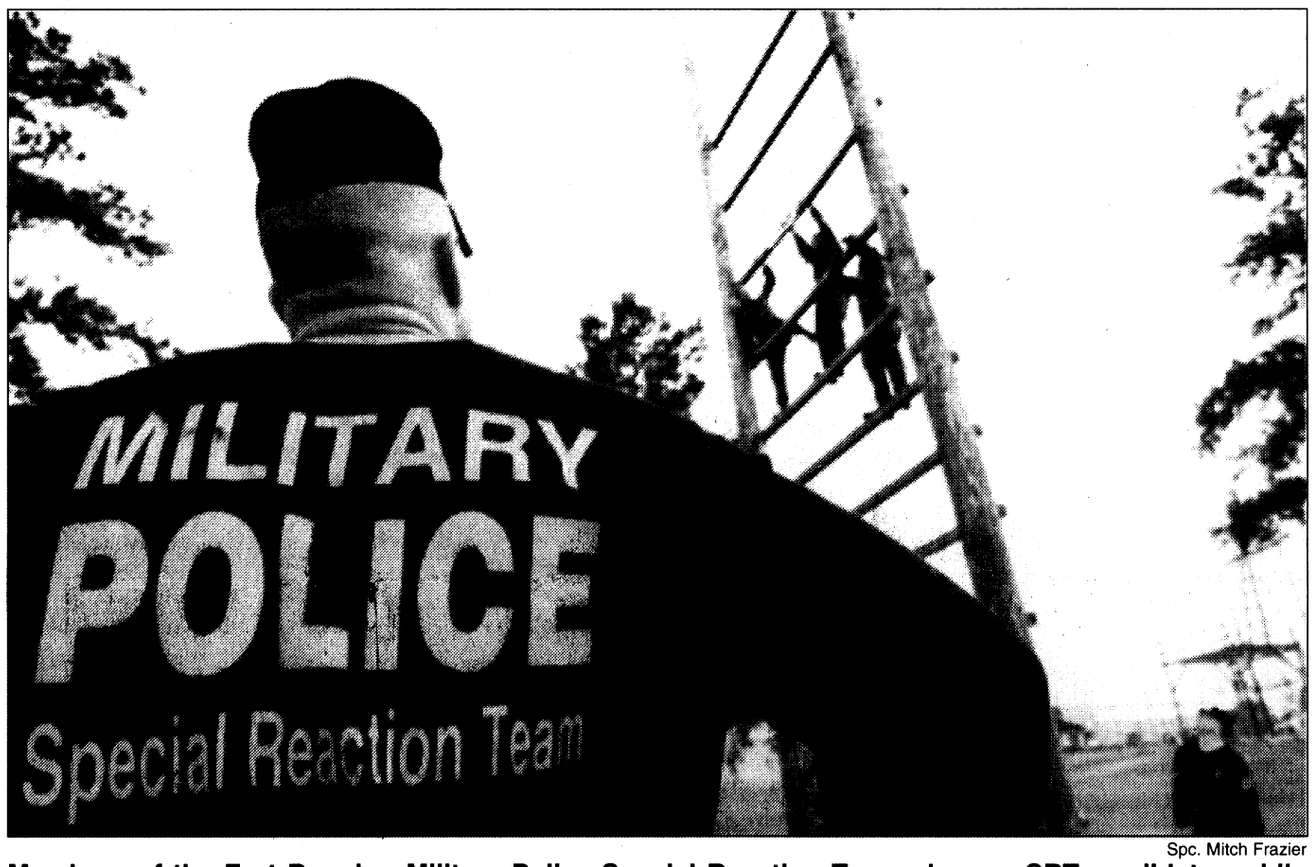


Spc. Mitch Frazier

Members of the Fort Benning Military Police Special Reaction Team observe SRT candidates while they negotiate the obstacle course during the first day of SRT tryouts Tuesday.

Soldiers battle for SRT slots

Two-day test names seven new members to team

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

It's tough, dirty, demanding and draining, and those are the nice things they said about it.

It's a test that can quickly transform from a battery of mind-numbing grass drills that send side-splitting pain racing through a candidate's body to a small group techniques class that requires absolute focus despite the hours of intense physical exertion just completed in the hot summer sun.

Normally these tasks would be easy to handle on an individual basis.

But today is anything but normal.

Today is the first day of a selection process that hand picks the brightest, most talented military police Soldiers and prepares them for life as one of the elite — a member of the military police Special Reaction Team, known in the civilian community as SWAT.

It was shortly before 4 a.m. when SRT candidate Spc. Shelly Ring awoke to what she will soon come to know as one of the longest days in of her life.

Still trying to shake off the night's short sleep, she arrived at the military police motor pool where she, along with 14 other anxious young MPs, stood waiting and anticipating what the next two days would have in store.

From the shadows appeared a team of men and one woman.

All were trim, and all were ready to find out who of this group of 15 candidates really wanted to

See **TEAM**, A-8

Schools' start prompts slowdown

Post police to crack down in school zones

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Every morning families across America send their children to school with the idea their sons and daughters will be safe.

That idea, however, may be just a hope according to a recent study by the National Highway Safety Administration that reports nearly 800 school-aged children were injured while traveling to and from school during the 1997-1998 school year.

Eighteen of the students involved in those accidents died during their commute.

"I've seen one child killed while trying to cross the street here, and I never want to witness another," said Lt. Col Terry Kelley, chief of Law Enforcement.

The accident Kelley spoke of occurred last July when a 15-year-old Fort Benning girl was struck by a motorist on Victory Drive.

"It's tough to handle," Kelley said. "That is why the safety of our children has to be paramount."

Kelley, who spearheads the post's effort on keeping speeds slow in school zones, said the post maintains a zero tolerance on heavy-footed drivers around post schools.

"There is nothing worth the injury

See **POLICE**, A-4

Policy clarifies officer-enlisted relations

DoD restricts fraternizing between Soldiers

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

Three Soldiers — two enlisted, one officer — plan to go out together on a Saturday night.

Little do they know going out together in this situation is actually a violation of the fraternization policy.

As of March 1, 1999, fraternizing between officers, to include commissioned and warrant officers, and enlisted in most nonwork-related situations is a violation.

This policy is to maintain good order and discipline, said Capt. Carla Simmons, a Combined Arms Leadership Division legal instructor.

"The fraternization policy is important, because it governs people's relationships in a unit where there are close and continuous relationships between those people," said Col. Ron Greene, Inspector General of Fort Benning. "It helps focus the energy and attention toward the common good."

"We believe in unit cohesion and fraternization, but there's a limit to everything," Simmons said.

The previous policy permitted relationships and socializing between officers and enlisted personnel as long as it didn't:

• Compromise or appear to compromise the chain-of-command authority.

• Cause actual or perceived partiality or unfairness.

• Involve or appear to involve use of rank for personal gain.

• Be exploitative in nature or give that appearance.

• Create an actual or clearly predictable adverse impact on discipline, morale and authority.

In 1998, a year after the highly-publicized case involving a B-52 bomber pilot who was court-martialed for committing adultery with an enlisted person's spouse, the Secretary of Defense William Cohen examined the fraternization policy across all the services to establish some consistency between the branches. At that time other branches prohibited the fraternization between enlisted and officers, but the Army still allowed the practice as long as it avoided those five factors.

Cohen then issued a new policy prohibiting fraternization between officers and enlisted personnel, active or reserve, which applies to all military branches.

For example, if an officer in the Army wanted to date an enlisted person in the Air Force, he couldn't because it's a violation.

"Now all the branches are on the same sheet of music," Simmons said.

Greene said there haven't been any incidents at Fort Benning regarding violation of the fraternization policy known to the Inspector General since the policy change.

The new policy covers four factors: personal relationships, which includes dating, sexual intercourse and shared living quarters; ongoing business relationships, which includes everything from Amway to Mary Kay; social and family relationships; and gambling.

See **POLICY**, A-4

Remember to attend the Women's Equality Day luncheon at 11:30 a.m. today at the Officers' Club.

Voting breaks ground for women's rights

Sgt. 1st Class Sylvia Contreras
Equal Opportunity Office

commentary

Would you want to live in a country where you could not vote or hold a political office?

For women in the 1840s this was reality. Changing social conditions during the early 1800s, combined with the ideal of equality, led to the birth of the woman suffrage movement.

In 1848 a convention to discuss the social, civil and religious conditions and rights of women was held in the Wesleyan Chapel at Seneca Falls, N.Y., July 19-20. This convention was the spark that started the women's rights movement.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton and



Susan B. Anthony were known as the "Ladies of Seneca Falls."

Their purpose was to convince the American citizens, men and women, of the inequality of women's current position in the American society.

The Seneca Falls Convention of 1848 was an outgrowth of almost 20 years of female activity in social reform.

Every year thereafter women's rights conventions were held to work for political, legal and social equality.

After years of persistent lobbying, states passed property laws more favorable to women and altered divorce laws to allow women to retain custody of children.

Job opportunities started opening up to women, such as teaching positions in higher education. Women gained the right to vote in some states, beginning with Wyoming Territory in 1869.

In 1920, 72 years after universal woman suffrage was first proposed, the 19th Amendment of the Constitution was passed guaranteeing women's right to vote.

Since the adoption of the 19th Amendment, as more and more legal attitudes change, women have entered positions of leadership and responsibility in virtually every field of endeavor.

For example, today women are not only providing support for our nation's military personnel, but also are serving in key military positions throughout the country's armed forces.

The anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment reminds us of our obligation to ensure that every individual has the opportunity to participate fully in the social, political, and economic life of our country.

It also underscores the importance of having the right to vote and to faithfully exercise that right, so that this nation might always be true to the ideals enshrined on our Constitution and Declaration of Independence.

Neighbor relations sometimes have bite

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

According to the U.S. Censuses of Population and Housing, New Jersey is the most densely populated state in the United States with approximately 1,042 people per square mile.

Perhaps that explains why people from New Jersey are fiercely protective of their space and property and also do not take kindly to a little neighborly advice.

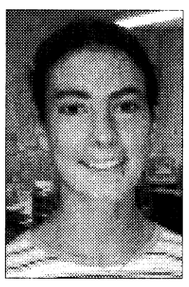
I learned this lesson the hard way while I was growing up in North Jersey.

If my parents had a problem or concern involving a neighbor they would either call or go over and have a talk.

This was a mistake.

My parents decided to take on our next-door neighbors, who affectionately called each other "snake lips."

What they expected was a gracious "We're really sorry and we won't throw beer cans in your yard anymore."



Not a chance.

My dad, thinking a face-to-face discussion was a sound solution to any disagreement with a neighbor, always left their doorstep with a sense of accomplishment.

I found out later from the snake-lips' gabby children (miraculously we all got along OK), their dad used a string of expletives to describe my father after he left.

Over the years my brother and I were banned from the neighborhood carpool to school; our house was egged; and we were called names — all because of my dad's approach to neighbor negotiations.

But my dad continued to use the direct, let's-discuss-our-problems method and snake-lips kept using the profanity-behind-your-back-and-keep-annoying-you method — this went on for years.

Even after I moved away and the couple divorced, thus ending the snake-lips dynasty, the family leftovers living there still carry on the tradition.

With this type of scarring, how was I to follow protocol in my Fort Benning neighborhood?

In a Fort Benning neighborhood, you are encouraged by the community mayors to talk it out, discuss any concerns with your fellow man rather than reach for the phone and speed-dial the MPs — unless it is a serious crime, then dial-away.

For example, if a neighbor is violating the water-restriction regulations such as watering all night or watering at high noon, the first action to take as a community-conscious citizen is to politely talk to that neighbor and explain the post is under water restriction right now and they can only water during nighttime hours, from 6 to 10 p.m., on certain days of the week for no more than 30 minutes.

People with even-numbered addresses may water outside Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and people in odd-numbered addresses may water outside Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Several Fort Benning community mayors said talking to a neighbor works and many neighbors are OK with a polite reminder of the rules. In most cases, they didn't know about certain regulations and are happy to oblige.

Of course there are the occasional "snake-lips" and that is the time to call the mayor in your community, who will handle the situation through the proper channels.

For more information, questions about neighborhood regulations, including water restriction, call Master Sgt. Don Blackman, NCOIC of community life program, at 545-3069.

Hometown continues to strum heartstrings

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

Every now and then, when I think I've gotten a little too big for my hometown roots, they reach across the miles, wrap themselves around my heart and give a little tug. That's when it's time to go home.

I took the kids home to Indiana last week. It had been way too long since I'd been there.

There was a wonderful cool breeze the day we arrived, and the cornfields bowed and waved a friendly welcome. Somewhere around Indianapolis, while the sun was still shining, the sky burst open and shed tears of joy. Indiana was glad to see us too.

I left there long ago to seek my fortune in the great big exciting world that waited for me on the other side of those cornfields. It didn't take me long to realize how fortunate I was to be surrounded by the people I love in that tiny town.



A few weeks ago a coworker and I discovered we're from the same hometown.

We joked a lot about the silly little things that make our little town unique — the things that made us want to shake the Indiana dust off our shoes in the first place. Distance and time have sure made those things a lot more appealing.

There's a great big tree stump enshrined in the middle of Highland Park. Don't ask me where it came from — it was trucked in from somewhere. Legend has it that it once served as a telephone booth.

The tree trunk stands right next to Old Ben, who was once noted to be the world's largest steer — and that's no bull. (That's an Indiana joke. I think I learned it in kindergarten.)

There's Cone Palace, which serves the best tenderloin sandwiches in the world, and Ray's Drive In, where you can still park and have a smiling waitress bring a rootbeer to your window. And Mr. Gabe still makes the very best pizzas and strombolis in the entire Midwest — believe me I've tried them all.

The greatest travesty of justice in Hoosier history was the day the school board voted to consolidate the two big hometown rivals. I was in high school and I thought it was the end of life as I knew it. Shortly thereafter I left town in a huff. No one came begging for me to return and the town survived the merger just fine.

And now here I am, 16 years later, wondering exactly what it was about that little town that made me want to leave. I can't say I really regret it. Life's been wonderful, but it sure is good to get back home every now and then.

The Army's a grand adventure. I'm grateful for all the places we've been and the people we've met along the way. But there's really no place like home. I highly recommend it.

letter to the editor

Former POW thanks Fort Benning for support

I would like to take the time to say thank you all for the wonderful friendship and courtesy we received during the week of Aug. 8-12 when World War II veterans and their families visited the post for the unveiling of a memorial plaque in the Ranger Hall of Fame Aug. 11.

I would like to thank Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton, Col. Hazen L. Baron, Command Sgt. Maj. Mike Kelso, Master Sgt. John Farley, Sgt. Justin Gingrich and, last but not least, Monica Manganaro also Elsie Jackson for their help and guidance during the past 12 months.

Without the above mentioned people and their support, I could not have accomplished the project that started to formulate in my mind during Maj. Robert Prince's induction to the Ranger Hall of Fame last year.

It was with great pleasure to have been there Aug. 11 for the unveiling of the beautiful memorial plaque for those brave men who went beyond the call of duty during WWII to infiltrate the enemy for 30 miles and release the 512 POWs held for 34 months in the Cabanatuan Prison Camp in the Philippines.

I would like to also thank all of the wives who attended the banquet Aug. 12.

It was a pleasure and an honor to have been in your company. Many thanks for all of the support.

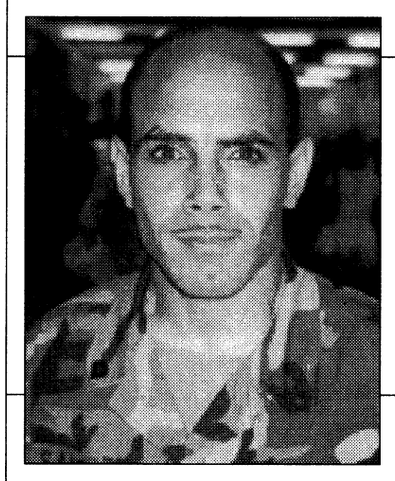
If I am ever in your area I will surely stop by or call to say hello to all my new friends. It has been the highlight of my life to date. A dream come true.

A big thanks to all again for your support!

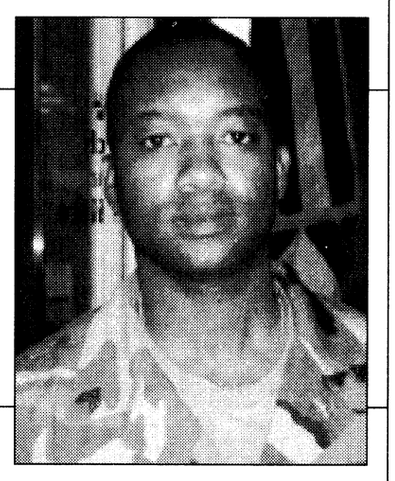
John M. Cook
San Bruno, Calif.

VARIOUS VOICES

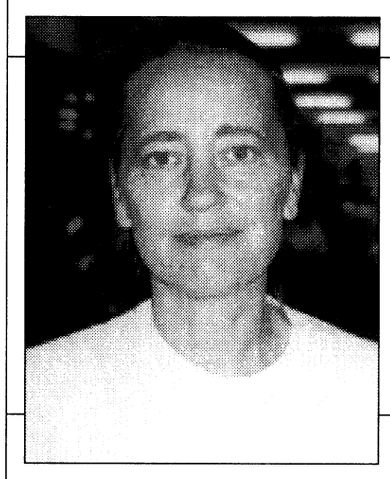
Do you think women have achieved equality in today's Army and why?



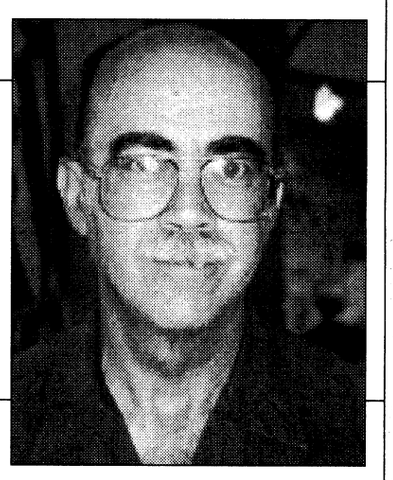
Spc. Edwin Santana, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment — "Yes, I think they have achieved equality in the past 10 years. More women are in different fields of the military now."



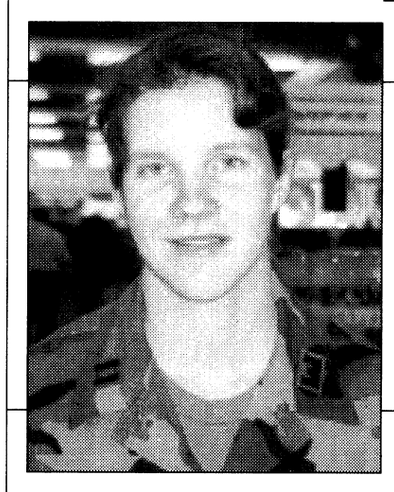
Sgt. Phillip Lee, C Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "Some women have and some women haven't. It's still a male dominated military all the way around, Army, Marines, Air Force and Navy."



Marion Tiemeyer, family member — "It looks pretty good for women in the Army. Things are getting better all the time."



Retired Staff Sgt. Thomas Britt, Columbus resident — "They've made tremendous steps forward since 1979 (when I retired), but no, I don't think women would ever get the same benefits that men do, not in this country, anyway."



Capt. Jen Loutzenheiser, Headquarters and Headquarters Company 317th Engineer Battalion— "Yes, I've never had any problems ... women are expected to know their job and if they do know their job then they'll be treated as equally as males."



Pvt. Patrice Spencer, B Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry — "Sometimes we're looked down upon because we're female and people think we can't do the job."

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Re-enactment brings Civil War to life

Group gives public chance to see past

Pfc. Mark Watson
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>
> **Sgt. 1st Class Charles Timm**
> re-enactor

Deep in the heart of Dixie a company of Yankees is lurking about.

Just like in the war, which brought brother against brother and father against son, men from both sides of the Mason-Dixon Line joined the 21st Ohio Volunteer Infantry for one reason or another.

Although the men of today's 21st aren't facing the war and hardships of yesteryear, they are still using the weapons and equipment of the Civil War era.

From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, the public will have a chance to see the men in action at Maertens Range.

"We will have a live fire, blank firing, company and individual drill," said Sgt. 1st Class Charles Temm, who plays Pvt. or Cpl. Temm during the re-enactments. "We will have about 30 people participating in the re-enactment. There should be 20 people who will be shooting and the rest are musicians, the company commander and the first sergeant."

Starting the re-enactment will be a parade and inspection. Then there will be a drill and the beginning of the living history followed by weapons practice and the live fire.

The day will end with more living history and drill.

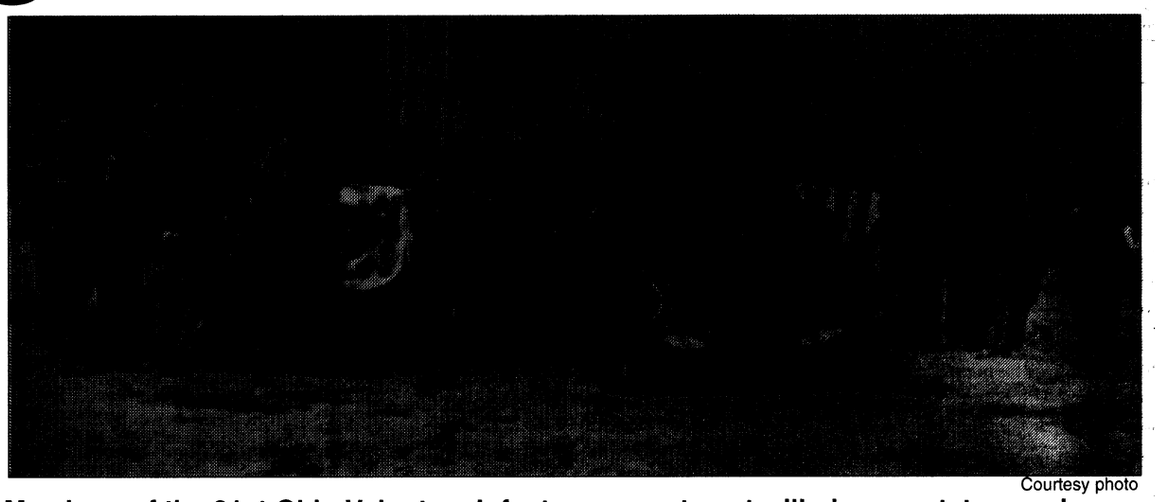
Sunday's schedule is the same as Saturday's.

The two-day re-enactment will host a variety of events, which would be seen in a federal camp during the war to include drilling, music and a surgeon's tent of living conditions. The men of the 21st try to make the event as authentic as possible, Temm said.

"The reenactment is a recruiting tool and a training aid for us too," Temm said. "About half of our company is made up of prior service, people from all branches of the military.

And about half have never participated in a live fire.

"They will be taught in the same way as the Soldiers from the era were taught," Temm said.



Courtesy photo

Members of the 21st Ohio Volunteer Infantry re-enactment will give spectators a chance to see a Civil War Battle from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Maertens Range.

Like Temm, who uses his own 1863 Springfield .58 caliber black powder rifle, the weapons and equipment used in the re-enactment are all privately owned by the men of the 21st.

"We don't use tents. Everything we use we carry on our backs," he said. "We try to keep things as authentic as possible."

The 21st was activated in the late months of 1861 and fought its first battle in early 1862.

They fought throughout the entire war and were part of the march to the sea.

They faced the Confederacy in Chickamunga, Atlanta and during the rest of the Southern Civil War campaign.

Board names new sergeants major

Eligible Soldiers need to review promotion packets by Oct. 17

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>
> **Janie Seldon**
> Personnel branch chief

The deadline for the command sergeant major and sergeant major board is rapidly approaching, and post officials are encouraging Soldiers to review personnel packets now.

The board is Oct. 17, and all eligible packets must be reviewed by Oct. 3.

"It is necessary to review their packets to make sure they are accurate and as current as possible," Janie Seldon, chief of personnel branch, said. "It is their career and their promotion."

Soldiers who are promotable master sergeants and higher are eligible to submit packets for the board, Seldon said.

"Some people update their packet every time they get something. Other people wait until the very end," she said. "On average it only takes a half hour to review and update a packet."

People who choose not to review their packet have the possibility of jeopardizing their promotion, she said.

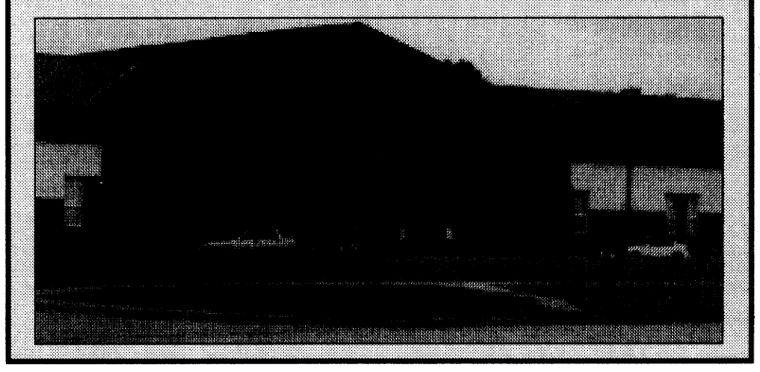
"I've seen one Soldier who didn't review his packet. He had his date of rank wrong and was considered ineligible for the board," said Sgt. Maj. David E. Lawson, the Adjutant General sergeant major. "It is also really important to review the Enlisted Records brief and the Official Military Personnel file to make sure they are correct."

All Soldiers eligible for the board must have a current Department of the Army photo as well as an NCO Evaluation Reports.

To request a copy of OMPFs, call DSN 221-3732.

For more information on eligibility and how to update records, call the AG Personnel and Service Division at 545-2872 or 545-8861.

Open House
Faith Middle School will have an open house at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the gym.



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Policy: Outlines relationships

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Although there are exceptions to the rules, there are three elements strictly prohibited: gambling, which includes the office pool during the Superbowl; ongoing business relationships and relationships between permanent party personnel and initial entry trainees outside the training mission as well as relationships between recruiters and prospects, applicants, members of the delayed entry program or delayed training program outside the recruiting mission.

For personal relationships, the new policy gave everyone involved in a relationship prior to March 1, 1999 a one-year grace period to either get married, get out of the Army or break up before March 1.

The new policy also brought to light a situation regarding Soldiers attending Officer Candidate School. If two enlisted Soldiers were dating and one decided to go OCS, the options for the couple would be to get married, break up or the one not attending OCS would have get out of the Army before the candidate graduated from the school.

If the couple was married already prior to OCS, then there would be no violation.

Soldiers with ongoing business relationships also had the one-year grace period. Their choices include one buying the other out, closing the business or have one or both of them get out of the Army by the March 1 deadline.

Exceptions to the policy are one-time business transactions such as selling a house or car; landlord-tenant relationships and Army Reserve National Guard or U.S. Army Reserve business relationships that exist due to their civilian occupation or employment.

Social and family relationships include a variety of exceptions such as religion, unit organizations, athletics and family gatherings.

The hail and farewell is OK, but an officer going out afterward for a drink with an enlisted Soldier is not, Simmons said.

An officer who goes out with an enlisted person after work or outside a unit-, community-, athletic- or religious-based function is in violation of the policy.

Exceptions would be a situation like two brothers going out, one officer and one enlisted, or an officer maintaining a relationship with his son, who is a basic trainee.

These family members, however, are expected to maintain traditional respect and decorum that accompanies their official relationship while either is on duty or in uniform.

Although the new policy may seem to complicate relationships there is a good reason for it.

"The officer is in a position to affect a Soldier's career by writing an NCOER and every aspect of a Soldier's life. If a relationship becomes too familiar, it puts the enlisted Soldier in a position where he's vulnerable," Simmons said.

It also interferes with a subordinate's understanding of the authority of the commanding officer.

In many instances Soldiers are not aware of the policy and, although not meaning to, interfere with the chain of command are actually in violation and could face punishment.

"It's very important for the commander to step in, hear the facts and make a determination for cause of action," Simmons said.

The commander has a variety of options regarding punishment, including issuing an order for the couple to terminate their relationship, order counseling, issuing a letter of reprimand or other nonjudicial punishment.

If the fraternization violation goes beyond a minor misconduct, it is punishable by the Uniform Code of Military Justice as a violation of a lawful general regulation, and a Soldier can be brought to trial.

Trials dealing with fraternization offenses are not as clear cut as one might think depending on the situation.

The fraternization policy applies to Soldiers. When family members get involved it becomes an even grayer area of the law, Simmons said.

The fraternization policy is outlined in Army Regulation 600-20 paragraphs 4-14, 4-15 and 4-16.

Police: Work to slow speeds

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of a child," Kelley said. "We always have and always will keep Fort Benning School zones safe for our kids."

That safety effort not only comes in the form of increased police patrols of the school zones during school hours, but comes with the entire support of post residents, he said.

"It is all of our jobs to keep school zones safe and accident free," he said. "We, as drivers, have the responsibility to maintain the posted speed limits and be ready to react to children who may be in the area during school hours."

Those who decide to not follow Kelley's advice could find themselves paying hefty fines.

Speeders who travel up to 10 miles an hour over the posted speed limit will face a $50 fine; up to 20 mph over, a $100 fine and those who decide to drive up to 30 mph over the posted limit will find themselves forking out $200 in fines, according to Georgia law.

Those feeling exceptionally rushed and caught driving more than 30 mph over the speed limit must appear before a federal magistrate judge, Kelley said.

While excessive speed poses a problem to school safety, Kelley said the threat of youth injury doesn't stop in the school zone. It could be anywhere on post where a school bus stops.

That is why Kelley has teamed up with local bus drivers and is asking for the assistance of post residents to report drivers who speed around stopped school buses, disregarding the buses' stop arm.

To report a motorist disregarding the buses' stop arms, Kelley suggests residents call the MP desk at 545-5222 with a description of the vehicle, a license plate number and a description of the driver.

Police will also need the location and time of the violation.

If caught, the violator could receive a $100 fine for passing the bus, he said.

Although Kelley listed the financial burden these violations place on a speeder, he was quick to dispel any ideas the fines paid for the offenses may somehow return to Fort Benning's police activity or its assigned personnel.

"By making traffic stops on these or any other offenses, we aren't trying to make Fort Benning any money or somehow fill a quota," he said. "All the revenue from the tickets goes to the U.S. Treasury Department for use as it sees fit.

"The bottom line here is the safety and welfare of our children," Kelley said. "As you drive our streets and highways this school year remember to take the time to treat the children in the same way you hope someone would treat you."

Study: Puts positions for bid

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percent less than the government's before consideration.

"We are doing our best to keep those who want to stay in civil service," Mitchell said. "Employees can increase their chances of remaining in government service by being willing to relocated or by learning new skills."

In 1998 the Army reduced 11,000 positions as a result of similar studies. Only 476 of those personnel involved were separated through a reduction in force.

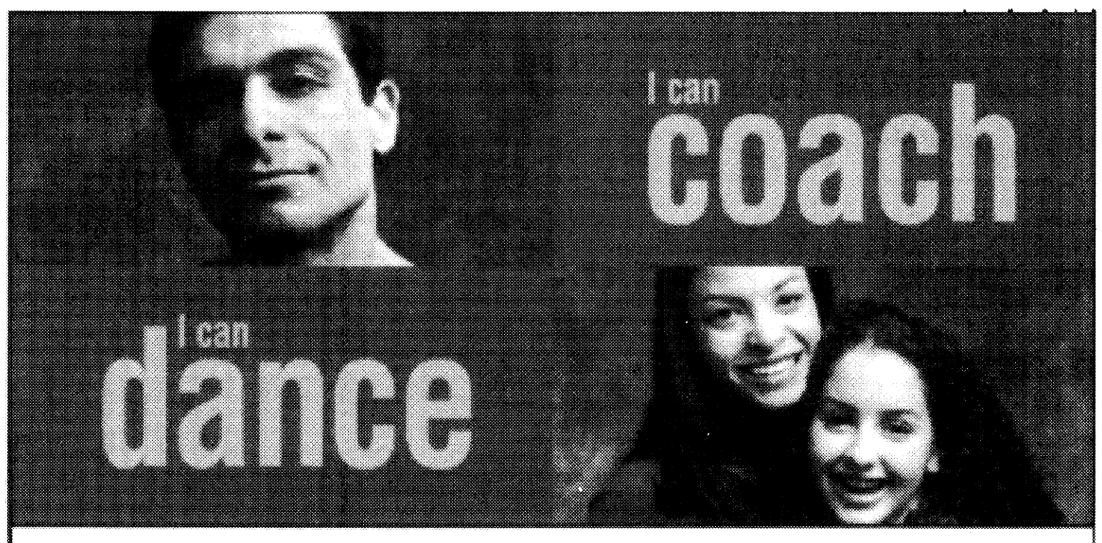
The cut-back issue isn't over though for Fort Benning.

The post will continue to get returns from additional A-76 studies in the near future as the Directorate of Information Management, Adjutant General and the Training Support Center are all undergoing their second year of the study.

Results of those studies should be released within the next two years, McDowell said.

"If there is a contractor "win," many of our employees will be offered jobs with the contractor," Mitchell said. "Others, who are retirement eligible, may chose to exercise that option.

"The important point to understand is that all personnel affected by the decision will have options," Mitchell said.



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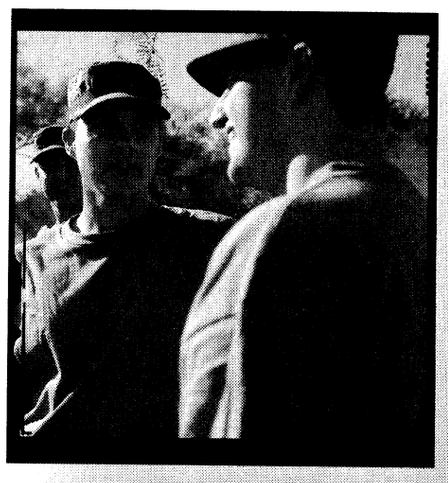

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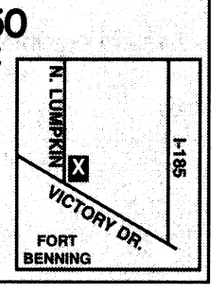

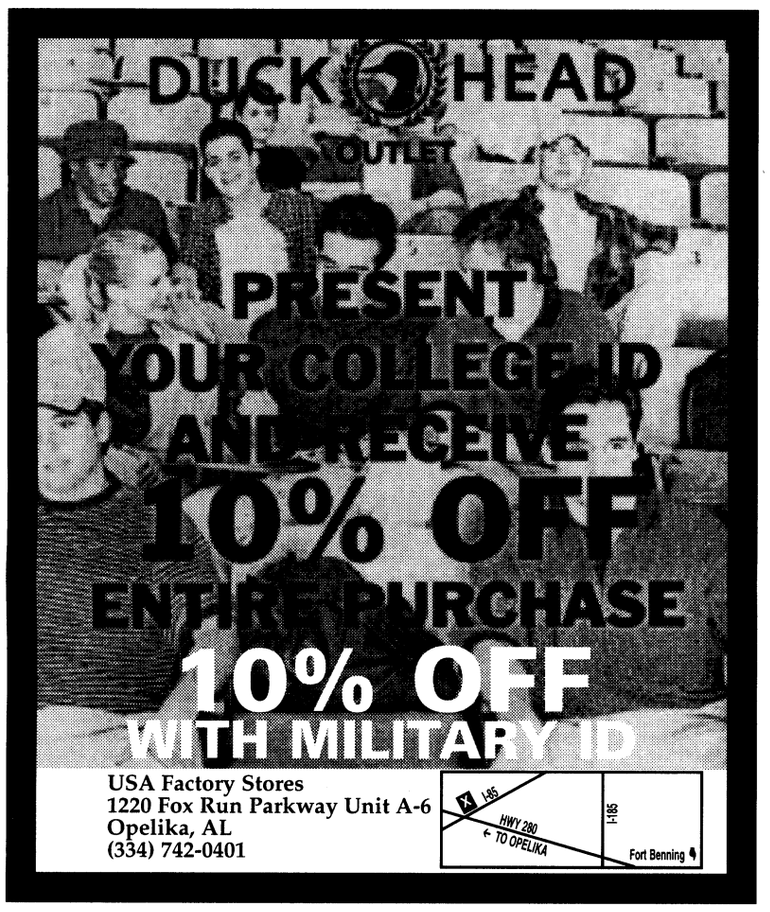

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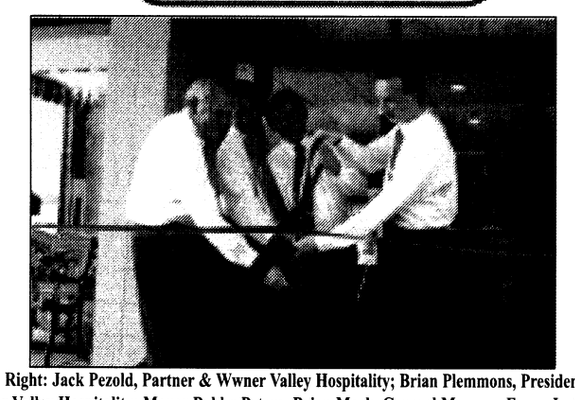

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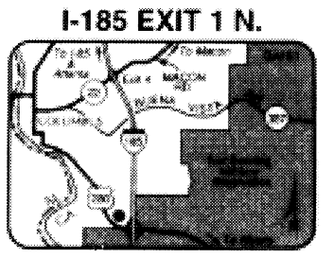

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Woman's Equality Day

The Woman's Equality Day celebration is from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. today at the Officers' Club. The guest speaker at the ceremony will be Georgia Rep. Carolyn Hugley. For more information, call 545-6665.

Voter registration

Army voter registration is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Main Mall Post Exchange.

For more information, call Verna Clemons at 545-4702.

Hispanic heritage month

A planning meeting for Hispanic Heritage Month is planned for 1:30 p.m. Thursday and Sept. 7 in Building 2509.

For more information, call 545-3200.

There will be a Hispanic Fiesta Oct. 13 in recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month.

For more information, call 545-6596.

Training holiday closures

There will be a training holiday for Martin Army Community Hospital Sept. 1.

The hospital pharmacy will be open between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The refill pharmacy will be closed.

The radiology and the lab will be open.

Victory Clinic will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. but all other clinics will be closed.

For more information, call 544-2041.

The post shuttle bus schedule will be curtailed Sept. 1-4 to allow the military drivers the opportunity to spend time with their families for the long Labor Day holiday weekend.

The bus will operate from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 1-3 and will not run on Sept. 4.

For more information, call 545-4788.

Native American Heritage month

There will be a planning meeting for Native American Heritage Month at 1:30 p.m. Sept. 7 and Oct. 5 in Building 2509.

For more information, call 545-8452.

Change of command

Lt. Col. Gary Daniel commander of 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Daniel Dillon at 9 a.m. Sept. 12 on York Field.

Sick call

To improve Soldier care, weekend and holiday sick call for all active duty Soldiers will move from TMC No. 5 to Winder Health Clinic, Building 3306 on Sand Hill.

The hours will remain 7 a.m. to noon.

Command and General Staff Officers Course

There will be a Command and General Staff Officer course beginning in October and running through May.

Both Phases 1 and 3 will be offered.

All majors, captains promotable and above are eligible if they are Combined Arms Services Staff School graduates.

Both active-duty Soldiers and reservists are eligible. This version of CGSOC is presented in a format of one evening per week.

People interested can enroll directly through their unit on the ATRRS system.

On the ATRRS system, Phase 1 is Class Number 09 and Phase 3 is Class Number 011.

The code for the brigade school is C701. For more information, call 480-3564.

TSU classes

Troy State University offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during nontraditional hours and dates.

Units have the flexibility to schedule classes during times, dates and locations of their choice and when it is convenient to them.

For more information or to register for classes at the school, call 685-9555.

Community Oriented Policing COPS CORNER

Fort Benning military police will be conducted speed enforcement patrols in the following areas on the dates and times listed below.

Today	9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	10th Mountain Road.
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Wednesday	9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	Lavoie Area
Thursday	2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Baltzell Street

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Remember the Restrictions

Fort Benning is still suffering from the drought and still under the following water usage restrictions.

Post residents living in even-numbered addresses can only water outdoors on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between the hours of 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

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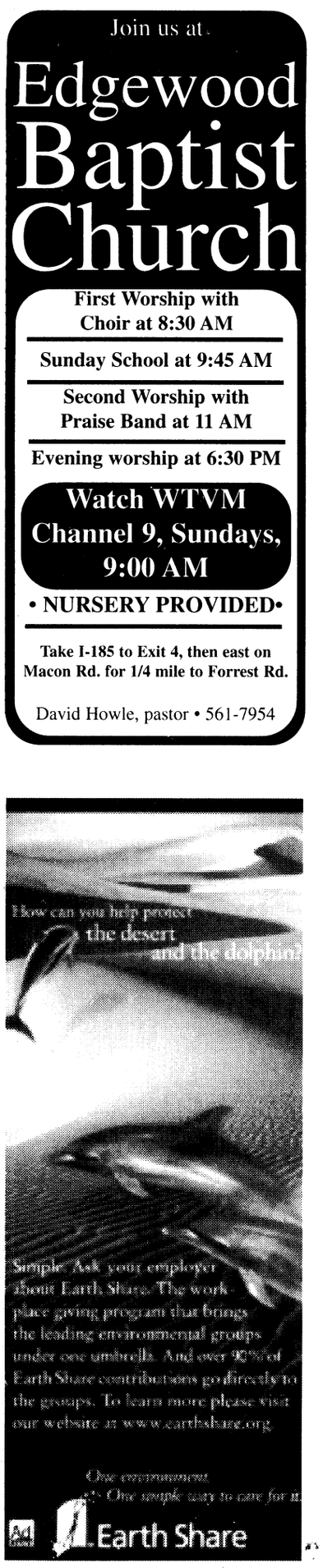

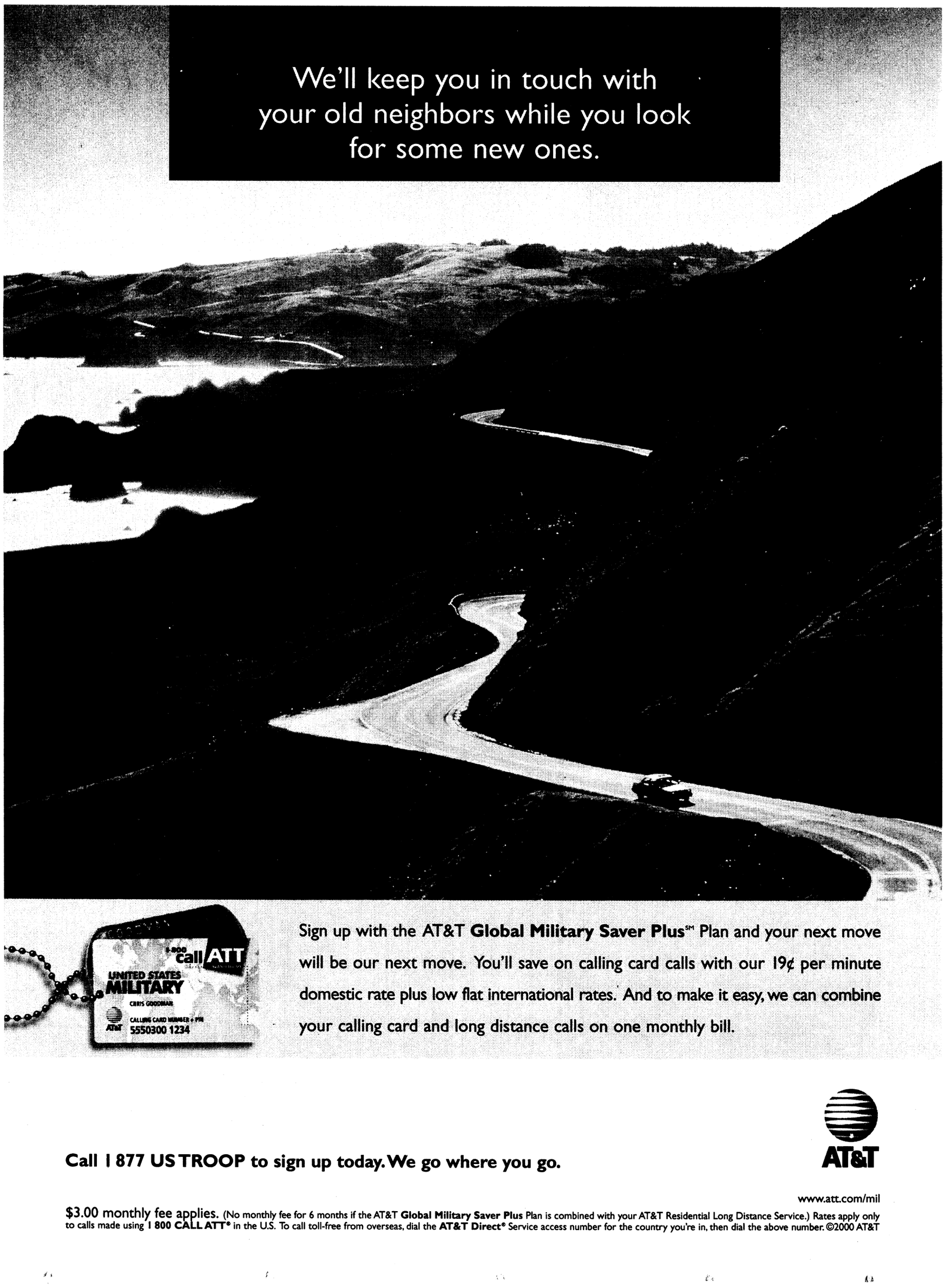

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Patriot battalion's top officer leaves for Pentagon

School's deputy chief of staff takes new job at ITB

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

The Patriot Battalion changed commanders Aug. 16 when Lt. Col. Jay Chambers Jr. handed the battalion colors to Lt. Col. Don Sando.

Chambers took command of 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, to train mechanized, mortar and antitank Infantrymen two years ago.

During that time more than 12,000 mechanized and 6,000 one station unit training Soldiers were shipped to Infantry units around the world.

During the final ITB battalion change of command this summer, Col. Rusty Schorsch, ITB commander, told the audience of meeting Chambers at Fort Jackson, S.C., in a precommand course and how they shared a common problem, getting their BDU sleeves over their biceps. Schorsch said much of his weight had shifted but Chambers' hadn't.

Schorsch also remembered a discussion about the characteristics Infantry Soldiers should possess. The Infantry Soldier had to shoot better, be more physically fit, fit into a squad and he had to have the warrior spirit.

"Chambers took that picture — that vision and drove these men on the field in front of you by sheer force of will," Schorsch said.

In his farewell comments, Chambers told the Patriot Battalion they had always met and then exceeded every expectation.

"What you do is important; your selfless service directly impacts the Infantry and the United States Army.

"You put your thumbprint on every one of our Army divisions. You truly are my heroes, and I am and will forever be humbled to be able to stand in your ranks," Chambers said.

Chambers' next job is at the Pentagon for the deputy chief of staff for operations and planning. He and his wife, Caryl, have four sons, Jay, Brandon, Joshua, Zachary and a daughter, Taylor.



Lori Egan

Lt. Col. Don Sando, Maj. James Reeves and Lt. Col. Jay Chambers troop the line during the change of command ceremony for the 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade.

"I am proud to join the Patriot Battalion today as we prepare America's sons to stand ready as United States Infantrymen."

Sando graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1981. His most recent assignment was as deputy chief of staff of the U.S. Army Infantry Center.

He and his wife, Paula, have two children.

Basic training brigade gets new battalion commander

Commander will take position at TRADOC

Sally Shutt
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Lt. Col. Kenneth Strickland relinquished command of the 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, to Lt. Col. Michael Culpepper during a change of command ceremony Tuesday morning on Pomeroy Field.

Strickland will move to Training and Doctrine Command Headquarters in Fort Monroe, Va.

The ceremony marked the first battalion change of command for the BCTB.

Strickland took command of the battalion in September 1998, while it was part of the Infantry Training Brigade. Four months later, the 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt., moved from the ITB to become the cornerstone battalion of the BCTB, which was activated in January 1999. Two other battalions — 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, and 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, — were activated soon after.

"Lieutenant Colonel Ken Strickland took command of his battalion and was immediately faced with the challenge of coming into the Basic Combat Training Brigade and doing a mission somewhat different from the one he had during the first months of his command," Col. Nolen Bivens, BCTB commander, said.

"As a result, he became the spearhead, and what I've come to call in the brigade the cornerstone of everything we've been able to do."

During Strickland's tenure as commander, the battalion trained more than 4,000 Soldiers, consistently received five-star excellence awards from the installation for its dining facility and undertook extensive renovation of its barracks, Bivens said.

"He is an innovative leader who looks for ways to improve and leverage the things around him, to get the max out of them, for the improvement of the quality of life for his Soldiers and trainees," Bivens said.

Strickland jokingly said he was being fired again — a common occurrence since he has never been able to hold a job in the Army for longer than two years.

The former commander told the battalion's officers, NCOs and Soldiers he felt privileged to be a part of their team.

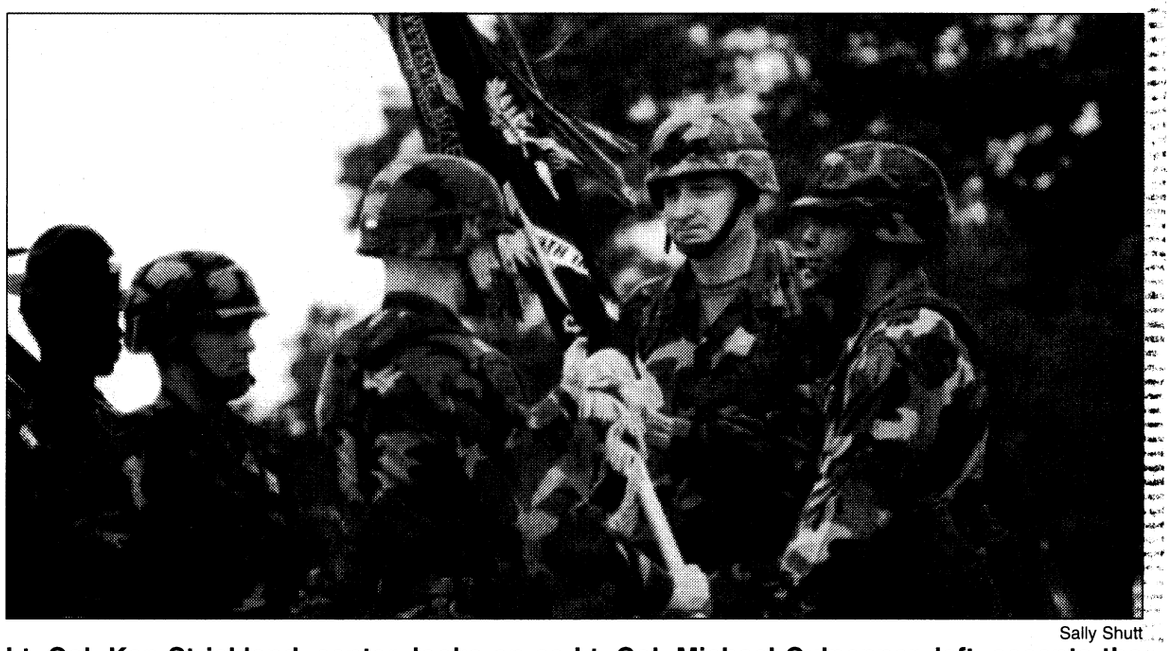
"It has been an honor to be with you each and every day, as well as an honor to call you my friends," Strickland said.

"They have all performed at a level that can only be defined as truly 'squared away.' They have set the standard for Sand Hill, and it has been my honor to call myself their commander," Strickland said.

In his comments, Strickland thanked his wife, Sherri, and their son, Christopher, and daughter, Ashley, for their support.

Culpepper's most recent assignment was as the executive officer for the 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (Light), at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The 'Rock of the Marne' battalion has a rich and colorful past,



Sally Shutt

Lt. Col. Ken Strickland, center, looks on as Lt. Col. Michael Culpepper, left, accepts the battalion colors from Col. Nolen Bivens, brigade commander.

Culpepper said.

"It has a history of excellence on the battlefield and in training, and it is very humbling to be joining the ranks of a unit with such a fine lineage," he said.

Commissioned in 1982, Culpepper graduated from Henderson State University and holds a master's degree from the Naval Postgraduate School.

Culpepper commanded C Company, 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, 6th Infantry Division (Light), in Alaska. He served twice in the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C., the first time as a lieutenant and later as the executive officer for the 2nd Battalion, 325th Infantry Regiment, and executive officer of the 2nd Brigade.

Culpepper and his wife, Chiyuki, have a daughter, Julia.

Team: Pushes candidates to test ability under stress

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become members of the Fort Benning SRT.

"How many of you want to be SRT?" questioned Staff Sgt. Kyle Jenkins, one of the team members who would serve as the master trainer and evaluator for the two-day quest.

The candidates replied with a grunt. It was too early for anything else.

"Can you handle hours on call, long call-outs and an intense training schedule?"

Again the reply was the same from the candidates, "Hooah!"

"Let's see," Jenkins said as a smile crept onto his face. He knew nearly half of these Soldiers would not become SRT members by the end of the two day try-out.

The team only needed nine new team members, and with a group of 15, he also knew he and his 13 SRT cohorts would get an opportunity to select the best members for the elite team.

"We are only looking for the best," he said. "These are the people we are going to trust with our lives when we go on a call.

"We demand the best, and we only take the best."

The first challenge for the candidates was an Army physical fitness test, but the standards were upped.

It took a score of 250, only 50 points shy of the test's maximum score, just to pass onto the day's training.

One Soldier failed to meet the standard, and now there were only 14 candidates left to battle for one of the coveted slots on the team.

A quick run to the obstacle course would be the second test of the day for the aspiring team members.

Little did they know this would be the second, third and even fourth challenge of the day. It was muddy and as the times through the obstacles continued to tally, the Georgia heat began to rally, pushing temperatures into the high '80s.

By 11:30 a.m. another Soldier dropped out of the running. A pulled muscle pulled him out of the competition, bringing the total eligible for the team to 13.

A dip in the pool gave the candidates a chance to beat the Georgia heat, but this was no leisurely swim. It was a 200-meter swim followed by a 20-minute test of treading water and retrieving a 10-pound weight from the pool's floor.

After almost inhaling an MRE, the candidates would get a chance to prove their ability to show proficiency under even more stress, but this time it didn't require muscle, just know how.

It was a test of marksmanship on the sniper rifle and the M-4 aimed at proving the candidates ability to shoot under stress that would give the candidates their midday obstacle.

The remaining 13 candidates finished the range, but their day was far from over.

It was time to do what SRT does — enter buildings in a hostile environment.

"We are the Soldiers who are the last line of defense," said Capt. Darrell Sides, the team's officer in charge. "When everything else fails, that's when we come in."

And come in is exactly what the candidates did to a building taken over by "hostile persons."

They were supposed to follow the training they received only minutes before, but fatigue had begun to set in.

"This is where you can really tell who wants it, and who is a team player," Jenkins told the candidates. "You are tired, hungry and sore, but stay focused and you'll get through."

The day concluded with another sweep of the building. There are still 13 candidates eligible for the team at the end of the first day. Tomorrow they will find out who will wear the black BDUs and call themselves SRT.

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It's another early morning for the candidates as they slowly assemble one-by-one to the same starting area they did the day before. Only today there are two less people in formation.

"You've made it through one day," Jenkins told the remaining 13. "Let's see if you can make it through another."

Another run started the day, but this time it was shorter than the PT test the candidates faced yesterday. Today it was a short jaunt to a nearby football field where team members awaited their arrival. Each corner of the field was a different exercise, and for the next two hours, the candidates would push their tired bodies to complete every last push-up.

"This is the real thing," Ring said. "I did this for a challenge, and now I am getting it."

That challenge continued to grow throughout the day as the candidates tried their hands at water operations aboard the team's two boats and practiced clearing rooms in a vacant home.

The only thing left was an interview by the team members and Sides. It all came down to this — a simple interview based on the past 32-hours of training.

"We're looking for team members," Jenkins told the candidates. "There are no individuals in SRT."

Minutes ticked by like hours as the group of 13 remaining candidates waited to find out who would be the newest members of SRT.

No one was bragging.

No one was alone.

These MP Soldiers had undergone an intense training cycle, and they knew they couldn't have done it without each other.

They were a team now, whether or not they earned the right to be a member of SRT.

Only time would tell which members of the tired team of candidates would make the final cut.

Only seven of the 13 MPs who completed the course were selected by the present members of the SRT to become the newest members of the post's most elite law enforcement entity.

They will now be part of a team that is unlike any they have ever been a part of before.

They too will wear the black BDUs with Special Reaction Team stenciled in yellow across the back.

They too will get the chance they wanted. They too are members of one of the best.

They are members of SRT, but their training has just begun.

Within the next year, they will train with the present members of the team before going to the Army SRT school at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

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Pvt. James A. Raty
Butte, Mont.
C Company, 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the cycle
What made you join the Army?
I saw the Army as a chance to succeed in life.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen as honor worked hard at being disciplined throughout the cycle.



Staff Sgt. George J. Grady
Elkton, Md.
C Company, 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style.
My leadership style is directive due to this type of environment.
I provide purpose, motivation and direction

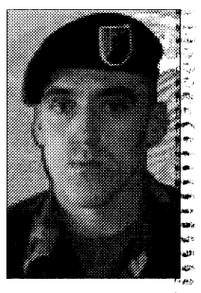
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant?
Soldier's giving the Army 100 percent and developing cohesion as well as self pride makes me satisfied.

Staff Sgt. Andrew Streed
Milan, Minn.
Long Range Surveillance Course, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, Ranger Training Brigade



Award: Instructor of the Cycle
What is your greatest challenge as an instructor?
My greatest challenge as an instructor is trying to get all of the Soldiers to get back to the basics of patrolling. They are forgetting the basic Soldiering skills.

Staff Sgt. Michael McKay
Clarksville, Tenn.



C Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, Ranger Training Brigade
What is your biggest challenge as a Ranger Instructor?
My biggest challenge as a Ranger Instructor is training Soldiers on small unit tactics in such a short period of time with the emphasis on basic principles and doctrine as well as stressing the importance of leadership at the small unit level.

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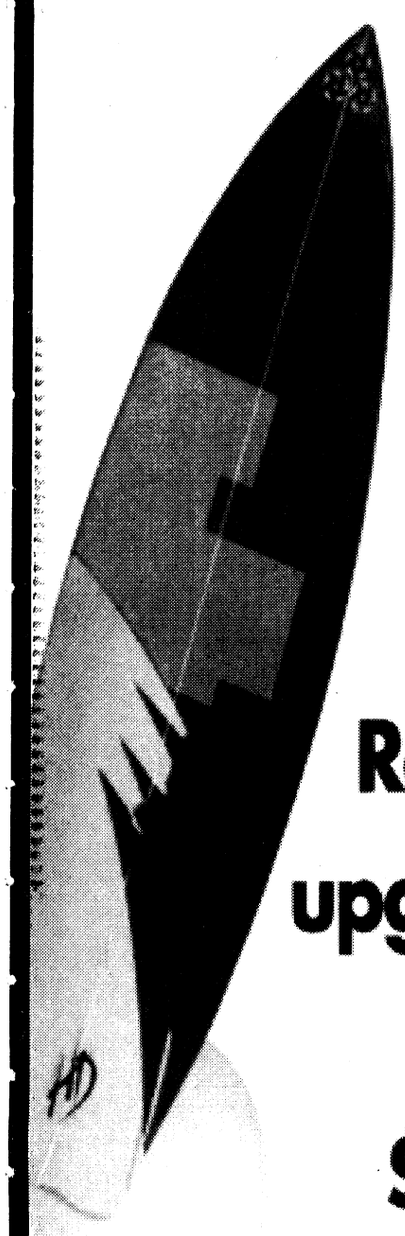

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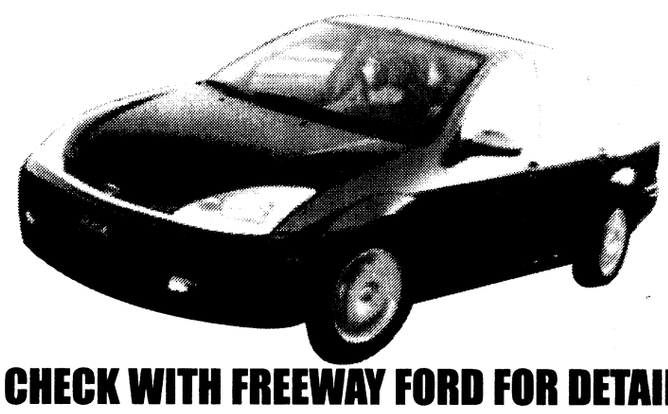

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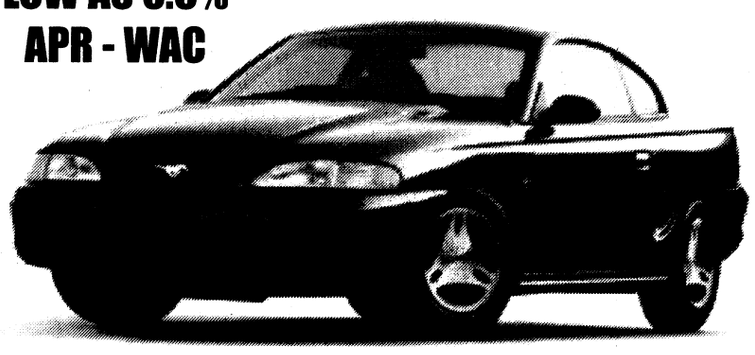

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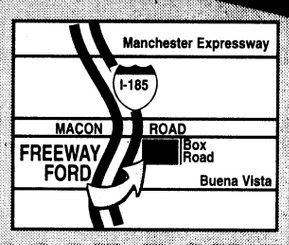

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Red Cross needs volunteers for team

Disaster action team responds to house fires

Karen Taylor
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It takes more than a slogan to be a humanitarian.

Denise Clark, Fort Benning's assistant station manager at the American Red Cross, should know.

She's been to nine national disasters and knows first-hand what the Red Cross and its volunteers do to help others in a time of crisis.

"We're in the business of helping people," Clark said.

One particular group of the Red Cross that needs volunteers is the disaster action team. This team of local people respond to single-family fires within the community, and the Red Cross is looking to strengthen their forces in the area.

These teams, comprised of two to four people, do everything from handing out food to damage assessment.

The DAT talks with the fire department and works with the family to assess the family's immediate needs.

"Our goal is to get (the family) on a path to their own self-recovery," said Gwen Baer, emergency services director of the American Red Cross, West Central Georgia Chapter.

When a family experiences a disaster such as a home fire, the insurance company is sometimes delayed in processing a claim and providing relief. It's the DAT that gets to the scene right away to help out.

"Sometimes the insurance company cannot be there at 0300, but the Red Cross can be there at 0300," Clark said.

The Red Cross also coordinates with other local agencies such as the police and emergency management teams in order to expedite care and relief to disaster victims.

"It's a well choreographed event," Clark said.

The Red Cross provides all training for DAT volunteers and some of the basic courses include introduction to disaster services, sheltering and damage assessment.

In the case of a home fire, a beginner DAT member will receive a call from a manager about the fire, which will include information such as location, how many people and dwellings are involved and whether there are any injuries or fatalities as a result.

The Red Cross has mental health services dispatched by a DAT manager to the scene to help in trauma situations.

One thing the DAT doesn't do is get in the heat of battle.

"We're not fighting the fire, we're there backing up firefighters," Clark said. This includes giving firefighters refreshments to keep their energy up and prevent dehydration or other heat-related injuries.

"We don't expect (the team) to go into dangerous areas. They're very well protected," she said.

More importantly, no one person goes into a situation alone, everyone works as a team.

"We're always there to support each other. We're never alone — all the way up to the National Headquarters in Washington, D.C.," Clark said.

Baer said volunteers are from all walks of life, including people with disabilities, and range from teen-agers to senior citizens.

Volunteering with the Red Cross also presents career as well as

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Children learn lessons at home

Home schooling offers military kids stability

Bridgett Siter
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Kathi Durse is a classroom veteran. As a certified teacher for more than 10 years, she's taught everything from reading and writing to reproduction. She knows what it means to struggle with a crowded classroom and public school policies.

But these days Durse enjoys a much smaller class and a more relaxed atmosphere. Most days she brings her 13-month-old daughter to work. She occasionally has to step across a sleeping dog in the classroom, and she doesn't bat an eye if her students show up in their bare feet. That's the beauty of home schooling.

Durse's three oldest children — 9-year-old Megan, 6-year-old Matthew and 4-year-old James — are among an estimated 1.23 million American children being taught at home.

There are currently more home-schooled students nationwide than there are public school students in Wyoming, Vermont, Delaware, North and South Dakota, Alaska, Rhode Island, Montana and Hawaii — combined. In fact, America's home schoolers collectively outnumber the individual statewide public school enrollments in each of 41 states.

But home schooling is still a relatively new phenomenon in the U.S. In the early 1980s, the general public had never heard of home schooling. Today, after many hard-fought court battles, home schooling is legal in all 50 states, and almost everyone's heard about

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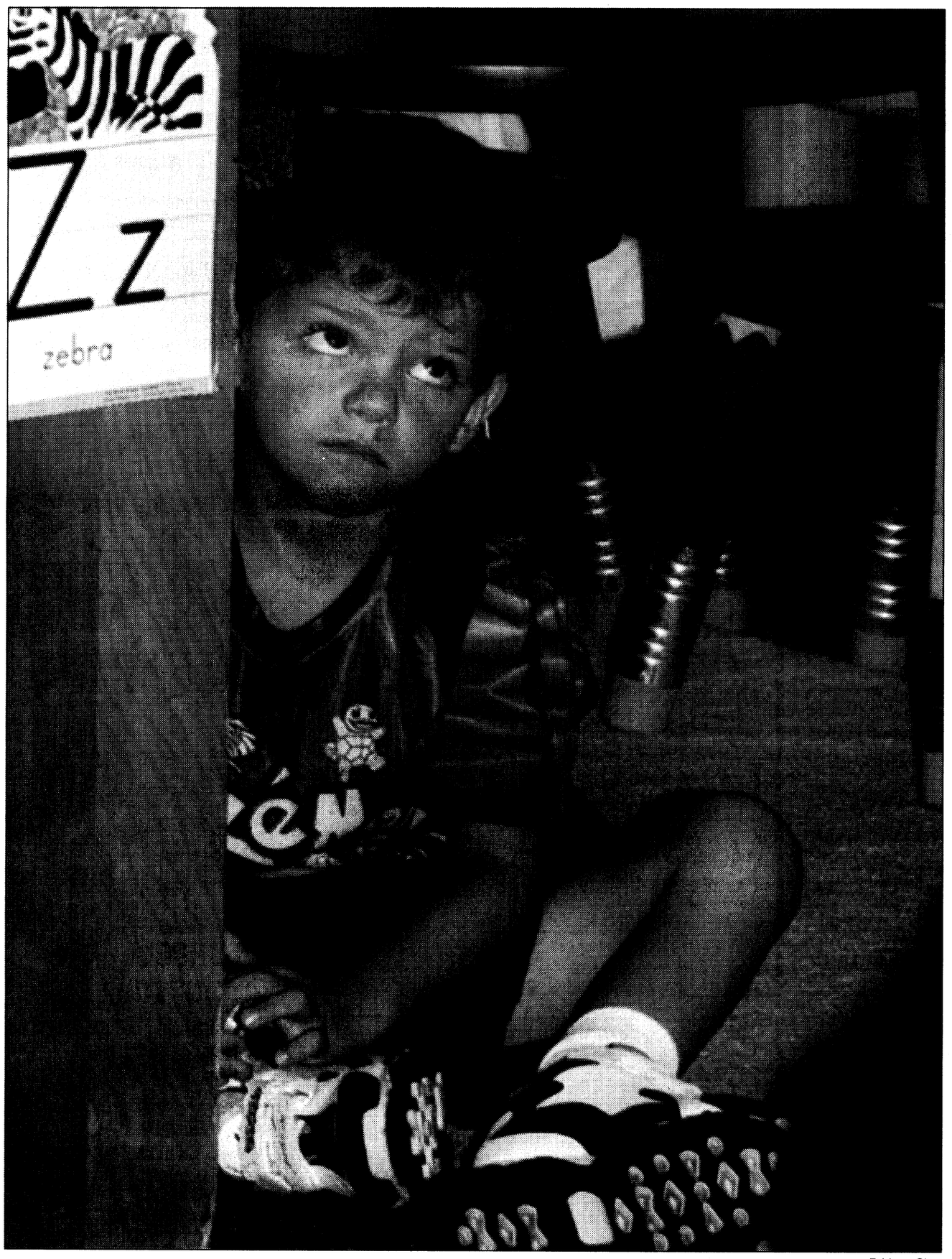
School daze leaves some wary



Bridgett Siter

Manuel Muldoon, 4, sits under the table in Louise Frazier's pre-K class at Stowers Elementary.

No back-to-school blues for majority of post students

Bridgett Siter
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Only 173 days left in the school year, but who's counting? Certainly not Fort Benning students, who were anxious — even jubilant — to start school Aug. 17.

"Hallelujah, summer's over," said Lauren O'Neill, a sixth-grade student at Faith Middle School.

No first day jitters for O'Neill and her classmates, who were too busy enjoying the perks of middle school to experience any serious anxiety.

"It's so cool here," O'Neill said. "The lockers are the best part. I know I'll probably get lost, but it's cool anyway."

Rose Brooks, Faith's assistant principal, said the majority of students appeared to be eager to start the new school year.

"They're fired up and ready to get back to work," Brooks said. "It's going to be a great year."

Not everything was ready to work Thursday morning. Faith's new computerized scheduling program developed a few minor glitches, but all problems were worked out by the end of the day.

Brooks said the school has also adopted a few other changes.

Students will no longer depend on bells to dismiss each period. Teachers will simply tell students when to change classes, a practice Brooks believes will be less disruptive and more flexible.

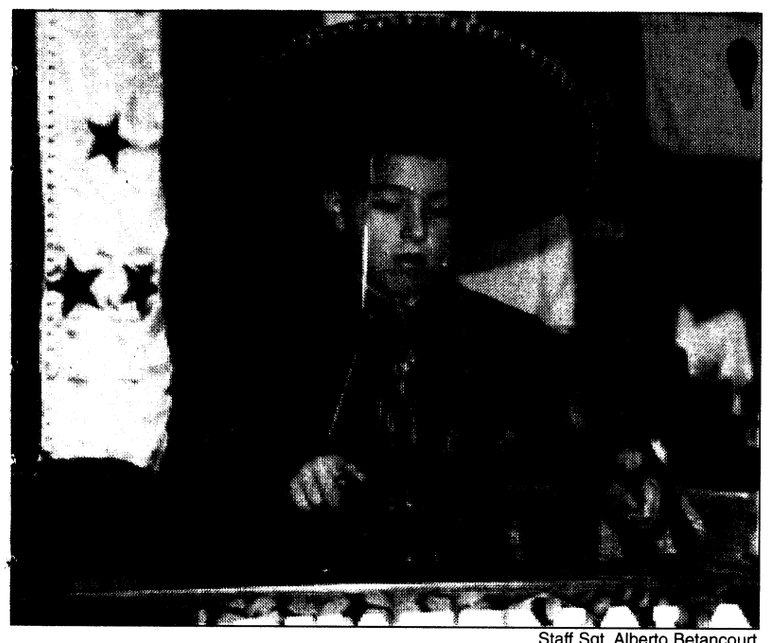
Rotating schedules are a thing of the past, as are the five minute breaks between periods. Students will be given three minutes to switch classes, a move principal Dr. Tom Dignan feels will be more efficient now each grade is located primarily in one hall.

Fort Benning's elementary schools experienced few problems on the first day of school, except for minor confusion over lunchroom protocol and a few tearful goodbyes from pre-k students.

"Everything's going smoothly here. No problems," said Phyllis Parker, principal at Wilson Elementary School. "We're off to a good start and excited to be back."

Dexter Elementary students resumed classes in temporary facilities as work continues on school renovations. The media center and multi-purpose room were completed in time for school Aug. 17.

More than 3,050 students registered at Fort Benning schools.



Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt

Jose Ibarra, 9, plays a Guatemalan xylophone during the Columbus International Festival Aug. 13.

Hundreds attend festival at Civic Center

International festival displays customs

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
U.S. Army School of the Americas

The Columbus Civic Center became a vessel for transportation around the world at the fifth annual International Festival Aug. 13.

From Central to South America, to Africa, to the Far East and back to the Pacific Islands, hundreds of people enjoyed the traditions and customs presented by each nation's representative.

"The purpose of this festival was to bring together, under one roof, the various cultures representative of our community," said Roxann Campbell, chairperson of the Mayor's Commission on Diversity.

"We were striving to redefine our responsibility to each other. Tolerance is not what we hoped to achieve. We hope that as a result of people attending this festival, they will have the desire to acknowledge, accept and respect our differences. Each of us, in our own way, is unique. When we come together as a community, we are spectacular!"

Campbell wasn't inaccurate when she said "spectacular," as more than 20 cultures, each with their own colorful uniqueness, entertained the crowd through music and displays.

Among the sharing cultures of the festival were 11 countries represented at the U.S. Army School of the Americas.

"This was a great opportunity for our students, guest instructors and family members to share with other cultures in the community during a great event like the International Festival," said Cecilia Alexander, USARSA's international military student officer. "A festival like this is great for the USARSA family. It bonds them closer to our community."

Maj. Salvador Ibarra, a Mexican student attending USARSA's Command and General Staff Officer Course, accompanied by his wife, Sandra, and two sons, Jose and Luis Alberto, represented their country with a beautiful colorful booth filled with numerous artifacts and rich history.

"This is a wonderful event," said Ibarra. "My wife and I are sharing our culture with so many people. We are also learning a whole lot about all the different cultures in this community. This was definitely worth it for my family and me."

Mayor Bobby Peters said he was proud of the diversity and the unity that exists in Columbus.

"The many cultures represented in our city provide a wonderful pool of human resources, and we want all of these great resources to be involved in the advancement of our community," he said.

Expert explains operating system's features

Windows ME features offer advantages

Jeff Skinner
NetSystems Incorporated

I have been in the technology industry for almost nine years. One of the most commonly asked questions is, "What's the difference between the operating systems?"

Since Microsoft has just released Windows M.E. (Millennium Edition), I figured it would be a good time to explain a few of the differences between some of the previous operating systems released by Microsoft.

Windows 95, aptly named for the year in which it was released, was Microsoft's biggest leap in technology. It represented a true departure from the old DOS platform, which had powered PCs almost since they began shipping in mass quantities.

Windows 95 marked the inception of Plug-n-Play Technology for the PC platform. It was a 32bit operating system (better performance) and supported long file names. (In M.S.DOS your file names were limited to 8 characters, which often resulted in cryptic, hard to remember, file names.)

It offered feature rich multimedia, easy application installation and provided an uninstall wizard. It also provided backwards compatibility for "most" older DOS programs and Windows 3.1 Programs.

Finally after being delayed for over a year, Windows 98 was released. The biggest advance in Windows 98 was the 32-bit file system.

This allowed users to make better use of their hard drive space. It also marked the beginning of tighter integration of Internet Explorer and the Windows Operating System, a feature which was ironic since Bill Gates had stated a few years earlier that the "Internet was a fad that provided nothing more than a little entertainment for children and had no real content."

It provided multitasking (although not symmetrical multiprocessing). Users could run multiple programs simultaneously, and once again Microsoft raised the bar for graphics and multimedia with Direct X Technology.

Direct X allowed the software and operating system to directly interact with the video and audio devices, which gave them the ability to pump power into those peripherals.

This gave birth to more 3D audio and video games.

Not to be caught resting on its laurels, Microsoft Introduced Windows ME, which is so far the best of the operating systems targeted for the home market.

It not only integrates the web, it also accents the current trend in the Internet which is to mesh TV and the WEB into a single medium of information and entertainment.

With 25 percent of the public using high-speed connections to the Internet, sites with streaming media are popping up everywhere. ME capitalizes on this trend with a new piece of technology called Windows Movie Maker.

This technology allows people to easily create, edit, and share movies over the Internet using content from sources such as camcorders, videotape, and digital still cameras.

Users can view this entertainment with Media Player 7, which allows them to download favorite music from the Internet or record music from CDs they already own.

The user can create custom play lists, transfer music to portable devices, and listen to Internet radio stations.

It includes the next generation of imaging device support. It lets users obtain pictures from cameras and scanners, and perform simple operations on those pictures without additional software.

The System Restore Utility allows people to get their computer exactly the way they want it and to back it up. This eliminates some of the need for expensive technicians who specialize in fixing windows.

The System File Protection protects important system files by disabling the ability to accidentally delete them. This feature allows parents to sleep better at night knowing they no longer have to fear that their child will delete important system files while they were playing on the computer.

Users can remain up-to-date with the new and improved Windows Update Utility. Smart Menus eliminate clutter on the desktop and file menus by only displaying those programs which one accesses on a regular basis and hiding the programs that were rarely used.

Windows ME has built-in home networking so users can share the Internet using a single Internet connection in addition to sharing files and printers.

Best of all for those who are running Windows 98 SE, it only costs $59.95 for the new version. Those people whom have not yet purchased Windows 98 must pay $109.95.

It is my opinion that if given the opportunity to purchase a new PC, I would make sure it had Windows Millennium Edition installed on it, or at least has a coupon that allows you to get the free upgrade.

If you have a computer that is less than a year old, it would be worth looking into upgrading.

Go to Microsoft's site and be sure all of your hardware is compatible. www.microsoft.com/hcl.

If you have an older PC I would do triple checks before purchasing an upgrade to be sure your system is compatible.

Linux is getting lots of play these days, and there are also the other MS operating systems that are targeted for the work place: NT 4.0 workstation, NT 4.0 Server, Enterprise Server, Windows 2000 Workstation, Windows 2000 Server, and Advanced Server.

I will do an overview of the differences in those in future articles.

Editor's note: *Jeff Skinner is president of NetSystems Incorporated and is a Microsoft certified professional. He hosts a call-in show Thursdays on AM 1420 from 11:05 to 11:30 a.m. where people call in to ask technology related questions.*

births

Twins

Jevonn Mykel and Kiarra Shaneise Cobin — born Aug. 6 to Tahnesha Shaneise and 2nd Lt. Ronald Corbin Jr.

Boys

Christopher Landon Meadows — born Aug. 3 to Shari and Staff Sgt.Charles Meadows.

Christian D'anthony Murphy — born Aug. 4 to Kimberly and Staff Sgt. Anthony Murphy.

Carson Howard Livaudais — born Aug. 5 to Jackie and Sgt. Nino Livaudais.

Colten Allen Stecklein — born Aug. 6 to Carrie and Sgt. Beau Stecklein.

Ronnell William Foster Jr. — born Aug. 6 to Spc. Nikki and Sgt. Ronnell Foster Sr.

Brendan Michael Moricas — born Aug. 8 to Kristen and Capt. Michael Moricas.

Daniel Christopher Kingston Jr. — born Aug. 8 to Stephanie and Capt. Daniel Kingston.

Maddux Bruce Nguyen Le — born Aug. 9 to Lisa and Maj. Bruce Le.

Girls

Brianna Nichole Davila-Viera — born Aug. 5 to Berta Davila and Sgt. Luis Davila-Quinones.

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Aracelli Solei Martinez — born Aug. 7 to Rachele Martinez and Sgt. Edwin Martinez Penado.

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Directorate of Public Works

The Directorate of Public Works announces the following schedule changes and closures for the Labor Day holiday.

Garbage and yard waste

There will be no yard waste picked up in Family Housing Sept. 4. The next scheduled yard waste pickup will be Sept. 11.

There will be no refuse or recycle pick-ups Sept. 4. Port, Kawamura, Fernandez Streets, and Indianhead Terrace areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Monday, will be picked up Sept. 5. Refuse and recycle collection in Family Housing for Sept. 5-8 will be picked up as normally scheduled.

For more information, call the Construction Inspection Branch at 545-4232.

Self Help (U-DO-IT) Center

In observance of Labor Day, all sections of the Self-Help Center will be closed Sept. 1-4. The Self Help Center will reopen for business Sept. 5 at 8:30 a.m.

For more information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

community briefs

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Youth Services — The Youth Services dance registration begins at 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday at the YS building. Classes in ballet, tap and jazz will be offered.

YS also needs cheerleading coaches. For more information, call 545-3070.

ACAP — From 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, the Georgia Department of Corrections will be recruiting and testing for officers and other positions in Building 2634 in Soldiers' Plaza.

For more information call, 545-2308.

ACS — There will be a newcomer and spouse orientation starting at 8:15 Sept. 8 in Building 359, the Family Unit Network Center.

For more information, call 545-4485.

AFTB classes — Army Family Team Building teaches spouses about the Army and other topics including how to read a pay statement, Army benefits and where to turn for help. These classes are separated by levels of experience.

Classes for Level I are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 20 and 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 24-26.

Train the Trainer prepares students to become instructors for the local AFTB program. These classes begin Sept. 25-28. To register for these classes, call 545-5377.







Red Cross: Operates 24-7 to help disaster victims worldwide

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character-building opportunities.

Both Baer and Clark started with the Red Cross as volunteers and now have paid positions.

The Red Cross even sent Clark back to school to the University of California, Berkley, for a degree in disaster planning management.

Although the volunteers are the foundation for the Red Cross, Baer said the support from their families is also important.

"The volunteer base would never be as large as it is (without family support)," she said. "Sometimes you have 24 hours to get everything in order, and you're gone for three weeks."

Clark recalls when she was called to Florida to help out after Hurricane Andrew hit in 1992, and because of the short notice, she was unable to purchase her daughter back-to-school clothes. Rather than begrudging her mother because she had to wear summer clothes to school, she understood what her mother was doing was important and empathized with the people in Florida who didn't even have a school to go to at the time.

"I was so proud of her," Clark said.

Although the Red Cross operates on a local level, this organization spans farther than the reaches of the local community with agencies worldwide.

"It takes everyone's assistance to manage a disaster and help people," Clark said. "We're there from the beginning, and we're there at the end."

Baer said Red Cross volunteers are still in Oklahoma City helping with long-term needs such as rebuilding, physical rehabilitation and emotional counseling. "We're there until the last need is met," she said.

"They're still supported by Red Cross 24-hours a day, seven days a week," Clark said.

The Red Cross' newest project is its involvement with the school violence drills. "Unfortunately we have to get involved in something like that," Baer said.

The Red Cross' mission is to prevent, prepare and respond to disasters. There are several pamphlets available at the Red Cross, Building 2626 in Soldiers' Plaza, that help families put together a disaster supply kit or design a family disaster plan.

For more information about the disaster action team or to volunteer, call Fort Benning Red Cross station at 545-5194 or Columbus Red Cross station at 323-5614.

Students: Learn academics while at home

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the trend toward home-based education.

Durse and her husband Scott, a family practice physician at Martin Army Community Hospital, decided to home school nearly two years ago after adopting baby Sarah.

"The more we talked about it the more we became excited about home schooling," Durse said. "After the adoption we knew we couldn't afford to put them all in a private school, and they wanted to be home with Sarah, so this was the most logical solution."

The most logical, but not always the most convenient.

Durse admits teaching three youngsters at home, with a toddler in tow, presents unique challenges. She often misses the adult conversation and socialization she enjoyed as a public school teacher, and planning and supervising lessons for three children in different grades leaves little time for housework and extracurricular activities.

"Organization is probably my greatest challenge. At first, having taught in a traditional school environment, I fought the idea that home school doesn't always just have to be school at home," she said. "It can't be as structured, and with a newborn it was definitely unpredictable."

Like most home schoolers, the Durses find home instruction is a joint effort, though typically Durse serves as the primary teacher. Scott, who calls home schooling a 'labor of love,' tackles much of the grocery shopping, helps with lessons in the evenings, assists with house work and makes sure she has the opportunity to visit with her adult friends.

"When we first started with Megan, I found out that books and curriculum are only a small part of it," Durse said. "I battled with the question of socialization and worried that Megan was missing out on something."

Time and experience relieved Durse and her husband of any nagging doubts.

The children are active in church activities and play soccer on a city league in Columbus.

They meet with other home school families regularly for educational and recreational activities such as skating and bowling.

"What we're finding is these kids can socialize better with children of all ages, and they comfortably communicate with adults because they're interacting with all ages in their homes and outside activities," Durse said.

The unpredictability that once frustrated Durse is now the flexibility she says makes home schooling 'do-able' for her family.

"When we were studying early American history, we took the kids to Jamestown for a visit," she said. "What a wonderful opportunity for them to see first hand the things they've learned in school. It just works for us. We've learned to turn every opportunity into a learning experience."

Durse said she and her husband will continue to home school on a year-by-year basis.

They haven't ruled out other alternatives entirely.

"I know some home schoolers who believe it's the only way," she said. "I'm just happy we have a choice. There are wonderful public and private schools out there, but for now we're loving it. They're only young for a season. They're a gift from God, and while they're young and they need us, we want to be here for them, instructing them in our faith and raising them to be all God wants them to be."

Like Durse, Fort Benning residents Carol and Tim Cummings center their home school around their faith.

Georgia state law requires home schoolers to file a letter of intent with the local school board and submit monthly attendance records.

The Cummings family is one of three families registered with the Fort Benning School System.

Cummings instructs her children in the subjects required by state law — reading, language arts, math, social studies and science. And like many home schoolers, she's elected to incorporate Bible lessons and music into her daily routine.

She draws from various sources for lesson plans.

Unlike Durse, Cummings is not a certified teacher, a fact she believes has no bearing on her children's education. A recent study conducted by Dr. Brian Ray, president of the National Home Education Research Institute, supports her claim.

The study concludes home schooled children of noncertified parents score as well as children of certified teachers, and statistically better than the average public school student on national standardized tests. Georgia state law requires home schoolers to take such tests every three years, starting in the third grade.

But all the proof the Cummings family needs is evident in their own children's performances. At 8 years old, Stephen is reading fluently and spends much of his school day studying independently. Five-year-old Elizabeth is doing first-grade work, and 3-year-old David is already showing a penchant for math.

"I wouldn't want to stay at school all day long," Stephen said. "I get my work done in about four or five hours. Then after lunch I have free time to swim or play."

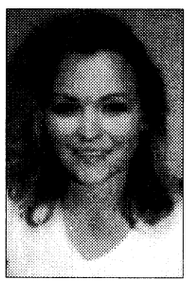
Carol said Stephen would have attended five different schools if they hadn't opted to teach him at home.

"Home schooling offers military families the added benefit of stability," she said. "We don't have to interrupt their education every time we move, and if I want to go visit my family when my husband is away, I just pack up our school work and go."

For more information on home schooling and the Georgia state law requirements, log on to www.hslda.org.

garden tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet correspondent



Composting is the breaking down of organic materials into a loamy substance.

This process happens in nature but is replicated to produce garden compost.

There are two essential ingredients of composting. Nitrogenous and carbonaceous sources. Simply put, these are materials either rich in nitrogen or rich in carbon.

Sources of nitrogen that are readily available include; manure, grass clippings and vegetable scraps.

There are stronger sources of nitrogen available but must be purchased and are not easy to obtain. They include dried blood, fish emulsion and fish meal.

Sources of carbon that are readily available include: dried leaves, shredded newspaper, brown grocery bags and straw. With the availability of carbon sources there is rarely a need to purchase this source.

When mixed together along with dirt, these materials begin to break down.

The decomposition occurs from micro-organisms in the dirt. The decomposing process needs oxygen to be effective.

The organisms performing the decomposing need oxygen to survive.

The energy released from the decomposing process is emitted in the form of heat. The heat of a pile is a good indicator of how well the decomposition is occurring.

Often referred to as a "hot pile," a successful compost pile will be reaching temperatures between 140 and 160 degrees.

The pile also needs moisture. The moisture encourages the growth of more microorganisms that perform the decomposing. The more organisms there are the quicker the break down will occur.

In nature all of this occurs on the forest floor. Animal droppings and vegetation mix to form the loamy surface of the soil found there. Man has been able to replicate this at a faster rate.

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Open house welcomes families to new year

Teachers, students ready for first day

Vicki Rogers
Dexter Elementary School

The eve of the first day of school has always held a flavor of excitement for me, and this year was no exception.

With thermometers soaring into the hundreds, parents and students poured into Dexter's portable village for Open House Aug. 16. And, what did they find awaiting them?

Smiling faces, lots of hugs, and colorful, inviting classrooms, welcoming them to 2000-2001 school year.

"Older students were hurrying to read the class lists and find out who their teacher would be," said parent Kyle Straits, "while shy little ones reluctantly held back, with a look on their faces that said I'm not sure about this — maybe you should go first, Mom and Dad!"

There was no reluctance, however, on the part of Josh and Tyler Straits because they know all about the process.

After all, older brother Josh has done this for five consecutive years at Dexter School.

"We can't imagine being anywhere else but Dexter. This is home for us!" Straits said.

The Eagle PTO braved the Georgia heat and humidity to welcome new families and greet returning ones.

Enthusiastic board members set up a welcome center under a striped tent, offering lemonade, signing up volunteers for upcoming events, and giving directions to teachers' classrooms via the colorful "sidewalk" street signs placed around the school.

And inside the brightly decorated classrooms, it was apparent that children are what these teachers are about.

Teachers oriented their students and parents to a new grade level, new classroom, and new curriculum — all designed to increase student achievement and teach our children to be critical thinkers and problem solvers.



James Bezner

Students walk around Dexter Elementary School during the open house. "I really, really am ready to come back to school," said Anna Bell. "And I am so excited."

It was indeed an afternoon filled with warmth and love.

For nothing does a principal's heart more good than seeing the eager, bright smiles of children from his school ready to kick off a brand new school year.

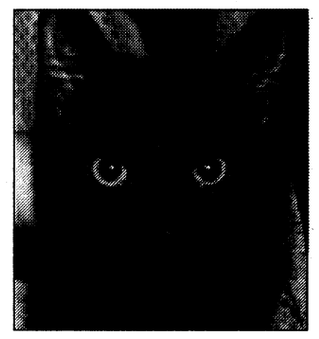
And I wonder why I can't sleep the night before school starts!

Pets of the week



Photos by Pfc. Mark Watson

A 10-month-old female husky and a 12-week-old female domestic shorthaired cat are available for adoption at the vet clinic.





Bammie Cofield

Vicki Rogers, principal, checks on the progress of the library with Roger Ingram, the media specialist.

Cafeteria ready for lunch bell

Construction continues into February

Dexter Elementary School

Students arrived at Dexter on the first day of school to discover a new multipurpose room, frequently referred to as the cafetorium.

"The contractor worked fast and furiously to complete the renovation of the multipurpose room, the Library Media Center, and the computer and discourse labs after the students left for the summer break," said Vicki Rogers, Dexter principal.

"This task involved quite a few structural changes such as the addition of walls, cutting new door openings, and creating an additional classroom by the start of school."

A black tile stage for musicals and other performances and a uniquely designed tile floor with red and blue accents, were among the many surprises.

Other additions include a PE office and equipment room for the school's PE teacher Pam Koon, and the relocation of the cafeteria serving line in the kitchen.

"I love the new floor!" said Verdell Prather who works in the cafeteria. "The new light fixtures make the cafeteria seem much lighter and brighter."

"And I have a real office and equipment room," Koon said with a smile, as she and some of her students passed by laden with hula hoops, jump ropes, aerobic steps.

"It's the day before school starts, but these students are anxious to help me get set up for tomorrow," Koon said, as she directed another group of students into the equipment room.

The new library media center opens this week, along with the computer lab and discourse lab.

Roger Ingram, the media specialist, has been working diligently to have the library ready to open this week.

"We've made a lot of progress unpacking," Ingram said. "It's a really neat environment. I think the teachers, students, and parents are going to like it.

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Leader follows Jesus' example, shows the way

Chaplain (Capt.) Dave Baum
Ranger Training Brigade

reflections

Recently I attended a change of command ceremony for a company in the 4th Ranger Training Battalion. The event included the passing of the guidon, flowers for the loved ones and a finger-food reception.

The high-ranking officers had seats reserved, the civilians sat in the shade under a tent, and the dirty uniformed Ranger students were kept away from the starched staff officers. Everything was done exactly like predicted, to standard, and in accordance with the traditions of the Army.

After the ceremony and away from the glitz and glamour that follow the senior officers like bad smells clinging to Ranger students, the NCOs of the company with great sincerity gave a couple of gifts to their commander.

Since I was only there because they needed someone to take a group picture I felt like I was an uninvited stranger at an important family gathering.

It has been a while since I witnessed the level of respect they showed their former commander. Their words made it clear they were glad they had served with him.

Those men believed their former leader was competent. He knew the art of war and was skilled at leading men.

Those men also respected his mental and physical toughness. He had endured long days with them and shouldered more than his fair share of the demanding physical tasks.

He was an example for others to follow by living in a way that encouraged men to follow a creed that acknowledges that character and integrity are won by courage and commitment.

Their leader led the way in emphasizing that a failure to live the Ranger creed might cost lives someday.

That commander reminded me of Jesus.

Jesus is a powerful leader worthy of our respect. At times thousands of people followed him in hope that he would meet their need to know God and find peace in this broken world.

When he was intensely angry over the misuse of religion in his day whole crowds were completely intimated by his command presence.

The Bible says that the next time we see him he will lead a great army to a victory over evil here on this earth.

The creed Jesus offers is a simple one and can be summarized as follows,

"We love because he first loved us." Jesus shed blood on the cross to free us from enslavement to sin and we can now love as he loved us.

Instead of a framed guidon like we give at ceremonies we honor our greatest leader, Jesus, by treating others as he has treated us.

Many suffer with depression

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Chaplain Family Life Training Program

Emotional depression is probably the most common symptom in our country today. It has been called the social disease of our times.

One out of eight Americans can be expected to require treatment for depression in his or her lifetime.

At some time in our lives depression affects each of us.

No one is immune, not even the religious or godly. Jewish and Greek writers easily described the symptoms of depression and referred to it as melancholia.

Depression affects everyone — both sexes, people of all ages, the rich and the poor. People who are successful, people who are promoted and people who are in the spotlight are not protected from the possibility of depression.

In fact when depression hits, the whole world seems to know about it.

People who are most successful may be hardest hit by the effects of depression when it does come.



When a person is depressed he feels hopelessness, despair, sadness, gloom and apathy.

He loses perspective on life and work. There is a loss of self-esteem and a withdrawal from friendships.

People with depression seek to escape from problems and they have difficulty in handling their feelings.

In some cases depression is the healthiest response to what a person is experiencing in his life. Depression is a form of coping with difficult situations. Successful treatment is available for depression if people are willing to receive it.

If you are experiencing depression, free counseling is available to help improve your outlook on life.

For more information on depression, call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or email me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

chapel notes

Sunday School meets at White Elementary — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on 1st Division Road.

Everyone is invited. There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adult. Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at the Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet Thursdays — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The program includes prayer, praise, Bible study and fellowship.

All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel. Sign up for fall Bible studies will be Sept. 7. The theme is "Proclaim the Blessed Hope."

For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The Junior High and Middle School Youth of the Chapel are having small group meetings during the summer.

For more information regarding when and where, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359. The Senior High group meets Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

CCD registration — Registration for Confraternity of Christian Doctrine continues Saturday and Sunday after each Mass. People registering at Fort Benning for the first time need to bring a copy of the child's baptismal certificate. If you do not have one, assistance is available for obtaining one. For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Don Blickhan at 545-1452 or e-mail him at BlickhanD@benning.army.mil or call Tina Bal at 682-8104 or e-mail at TBalski@aol.com.

Military Council of Catholic Women — The Military Council of Catholic Women will resume meetings Aug. 25 at 10 a.m. at the Main Post Catholic Chapel. The program will begin with the rosary, and Chaplain (Maj.) Don Blickhan will speak on how to study the Bible. Child care will be provided. Refreshments will be served after the program. For more information, call Marty Terhune at 682-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Catholic Inquiry Class — An inquiry class for people interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church will be held for six weeks beginning Sunday, Sept. 10, at 10:10 a.m. at Wilson School. After attending these classes, those interested in joining the Catholic Church may attend a weekly program called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

For more information, call 663-95380.

How lovely is your tabernacle, O Lord of hosts — **Psalm 84**

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

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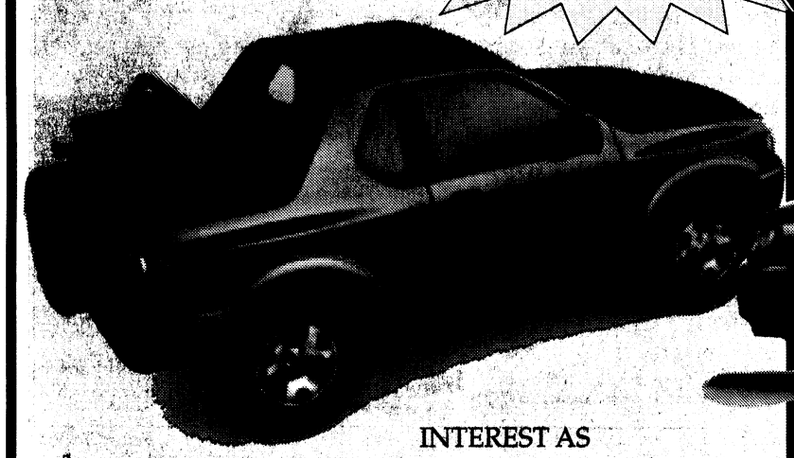

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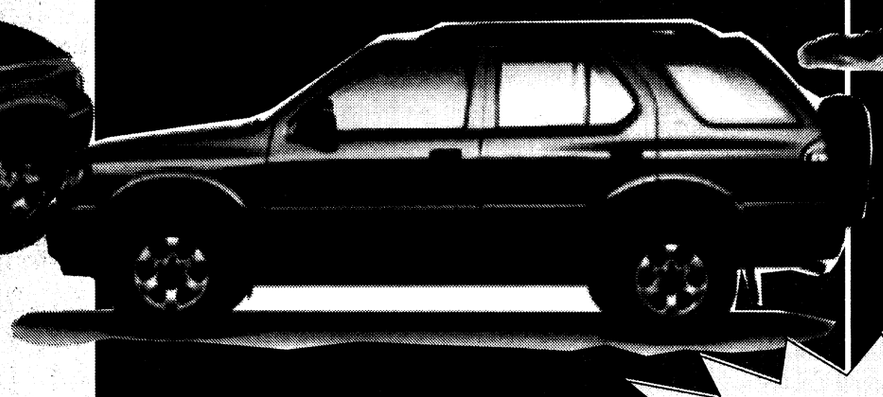

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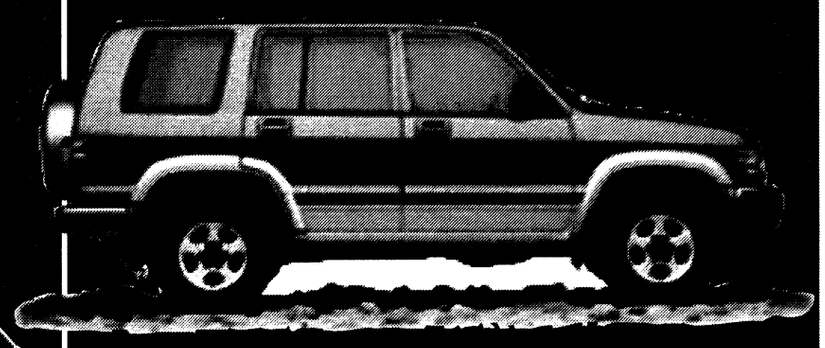

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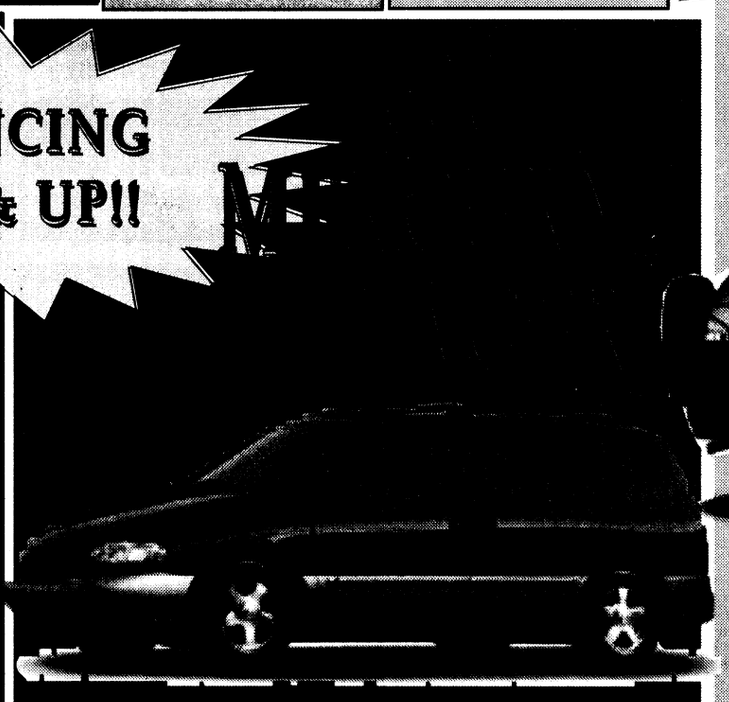

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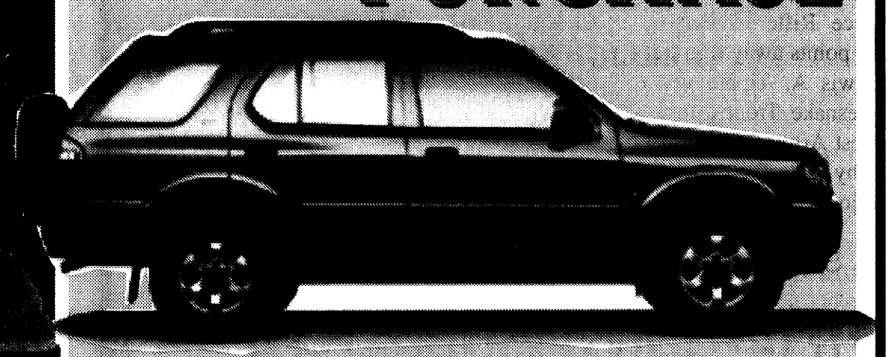

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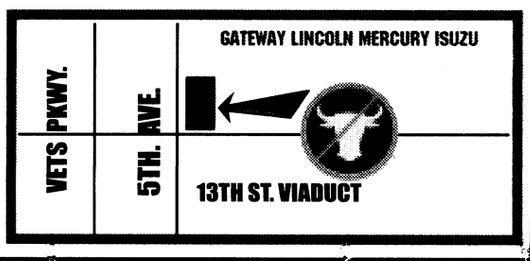

THE BAYONET
Friday, Aug. 25, 2000

SPORTS

Local baseball clubs face each other

Bombers, Cannons play final game of summer season

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

In the immortal words of Yogi Berra, "It ain't over, 'til it's over."

It was over for the Bombers, however, after they let the lead slip away in the last innings of Saturday's game at Spencer High School, which gave the Cannons a 7-4 victory.

"We had good defense until the last inning," said Eric Hare, student detachment, who was the acting Bombers' coach.

The score see-sawed throughout the game — until the sixth inning.

The Cannons took an early 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first when Chris Folk, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, singled followed by Chris Allen, B Co., 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., who hit a high line drive over the second baseman's head to drive Folk home.

The Bombers countered at the top of the second. Chuck McGarry, A Co., 3rd Bn. (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt., hit a sharp grounder that slipped by the third baseman and landed McGarry on second. Two walks later, the bases were loaded and Jose Manzano, Headquarters and Headquarters Co., 3rd Bde., 3rd Inf. Div., smashed a single to score two and put the Bombers ahead 2-1.

Bombers' pitcher James Stephenson, a 15-year-old family member playing with his father's permission, kept the Cannons at bay striking out two in the bottom of the second.

At the top of the third, it looked as if the Bombers were going to run away with the win, scoring two more on Cannon errors. With two outs and men on second and third, a grounder to the pitcher should have ended the inning, but the first baseman dropped the ball on the play, which gave the Bombers another run and men were on first and third. Derrick Denny, student detachment, followed up with a single to score one more and gave the Bombers a 4-1 lead.

As the Bombers' offense gained momentum, its defense bobbled a bit at the bottom of the third. Walter Edwards, C Co., 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., replaced Stephenson, pitched to three batters — one for a ground out and then two walks — and gave up the ball to McGarry who closed the game.

McGarry walked the next batter, which put the Bombers in dangerous territory — bases loaded and one out.

But the Cannons choked as Allen lined out to the first baseman, who then stepped on the bag for a double play and the Bombers were out of the inning.

"Mental errors are killing us right now," said Cannons' coach Ed Gawlik, 3rd Bn. (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt.

Not for long.

Cannons' pitcher Steve Bielak, a family member, took control from the mound. Bielak, who was playing catch-up with the count in the early innings, was now putting the batters on the defensive. He retired the Bombers 1-2-3.

"It's important for me to have a nice rhythm. I am very much a rhythm pitcher," Bielak said.

He said in the early innings, before he was able to settle, his pitches were high, especially the curveball, which resulted in many of the Bombers' back-to-back hits.

"After finding my rhythm a little bit I felt like I controlled my curveball," he said.

Cannons' catcher Allan Preizer, 3rd Bn. (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt., agreed Beilak's fastball was lower and his curveball more controlled for the last half of the game.

Bielak's new-found groove on the mound determined how the last half of the game played for both teams.

The Cannons closed in on the Bombers' lead at the bottom of the fourth. With two men on, a hit by family member Mike Young, dropped in shallow left-center field

See **GAME**, C-2



Karen Taylor
Billy DeLong, who was traded to the Bombers, prepares to plow into Cannons' catcher Allan Preizer in Saturday's game.

Shooters score big wins

Paula Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Service Rifle Team brought home numerous trophies from the National Rifle Matches conducted at Camp Perry, Ohio, Aug. 1-13.

USAMU service rifle shooter Grant L. Singley won the National Trophy Individual Match, set a new national record and brought home the Daniel Boone Trophy; Singley also won the Association of the United States Army Trophy for being the highest scoring Army competitor and the 25th Infantry Division Trophy for being the highest scoring infantryman. A two-time national champion, Singley finished second in the National Service Rifle Championship, just three points away from the winner.

Lewis A. Tippie won both the Rattlesnake Trophy for having the highest Army score in the National Trophy Rifle Team Competition and the Forces Command Trophy for

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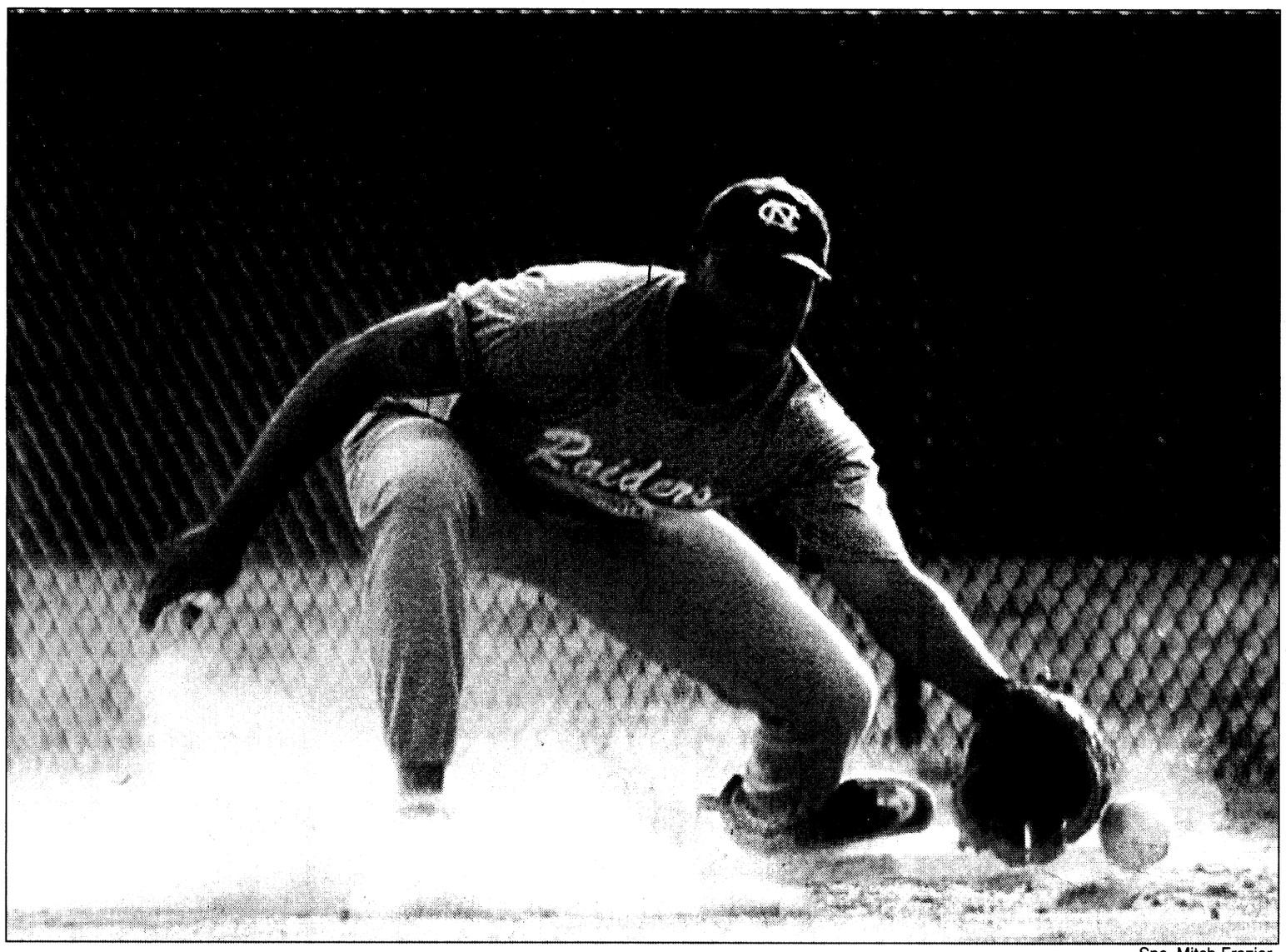

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Avengers' first baseman Durvin Smith reaches for the ball during the Aug. 17 game against the Rangers. Smith missed the ball and a run scored on the play leading to the 13-5 Ranger victory.

Rangers beat Avengers

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

An exceptionally tight defense and superb hitting led the Rangers to victory over the Avengers in the post softball tournament, 13-5.

Although the Avengers, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, put up a good fight, it was the teamwork which won the game for B Co., 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

The game started off with the Avengers' third baseman Andy Easton hitting a hard line drive along the third base line only for the Ranger's third baseman, Tony Ferrioli, to make a diving catch.

Avengers' short stop Brian Smith reached second and first baseman, Durvin Smith followed with a single.

Smith was driven home by Guadalupe Gonzales when he hit a sacrifice fly to deep right-center field.

The inning ended when right fielder Michael Fisher hit the ball to

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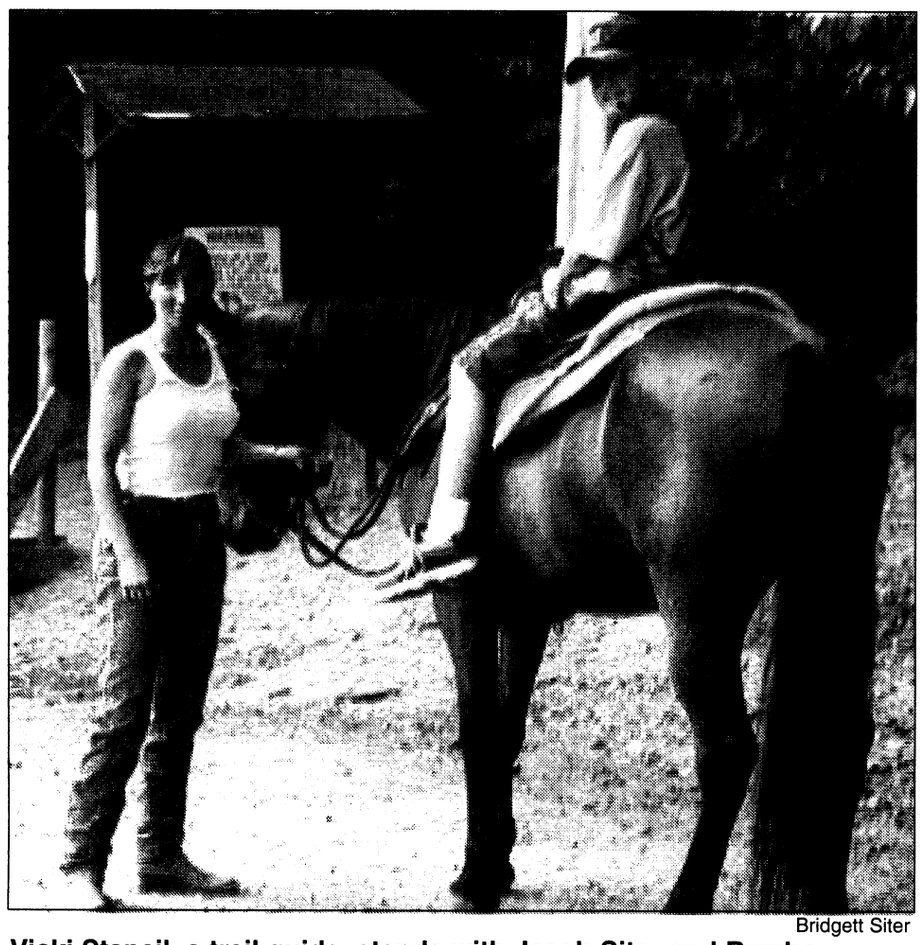
Pine Mountain horse trails lead family on scenic adventure



Bridgett Siter
Vicki Stancil, a trail guide, stands with Jacob Siter and Rambo.

Horse rides can be educational fun for kids of all ages

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

Before Saturday, the sum total of all my equestrian knowledge could be scribbled on a matchbook cover — with plenty of space left over. Everything I knew I learned watching *Mr. Ed* reruns.

Of course I knew the correct way to mount — hold on to the helm and swing your right leg over the starboard side. Wait, maybe that's boating terminology. I used to watch *Gilligan's Island* too.

Anyway, it had been five years since I last set foot — er, tail — on a horse. And after one too many *Survivor* episodes I was ready for a real challenge, something outdoorsy and physical — but not involving alfresco dining and rats on skewers. That's just not my taste, if you'll pardon the pun.

When my sons were younger, and we were on a very limited budget, we often enjoyed half-hour trail rides, for lack of a better term, around sandy, sun-scorched horse farms in Florida.

Still on a limited budget, but willing to sacrifice for the occasion, we treated ourselves to a two-hour trail ride at Roosevelt State Park in Pine Mountain, Ga. We opted for the Mountain Lake Trail Ride, one of 20 trails to choose from, and for $50 each, it was the best riding experience I have ever had — limited though that may be.

At 13, Thomas has more cowboy experience than I. Jacob has less. Maybe that's why our trail guide, Nelda Parkel, a real life rodeo-er and horse racer — and the Roosevelt Stables manager, put Jacob on the first horse, a 7-year-old gelding named Rambo, who never quite lived up to his name.

Rambo plodded along like an old work mule, which was exactly what I wanted to see my 11-year-old riding. But what he lacked in aggressiveness, he made up for in personality. Every time Jacob tugged on his rein, Rambo dropped a little smelly present on the trail. Pretty funny horse, unless you happened to be riding directly behind him, which I was. I thought Rambo might have been more aptly named Nugget, which was incidentally, my horse's name.

Nugget was a beautiful Tennessee Walker like the others. He was perfect. It didn't take me long to get the hang of riding again. It's a lot like riding a bike, literally. Lean forward up hill, and lean back with your feet out going down hill — just like coasting on a bike. Gently pull the reins to the right or left to turn. Too easy.

Thomas brought up the rear on Chief, a gorgeous sable gelding with a white stripe running down the length of his face. When we weren't paying attention, Thomas would hang back long enough to put some distance between us. Then he'd break into a trot till he caught up with the rest of us. I guess he was looking for a bit more excitement.

As for me, I found the trail quite exciting enough, thank you very much. We went up steep hills and down steep hills, through pine forest and around beautiful Lake Franklin and a huge ravine, constantly changing scenery. It was a veritable horse-lovers heaven and the perfect place for a novice cowgirl like me.

The brochure called it "scenic." I found it incredibly beautiful, and surprisingly comfortable. Though the temperature edged toward 100, there was a constant cool breeze.

We got an extra bang for our buck — a painless lesson in ecology and earth science as Nelda offered informative tidbits about

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Hunters bring home bacon

Staff Sgt. Carlie Bridgers
Ranger Training Brigade

"Long, long ago, a big ol' truck carrying wild Russian boar turned over close to Fort Benning."

I hear this from old timers when I ask how Russian boar got to the Fort Benning area.

Whatever the story, they're here ravaging the river and swamp bottoms. I consider the pigs a threat to the ecological balance of this area. They root through the ground like a garden tiller, eating everything in their path. They need to be hunted to control the population.

The wild boars are nomadic animals that don't really have a set pattern. They can be found in any swampy area, and there are thousands around the Chattahoochee River.

Boars have a year-round breeding cycle, and multiply quickly. I feel if they are not controlled, they will eat the resources needed by deer and other animals indigenous to this area.

I hunt wild boar with a buddy of mine, Bill Yates. He and I have a pretty good "honey hole," which we hunt regularly outside of deer season.

Pigs can be hunted by tree stand or by ground. They have a super sense of smell, but you can also usually smell them coming a mile away.

But covering the human scent is key when hunting them. Pig hunting is fun, and it is good practice for deer season.

When you hunt pig, you really don't have to concentrate a lot on your camouflage pattern. Pigs can't see well enough to tell whether you are wearing a regular woodland, or Realtree camouflage.

My buddy and I usually hunt boar with our bow and arrow. We usually hunt together so that one of us can film the other with the old home video camera.

I really only go with him for back-up when he misses the shot!

We went hunting the other day, got into the woods just before dawn, and parked about 1,000 meters away. As we walked down our normal ridgeline to the "Bottom of the Boar" we heard pig close to our stand.

Stalking slowly, we figured that we could get close enough to take a shot. As we got closer, you could smell the stench from the herd. Normally, if you were deer hunting, you wouldn't want to spook the animal, because it would not return. That's not the case with the boar! They have a very short memory. We knew that if we spooked them that they would come back to their favorite mudhole sooner or later. Well anyway, you guessed it. We weren't quiet enough to sneak up on them, and they scurried away into the thick swampy vegetation. That wasn't going to ruin the hunt — they'd be back later.

We climbed up into our stands, which were on adjacent trees about three meters away from each other. Trees are hard to come by in the swampy areas of Fort Benning, so we had to find a tree big enough to support our body weight and equipment. If you could imagine a black mudhole the size of a small pond with two trees at the edge of it, you're following the story.

We sat right on the rim of their wallowing hole, which is nothing more than a hole they use to cool off and to keep insects off of them. Sitting quietly for about an hour, we heard boar grunting in front of us. There was only one place on their mind, and I was sitting right in it! I had the video camera that morning, so I turned it on and got it ready for action.

The herd gathered at the edge of the hole and started rooting.

There were two black and one almost reddish brown. The red one was the biggest of the herd, about 150 pounds. He was standing closest to us.

I didn't see Bill shoot, but the sound of a bow in the quiet woods is almost as loud as a gun. He hit the red pig between the shoulder blades. The arrow went to the other side. The boar ran back the same way he came into the mudhole. Running out of sight, we heard a cough, then nothing.

Bill and I got down out of the stand and started tracking the animal. At first, I thought it would be pretty easy to find him considering the good shot Bill took.

His trail led us through grass about four feet tall. The pigs have trail networks under the surface of this tall grass. So, you can imagine two grown men crawling around on our hands and knees, through grass tunnels looking for a 150 pound hog.

I wasn't too fond of the idea, being that I didn't shoot the thing. We looked for about four hours for the pig but couldn't find blood to track. (Bill and I always carry a bottle of peroxide in a spray bottle for tracking blood, but couldn't get the faint trail to bubble up.)

An old timer once told me hogs can seal their own wounds with the mud.

I don't know if that's true, but we never found this one.

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Rangers: Win second game in tourney

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the fence only to have it caught.

The Rangers got off to a sizzling start when second baseman Corey Boukowsky drove the ball past Gonzales for an easy single.

Fisher hustled around the diamond and tied the score when left-center fielder Robert Gabel put the ball along the third baseline into the outfield for an easy double.

Three batters later, right-center fielder Terry Gates smacked a single, scoring Gabel and Jacob Stimson, who hit a double.

First baseman Billy Delong drove in Stimson for the last run of the inning when he drove a shot over left fielder Brown Burns.

In the top of the second, the Avengers began to chip away at the Rangers when both Angel Miranda and Burns hit singles right off the bat.

Miranda was driven home by designated hitter Tod Bair who hit a double right-center fielder Terry Gates hit a sacrifice fly to drive in Burns.

As Burns rounded third and headed for home, Bair tried for third, but was caught in the middle and tagged out to end the Avengers at bat that was nearly unstopable.

The Avengers snuffed any scoring chance for the Rangers in the bottom of the second with defense.

The Rangers kept the Avengers scoreless in the top of the third.

Taking the plate again, the Rangers began to force errors.

Gabel was walked, and left fielder, Jacob Stimson reached first on a throwing error from Miranda. Right fielder Jimmy Pera drove in Boukowsky, who singled earlier.

Gabel scored from third base when right-center fielder John Buckley hit a sacrifice fly.

Delong tapped the ball out of the infield to score Stimson. Ferrioli drove in Delong, and catcher James Gibson rounded the bases off of an error from Easton. The inning ended with the Rangers pulling away 9-3.

The Avengers began to get frustrated, and it showed in their playing and the bats they threw in the dugouts.

Back-to-back batters popped out, and Burns drove the ball to the fence for a stand up triple.

He scored when Bair drove the ball past Ferrioli for an easy single.

The Rangers had the opportunity to earn the run back with their at bat.

Boukowsky drove the ball into deep center field, and the ball rolled under the fence causing a ground-rule double. He scored when Gabel hit another single.

The Avengers ended the inning with a double play before more damage could be inflicted.

The Rangers continued to work over the Avengers in the bottom of the fifth starting with Pera, who hit the ball into deep left field. Pera scored and Delong reached second when Easton made a bad throw.

Easton then scored when Gray grounded out and then first baseman Durvin Smith made a bad throw trying to keep Easton on third bringing the score to 12-4.

Gonzalez made the first hit of the sixth inning for the Avengers. he rounded the horn when Miranda hit a sacrifice fly bringing in the final run of the game for the Avengers.

Boukowsky added one more for the Rangers when he hit a drive to the fence and rounded the bases for an infield homerun giving the Rangers a 13-5 win.

After the game Miranda said the Avengers played the worst they have ever played since March.

"We made a lot of mental mistakes," Miranda said. "We didn't hit the ball well and just made some mistakes.

"They made some outstanding plays in the outfield and had good hitting and defense," he said.

The Avengers now have a 1-1 record in the tournament, but already have several championship titles under their belt. They won the spring tournament as well as the Military Appreciation Week tournament.

Now with a 2-0 record, Ferrusi said his team played a great game.

"We made plays when they were crucial to make and played good defense," Ferrusi said. "I think our whole team played real well. There aren't any superstars out here we just work well as a team."

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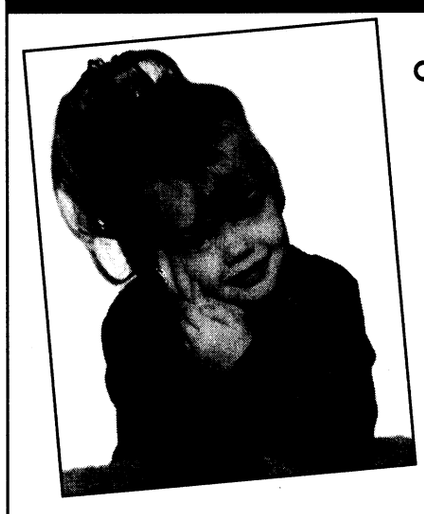
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Game: Ends season with Cannon win

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to drive both home. It was now a one-run game, 4-3.

Bielak, whose new-found rhythm proved to be a three-count, again retired the Bombers 1-2-3.

McGarry followed suit and retired the Cannons 1-2-3.

The remaining two innings would have gone down the same way but the Bombers' defense began to crumble and the Cannons took advantage.

At the bottom of the sixth, Edwin Perez, 29th Inf. Regt., lead off with a high fly to center that was dropped, which landed him on second. Jason Holmes, C Co., 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., hit a double to score Perez and tie the game 4-4. Two more proceeded to get on base — one hit with a pitch, the other singled — thus loading the bases.

A wild pitch enabled Holmes to steal home for the go-ahead run. Like a broken record on the turntable, this play kept repeating and the Cannons were now ahead, 7-4. This maniacal twist of fate also managed to clear the bases.

The Bombers were unable to turn the game around and came up empty at their last at-bat for a 7-4 final.

"It was a good game on both sides," Hare said.

As the final game of the season, it had all the ingredients to make it a dramatic one and there wasn't much room for error on either side.

"Even the smallest mistake can prove to be a decisive one," McGarry said.

Although this was the final game for the season, there will be more baseball to come during the fall. Gawlik plans to have a team ready for the fall league games that start after Labor Day.

"We've built a very strong base of competitive players. We've built a good foundation for a strong team," Gawlik said.

Pine Mountain: Hosts a variety of fun

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the Pine Mountain flora and wildlife in Mother Nature's classroom.

We learned a little about history and conservation as we passed what remains of a water conduit system constructed under the direction of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, for whom the lake and park are named.

We learned a lot about horses and a bit about beavers, turtles and snakes — though we didn't see one I'm glad to say. We met Petunia, a huge pig who makes her home in the muddy banks of a trickling creek that runs through Roosevelt Stables, and Peanut, a 3-month-old fawn, who was found orphaned and bloodied several weeks ago. The staff nursed her back to health and recently released her back into the wild, but Peanut still comes calling from time to time, and we had the pleasure of being present for one such visit. We even helped bottle-feed the little beauty. What a treat.

The folks at Roosevelt Stables seem to have a real love for animals of all kinds, and four-legged friends from the Pine Mountain Wild Animal Park often find temporary lodging at the stables. They even keep a slew of kittens on hand at all times, provided by the Morning Star Animal Shelter in Hamilton, Ga. These little darlings are always ready to adopt an owner, and they're free to good homes.

The staff of Roosevelt Stables is just as friendly and warm as they can be. They were all patient and willing to answer every question we threw their way. They offered lots of good advice too.

Though it's hard to imagine it could get any better, Nelda says spring and fall are the very best times to ride the park trails. That's when nature puts on the most colorful show and the wildlife ventures out to play.

She also recommended the two-hour moonlight ride around Lake Franklin. If you like, you can stop along the way for fresh apple pie, baked over a camp fire, and a cup of coffee or cider. I'm already making plans for that one, and I'll be sure to tell you all about it.

Or better yet, give Nelda and her staff a call at 628-7463 and make reservations for your own trail ride. Take some friends along. They'll accommodate groups of 12, and they have 25 gorgeous geldings to chose from. I guarantee they'll go out of their way to make this experience memorable, pleasant and easy. Easy as, say, falling off a... oh never mind. You had to see that one coming.

Shooters: Score wins at rifle nationals

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having the highest Army aggregate in both the National Trophy Individual and National Trophy Team matches.

Tippie also placed fourth in the President's Rifle Match and nine other USAMU service rifle shooters were awarded the President's Hundred Tab.

The USAMU Service Rifle Team Head Coach Richard M. Remily said, overall, the USAMU Service Rifle National Trophy Group placed in the top five slots in 38 of the 46 matches.

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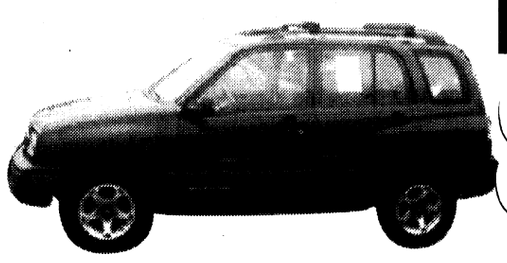

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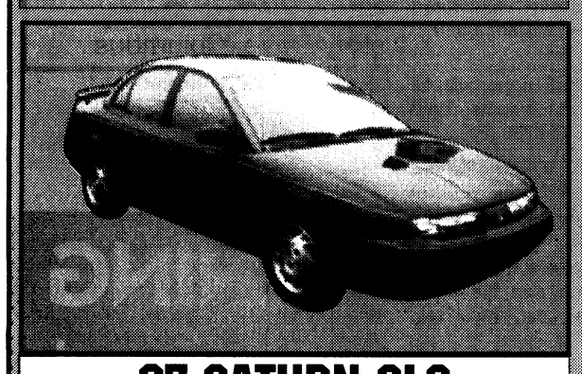

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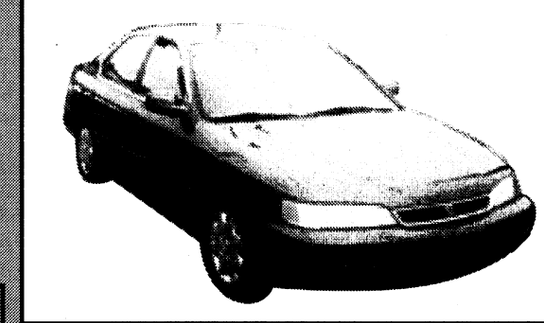

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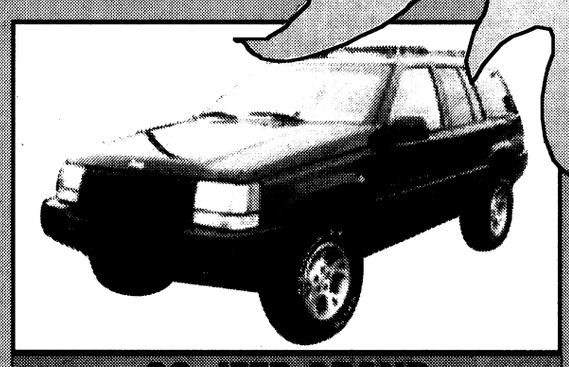

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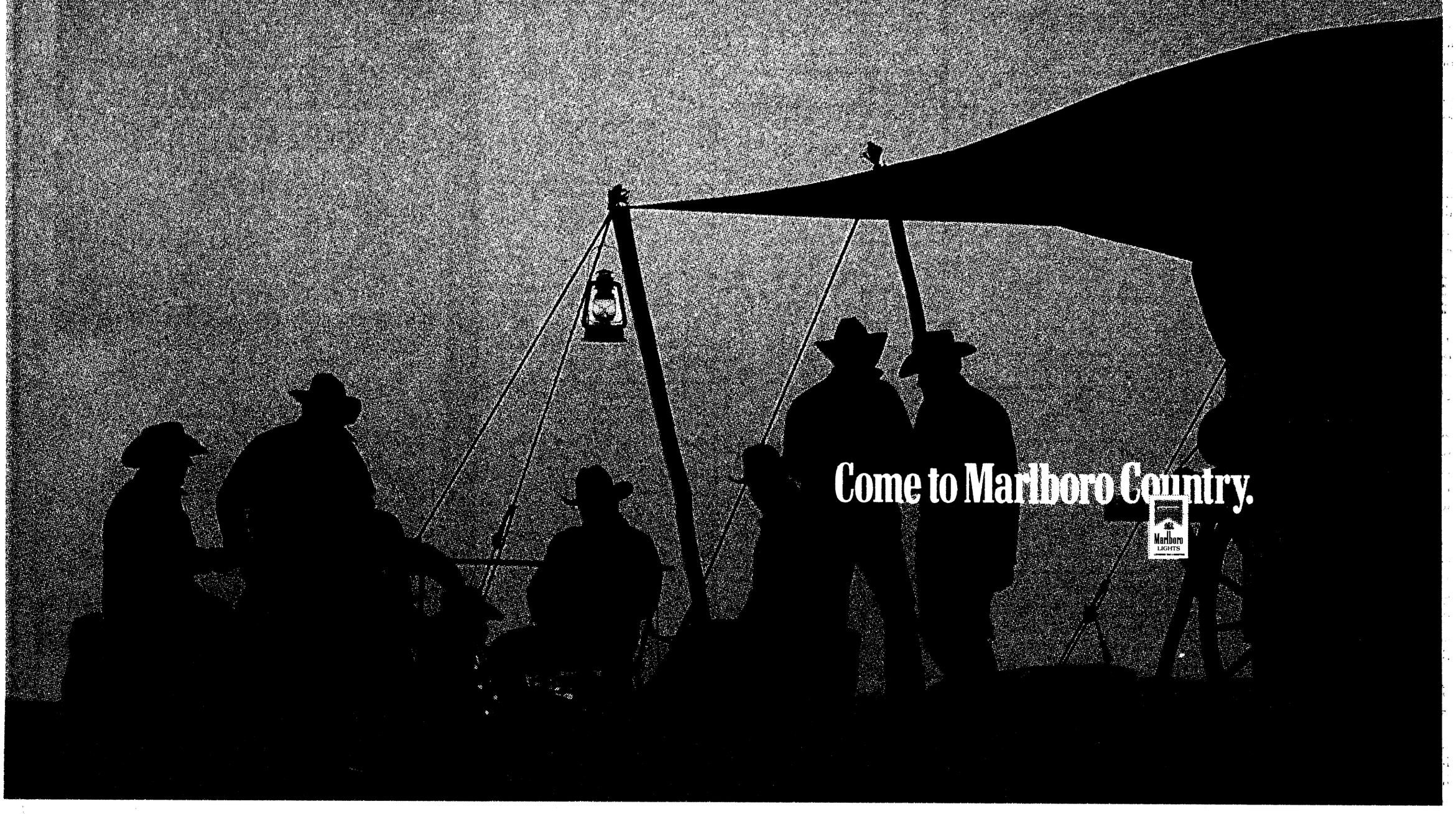

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Motor Vehicle Operator, WG-5703-07, salary $11.69 - $13.70 per hour, DOL, Fort Benning. Perm. PT: 8, 12, or 16 hrs, Sat. & Sun. only. 70+ passenger capacity. Perform driver's maintenance as required. CDL with P and X endorsement required. If interested, see entire vacancy announcement EG-00-075SB at www.usajobs.opm.gov.

Yard Sales

535-B N. Valdez Ct (Custer Terrace), multi family yard sale on Aug. 26, starting at 8:00 am. Clothes, Books, Baby Items and more. (F25)

101 Englander St. Indianhead Terrace. SAT 0800-1300. (F25)

118-E Brostrom Street (McGraw Manor) Sat. August 26th 8:00a.m.-noon. Our family has "2" of "too" much. Coffee table, ent. center, toaster, blender and more. (F25)

105-G Brostrom St. (McGraw Manor), 8/26-8/27, 8am-12pm, toys, baby items, clothes, everything must & will go! (F25)

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Phillips Mag. webtv plus, looks brand new, has remote, keyboard, instruction video, paid $230, will sell for $100. 687-1141 (F1)

Kenwood KRV 7040 receiver, 200 watts per channel, Dolby Prologic, Dolby surround sound, loudness setting with 2 Cerwin Vega VS120 speakers, 12" woofers, 6 " midrange, 3" Tweeter, solid wood. $350.00. 562-1239 after 5:00p.m. (F25)

Brand new Epson portable digital color camera for MAC/windows user $100, must sell. 687-5172 (F1)

Panasonic boom box with cassette deck, like new, $25; designer jeans and clothing, sizes 3,5, like new, call 561-5231. (F1)

Dual/Deck VCR wizard w/instruction manual. $200, cost $600; 2 boxes misc. MAC/Apple Cable, $50 each box. Fax phone w/box roll paper, $75. 569.0320. (F1)

Childcare

Quality child care in my home, 24 hours. 682-6526. (P1)

FCC Daycare Provider now has openings for children 18-mo-old to 12-years-old. Loving environment w/good meals, lots of fun activities. Bilingual (English, Spanish), 12 years. experience. 687-2346 (P15)

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Quality childcare. Steam Mill Rd. area, reasonable rates. Call Rita 687-7415. (P25)

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Children's Items

Graco Tandem (Double) Stroller, navy blue, great condition, $45. Century 3000 Car Seat, Gray and Blue, $35. Oak Arched Crib and Mattress, great condition, $165. White toddler bed and mattress, $40. Call 563-2160 and leave message. (F25)

Girls white whicker and wood bed- twin with three door space underneath with mattress $65.00 o.b.o. Little tykes girls playhouse bed with mattress $100.00. 682-6637. (F25)

Little Tykes castle $85.00, Seasame Street remote control railroad $15.00. 687-9678. (F1)

Century Smart Fit infant car seat with base, navy blue and white with bears $30.00 Fisher Price Rocking Horse $7.00 689-1491. (F1)

Graco pac-n-play hardly used $30.00 Graco stroller, blue and green plaid $20.00 Kolocraft traveler 700 car seat $10.00 all in great condition! 689-1491. (F25)

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2-in-1 Little Tykes Climber with 2 slides for ages 2 years-11 years, paid $499, asking $150; Double Jogging/Sports stroller with bike attachment, rain cover & mosquito net, paid $199, asking $75. 687-8786. (F1)

Child's Primary desk, $15; GDC book binder w/binders, $125. 569-0320 (F1)

Furniture

Carl's Bargains: 291-7600, Hwy 80, West, Phenix City, Alabama. Baby and household furniture. (P25)

2 ends tables and 1 coffee table, medium oak, glass top, contemporary style. CALL 569-1320 and leave message. (F25)

Bedroom set 5-piece, Queen bed. Must see $500.00. 448-3101. (F1)

Solid oak wood table. $100.00 deep green couch: $100.00, deep green loveseat and chair $150.00. For more information call Chad or Cassie at 682-3796. (F25)

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Very clean ivory and tan loveseat, two years old, $165.00 obo. Two black/brass lamps, $40.00 for the pair. Call 562-9803.(F25)

Table w/4 chairs: $50, Recliner: $75, 2 King Size waterbeds w/headboards: $100 each, everything included. Cal. King size (mattress only): $100; O.B.O. Call 596-0234. (F1)

Couch & Love Seat for sale. Great condition, dark blue & light blue w/real hardwood trim. $150. Must see. Will deliver for free. Call Mike at 689-9511 anytime. (F1)

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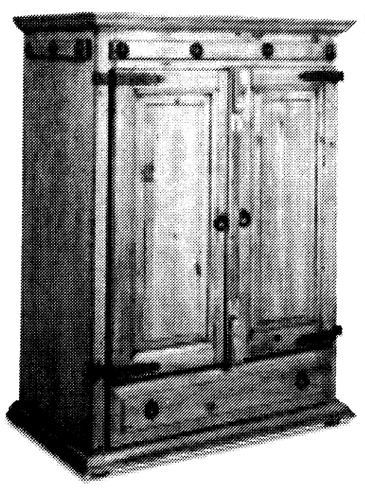

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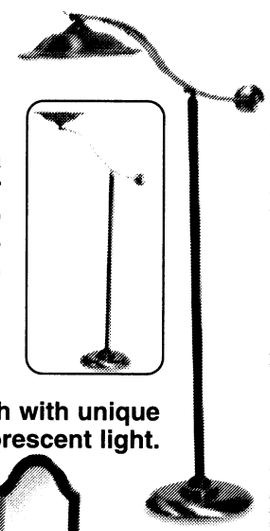

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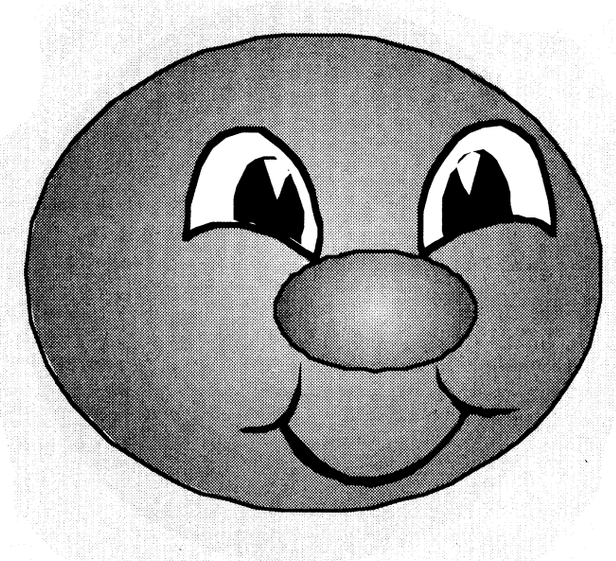



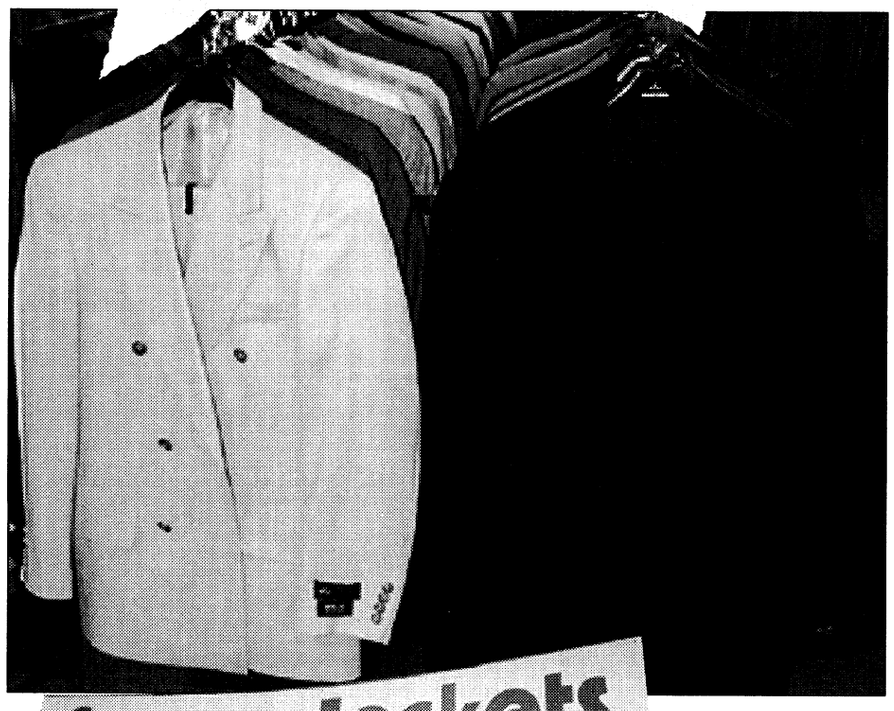

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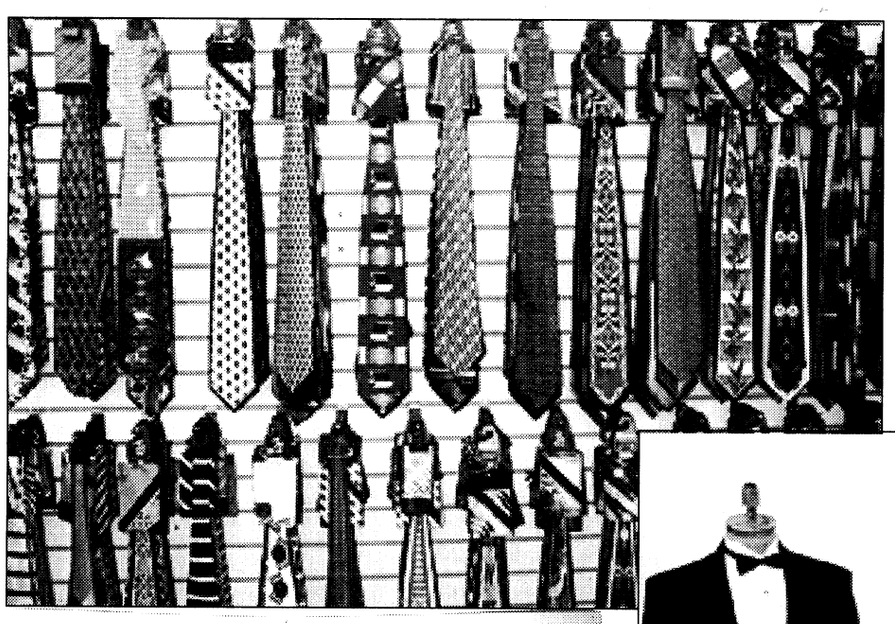

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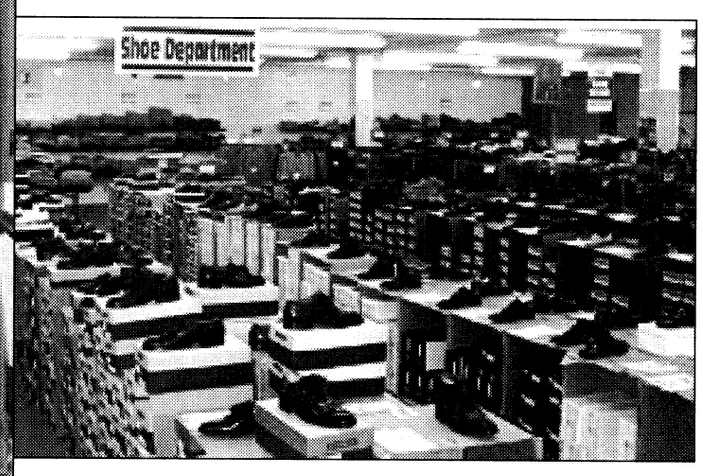

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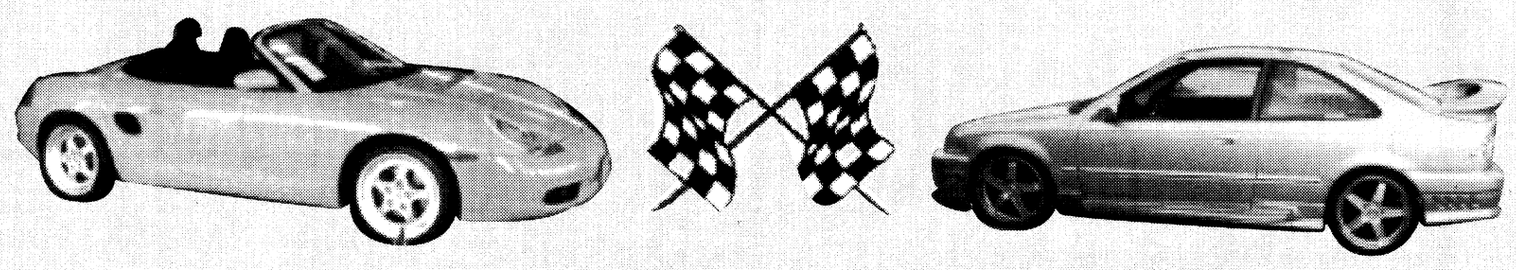

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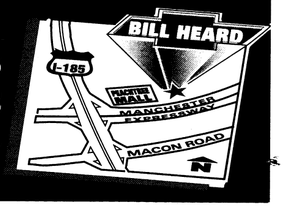

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Bill nets Soldiers pay raise for '01

3.7 percent boost on way for troops

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WASHINGTON — The 2001 Defense Appropriations Act, signed by President Clinton last month includes funding to equip two Interim Brigade Combat Teams and a 3.7-percent military pay raise.

Army leaders had requested $537 million to stand up a single IBCT in 2001. Congress provided the requested amount and an additional $100 million for that first interim brigade.

It also funded $500 million to equip a second in the coming year.

"In this bill, funding is provided to procure the first two brigade sets of equipment for the new transformation force," said Alaska Sen. Ted Stevens in moving the Defense appropriations bill through committee in July. "We are determined that this new force be equipped as rapidly as possible, and intend to maintain this pace of funding in fiscal years 2002 and 2003."

Last October, Army leadership established a new vision for the Army — a more mobile, lethal and flexible force for the 21st century. The process to get there is called the Army transformation.

Department of Defense leaders requested $118 million in next year's Army budget for research and development for testing, integration and development of an Interim Armored Vehicle. The new Defense Act supports a more aggressive timeline with $268 million for that effort.

The current Army transformation plan eventually calls for six IBCTs: four in the active force, one in the Army Reserve and one in the National Guard.

"This is the strongest plus-up budget the Army has received from Congress in years," said Gen. John M. Keane, Army vice chief of staff. "Both the proposed Department of Defense and President budgets supported the buildup of a single Interim Brigade Combat Team over the next year. The congressional appropriations budget adds another brigade which demonstrates Congress' solid support to move the Army Transformation quickly along."

The 2001 budget also supports quality of life programs with more funding. In addition to the 3.7-percent pay raise, Congress added $159 million more than the Army asked for to its real property maintenance account, which pays bills for family housing and barracks maintenance and renovations.

The Army's reserve component also benefits with the approved Department of Defense budget.

Congress shifted monies for two of the new Black Hawk helicopters the Army had requested for the active component and gave them to the

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Not forgotten



Spc. Mitch Frazier

A monument, on Honor Field near the U.S. Army School of the Americas, serves as a reminder for those servicemen and women who were prisoners of war and missing in action during past wars. The country will rally to remember those POWs and MIAs during the National POW-MIA Day Sept. 15.

DUI blitz takes 13 off roads

Police keep post fatality free during holiday

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

It was shortly after 2 a.m. Sunday when Staff Sgt. Kyle Jenkins activated the blue lights of his patrol car and stopped a driver who showed all the signs of driving while under the influence of alcohol.

The driver was speeding — 70 mph in 45 mph — and was having trouble keeping his car in one of the three lanes of the roadway.

As Jenkins began to talk to the man, the driver insisted he was not intoxicated.

"I'm not drunk," the man said as Jenkins tested the driver's statement with a field sobriety test. "I just had one beer."

Jenkins knew he was being lied to, and he knew the Intoxilizer 5000 at the Provost Marshal Office would prove the driver really was too intoxicated to drive.

The man's blood alcohol concentration was .084, a concentration .004 over the Georgia state limit.

He was driving under the influence of alcohol — legally the man was too drunk to drive.

"It's the same story we get every time," Jenkins said after processing the drunken driver for excessive speed and driving under the influence. "Everybody has only had one beer, and everybody is not too drunk to drive."

Jenkins comments may seem harsh, even jaded, but they are true.

Of the 250 traffic stops the post's DUI task force made during the 96-hour Labor Day holiday DUI blitz, that excuse came up 13 times.

All 13 were found to be legally intoxicated.

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Campaign aims to help those who help others

Federal fund-raiser will begin collecting money Sept. 22

Karen Taylor
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Even with the most devoted adherence to the Boy Scout motto "be prepared" there are some things that no one is prepared to handle — losing everything in a house fire, getting cancer or suffering a disabling injury in a car accident.

Luckily there are local, national and international organizations such as the Army Community Service, Columbus Hospice, American Cancer Society and the Red Cross to help in these unexpected situations.

The goal of the Combined Federal Campaign, starting Sept. 22, is to raise money to help these organizations become more prepared to handle the needs of Soldiers and the community alike. The Fort Benning effort will include working closely with the Columbus chapter of the United Way to achieve this year's fund-raising goal of $550,000 between Sept. 22 and Nov. 3.

"This money is used in good places," said Cindy Cain, CFC coordinator.

Cain should know. After her son's accident that left him paralyzed, she contacted Easter Seals of West Georgia to arrange day care twice a week. Easter Seals is a therapeutic center that provides more than conventional day care for disabled children and adults. Unfortunately she never got to use the Easter Seals' services because her son died a few months later; she then called upon the services of Columbus Hospice for support.

"Having touched our lives, it's made a mark," Cain said. "That has touched home."

Easter Seals is just one of the many local charities under the code 9000 designation in the CFC catalog, which lists more than 800 charities covering the gamut of organizations.

Easter Seals currently cares for 60 patients but has a waiting list of 130 people, who have been waiting four years, and counting, to receive care. But with a new facility soon to be built, the wait will hopefully be over.

"These children need special care, you can't take them to a regular day care," said Cain.

Easter Seals is the only place in the area that would be able to properly take care of a child with a disability.

The money given to CFC not only helps organizations that provide aid in grim situations, but also encourages people to experience the fun that life has to offer such as with the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and youth activities.

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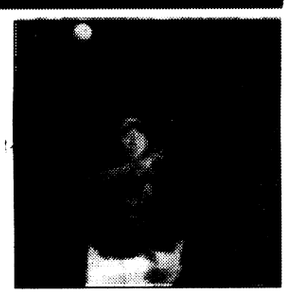

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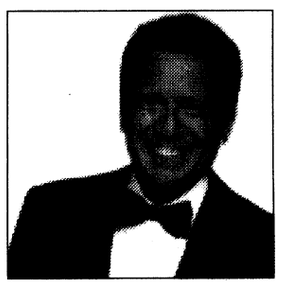

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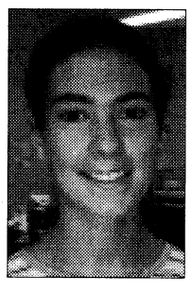

When I look in the mirror, I see my history.

I see the pallor of the snow-capped Alps in Germany and olive tinges of the sands in the Middle East.

But my history's more than skin deep.

It's in my genetic coding — elements buried deep within my roots that melded and morphed through generations to surface within me.

The most distant link who I've stood face-to-face with for a closer look was only two-generations away — my grandparents.

Most people don't live to see much farther back than their grandparents I know that was the case with me. My great-grandparents on my mother's side died before I could talk and my great-grandparents on my father's side were long gone before I got here.

Unfortunately, I only had 25 years to get to know my two sets of grandparents.

During those 25 years I heard and saw only pieces of the puzzle to create a disjointed memory of them and an even more haphazard history of myself.

It's not to say I don't savor the memories I do have, because I have a white-knuckled grip around them and it's enough to figure out where I fit.

Here's what I do know.

I know on my mother's and father's side I am the third generation born in the United States. My father's grandparents came from Germany and settled in Astoria, Long Island, N.Y., where his parents were born. His parents eventually moved to Williston Park, Long Island, N.Y., where he was raised.

It wasn't until my grandmother's death in 1998 (the last of the four grandparents) that my dad discovered that she had ancestors in Austria, but that's as far as we know.

On my mother's side, her grandparents came from Syria and Lebanon. A story circulated within the family tells how her dad's mom journeyed to the United States to meet her husband only to be denied at Ellis Island because of her bloodshot eyes, thought to be conjunctivitis. Eventually entering through Mexico, she met up with her husband and settled in Patterson, N.J.

I heard stories of how my great-grandfather (on my mother's father's side) owned a silk mill in Patterson. The Baskinger name became somewhat famous in the Clifton and Patterson areas because of my grandfather's TV and hardware business as well as a catering business by other relations, which is still in business today.

Unfortunately my mother's grandparents did not pass Arabic on to their children because the Americanization process had begun a long time ago and my grandmother was not as fluent as my grandfather in the language. By this time they were a generation in to their new name, Baskinger — which was changed from "Baskungee" thanks to a typo at Ellis Island (this commonly happened to many immigrants who could not read, write or speak, English).

I remember my mother telling me how her father wanted me and my brother to call him "giddu," which means grandfather in Arabic, but my mother wouldn't allow it because she didn't want us to be made fun of and draw attention to our heritage — even though my generation's Middle-Eastern blood already has thinned.

My dad's parents also encountered cultural obstacles, especially during World War II. I remember my grandmother still whispering to us even though it was in her own home years later that she wouldn't dare say she was German during that time for fear of persecution.

I know my mother's father was the New Jersey State four-wall handball champion in the late '30s. I know her mother loved to travel and had been to Spain, France and even traveled back to her homeland of Lebanon. I know my father's father ruled his household with an iron fist. I know my father's mother was an excellent baker and loved to watch *JAG* on television mainly because she loved a man in uniform.

Grandparents are more than the people who spoil you on holidays or those crazy people who insist on discussing dentures, varicose veins and funeral plots — they're your history, and hold keys to your heritage.

Although I wish I had a chance to find out more about my grandparents, I know my affinity for athletics, my fate in the Army and my stubborn personality are all a part of this genetic mish-mosh.

Saturday is Grandparents' Day and an ideal time to take a look inside your past and start to get to know your ancestors. If your grandparents are deceased like mine are, then ask your parents or a relative about them. You never know what you might find out but it's worth the second glance in the looking glass.

Training helps prevent suicide

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

Douglas and I grew up across the street from each other. He had sandy brown hair, blue eyes and a crooked grin.

Douglas loved to hunt and his stuffed trophies lined the walls of his family's home. If you talked with him for any length of time the subject always turned to deer, doves and other game animals.

I was three years older than Douglas, so he was usually my younger brother's playmate after school, until they were old enough to go fishing and hunting together. Then the two grew to be friends, the kind who talked about life and its mysteries.

Almost a decade after taking his own life, Douglas is one of those mysteries. He left behind grieving family and friends who, like my brother, wonder if they could have prevented the suicide — if the signs were there and no one noticed.

There were 65 confirmed suicides and 12 suspected ones in the Army in 1999 — one of the highest rates among the services and an increase for the second consecutive year. In the last decade, suicides have been the second leading cause of death, after accidents, in the military.

During the first five days of 2000, the Army had four suspected suicides.

These statistics were released earlier this spring when Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki announced a suicide prevention program.



"We have a serious problem with suicides in the Army," he said in a message to Army leaders.

"It is our responsibility to help our Soldiers and civilians understand how to identify at-risk individuals, recognize warning signs and know how to take direct action," Shinseki said.

Fort Benning will offer Gatekeeper Training on the signs of suicide Sept. 26 and again Oct. 24 from 1:15 to 4 p.m. at the Officers' Club. Iris Bolton, an author and grief counselor, is the scheduled speaker.

"Gatekeepers open the gate to help for Soldiers and civilians. The idea is to reduce the rate of suicide gestures and attempts, and we are hoping to do that through educating our leaders," said Yvonne Wilbanks, an alcohol and drug control officer and the post's suicide prevention manager.

First sergeants, company commanders, squad leaders, family support group representatives, chaplains and civilian supervisors are among those invited to attend the training.

"We want to reach people who play influential roles in the lives of Soldiers and civilians," Wilbanks said.

Depression, alcohol and drug use will be some of the risk factors discussed, and one of the goals of the program — sponsored by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program — is to reduce the stigma surrounding mental health counseling.

"We want to show that seeking help is a sign of effectively dealing with problems, not a sign of weakness," Wilbanks said.

The training will deal with the signs of suicide and the misconceptions surrounding it. For example, past suicide prevention programs targeted younger, junior enlisted Soldiers, but statistics show in 1999 the average age of Soldiers who committed suicide was 30 — four were field-grade officers. Senior NCOs, which make up 10 percent of the overall Army population, accounted for 23 percent of the total suicides last year.

Soldiers are at increased risk when they are suffering from depression or substance abuse, Wilbanks said. Other risks include previous suicide attempts and the recent breakup of a marriage or significant personal relationship.

These risk factors are all spelled out on suicide prevention cards available from ADAPCP for distribution to Soldiers. In addition to the danger signs, the cards list the emergency telephone numbers to call for help.

I encourage unit leaders to register for the Gatekeeper Training by calling 545-1138 or 545-4415. The general public is also invited to participate in the free training, if space is available, Wilbanks said.

It could prevent you and members of your unit from having to struggle with the questions left unanswered after a suicide.

No one needs to be haunted by a mystery like Douglas.

545-boss

Dial 545-BOSS is the commander's action line for soldiers, family members and civilians to call when they have problems or complaints that can't be resolved elsewhere.

While it is not a substitute for the chain of command or for agencies established to provide assistance, the line offers another means of communication between Fort Benning's community and commanders.

The Bayonet features some of the calls that may benefit other members of the Fort Benning community.

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Call: Caller said he was informed by the staff at Santiago Gym that the sauna would be operational by July, but it is still not back in operation.

Directorate of Community Activities response: The caller was told that when the sauna was delivered to Santiago Fitness Center some parts were damaged in the shipment and will have to be replaced. Replacement parts have been requested and upon delivery, installation of the sauna will begin.

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Call: Caller expressed concern about a pack of wild dogs in and around the housing area.

Directorate of Public Safety response: It was explained to the caller that Law Enforcement Operations has been coordinating with Vet Services and with Natural Resources about the capture and containment of this particular pack of domestic dogs abandoned by their owners. Caller was asked to notify DPS whenever he sees these dogs.

THE BAYONET wants your ideas, letters

The e-mail address is fbbayonet@mindspring.com or send them along with your name and daytime phone number to:

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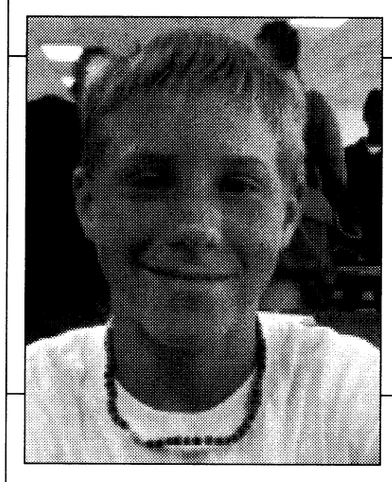
VARIOUS VOICES

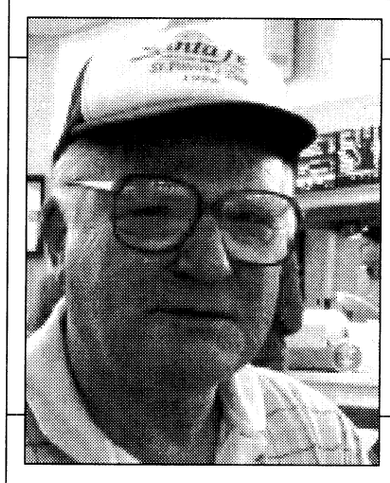
How do you maintain a relationship with your grandparents or grandchildren?



Richard Rowe, seventh-grader at Faith Middle School — "My grandparents live in Iowa and Florida, but we visit them as much as possible. We also use dialpad on the computer."



Pvt. Josephine Elder, 690th Medical Company, 36th Engineer Group — "We have a really close relationship. My grandma writes to me every week, and I call her at least once a week."



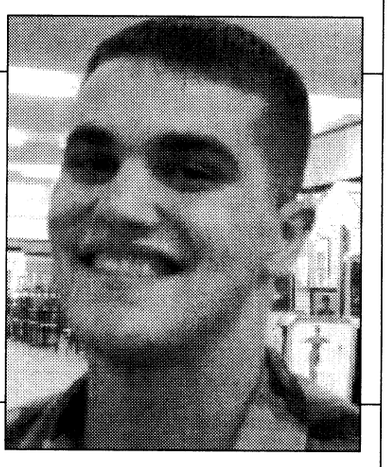
Otto Blankle, Pine Mountain, Ga. — "We have five grandsons in St. Petersburg, Fla. We've been there seven times this year, and we're trying to sell our house in Pine Mountain so we can move down there."



Jermany James, eighth-grader at Faith Middle School — "My grandparents are in South Carolina. I get to see them for the holidays, and they come here every Thanksgiving. I call there about three times a week and send pictures."



Jane Carter, family member — "My husband's parents live in Macon, Ga. It's very important that we stay in touch, so wherever we're stationed we make sure we get home once a year. We e-mail all the time."



Pvt. Matt Badour, C Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne) 507th Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment — "My great-grandma is 86. I've already sent her a card for Grandparents Day. I send postcards all the time."

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Former drill sergeant writes *Hooah* book

Local Soldier publishes book about schools

Sally Shutt
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During his three years as a drill sergeant, Staff Sgt. Robert S. Bertrand heard the same questions over and over again.

What do I have to do to get into Airborne School? What is Ranger School like?

After answering those questions repeatedly, Bertrand developed an "answer book" for his platoon at the Infantry Training Brigade. And what started out as a few pages turned into a 300-page reference book covering the prerequisites for the Army's Special Operations courses and units.

Bertrand and two partners published *The Hooah Schools* in August.

"Soldiers would come to me with questions about how to qualify for certain schools, and after a year of that I got the idea to put something together as a reference on the prerequisites," said Bertrand, a 33-year-old native of Louisiana.

"Everyone wants to tell stories about how hard it is, and I wanted to dispel the rumors out there so Soldiers can have the chance to make informed decisions and get what they want out of the military. Soldiers can look at this and see what options are within the Army and take advantage of those opportunities," he said.

"This is not for the guy with 15 years in, and it's not for a company commander. They know what direction their careers are going in. It's for initial and midterm Soldiers who are choosing what to do."

Bertrand was a drill sergeant at the 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment, ITB, and later at the 30th Adjutant General Battalion (Reception), 29th Infantry Regiment, where he now works in Headquarters and Headquarters Company.

Bertrand accepts credit only for the research and compilation of the information contained in the book.

He is the first to admit the information is available to anyone in the general public willing to spend time researching technical manuals, field manuals, pamphlets and other government publications — many available on the Internet — concerning Army schools and regulations.

"We consolidated information that was already out there, but that's hard to do when you are new to the Army," he said.

Most sections on the various schools and units include a history, overview, regulations, prerequisites and preparations. Some include training schedules and packing lists.

A chance meeting about two years ago with Timothy Dunnigan, a former Soldier and author of several books about the military, inspired Bertrand to see the project through.

Bertrand often scours the books at the Military Clothing Sales Store and noticed Dunnigan's name on several titles, including several on cadences and *How to Write NCOERs*. One day he was in a post bank and approached a lieutenant wearing a drill sergeant patch. He asked Dunnigan if he was the author.

"He invited me to his home. Tim really inspired me and told me it (the book) was a good idea. He had nothing to gain, but to help another Soldier," Bertrand said.

The two worked together on a book, *Running to Modern Military Cadences*, giving Bertrand the chance to see the ins and outs of computer publishing programs and putting his name on a book cover.

Bertrand's fiancee, Jacqueline Pearlman, and William Peterson, a friend and former Soldier, joined the project, and along with Bertrand they formed Pearlman Publishing Company earlier this year.

Peterson comes from a family in the newspaper business in North Carolina and never dreamed he would end up in the publishing field.

"I was so turned off by it and said I would never go into publishing," Peterson said.

During the last six months Peterson and Pearlman worked 14-hour days on the project while Bertrand was on duty at the reception battalion. The "subject matter expert" would return to his Fort Mitchell, Ala., home at the end of the day, edit their work and provide insight.

"We went through a lot of wastebaskets full of paper and Office Depot got rich off of us buying printing cartridges," Peterson said.

"I didn't want to put out a product that would be laughed out of town. The Army is a hard crowd, and your peers will let you know if you aren't meeting the standards," Bertrand said.

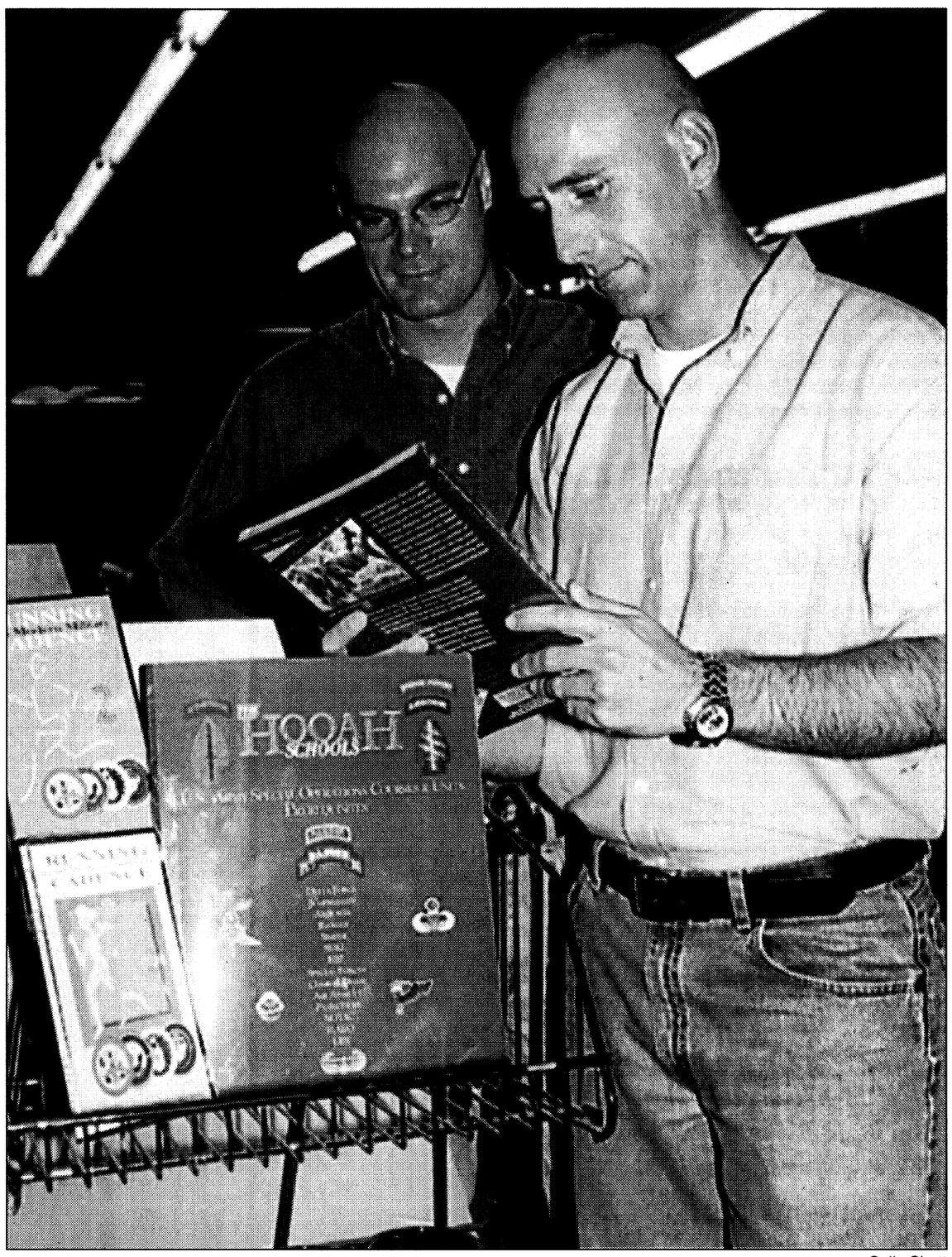
That's especially true on a post that houses several of the schools covered in the book, including Airborne, Ranger, Long Range Surveillance Leaders Course, Pathfinder and Sniper schools. Bertrand goes beyond Special Forces and includes information on Officer Candidate School and Warrant Officer Candidate School.

Recalling how some of his peers laughed at him for investing his own money in the publishing venture, Bertrand said, "After I showed them the finished book, they said, 'Wow.'"

The book retails for $24.95 and is available at Ranger Joe's, Thaddeus P. Toad Book Store downtown and Books-a-Million on Macon Road, where Bertrand will be conducting a book signing Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m.

Bertrand and Peterson are seeking a worldwide contract with the Army and Air Force Exchange Service.

"That's our goal, to get the information out to all the servicemen in the world," Peterson said.



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William Peterson, left, and Robert Bertrand published *The Hooah Schools,* designed to help Soldiers thinking about attending various Army schools, in August.

Other professional development projects are in the works for the publishers, and they plan to update *The Hooah Schools* each year so the information will be as accurate as possible.

For more information go online at www.hooahschools.com or www.pearlmanpublishing.com.

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Southern pine beetle problem plagues post

Insect infestation topples trees, destroys pines

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Fort Benning is at war with an enemy so keen at camouflage they can't even be seen by the naked eye.

These millions of tree toppling troops are not part of any foreign army or rebel force, but rather hordes of Southern pine beetles who are eating through the post pine forest like a hot knife through butter.

"The beetle problem is at an epidemic level," said Bob Larimore, chief of the post's Land Management Branch. "There are some places on post where they have destroyed 10 acres of pine forest."

The beetles, Larimore said, topple pine trees by burrowing deep into the tree's bark in search of a safe place to lay their eggs. That search, however, cuts off the transportation system of the tree that circulates nutrients leaving the tree to literally starve itself to death.

Once the tree dies, the beetles are then left to find another tree to inhabit and ultimately kill.

"The beetles feed on the cambium layer of the tree and then lay their eggs in the tree before leaving it to die," he said. "What we are trying to do is stop that movement by harvesting the trees they have infected."

Larimore and his team of tree technicians are the front-line force in marking the trees that are infected by the beatles, but the search for the scarred trees is far from easy, Larimore said.

He and his teams walk the acres of woods as well as use aerial surveillance to find the dead or dying trees in hopes of thwarting the spread of the beetles.

"We look for a red tree surrounded by strips of yellow trees that are dying, jutting out from the red tree," he said.

So far this year Larimore and his team have earmarked 28.5 acres of land for harvesting to try to stop the spread of the beetles, but only 6.5 acres have been harvested to date.

"We are working with a civilian logging operation to remove the trees that have been infected by the beetles they can still use for lumber," he said. "All the others we are pushing down with our heavy equipment and burning."

Most of the areas battling the beetle bite are on Main Post near Custer Terrace and Battle Park.

There are also a few spotted locations on the Sand Hill cantonment area.

The beetle problem is nothing new to Fort Benning.

Larimore said the beetle population is one that is active on post year-round, but usually comes in waves.

"We usually see a high population during one year then we'll see a year or two of lesser populations," he said. "This is a epidemic year, but we've had bigger."

In the past, Larimore said, the area effected by the beetle population has risen to up to 400 spots across post.

"We are going to continue to harvest the trees that are infected, and we'll probably go back up in the air to see how we are doing by the end of the month," he said. "Once the weather starts cooling off, the beetle activity should slow."

Post residents will soon have a new Pizza! Pizza! option

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Fort Benning residents will soon have another option in pizza restaurants when Little Caesars opens a franchise later this month next door to Bradley's at the Officers' Club.

The pizza restaurant is taking over 1,200 square feet that once housed a barber and beauty shop under the Supper Club.

Mike Osman, the franchise's owner, sees the endeavor as "a win-win situation for the Fort Benning community and for me," he said.

Osman has a contract with Morale Welfare and Recreation and will turn over between 6 and 14 percent of his gross sales, depending on how well he does, to the post, he said.

"We will be married for the next couple of years," Osman said of his relationship with the MWR. "The more the store does, the more money goes back to the community."

Osman is not new to the food industry; he owns two Subway stores in Columbus and Phenix City. Tuesday he was talking with job applicants and consulting with workmen who were hanging wallpaper and putting the finishing touches on the facility, which will feature a seating area for about 15 diners and an oven that can bake 210 pizzas in an hour.

The post restaurant will be the only stand-alone Little Caesars in the area, Osman said. Local Kmarts feature Little Caesars cafes in their stores, but they do not deliver.

"At first, we are only planning to deliver to post residents," Osman said.

Since the restaurant will fall under the MWR umbrella, diners will be allowed to take their pizzas into the adjoining Bradley's, which can seat 100 and offers a big-screen television and eight other smaller sets for individual viewing.

The opening is tentatively set for Sept. 18, but that could change so watch for advertisements in *The Bayonet* and on the electronic billboards, Osman said.

Partnering with local franchises has proven successful for the post's clubs, said John Bush, the chief of the Community Operations Division, Directorate of Community Activities. Pizza Hut and Subway were the first to set up restaurants.

"There is no substitute for brand-name recognition," Bush said. "With the transient community we serve, people want to know what the product is. They don't spend all that money on advertising for nothing. Everyone has heard 'Pizza!Pizza!'"

Water Restrictions

Fort Benning is still under water restrictions.

- Limit outdoor water usage to 30 minutes.
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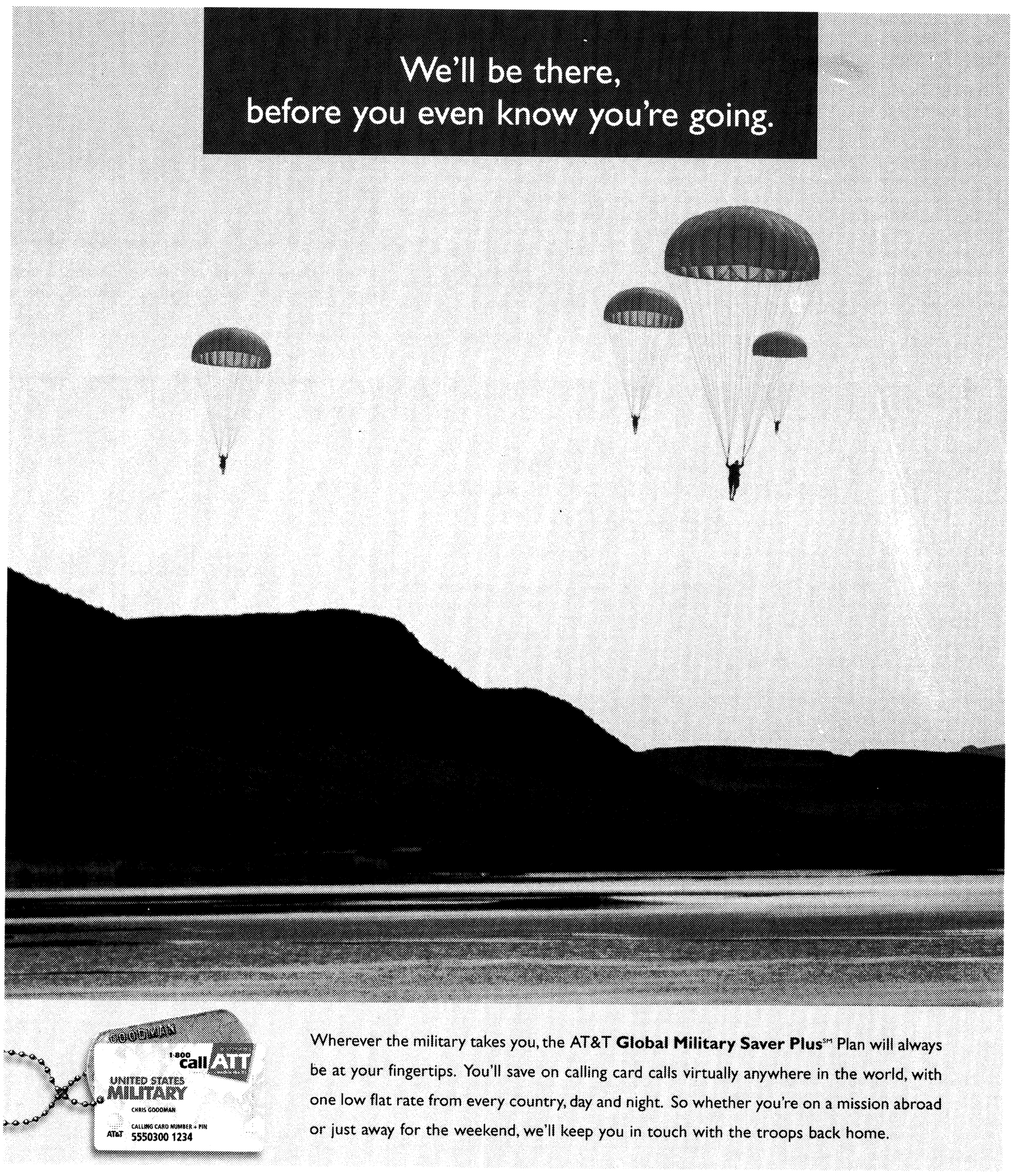

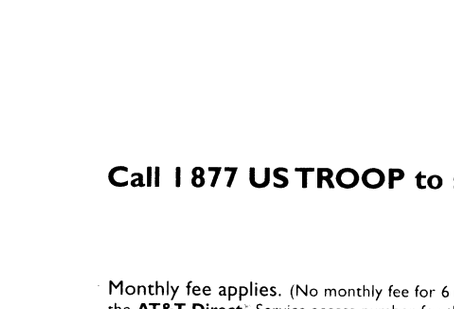

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Campaign: Hopes to raise money for needy local charities

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"All types of needs are met by people sharing just a little bit of their money," said Sharon Borger, executive director, Easter Seals of West Georgia.

The Fort Benning charities that will benefit from the CFC include a code 9001 designation Soldier Family Support Activity, which includes Army Community Service, Youth Activities, Volunteer Resources, Santa's Castle and Patch Pre-School just to name a few.

The importance of donating money to the local community is in the needed services these organizations provide to its residents, said Chuck Walls, garrison manager.

Army Community Service, for example, helps needy families in crisis situations such as providing food for three days from its food locker and supplying families coming from overseas assignments awaiting delivery of their household goods, with basic items such as linens and dishes as well as play pens for toddlers.

ACS provides other services such as the free income tax assistance and also gives out turkeys on Thanksgiving and Christmas to families who cannot afford a turkey on the table during the holiday season.

Santa's Castle also brings holiday cheer to post families with its supply of new toys and games for children.

These organizations are able to keep on providing these charitable services because of community contributions.

Cain said she has noticed in past campaigns how many basic trainees, who don't have much money, give large amounts to the CFC.

"We appreciate it so much as young people open up their hearts and give generously," Cain said.

"They may not need it now, they're young, but someday they'll be married and have families and the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts come into play," she said.

Other services that benefit from the CFC include the USO that has a lounge area at the Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta for Soldiers to relax and have a snack while waiting for their flight.

"Hopefully (Soldiers and their families) won't ever need some of the other (organizations)," she said.

Although no one wants to think about this one, the Alliance for Battered Women is a service that is important because there is no shelter on post, Walls said.

Fort Benning's Family Advocacy Program provides a safety net for these women, but the FAP often refers them to the Alliance for Battered Women for shelter, among other organizations that can help them.

"Many times women are abused and don't have any place to go," Walls said.

The CFC, Cain said, is also a call to arms for the civilian work force to help take pride in their community and give back to it.

Because the CFC catalog covers such a wide variety of charitable organizations from crisis pregnancy centers to feeding people in third world countries, people can literally shop for a charity whether it is local, national or international — or pick one that hits home.

If someone has lost a loved one or has a relative with a rare disease like lupus they may feel a special bond to one charity, Walls said.

Walls will conduct the first CFC training session for project officers and key personnel at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 18 in Infantry Hall, Classroom 4 and 9:30 a.m. Sept. 19 in Infantry Hall, Classroom 6.

Sessions should last from 30 to 45 minutes and Walls said he will be available to answer any and all questions after each session.

For more information call Walls at 545-1500.

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>
> **Cindy Cain**
> CFC Coordinator

Police: Keep post roads fatality free over holiday weekend

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"It's the same story we get from everybody we stop for DUI," Jenkins said. "It just gets old."

The weekend's surge in DUI detainments tallied a total that was nearly a quarter of the apprehensions made during the entire month of September last year.

"It's a high number of DUIs for a four day period, especially for the Army," said Staff Sgt. Kevin Sparks, the post's top traffic investigator. "With the Army's zero tolerance policy on DUI, one is too many."

Motorists claiming to be sober weren't the only problem police battled this weekend.

Many drivers who identified themselves to police as the designated driver were found to have alcohol in their systems.

"Being the designated driver means not drinking," said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, the post's chief of Law Enforcement. "You decide who is going to be the designated driver before you go out, and adhere to that.

"If you don't, it could cost you quite a bit of money, or possibly even your life," he said.

Motorists who drive intoxicated on Fort Benning could face fines up to $1,000 and land themselves in jail for up to 1 year, and also lose all driving privileges on the installation.

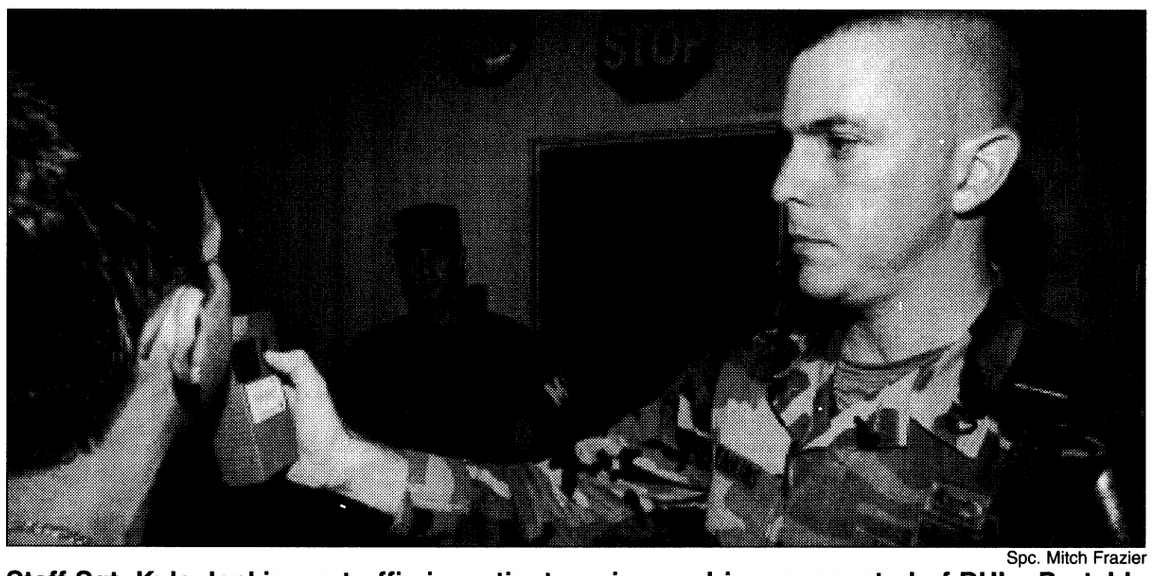
Civilians who drive drunk on post also receive an ejection letter barring them from driving on the installation.

Four Fort Benning Soldiers learned just how how costly a DUI accident can be Aug. 16 after they spent an evening of drinking and decided to race down Highway 26 at speeds greater than 100 mph.

When the driver of the vehicle saw the stop sign at the intersection of Highway 27, he had no time to react and his automobile slammed into an embankment injuring all four Soldiers.

One of those Soldiers spent days in the Intensive Care Unit of Martin Army Community Hospital before being released three weeks after the crash.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reported more than 16,000 fatal traffic accidents in 1998. None of those DUI related deaths were logged on post.



Spc. Mitch Frazier

Staff Sgt. Kyle Jenkins, a traffic investigator, gives a driver suspected of DUI a Portable Breathalyzer Test during the post's 96-hour DUI blitz during the Labor Day weekend.

Bill: Will fund two new combat teams, boost pay 3.7 percent

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reserves.

It also provides an addition $125 million for 12 more reserve Black Hawks. Eight will go to the U.S. Army Reserve and six to the National Guard.

The budget includes $41 million more than the Army's programmed request for more reservists serving as fulltime support technicians.

However, the new Defense Act does not fully fund or raise the ante for all Army programs. Some programs that will have shortfalls compared to their budget requests are:

• Javelin Missile — Congress cut $51 million from the requested budget. The amount taken is equal to the excess, due to program delays, of this year's program budget.

• Army Claims Activities — Congress cut $40 million from the requested budget. The reasoning is that the Army has not fully used budgeted funds since 1996.

• Chemical Demilitarization — Congress cut $24 million from the requested budget. This is due to program delays and excessive costs for advisory assistance and contract services in the past year.

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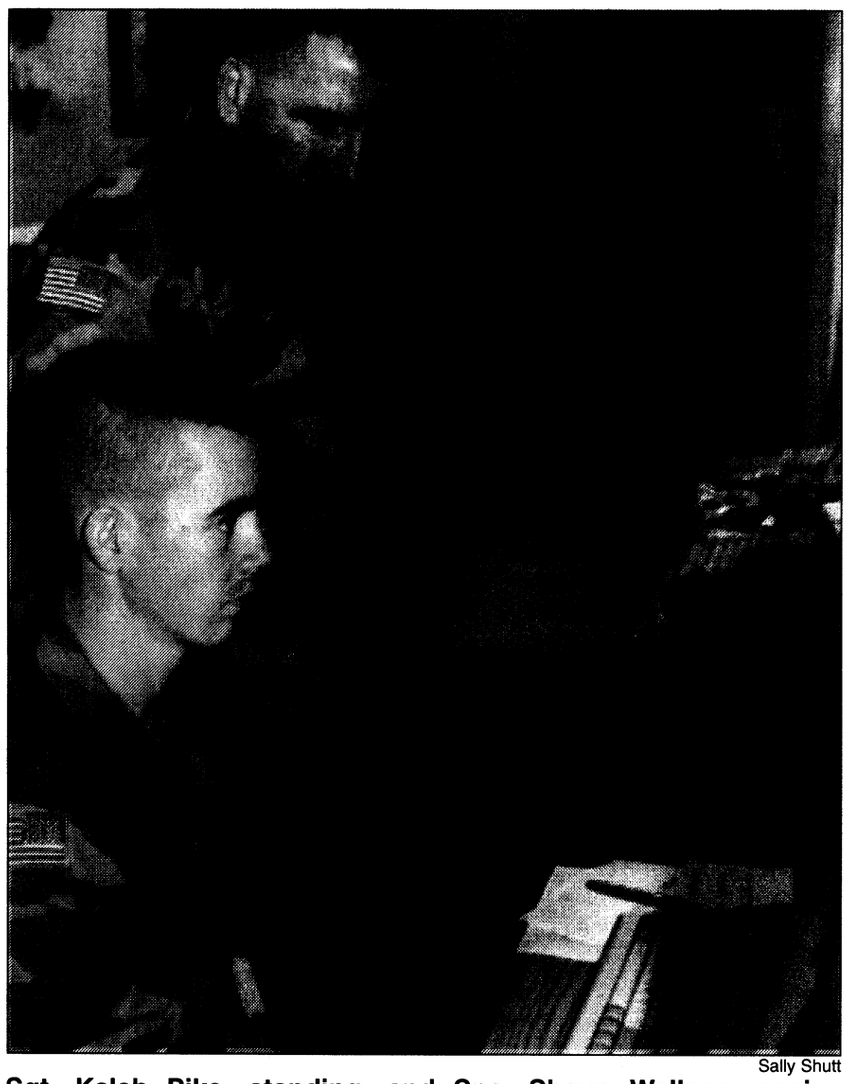
Father, son, 313th Hospital deploy to Kosovo



Sally Shutt

Sgt. Kaleb Pike, standing, and Spc. Shaun Wallace receive computer training before deploying to Kosovo.

Unit takes over as first reserve medical center

Sally Shutt
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A father and son left Fort Benning Thursday for a six-month tour in Kosovo and Macedonia as part of the first reserve medical unit to deploy there.

Maj. Richard Carpenter, 54, a psychologist; his son, Staff Sgt. Christopher Carpenter, a technician and medic; and other members of the 313th Hospital Unit Surgical from Springfield, Mo., processed through the CONUS Replacement Center and received additional training at Martin Army Community Hospital.

Back home in Burlington Junction, Mo., the Carpenters serve in different reserve units, but they have been united as part of the 313th HUS for this deployment, Christopher, 24, said.

Richard, the operations officer for the 313th HUS, will be in Kosovo, while Christopher will be stationed in Macedonia during the mission.

"We always knew it was a possibility we could be deployed at the same time," Christopher said.

Richard's wife and Christopher's mother, Eloise, good-naturedly accepted the fact both her son and husband would be gone during the holidays.

"My wife's comment was it was easier for her to have both of us going, than to have one left behind who did not get to go," Richard, a Vietnam veteran, said.

"She is very active in the family readiness group, and well aware of the extreme importance of family readiness programs and the support they provide to the family members," he said.

Soldiers from 15 different units in Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa make up the 313th HUS.

"We pulled 133 Soldiers from all over the Midwest, the heartland of America," said Lt. Col. Joan Brown, deploying hospital commander of Task Force MED Falcon 3, which will run a 52-bed health care facility treating American and NATO Soldiers and civilians. Twenty-two Soldiers from the 437th Ground Ambulance Company, Riverside, Calif., are also part of the task force.

For the majority of the Soldiers, their civilian jobs replicate what they do in the military. The unit includes physicians, pharmacists, nurses, therapists, technicians, medics and support personnel.

"We are taking a great group of health care providers who are highly trained, motivated and very honored to be in this position," Brown said.

A registered nurse in Joplin, Mo., Brown is one of six employees from the Freeman Health Care System hospital deployed with the unit.

"In a small town, that's a big cut out of the staff," she said.

Her husband, Alan, is the coordinator for the family readiness group.

"They have been preparing just as we have. Soldiers have to know everything is going well back home," Brown said.

After completing their theater specific individual readiness training, the unit received four days of additional medical instruction at Fort Benning provided by the 30th Medical Brigade, with headquarters in Heidelberg, Germany.

"Our mission here is to ensure they are trained and ready — from an individual and collective standpoint — to perform their medical mission in Kosovo and Macedonia," said Lt. Col. Glenn Iacovetta, chief of the six-member 30th Med. Bde. transition team.

Classes included topics such as the theater of operations, IV therapy, pre-hospital training life support, CPR, the military's medical computer system (the Composite Health Care System) and medevac procedures — with the help of the 498th Medical Company (Air Ambulance), 36th Engineer Group (Construction.)

"The training we've received at Fort Benning will help us seamlessly bridge from reserve status to active status so we can hit the ground running in Kosovo," Brown said.

From Georgia, the Soldiers traveled to Germany for a weeklong mission rehearsal exercise.

"It will replicate scenarios of events that have actually taken place in Macedonia and Kosovo so when a real situation happens things will run smoothly," Iacovetta said.

After the exercise in Germany, the unit flies to Kosovo where Soldiers will overlap with their counterparts for 10 days.

"We see this as a great opportunity, a gift, to be selected as the first reserve medical team to go in," Brown said.

Father, grandfather pin wings on third-generation paratrooper

Airborne graduation means homecoming for retirees

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In his opening remarks at the Aug. 31 graduation of A Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, Capt. Paul Davison, company commander, welcomed "new blood into the fraternity of the Airborne." Ironically, third-generation Airborne blood runs thick through the veins of one graduate, whose father and grandfather were on hand to pin on his jump wings.

The graduation was a homecoming of sorts for Spc. Ted Mataxis III, his father, retired Lt. Col. Ted Mataxis Jr., and grandfather, retired Brig. Gen. Ted Mataxis. The youngest Mataxis was born when his father was stationed at Fort Benning as a Ranger instructor in 1977.

Ted Jr. remembers living on Rainbow Avenue when his own father was stationed here in the '50s.

"This is like coming home," said Ted Jr., who retired from the Army in 1992 and now serves as the director of workplace development for Moore County Schools in Pinehurst, N.C. "This was one of our favorite places to live, and we're proud to be here to see our son carry on the tradition."

The "tradition" started in 1953, when at the age of 38, the eldest Mataxis earned his jump wings after serving in World War II and Korea.

"I was older than the rest, but I was in really good shape," Mataxis said, in his address to the 313 graduates of Airborne school. "The first two days were all right, no problem. The rest of the three weeks were unmitigated hell.

"But take this from a great-great grandfather who has looked at this business for a very long time: it was all designed to make us disciplined Soldiers, to prepare us to do whatever we had to to keep our country ready for any mission.

"Don't ever forget that's the reason you're here."

Mataxis pinned his own wings on his son 10 years later in 1963, when Ted Jr. was a private with the Special Forces Reserves. He was commissioned in 1969 and spent 30 years with the Rangers, Special Forces and Special Operations.

The retired brigadier general said presenting his original jump wings to a third generation was one of the greatest things that ever happened to him.

"I have a great, warm fuzzy feeling," said Mataxis, who retired as the chief of Military Missions in Cambodia in 1972 and now teaches graduate courses at the American Military University in Pinehurst.

"At the age of 83, I don't need any recognition. I'm here to focus on my grandson and support him in his endeavor to carry on this proud family tradition. Airborne all the way!"

Spc. Mataxis is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro. He plans to attend graduate school to study clinical psychology and eventually enlist full time in the Army.

He said the decision to "go Airborne" was the natural progression of events.

"I've been around it all my life. I guess I knew I'd do it when I was a kid," he said, smiling indulgently as his father straightened the vintage wings on his chest. "They're a little bit crusty I guess, but it gives me a tingly feeling to be wearing the ones they wore."

Perhaps proudest of all was Spc. Mataxis' mother, Kirby, who discreetly wiped tears as her husband and father-in-law pinned the wings upon her son's uniform.

"It was his decision, his choice." she said. "He's wanted to do this since he was 17 years old, but I encouraged him to wait till he finished college.

"He still just wanted to serve his country.

U.S. Army School of the Americas hosts Latin American conference

Worldwide leaders gather for summit

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The U.S. Army School of the America's Latin American Conference engaged issues affecting the western hemisphere.

"Superstars from academia, the Latin American security forces, and hemispheric diplomatic community made the 10th and last Latin American Conference at the U.S. Army School of the Americas the best of its kind ever attempted," said Dr. Russ Ramsey, conference director, and USARSA's visiting professor from Troy State University. "I directed five conferences of this type for the U.S. Air Force at the Air Command & Staff College, during the tumultuous 1980s, and seven of the ten held at the School of the Americas since 1989.

"This one was a significant hemispheric event in itself, comparable in scope to the Miami Economic Summit and the Williamsburg Defense Ministerial Conferences in 1994," he said.

Twenty-four speakers each presented a brief summary of their ideas in clusters of three, followed by a question-and-answer round table lasting an hour.

Following an arduous nine-hours-a-day schedule, the annual Command and General Staff College Class, the students for whom this Conference is conducted, plus faculty and visitors from the Fort Benning community, subjected the speakers to an arduous cross-examination of their ideas.

Father Dennis St. Marie of the Cleveland, Ohio, Diocese was a missionary in El Salvador during the bloody civil war of the 1980s.

He supported the idea of human rights training as an antidote to the human rights violations he personally witnessed in that era. Professor Lawrence Clayton, Director of Latin American Studies and Chairman of History at the University of Alabama, outlined the origins of Latin America's long and substantial human rights tradition.

Gen. Jose Serrano, the recently retired Commanding General of the Colombian National Police, described efforts by his force to control the violence of the FARC guerrillas who are allied with the narco-traffickers in Colombia, pointing out that the National Police are the front line of public order but lack the military power to defeat FARC units in battle.

Peter DeShazo, U.S. State Department, explained how the United States is funding increased military assistance under Plan Colombia, but that the primary effort must still be reducing demand in the drug consuming countries, and excess militarization would not solve the drug problem.

Dr. James Ondracek, Professor of Economics at Minot University in North Dakota, described the social value of economic privatization now occurring in Latin America.

Dr. Steve Rozman of Mississippi's Tougaloo College made the case for continuing efforts to limit the gap between rich and poor via government coercion. Dr. Hal Kearsley of Troy State University showed how European economic investment in Latin America is important within the region, but marginally important in Europe itself. Todd Williams of Emory University stated that Chinese economic policy in Latin America is not ultimately to gain military advantage, but rather to develop economic markets.

Retired Gen. Paco Moncayo of Ecuador is the recently elected Mayor of Quito, the capital city, and he pointed out the importance of civilian control of the military. Professor Alex Hybel of Connecticut College approached this from a different angle, suggesting that several Latin American countries are true democracies, and several are only partial democracies at best. USARSA Commandant Col. Glenn Weidner showed the legal dimensions of the Chilean initiative to try ex-President Augusto Pinochet for human rights violations while in office.

"The variety and toughness of themes examined was amazing," said Yves Gisse, a French economist who just retired from a career with the International Monetary Fund. "The students came well prepared, and the array of speaker talent was totally remarkable."

Under present plans, USARSA closes its doors in mid-December 2000 and re-opens in January 2001 under an enlarged posture with a broader mission.

"This Conference," Ramsey said, "was fitting tribute to the thousands of faculty and students who have served U.S. regional policy and hemispheric freedom well here since 1946. The new school opening to replace this one must certainly retain the annual Conference tradition and seek to equal this one."

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Spc. Gregory S. Pryer
Denver, Colo.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade



What made you join the Army?
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Staff Sgt. Robert Shearer
A Co., 2nd Bn., 54th Inf. Regt., ITB

Define you leadership style.
I use a combination of all three leadership styles as the task and experience of a Soldier dictates. I believe that one leadership style limits your ability to train or lead Soldiers.

What is your biggest challenge as a drill sergeant?
Determining the correct approach to facilitate the optimum learning process for all Soldiers.
Each Soldier is different, but they all must reach the same goal.

TRADOC takes battle test to online viewers

Army's digitizing experiments now can be seen on Web

TRADOC News Service

FORT MONROE, Va. — Without leaving the office or living room, interested service members and community members can witness the Army's latest dynamic experiment with technology and digitization of its light forces.

A new Army Training and Doctrine Command website features near-live coverage of the Joint Contingency Force Advanced Warfighting Experiment today through Sept. 20 at the Joint Readiness Training Center, Fort Polk, La.

AWE events include an 18th Airborne Infantry airfield assault, a Land Warrior live-fire attack, and a large-scale, round-the-clock light Infantry raid on urban terrain.

"What can we do with our technological enablers for our light forces to make them lethal and survivable?" is how Lt. Gen. Randall Rigby, TRADOC Deputy Commanding General - Futures and exercise director, phrased the goal of the JCF AWE for the Army.

To answer that question, the Army will use about 4,000 Soldiers and a company of Marines in combat scenarios against JRTC's "world class" opposing force.

Participating Soldiers have been flown in from around the world. They are from the 1st Brigade, 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, N.Y., 3rd Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, N.C., and an armored company team from the 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

The Marines taking part in the experiments are from K Company, 3rd Battalion, 6th Marines, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

"What's exciting about the website is the opportunity to witness key AWE events in near-real time and from just about anywhere in the world," said Sgt. 1st Class Patrick Buffett, website administrator and newspaper program manager for TRADOC's Office of the Chief of Public Affairs, Fort Monroe, Va.

"This is also an important step for Army Public Affairs," Buffett said. "Using the power of multimedia and the internet, we can do an even better job of keeping base communities and their neighbors informed of activities involving deployed troops from their area."

The JCF AWE website already contains preliminary stories explaining the goal behind the warfighting experiment, and what key participants have done to prepare for this historic event.

Additional coverage of the AWE begins within hours of the opening operation — the Airborne Infantry assault — planned for mid-evening tonight.

Throughout the exercise, stories will continue to be posted, usually within six to 12 hours of the actual event.

The near live coverage of the tests and all related stories on the Advanced Warfighting experiments can be found by logging onto the new Website that will begin coverage of the tests today. The address for the site is www.tradoc.army.mil/pao/AWE/AWEIndex.html.

Korea ... the 'forgotten war'

Jim Caldwell
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Fifty years ago this week, the U.N. Security Council vetoed, 9-2, a Russian resolution to condemn the allies "inhuman" bombing of North Korea and communist-held areas of the South. U.S. delegate Ernest J. Gross told the United Nations that extreme measures were taken to warn civilians of impending attacks.

Sept. 7, 1950 — The 1st Provisional Marine Brigade is withdrawn from the Naktong River Perimeter back to Pusan to reassemble for a landing at Inchon.

Sept. 8 — U.N. Secretary General Trygve Lie said in Chicago that driving the communists back across the 38th Parallel "will not be enough." The war must result in a "unified and independent" Korea with citizens "able freely to select a government of their own choosing." He said world peace will not be possible without an agreement between the U.S. and Russia. "It is getting very late, indeed," for negotiations between the two countries to prevent a third world war.

Sept. 9 — President Truman announces before a meeting of the "Western Big Three" foreign ministers to discuss Germany and European security that the U.S. will make a "substantial" increase in troops in Europe.

He said the Joint Chiefs of Staff and secretaries of defense and state recommended the move.

Sept. 10 — Dr. Ralph Bunche tells a New York meeting of the AFL Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters that "realities of Korea" would end racial segregation in the Army. Thousands of Negroes are fighting to give Koreans "that freedom and equality which these same Negro GIs have never experienced in full at home."

Sept. 12 — In the United Nations, Russia vetoes a U.S. resolution for a U.N. on-the-spot investigation of locations in Manchuria which Russia claims have been attacked by U.S. pilots.

Sept. 12-13 — President Truman selects retired Gen. of the Army George C. Marshall as the next secretary of defense Sept. 12 with the resignation of Arthur Johnson. The next day legislation is introduced in Congress to waive that part of the National Security (Unification) Act of 1947 that prohibits officers from serving as defense secretary within 10 years of leaving active duty.

Sept. 13 — Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, 8th Army commander, visits Soldiers near Pohang after they've repelled North Korean attacks. He said the enemy is showing signs of weakening all along the front. A coming U.N. offensive will soon drive the North Korea People's Army from South Korea.

around post

Change of command

Lt. Col. Gary Daniel, commander of 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Daniel Dillon at 9 a.m. Tuesday on York Field.

Lt. Col. Gordon B. Davis Jr. will relinquish command of the 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, to Lt. Col. Michael Winstead at 9 a.m. Sept. 27 on York Field.

Dental exams

In an extended effort to improve the dental readiness of the Soldiers supported by Bernheim Dental Clinic, the clinic will fully dedicate their staff to do additional exams on dental Category 4 patients from Sept. 25-28. For more information, call 545-6426.

Green to Gold

There are several Green to Gold briefings for interested Soldiers schedule for Sept. 21, Oct. 27, Nov. 16, Dec. 7, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22 and April 26.

For more information, call Capt. Irvin Pete at Columbus State University at 568-2449.

Sick call

To improve Soldier care, weekend and holiday sick call for all active duty Soldiers will move from TMC No. 5 to Winder Health Clinic, Building 3306 on Sand Hill.

CID recruitment

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command is looking for qualified Soldiers to become special agents.

Interested Soldiers must be the rank of specialist, corporal or sergeant nonpromotable and have a GT score of 110 or higher and at least 60 hours of undergraduate education.

For more information, call 545-2414.

Festival of the Americas

Music, food and cultural artifacts will unite the community during the U.S. Army School of the Americas historical 2000 Festival of the Americas Sept. 27-29.

The annual event is Georgia's largest Hispanic military event and provides Fort Benning and the greater surrounding community with the cultural contributions of the countries involved in the USARSA Programs of Instruction.

The event also provides an opportunity for social interaction among the school's affiliates and the military-civilian community.

Sept. 27 — Open house at Faith Middle School 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. includes a cultural exposition featuring artifacts and media presentations from each country.

Sept. 29 — Parade of Nations at the Columbus Iron Works and Community Center will have an exposition of dances from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Sept. 29 — Cena Tipica is a dinner featuring Latin American fare from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Dancing begins after dinner until 1 a.m. Tickets cost $25.

For more information, please contact Lt. Col. Gilberto Rios at 545-1320 or 545-7259.

Command and General Staff Officers Course

There will be a Command and General Staff Officer course beginning in October and running through May.

Both Phases 1 and 3 will be offered. All majors, promotable captains and above are eligible if they are Combined Arms Services Staff School graduates.

Both active-duty Soldiers and reservists are eligible. This version of CGSOC is presented in a format of one evening per week.

People interested can enroll directly through their unit on the ATRRS system. On the ATRRS system, Phase 1 is Class Number 09 and Phase 3 is Class Number 011.

For more information, call 480-3564.

Off-limits businesses

The Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board has placed these businesses off limits to all military persons in the Fort Benning area: the All Breed Dog Training Academy at 1302 Sandusky Drive and Mr. Transmission at 3137 Macon Road in Columbus and The Pen Dixie Pit on Old Perry Road in Clinchfield, Ga.

TSU classes

Troy State University offers a special college course program that allows units to enroll Soldiers in classes during nontraditional hours and dates.

For more information, call 685-9555.

Education grant

The HOPE Grant Program will pay all tuition and fees and up to $100 per quarter for textbooks for all active duty military and their dependents stationed at Fort Benning and living in Georgia.

For more information, call 685-8549.

Promotion boards

The Department of the Army is holding a selection board Oct. 17 for consideration of promotion from master sergeant to command sergeant major.

For more information, call 545-2872.

RESTRICTIONS:

Fort Benning is still under water restrictions.
Limit outdoor water usage to less than 30 minutes.
Be sure all outdoor watering is on the appropriate day and during the times of 6 to 10 p.m.
Watering restrictions do not apply to new sod.

Community Oriented Policing

COPS CORNER

Fort Benning Military Police will be conducting speed enforcement patrols in the areas listed here

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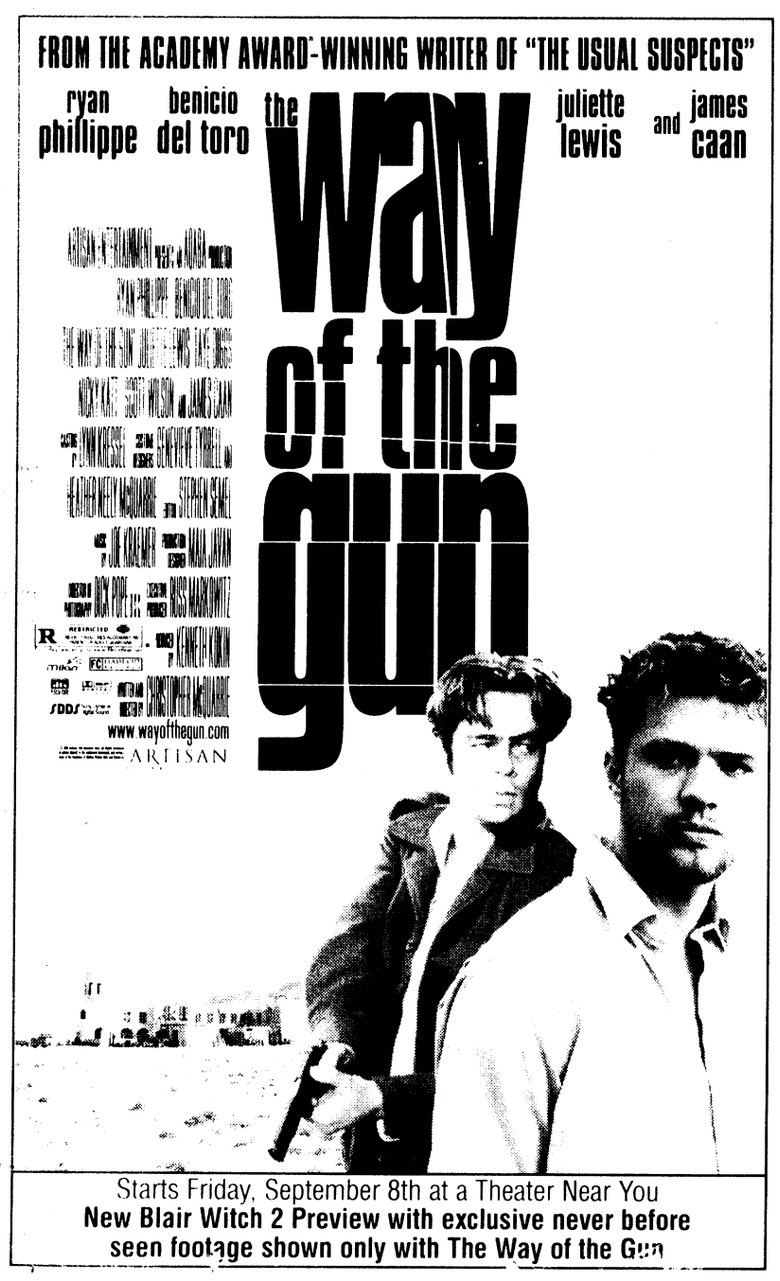

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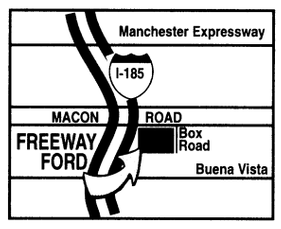

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COMMUNITY

SECTION B

Community needs weekend tutors

Program helps students in all subjects

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

As the school year progresses and coursework picks up speed, there are some students who might find it hard to keep in step with their studies.

The Combined Communities of Southeastern Columbus provides a tutorial program free to students who need help in all subjects from language arts to math — but the program is in need of volunteers.

"We are totally made up of volunteers," said Daisy Honor, principal of tutorial sessions.

In its 17th year, the CCSC school year tutorial program has tutored more than 16,500 students in grades first through eighth.

"The program helps students keep pace with their classes," Honor said. "Many students need one-on-one instruction."

"When a teacher has a classroom of 20 or 30 students, it's difficult to reach all of them," said Lonnie Jackson, CCSC chairman.

Especially if a child is shy, he might not get the help he needs to understand the coursework.

Also, the program helps military families who travel around a great deal and do not have a person to help tutor their child.

The program thrives on volunteers from the community to helping students in need of a tutor to have one-on-one time with a "teacher" free of charge to the parents.

Many of the volunteers in the past have come from Fort Benning, including the 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, Martin Army Community Hospital, office of the Staff Judge Advocate along with other Fort Benning units, Jackson said.

Other volunteers, who have participated are from fraternities and sororities, Troy State University and the National Honor Society, just to name a few.

"It's a tricommunity operation," Jackson said.

Jackson said some of the students have a hard time getting motivated and enthused about their schoolwork and that's why the volunteers are so important.

The sessions are about learning as well as helping invoke an excitement in students about school and their classes.

Jackson said he emphasizes to the children the following mantra during each session to help build student confidence: "I can be anything and I can do anything if I put my mind to it."

The CCSC school year tutorial program starts Saturday and sessions will continue every Saturday until the end of the school year.

Tutoring sessions are from 10 a.m. to noon at Eddy Middle School, 2100 S. Lumpkin Road and Rothschild Middle School, 1136 Hunt Ave.

There is no registration required, volunteers can show up on location that day and they are free to attend as many Saturday sessions as desired at any of the three locations. For more information, call Lonnie Jackson 687-5357 or Daisy Honor 687-8808.

Residents get ready for street-side shopping

Postwide yard sale set for Sept. 23

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

In two weeks there's only one thing that will be spreading faster than the wildfires of the Western United States — yard-sale fever.

Put a star next to Sept. 23 on the calendar, and be ready at 8 a.m. sharp to either unload household goods or sniff out the bargain of a lifetime.

In its fourth year, the postwide yard sale is held in the spring and the fall. The spring sale helped people who were ready to PCS to sell off a few things before the big move. The fall sale provides newcomers an opportunity to assess their possessions after the move here and maybe shed some extra stuff.

"We've found it works very well," said Chuck Walls garrison manager. "It's a chance to unclutter the house."

While that may be the case for some, others are out to buy things for a bargain.

"Furniture is always a big seller," Walls said. "Appliances are fast movers."

Other popular items are tools, baby clothes and children's toys.

Nancy Carlisle, volunteer vice mayor of East Main Post and yard-sale shopper, said she bought a new Fisher Price Castle that was still in the box for $15. This find would cost about $40 in stores.

She also said the fall yard sale is a good place to find school clothes for children as well as gifts for those hard-to-shop-for people such as antiques, collectibles or books.

"We've all lived in foreign countries and brought back things from there," she said.

Pottery and china are among the items brought back from a station overseas that wind up in the sale.

Many times the joy of the yard sale is finding the unexpected — at a good price.

"It's what you stumble upon, that's the fun of it," she said.

There's no fee to participate. All post residents have to do is set up their sale items in their yard by 8 a.m.

Carlisle suggests that shoppers park their cars near an area with a high sale-density and walk from sale to sale.

During the spring, she said, the Iron Triangle was very crowded with cars and there weren't many places to park, making bargain-hunting by foot the most efficient way to shop.

"That's one good thing about (the yard sale), you don't have to drive around," she said.

In addition, many neighborhood children sell coffee, donuts among various other snacks during the sale.

Carlisle said her daughter is out selling snacks to keep the sale-goers energized while making a little pocket change.

The shopping will come to an end at 2 p.m., but at the end of the day people with leftovers they just don't want to haul back in the house can donate them to the Thrift Shop, 229 Ingersoll Ave.

The Thrift Shop will take donations from 2 to 4 p.m. Sept. 23. Items should be brought to the loading dock located at the back of the store.

Students wish Olympian luck



Bridgett Siter
Maj. Mike Anti helps 6-year-old Mark Yanoschik model the AMU shooting gear.

First-graders have party for shooter

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The Soldiers of the Olympics-bound U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit single-mindedly aim to bring home the gold this month when they compete in Sydney, Australia.

But one Fort Benning member had another target in mind when he visited White Elementary School Sept. 1.

Though preparing to leave for Sydney on Wednesday, Maj. Mike Anti made time to attend a "good luck" party given by more than 40 of his son's first-grade classmates.

He took the opportunity to introduce his sport to the students and teach the fundamentals of gun safety.

"I always enjoy talking to young people about my sport," Anti said. "It doesn't get a lot of coverage on TV, so anything I can do to educate young kids about competitive shooting benefits my sport and teaches (them) about gun safety and responsibility."

Anti's wife Anne teaches first grade at White, and his 6-year-old son, Matthew, is in Ann Lucas' neighboring class.

The two collaborated on the party and prepared for the event by learning about the Olympics and Australia.

The students presented Anti with a cake and a signed ball cap declaring "White first-

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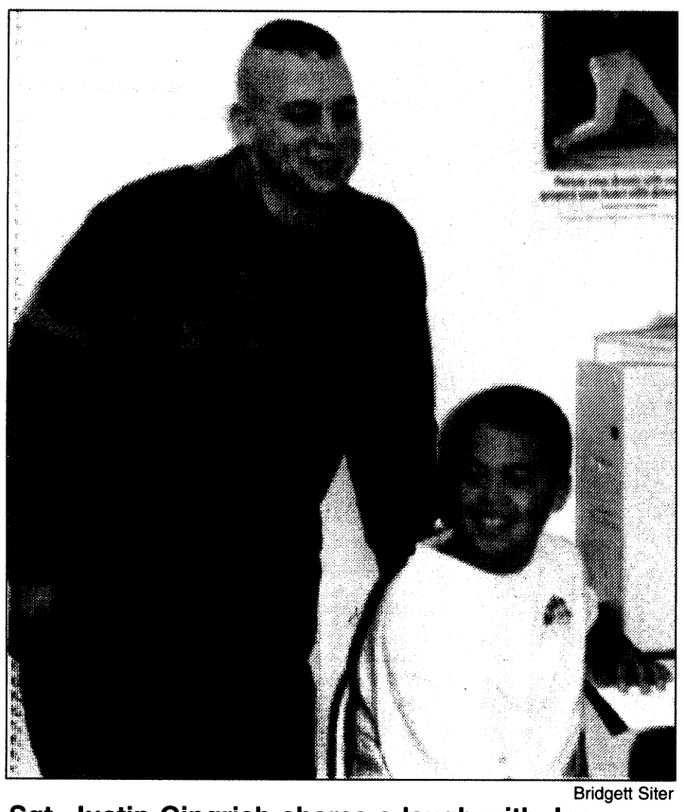
Ranger proves to be positive role model for youths



Bridgett Siter
Sgt. Justin Gingrich shares a laugh with Jose, one of the boys at Carpenter's Way Ranch.

Soldier's past helps local youths stay on right path

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One Fort Benning Soldier's own troubled childhood inspired his dedication to the partnership between the Ranger Training Brigade and the Carpenter's Way Ranch.

Sgt. Justin Gingrich, a 26-year-old Ranger with the RTB, first visited the ranch two years ago when he moved to Columbus. The boys he met there reminded him of himself as a child. Their stories of abandonment and abuse reminded him of his own struggle to overcome the legacy of alcohol abuse and neglect.

"I grew up in the same kind of environment as most of those boys," Gingrich said. "My parents were both alcoholics, and my father was in prison for eight years. I can relate to what they're feeling and what they're going through. When I was their age I made a conscious decision not to allow that (alcohol abuse) to happen to me, and I sure don't want to see it happen to any of them," he said.

Gingrich's first visit was in his official capacity as a representative of the brigade's partnership in education. Since then he's fostered a relationship with the young residents of the ranch that goes far beyond the call of duty.

Gingrich visits the ranch on a regular basis. When he's not teaching land navigation and map reading skills, he joins them for an occasional fishing trip or ball game. Mostly he just enjoys "hanging out" with the boys.

"He does lots of stuff with us, like hiking and fishing," said one young resident. "I learned all about the Rangers from him. I think I might want to join the Army some day."

Each month Gingrich presents a Ranger coin and framed certificate to the "Student of the Month," who is selected by his teachers for outstanding

See **RANGER**, B-4

Partnership benefits Rangers, community

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Two years ago Fort Benning's Ranger Training Brigade led the way in the fledgling "Partners in Education" program developed by the Columbus Chamber of Commerce. The Rangers seized the opportunity to partner with the Carpenter's Way Ranch in Fortson, Ga.

The 33-acre ranch is a residential community for boys between the ages of 6 and 18, mostly "social orphans" — victims of abuse or abandonment who have been removed from their homes by the Division of Family and Children's Services.

Since 1998, the Rangers have developed a mutually beneficial relationship with the staff and residents of the ranch, sponsoring regular outings for the boys, including trips to Rangers In Action demonstrations, and assisting in various ways in and out of the classroom.

The new brigade commander, Col. Hazen Baron, and a team of representatives from the brigade visited the facilities Aug. 29 to get a first-hand look at the daily operations of the ranch and renew their commitment to the partnership.

They toured the ranch's two residential buildings, on-site middle school and outdoor recreation facilities.

"They have incredible facilities here — beautiful buildings and acres and acres of prime wooded

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Families celebrate Grandparents Day Sunday

Military challenges include long-distance relationships

Bridgett Siter
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In 1970 a West Virginia housewife named Marian Herndon initiated a national campaign to designate a special day each year to celebrate grandparents. Her efforts were finally rewarded in 1978, when President Jimmy Carter proclaimed National Grandparents Day would be celebrated each year on the first Sunday after Labor Day.

But for military families all over the world, Grandparents Day is celebrated every time they have the chance to visit the grandparents or grandchildren they've left behind. It comes not one day a year, but as often as possible, in five- or seven-day increments, and it starts with a leave slip.

Aubrey Coovrey, 11, splits her vacation time between grandparents in two states. She keeps up with "Grandpa Don" by e-mailing him regularly and sending pictures and artwork via the internet and postal service.

"I get to talk to him a lot, but it's not as good as seeing him," said Coovrey, who's a sixth-grader at Faith Middle School. "My mom takes pictures of me, and we just put a stamp on the back and turn them into postcards so he can see everything I'm doing. I'm making him a scrapbook for Christmas."

"Grandpa Don" is retired Navy officer Don Coovrey who lives in Bonita, Calif. A week away from retirement, he drove more than 600 miles to be at his daughter's side when his first grandchild was born in 1989.

"When my daughter was little and we were stationed overseas, correspondence was primarily by mail and phone calls," Don said. "Phone calls were a treat due to cost and time differences. My wife would talk about the grandparents all the time and go over photo albums, slides and old 8 millimeter movies to keep the grandparents fresh in (the kids') minds.

"Now I send packages and e-mail all the time, but it's still not enough. It's never enough. Nothing can replace actually being able to hold them, look them in the eyes and tell them you love them."

Don said the military helps compensate for the separation of family.

"Active duty and retired military don't like separation, but they seem to have adapted or adjusted. We find ways to cope. The military family often fills that void by connecting with other military families."

Fort Benning resident Denise Sharp said she's fostered a relationship with friends in the military community who have become surrogate grandparents to her children.

"They're nearly old enough to be our parents, and they have grandchildren of their own far away," she said. "It's a relationship we all benefit from. Nothing or no one can replace family, but the kids don't make the distinction between blood relatives and military family.

"We've known each other for five years, and we've developed a bond that's very important to us all."

Ruby Mixon, the activity coordinator for Oak Manor Nursing Home in Columbus, said some military families take part in their "Adopt a Grandparent" program to help children develop relationships with elderly residents.

"It works good both ways," Mixon said. "The children are away from their grandparents and missing the benefits of that important relationship. The nursing home residents are often lonely and separated from family too. It fulfills both sides."

Like Coovrey, Master Sgt. Jim and Sherri Alexander have experienced the separation of grandparents from both sides of the coin.

When their own children were young, they often lived hours away from grandparents.

Now, just a few years from retirement, the Alexanders are stationed at Fort Benning and separated from their own grandchildren. Sherri fills notebooks with anecdotes and pictures her daughter sends as her grandchildren grow.

"I just love looking at the world through their eyes," she said. "Being a grandparent is getting the opportunity to experience the joys of parenting all over again. Distance doesn't diminish the joy when we're together."

For more information on adopting a grandparent call 324-0387.

ask the judge

1st Lt. Aimee Hobby
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I have received several phone calls from a collection company that says I owe them money for a past due balance on my credit card. These guys are harassing me like crazy! The last guy to call said he's going to contact my chain of command if I don't pay it all off this week. There's no way I can afford to pay off the debt. Can he really call my commander and if so, what can my commander do about it?

A: Before I answer your question it's important to clarify the status of the person who is contacting you. There is a huge difference in the legal status of a creditor, the person you originally owed the money, and a professional debt collector, the person who has been hired to collect the debt.

It sounds like the person who's calling you works for a professional debt collection company hired by your credit card company. According to federal law, pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Title 15, USC 1692, a debt collector cannot contact your chain of command unless you authorize the contact in writing or the company obtains a court order that allows such contact.

The next time the debt collector calls, make him aware that he is unable to contact your commander and if he does you are able to sue his company for damages. Please note that you do have the law on your side here, but the debt collector has the power to injure your credit report, so you may want to hold your tongue when he makes you mad.

If the person who is calling actually works for your credit card company, he is considered a creditor. A creditor can contact your chain of command, but he has to follow the Army's rules before he does so.

AR 600-15 sets forth the standards which creditors must meet when processing applications for collection assistance. A phone call to your company commander does not satisfy the regulation.

In most cases, the creditor will have to provide your commander with a copy of the original contract and all related documentation, along with a certificate swearing that the creditor has fully complied with all applicable laws.

If the creditor fails to comply with Army requirements, your commander should not take any action against you regarding the debt.

If the creditor does comply with the Army requirements your commander may interview you about the debt.

If the creditor has not obtained a judgment against you and you deny that the debt exists, or you dispute the amount of the debt, your commander still cannot take any action against you and the Army's role in the matter ends. The creditor must resolve the debt through the civil court system.

If the creditor has obtained a judgment against you, or you admit the debt exists and confirm its amount, your commander may then order you to pay the debt. At that point, if you fail to pay the debt your commander may take action against you.

Possible actions include: written counseling, a note in your permanent file, a bar to your re-enlistment, an administrative separation or UCMJ action against you.

In any case, the Legal Assistance Division can assist you with debt issues in several ways. First, a Legal Assistance attorney can inform the creditor that you are represented by counsel. This will require the creditor to stop those harassing phone calls.

Once the creditor receives this notice he must then deal with your attorney regarding the debt, not you. Second, your attorney can try to negotiate a new payment plan or a settlement of the debt.

For more information, call the Legal Assistance Division and make an appointment with a Legal Assistance attorney. The number is 545-3281 and appointments are scheduled Friday morning for the following week. When you come in for your appointment, be sure to bring all paperwork regarding the debt.

community notes

on post

Spouse orientation — There will be a newcomer and spouse orientation starting at 8:15 a.m. today in Building 359, the Family Unit Network Center.

For more information, call 545-4485.

Open house — There will be an open house for White Elementary School at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

For more information, call 687-3709.

Car buying seminar — The Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program, Army Community Service, is sponsoring a Car Buying Seminar Sept. 19 at 6:30 p.m.

The seminar will be held in the Family Unit Network Center, Building 359.

The Car Buying Seminar will provide you with some of the best car buying secrets available. The information will help make your car-buying experience pleasant and make you the winner in the negotiation process. All your most important questions will be answered.

Registration is required, so be sure to call before the registration deadline of Sept. 15 at 3 p.m. Call the Army Community Service Financial Readiness Program, 545-5485, to register. We will need to know how many people will be in your party, so we can accommodate everyone who wishes to attend.

Survival Class — There will be a survival class for new moms and dads from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sept. 27 in Martin Army Community Hospital's Regimental Conference room.

ACS offices move — The Army Community Service Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program and the Relocation Program have relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2633 in Soldier's Plaza.

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Discourse Lab promotes participation

Technology helps teachers present lessons

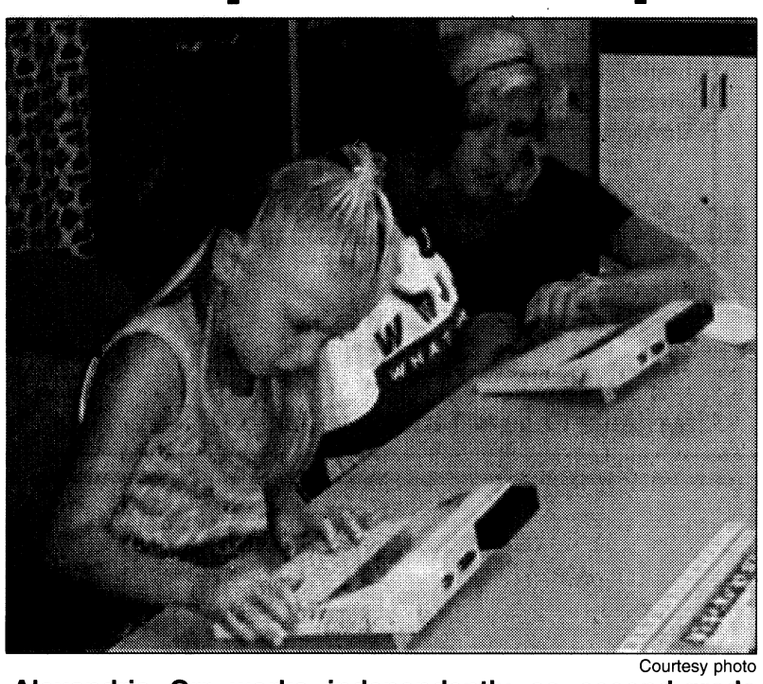
McBride Elementary School

Imagine a classroom where technology is integrated into the curriculum by connecting the teacher with every student in the classroom.

Imagine lessons that have 100 percent participation with immediate teacher feedback. For 20 McBride second-graders, this is a reality.

Second-graders in Penny Wilson's class call the Discourse Lab their classroom. Discourse Technologies, a company based in Wisconsin, developed a combination of hardware and software that allows teachers to engage all students in lessons and assess learning as it occurs.

Students use low-profile desktop terminals, known as Studycoms, to communicate with the teacher. At the teacher prompt, students use the keyboard to enter their answers.



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Alexandria Orr works independently as second-grade teacher Penny Wilson works with Alicia Spearman.

Using the computer at the teacher station, the answers of the students are monitored.

It is immediately known which students are following and understand the lesson. The teacher can adjust the lesson plans at that moment, if necessary, to accommodate the pace of the learning in the class.

This technology provides a way to engage all students in learning.

It also builds self-esteem because students can respond to questions without fear of embarrassment.

"I'm not afraid if I have the answer wrong," said Collin Monfee. "I think that's neat."

Another component of the Discourse Lab is the ability to display students' answers on a large television screen.

This information can be displayed anonymously, or with student names, offering the opportunity for knowledge to be shared throughout the classroom.

Kenna Carillo likes to see her answers displayed. "It gives everyone a chance to learn," she said.

Discourse can be used for whole-class instruction. It is a teaching tool that provides insight into how the students are progressing.

In the Discourse classroom, each student is heard, and everyone is a participant in the lesson.

Students can't catch Gingerbread Man

Character helps kindergartners tour school

Velinda Hickey

McBride Elementary School

The kindergarten children at McBride Elementary School were able to tour their school while in hot pursuit of the small, yet famous, runaway Gingerbread Man.

Several adults in the building reportedly saw the small running cookie and tried to help the students find him, but the children, with all of their effort, were unable to catch up with the fast cookie.

However, the Gingerbread Man did leave each child a gingerbread cookie at the end of the search, which they enjoyed eating during class.

The kindergarten teachers use the Gingerbread Man Story at the beginning of the school year to help teach the students about their school.

Each teacher takes her class on a tour of the building while searching for clues left behind by the Gingerbread Man.

While searching for the runaway cookie, the teachers are able to point out different places in the school.

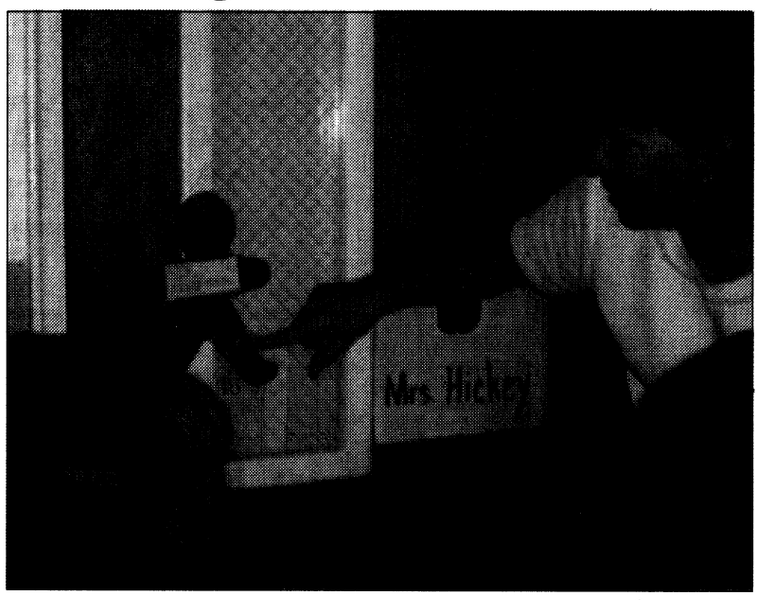
The children get a chance to see where the various rooms are located in a fun and very exciting way.

The children get a chance to go all around the school and become more comfortable with their environment.

When asked what they liked the most about the school tour, the following comments were made:

"I liked the notes the Gingerbread Man left in the library and other places," said Emily O'Berry.

"I liked being really quiet in the halls looking for him," said Courtney Suter.



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Velinda Hickey reads a clue to find the Gingerbread Man to kindergartners on the first day of school.

"I liked eating the cookie he left me," Quinlin Plaut said.

"I liked talking to the nurse about him," said Ashley Long.

"I liked looking for him in the library.

"I saw books that looked like they wanted to be read," said Kristen Kopp.

McBride Elementary ready for school

McBride Elementary School

The teachers and students at McBride Elementary School have started the school year in full force. From pre-K to third grade to special areas, each class has been busy learning and having a lot of fun. The faculty and staff have set the tone for a successful school year.

The pre-K children have been getting to know one another, sharing, listening, and learning how to follow directions.

They are enjoying singing and learning finger plays.

All of these skills will help ensure these students will be ready for success in school.

The kindergarten classes are beginning to work on pre-reading skills.

The first-graders have been learning how to supply information for PowerPoint slides on the computer.

Each child had his own slide, which included his picture, signature and dictated sentences that was shown to parents during McBride's Open House.

The second-graders are enthusiastic about graphing. Each class has discussed ways to graph information and has completed graphs for display.

They have also created biographical sketches and have shared them with each other. In the computer lab each child is learning keyboarding skills to enhance the use of technology throughout the year.

The third-graders have been studying the various types of graphs on the computer.

The program the students are using to set up and design graphs is called Graph Club. This program works well with the new math series that the Fort Benning schools are using this year.

"Doing graphs on the computer is fun because we get to print in color," said Kiara Quarles.

The McBride students also are benefiting from instruction in guidance, PE, art and music.

James Rutland's guidance program stresses the importance of proper school behavior both to the individual and to one's classmates.

Rutland said that each lesson is designed to help children understand themselves and others. Positive social-emotional behaviors and attitudes are taught to benefit them throughout life.

His program uses the school's motto, "I can and I will do my very best!"

In PE the students are getting into shape by learning soccer skills. Coach Ken Stettes said, "Soccer is a great sport to begin the school year because it uses gross motor skills and has good conditioning drills."

Stettes likes to use soccer because it meets the needs of the advanced players as well as the beginners. This allows all students to feel confident to ensure a successful PE program.

In Peggy Ander's music classes the students at each grade level are focusing on skills that are appropriate for their particular level.

The kindergarten children are learning solo and group parts with emphasis on slow, fast, loud, and soft. The first-graders began the school year with musical notes while the second-graders are learning to read music using lines and spaces.

Third-grade students are using percussion instruments and will later learn about other instruments.

All of the classes will use these skills to build new skills for school year.

Walter Blanks began his art program with a review of basic drawing skills for each grade level. Artwork is displayed throughout the building to support the students' use of these skills and to promote art as an exciting part of each day.

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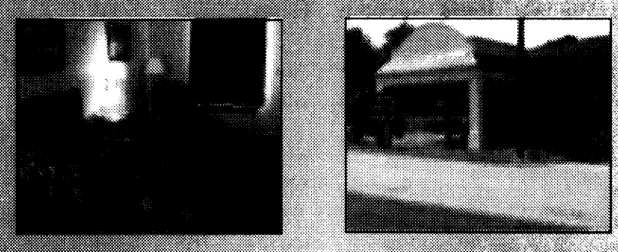

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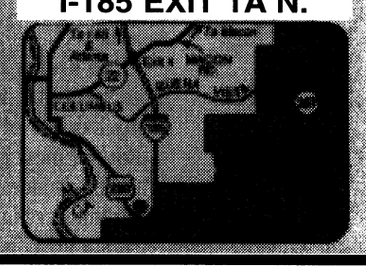

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Cassandra Ray Long — born Aug. 19 to Jenny and Spc. Robert Long.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

Ranger: Serves as role model

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academic and social performance.

"That's their favorite part," he said. "It's turned into this major competition to see who can get it the most. It's amazing how much that recognition means to them."

Though Gingrich enjoys watching the boys progress physically and academically, he said the greatest thrill is watching them develop a new sense of trust and self-confidence.

"Sometimes you find one that has a particularly hard time adjusting here," he said. "It's most rewarding when you see him open up and learn to trust again."

Unfortunately not all residents make a successful transition to life in group housing. Last year Gingrich and his wife Jennifer shared their Christmas with one young resident who had no place to go for the holiday. The boy was recently removed from the ranch after failing to conform to house rules.

"It's hard," Gingrich said. "He was my little buddy. It was hard to watch him go through that and not be able to adapt. A few months ago we had three boys adopted in one month.

"That's a major victory. Then something like this happens and it's really hard to let go."

For the most part Carpenter's Way experiences very few discipline problems, Gingrich said.

"It's a misconception that boys in these kinds of places are delinquents. In fact, it's just the opposite. They're good kids whose parents are abusive or negligent or in prison. They need positive role models."

As a Ranger, Gingrich embodies the qualities Carpenter's Way staff strive to teach their young residents, including a strong work ethic and a desire to learn.

"We really appreciate all that he does for these boys," said Karen Johnson, Carpenter's Way development director. "He's setting an example we would be proud to see them emulate. We believe God works all things out for the good of those who love him.

"One day these boys will look back at the trials in their lives and, like sergeant Gingrich, see how God has used them to shape their lives and make them into better people."

PIE: Benefits children, Soldiers

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land. Materially there's everything here a boy could dream of," Baron said. "But the one thing they need the most is the one thing they're missing — family. That's where we come in. If we can fill that void in some small way, it would be incredibly gratifying to us, and we may never know the far-reaching impact it will have on these young men.

"Perhaps the greatest resource we can offer is our time."

Karen Johnson, Carpenter's Way development director, said the boys have a lot in common with the Rangers, which makes the partnership an ideal match for both organizations.

"They've got all men. We've got all boys. They're on the move, always doing cool stuff. Our boys love that," she said. "The Rangers are used to moving and leaving the people they've come to know and love. Unfortunately, our boys have experienced that trauma at a very early age.

"The boys need someone to look up to, and who better to lead the way than the Rangers? It's a win-win situation."

Philip Tisdale, executive director of the ranch, said the Rangers are continuing a partnership tradition that has been strongly enhanced by the contributions of a few dedicated Soldiers.

Over the past two years, several Soldiers have spent many off-duty hours with the boys, including one Soldier who recently adopted a resident.

"The Partners in Education is a very important component of our program here," Tisdale said. "It means a lot to the boys to know that someone cares enough to give of their time on a continual basis. It helps them feel accepted. We appreciate that."

Johnson said the residents look forward to visits from the Soldiers from the training brigade because they feel comfortable with them.

"We work a lot on social skills here," she said. "Most of the boys do not feel comfortable around adults because it was adults that hurt them. It's wonderful to see them talk freely and trust the friends they've made at the Ranger Brigade."

Olympian: Receives farewell

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graders are on target with Major Anti."

Matthew said his classmates have been asking him about his father's sport.

"They want to know what kind of rifle he shoots, and if he's really good at it," he said. "I tell them he is very good at it, and I'm proud of him. I hope he brings home a Gold medal."

Anti, who also competed in the '92 Olympics, brought along his gun and shooting equipment, including shooting glasses and targets.

He briefly explained the purpose and use of each piece of equipment and allowed 6-year-old Mark Yanoschik to model his shooting apparel.

"It was so cool," Yanoschik said. "It was really heavy and goofy looking, but it was cool."

Anti presented each student with an autographed Olympic sports card and elicited a promise they'd be watching for him on television competing for the Gold.

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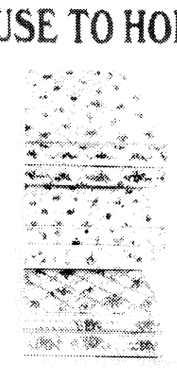

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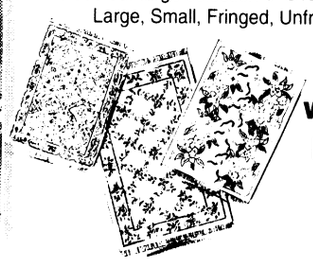

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reflections

How old is too old when we talk about education? There's barely a minimum age for education.

We're told that babies are able to establish attitudes and personalities before they are born, based on their prenatal environment. Good music and a quiet, pleasant environment are supposed to contribute to their future. Then we are supposed to read to babies and talk to them from their earliest beginnings, to help make them eager and able to learn.

Often we read in the newspaper about someone who has received a high-school diploma or a college degree when he or she was 90 years old or older.

Very well then, if individuals do not get too old to learn in secular settings, why do we feel that once a child has been to Sunday School for a few years, and possibly "joined the church," he has had a sufficient amount of religious education to last him for the rest of his life?

At best, many adults feel that a little "self-directed Bible study" is the most they could ever need or want.

The month of September is observed in the U.S. Army as Religious Education Month. That's why I am taking this space to talk about some religious education opportunities at Fort Benning. Often, when religious education is spoken of, people immediately think of Sunday School, CCD and Torah study. Well, we have those at Fort Benning.

The Main Post Sunday School is located in Edward A. White School on First Division Road, and is every Sunday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. There are classes for all age groups from 3 years through adults. Custer Terrace Chapel also conducts its own Sunday School at the Chapel.

CCD operates from September through May, for ages 4 through high school, and this year will be at 10:10 a.m. at Wilson School.

A Torah study is each Sunday morning at 9 a.m. at Soldiers' Chapel.

Additionally, there are women's groups, Bible study groups that meet in homes and some that are lead by chaplains in unit areas, and there are youth groups.

A program that just began at Fort Benning this year is Club Beyond. It is for youths and there are separate programs for junior high, middle school and for senior high school students. A professional director is contracted to lead this program. Meeting times and places are: Junior high, middle school, at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sundays and senior high at Custer Terrace Chapel from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays.

All Fort Benning youths are invited and encouraged to attend Club Beyond.

Programs include fellowship, Bible study, recreation and refreshments.

There are various outings, retreats, camps and other activities planned during the year.

For more information concerning meeting times and places of religious education activities, refer to the schedule on the Spiritual page in *The Bayonet*, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715, ask your unit chaplain or call the chapel that sponsors the event.

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet every Thursday morning at Custer Terrace Chapel from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. for Bible study, fellowship, prayer and praise.

The Military Council of Catholic Women meets on Friday mornings at 10 a.m. at the Main Post Catholic Chapel for the Rosary and Bible study.

You are never too old to participate in religious education. You are always invited. As we begin a new school year, I encourage you to participate in religious education.

chapel notes

Protestant Women of the Chapel meet — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The program includes prayer, praise, Bible study and fellowship.

All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

Fall Bible studies begin Sept. 14 with the theme "Proclaim the Blessed Hope." Studies to choose from include "Integrity, Living the Truth" and "Building Better Relationships." For more information, call Susan Parks, 682-6551 or Lisa Truitt, 689-5050.

Military Council of Catholic Women — The Military Council of Catholic Women meets Fridays at 10 a.m. at the Main Post Catholic Chapel. The program will begin with the rosary followed by a Bible study.

Child care will be provided. Refreshments will be served after the program. For more information, call Marty Terhune at 682-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Club Beyond — The junior high and middle school youths meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sundays in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The senior high group meets from 6:30 until 8 p.m. Thursdays at the Custer Terrace Chapel.

For more information, call 545-2359.

Pre-marriage class — The next pre-marriage class will be Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. at the Fort Benning Golf Club House. To register call the Main Post Catholic Chapel at 545-1452.

Anyone planning to marry in the Catholic Church between now and the end of the year should plan to attend.

Teens test selves through parents

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Family Life Ministries Program



Forming their own values is one of the developmental tasks of a teenager. During this process, teens frequently challenge the rules and values of their parents. This process can cause extreme heartache to parents.

When a teen goes against the family's value system, it not only affects the prodigal, but also the marriage relationship, and the rest of the family.

This is especially true if the parents are not in agreement on how to deal with this situation.

On the other hand, the actions of the wayward teen may be simply a reflection of a dysfunction in the marriage or the family.

Parents should recognize this time of turmoil as the beginning process of their child becoming an adult. This allows parents and children to express concerns, reaffirm common values and negotiate differences.

In addition, it helps parents to re-examine again the reasons for holding the values that they have held. If we insist on forcing our values on teens, by imposing greater restrictions and pronouncing increased demands on them, we often become unjust and exasperate our children.

Frequently parents of wayward adolescents experience a sense of failure as a parent. They are often more concerned about what their neighbors will think of them as parents than what is best for their teenager.

Perfect parenting does not guarantee perfect behavior in children.

Rather than focus on the negative behaviors and values of their teenager, parents should accentuate the positive actions of their adolescent.

Emphasize positive behaviors that they had prior to going their own way. Ask their teachers, pastor and relatives to indicate positive traits or behaviors that they see in your son or daughter.

In addition parents of prodigals should look for ways to encourage their teens and to believe in them. By saying, "I may not agree with what you are doing, but I believe in you, and I love you and I value you." This puts internal pressure on the prodigal and allows them to respect you.

Wayward teens need not wreak havoc on you, your marriage or your family.

If you would like help in handling a prodigal, free counseling is available.

Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or email me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

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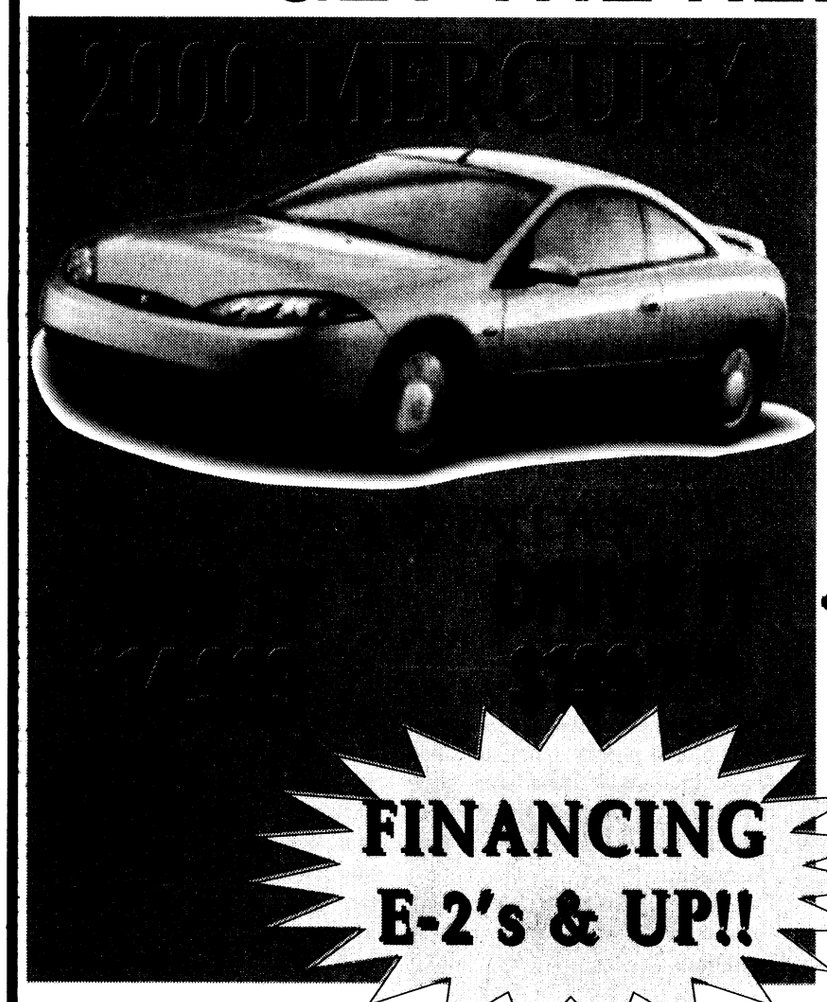

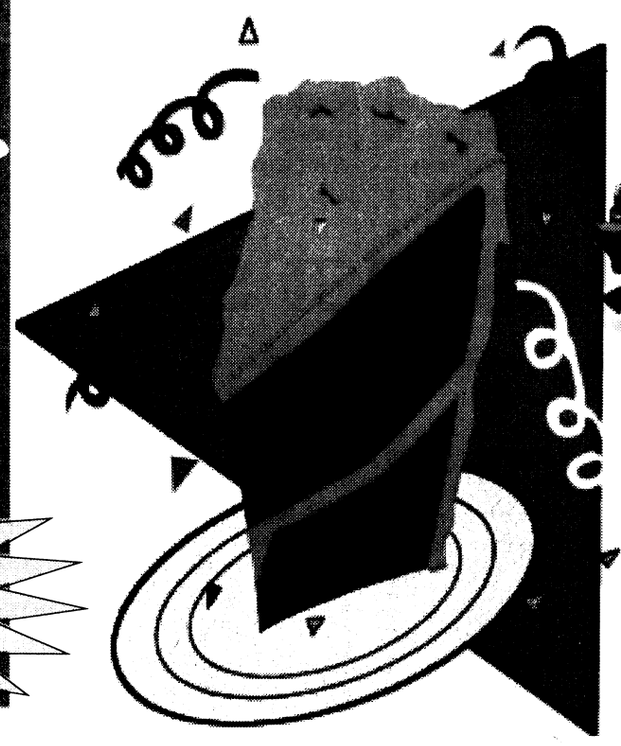

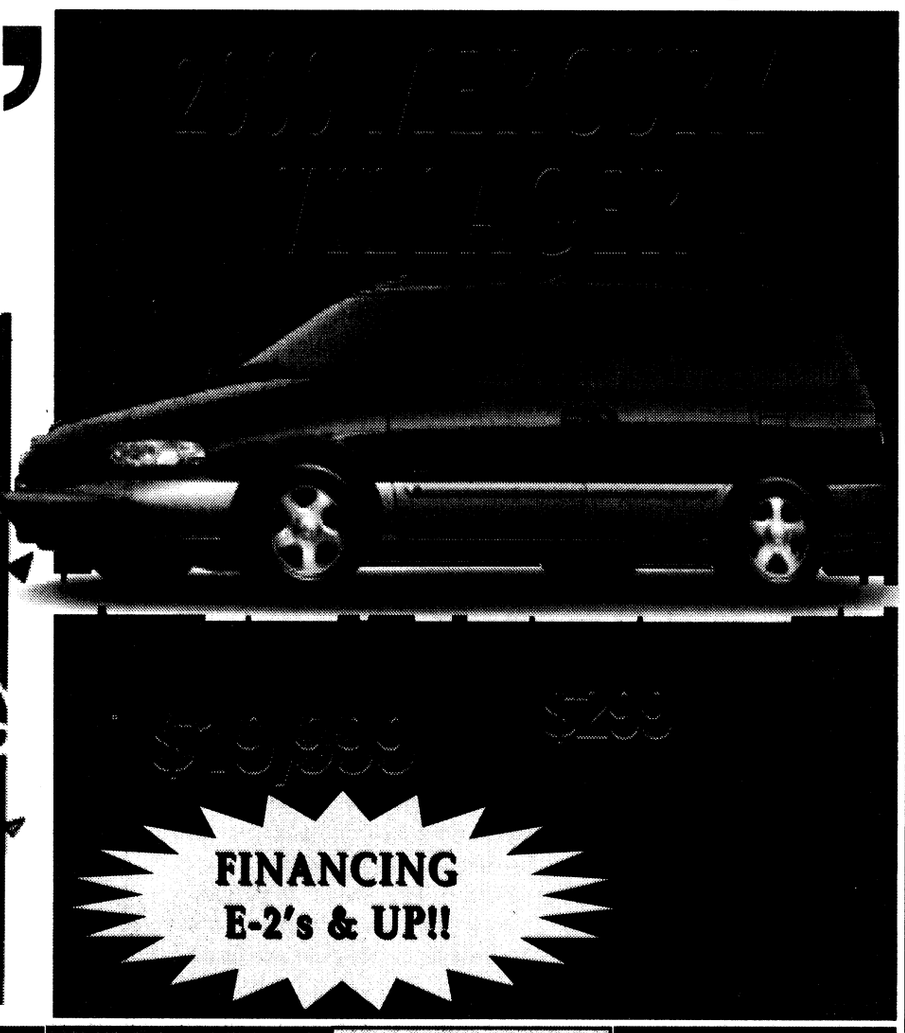

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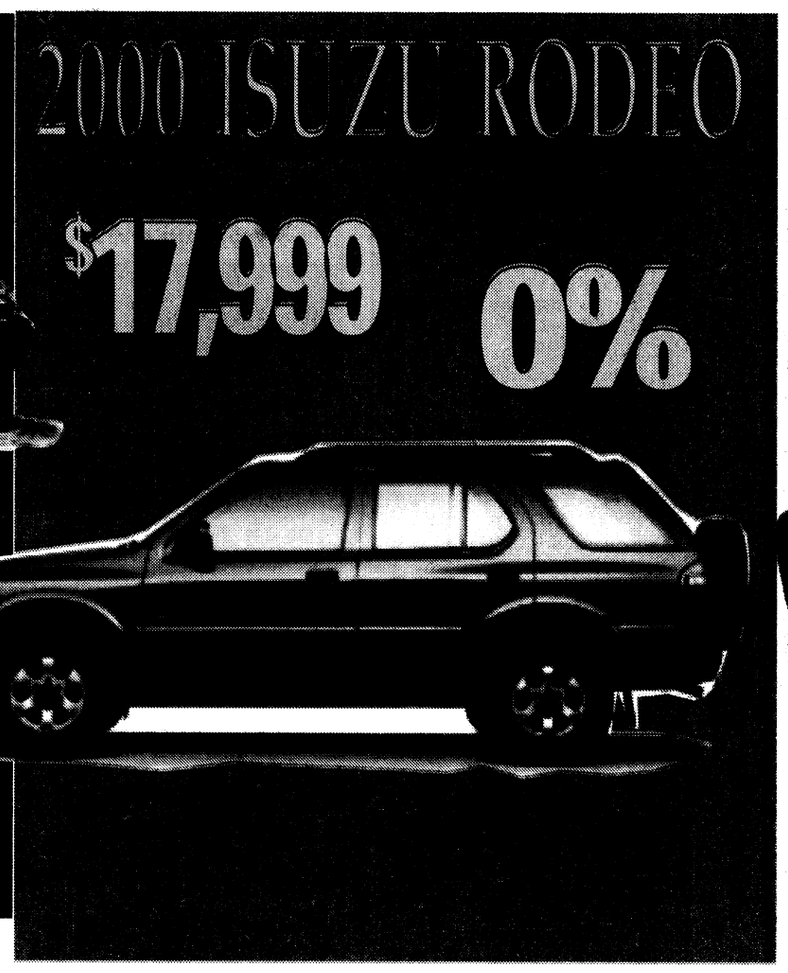



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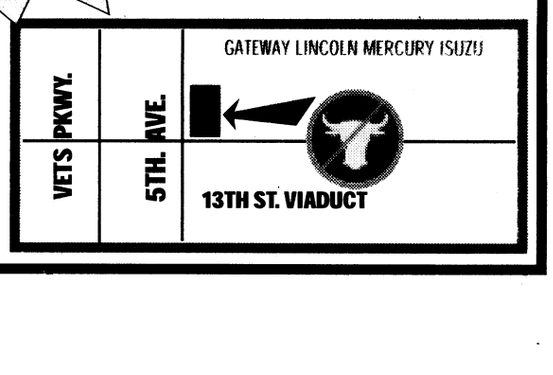

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SPORTS

SECTION C

Range gives hunters place to practice

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Bayonet correspondent

With less than one week from the start of archery season the bow hunters in Georgia are in the thick of things. There is much preparation involved in having a safe, successful archery season. Scouting, practice, tuning equipment, clothing and scent preparation and more practice.

At this point in the game (did you guess) practice is probably one of the most important things. Fort Benning has one of the finest archery ranges in the state. The range is in its third season, located in the Harmony Church area near the Sniper School.


Hughes

There is a map located at Outdoor Recreation for specific directions if you're not sure of the location. The range has a 17-yard indoor range and clubhouse. The roomy indoor zero range has targets from 10 to 60 yards. There also is a 2200-meter walking range with burlap targets. Most of the burlap targets have animal silhouettes for simulated hunting practice. One week prior to season start Sept. 16, an experienced archer from Directorate of Community Activities will be present to assist with any problems.

The range is open to all archers; civilians will be required to sign a waiver of liability before shooting.

Also for interested archers there will be a 3-D competition and novelty broad head shoot from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. The broad head shoot should be interesting and informative, as one of the most difficult tasks is to achieve accurate broad head flight. The 3-D shoots cater to all ages from youth to adult. Archers younger than the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

The success of any program is due to the people who run and support it — Dewayne Mosher, Tim Lokker, Donnie Conard, Steve Skotsky and Frank Bue.

Many thanks go to these dedicated archers for running a great program, also Shooters of Columbus and Bass and Buck for their donations and time. The range is truly a culmination of a group effort and is run by volunteers with help from DCA.

Without volunteers the range will cease to exist; so if you have any spare time please inquire, your help will definitely be appreciated.

For more information, call Cliff Hughes, Outdoor Rec. at 545-7978 or Dewayne Mosher at 989-0156.

Pistol shooters compete in match

Competitors face weather, new stages

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

More than 30 shooters faced shooting in the rain to compete during the September tactical pistol match at English Range Saturday.

The shooters blazed away at the two paper and the 12 steel targets to see who was the best of the best.

The shoot was shortened because of the weather, said Jim Graham, assistant manager of the Rifle and Pistol Club.

Shooters were required to hit the paper targets three times, two shots in the body and one in the head of the silhouette target, and then knock down the steel targets.

The winner of the stock service class was Randall Banks followed by Don Schleicher and Al Edwards. In the enhanced service and custom service classes, Edwards took the top spots and in the custom service class, he was followed by Frank Russo and Clayton Meals.

David Tutherow took top honors in the service revolver class and Frank Russon won the back-up auto class.

The Rifle and Pistol Club has both tactical rifle and pistol shoots each month. The pistol shoots are usually on the first Saturday of the month and the rifle shoots are the second Sunday of the month.

The Rifle and Pistol Club, along with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit and The Muscogee Longrifles are hosting the annual Deer Hunters Zero from 8 a.m. to noon Oct. 1 and 14 at English Range.

The Deer Hunters Zero offers a chance, for people who are eligible to hunt on Fort Benning, to zero in and practice with their firearms without being a member of the Rifle and Pistol Club. For more information, call 689-3371.

Rangers blast Rock, win post championship

4th RTB wins post softball tournament

Pfc. Mark Watson
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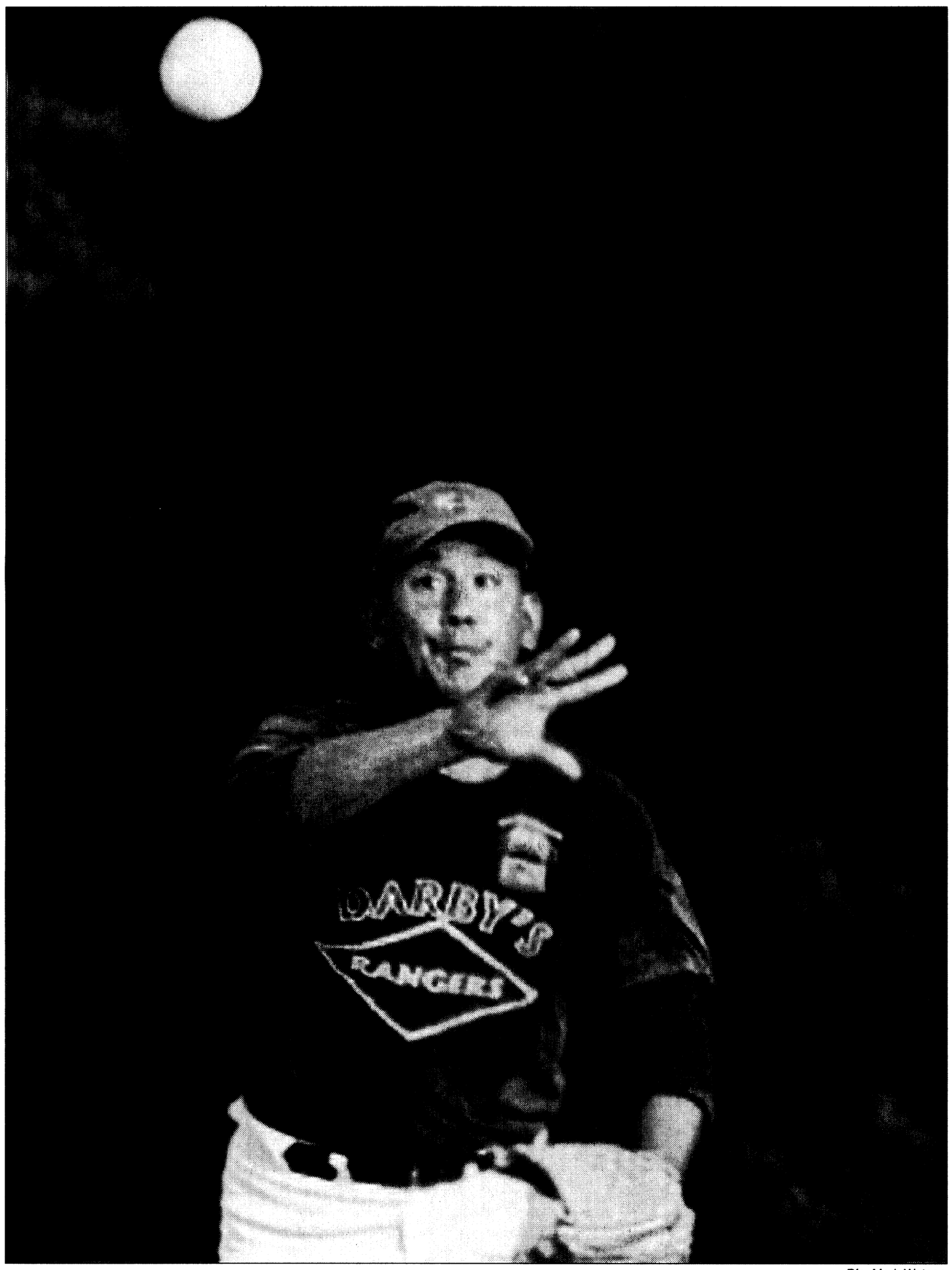

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Rangers' shortstop K.K. Chinn guns the ball to first to make an easy out. The Rangers beat the Rock in both games of the doubleheader coming from behind, winning the post intramural softball tournament.

In the final games of the post intramural softball tournament Aug. 30, Fort Benning's only undefeated team, the Rock, faced the Darby Rangers to see who would walk away with the championship trophy and who would just walk away.

With a record of 12-0, the Rock from C Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, were ahead of the 4th Ranger Training Battalion's Rangers by only one game in the double elimination tournament.

But at the end of the evening the Rangers were ahead by one game and earned their bragging rights.

The game began with the Rock stepping up to the plate, and getting shut down before they could build momentum.

Things started off better for the Rangers when their catcher hit a single, which turned into a double on an overthrow by the Rock's shortstop James Lacey.

With the next two batters grounding out, it looked as if Lacey would be stranded on second until left fielder Tom Siter, the Rangers' big gun, drove him home off of a hit into the outfield.

Second baseman Fred Canan hit a single moving Siter into scoring position.

First baseman Pete Villalobos drove Siter around the horn to give the Rangers a 2-0 lead in the first.

Both teams played strong defense and kept each other scoreless in the second, but in the top of the third, the Rock scored.

After hitting a double, extra hitter Duane Young rounded the bases to score after right-center fielder Richard Bettis followed it up with another double.

The Rangers nearly kept the Rock hitless using teamwork.

On a line drive from the Rock's right fielder, Jose Marichal, the ball went off Rangers' pitcher Joe Hughes'

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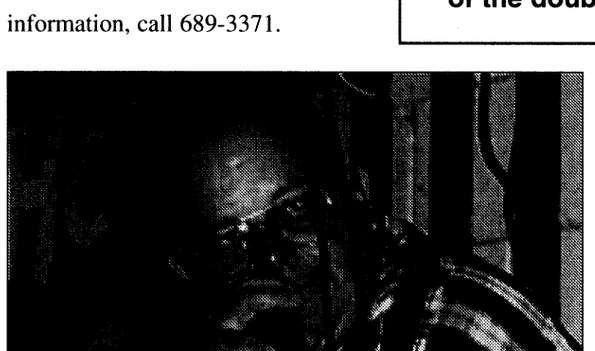
Bridgett Siter

Mike Boswell calls out bids at the Possum Trot Auction every Friday in Seale, Ala.

Possum Trot auction offers good deal of fun

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It was definitely a girls' night out — a chance to kick up our heels, paint the town red, party till dawn — you know the drill.

So we left the guys with the kids and take-out pizza, donned our best overalls and pointed the minivan toward Seale, Ala., and the Possum Trot Auction.



Now I'm thinking you're thinking exactly what I was thinking before I experienced Possum Trot (which incidentally is French for "dueling banjoes.") The very name evokes visions of backwoods hillbilly hick, and if that's your idea of Friday night fare, it's everything you ever dreamed of and more.

Located less than 30 miles south of Fort Benning on Highway 431, the Possum Trot Auction is housed in a rather primitive looking wood and block-framed building adjacent to Martin's Barbecue Restaurant, which is a great place to grab a quick bite before the auction.

A sign at the door says, "Ain't no place like this place anywhere near this place, so this must be the place," and on any given Friday night in Seale, this is obviously The Place to be. Though the festivities begin at 7:30 p.m., the crowd starts arriving about 6:30 to preview the items going up for auction — everything from tools and appliances to antique furniture and genuine junk.

The interior of the Possum Trot is as eclectic as the merchandise they offer. The walls are covered in folk-art signs that advertise exotic dancers and hot goobers, and an odd assortment of paraphernalia hangs from the rafters: wigs and boots and kitchen utensils and straw hats. There's even a real stuffed possum mounted by the front door to greet you as you enter the building.

Be sure to get there before the

See **POSSUM TROT**, C-2

Fort Benning offers waterfowl hunting

Staff Sgt. Carl R. Sandy
Headquarters, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment

Fort Benning has numerous ponds, creeks and a river running through it. Unfortunately, Chattahoochee and Muscogee counties are not in the path of a major flyway. This doesn't mean waterfowl don't pass through or winter here.

If you're not expecting to experience something from Cabela's *Under Wild Skies* then you can have a great time afield.

Wood ducks are a sure bet. With a little scouting, and I mean a little, you can locate these birds.

Most of the birds are local, but a good many are out of towners. Wood ducks love slow water and spend most of their time in backwater, sloughs and ponds.

Other ducks you can expect to see are teal and shovelers early in the season. As the season progresses you will start seeing ducks such as bluebill and mallards. The bluebills seem to like the ponds better than rivers and creeks. As for the mallard and geese, you will probably do better on the river.

Remember that most of these birds are well versed in decoy spreads and barrel movement, so patience is key when trying to get them in close. As for hitting them, most ducks appear to be flying slower than they are because of their size.

This causes a lot of hunters to shoot behind them.

When you miss, and you will, blame it on the steel shot. I do.

Fort Benning offers the waterfowler a lot of opportunity. Ensure you follow all federal, state and post regulations.

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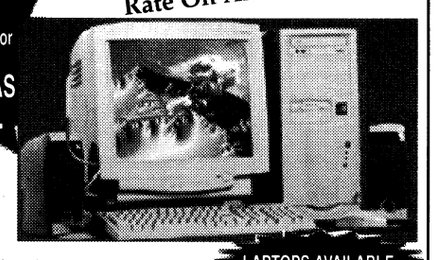
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Rangers: Topple undefeated Rock

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glove. Shortstop K.K. Chinn scrambled to catch the ball making the out.

Making the final hit for the Rock, third baseman Lemar Willis hit a double bringing in Bettis.

The game continued to get better for the Rangers as they pounded the Rock's defense into near submission.

Chinn hit a single and then was driven home by right-center fielder Preston Smith who reached third because of the Rock's errors.

The ever dangerous Siter stepped up to the plate again and this time he solidly connected with the ball sending it over the left field fence. Smith went home, which added one more homer to Siter's record of 24 homeruns giving the Rangers the lead, 5-2.

Both teams were scoreless in the fourth and fifth innings, but with the Rangers up to bat again in the sixth, right fielder Jamie Kirby hit a ground rule double and then scored off of a single by Hughes.

Hughes scored when extra hitter Jerald Polson hit a double deep into the outfield.

Bryant stepped up to the plate again and hit a deep shot to the fence scoring Polson and Bridgers giving the Rangers a 9-2 lead.

The Rock needed to score eight runs in the seventh inning to win the tournament, but were unsuccessful.

With two men on base, left fielder Damon Sharp hit a drive over the right field fence to give the Rock three more runs.

Although the Rock began a rally, it was short lived giving the Rangers the victory, 9-5, with one more game to decide the title.

After a 30-minute break, the Rock took to the batter's box again.

Marichal hit a triple and then second baseman Jody Shouse hit a single driving in Marichal.

The Rangers' Bryant and Chinn both hit doubles and right-center fielder Preston Smith hit a sacrifice fly to center field scoring Bryant.

Siter took his turn at bat again and pounded the ball over the fence for his second homer of the night.

Hughes hit a single and Kirby hit a single driving in the final Ranger run of the inning to give the Rangers a 4-1 lead.

Robert Linschoten, the Rock's left-center fielder, hit a double. Shortstop James Lacey singled to drive Linschoten in bringing the game within two.

The Rock kept the Rangers hitless in the bottom of the second and the Rangers kept the Rock hitless in the third.

With two men out in the bottom of the third, the Rock pitcher Frankie George told Siter to take the base with no challenge. Hughes and Canan hit back-to-back doubles, Canan scoring Hughes and Siter.

Left-center fielder Wade Kirkpatrick hit a single to score Canan and gave the Rangers the lead, 7-2.

Rock's extra hitter Young hit a double and Marichal, who hit a double, drove Young home.

Shouse hit an infield homerun off of an error from Kirkpatrick scoring another run and bringing the game within two.

The Rock's defense kept the Rangers scoreless in the fourth.

In the top of the fifth, George and Sharp connected with the ball and then Lacey doubled, bringing George and Sharp home, which tied the game at 7 runs apiece.

Chinn hit a single for the Rangers followed by Canan.

Kirkpatrick redeemed himself as he drove in Chinn and then Canan scored off of a sacrifice fly from Kirby giving the Rangers the lead once again 9-7.

The Rangers kept the Rock hitless in the sixth and then scored one run of their own expanding their lead, 10-7.

The top of the seventh was do or die for the Rock, and they knew it. They began to chip away at the Rangers hitting a single here and a double there to score four runs to tie the game.

The crowd was on its feet as Rangers' right-center fielder Preston Smith hit a single and put the game-winning run on first.

Siter was intentionally walked and then third baseman Carlie Bridgers hit a grounder past Lacey's glove, which gave the Rangers the victory 11-10 and the championship title.

Rangers' coach Richard Lopez said it's great to be the champions.

"The game got pretty rough and tight, but we were able to pull it out," Lopez said.

"We had good bats and that's what pulled us out. Our team really came together."

Lopez said when Siter was walked, it gave them the win.

"They were afraid he would hit it over the fence again, so they walked him," he said. "It cost them. They advanced Smith and they lost the game."

Batting was the key to the Rock's loss, first baseman Ken Bosier said.

"Our sticks just never came alive," Bosier said.

"We came into the game (thinking we had already won) and never woke up.

"I hate to end the season on two losses, but we really had a great season."

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Possum Trot: Hosts weekly auction

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"congregation" and grab a comfortable spot on one of the padded church pews. Once the auction starts it's standing room only, unless you count the assortment of mismatched chairs and benches that line the walls. But don't get too comfortable if you chose to sit there — when the bidding starts you're likely to lose your seat. Everything that isn't nailed down eventually finds it's way to the auction block. So if you like that chair you're sitting on, plan on making the highest bid.

Now I suspect the good folks at the Possum Trot Auction lay it on a little thick for us newcomers, but there's a curious dichotomy at work here. It seems the Possum Trot has recently made headlines all over Alabama and Georgia, and the media feeding-frenzy has drawn hordes of first-timers to the auction. The regulars don't necessarily think that's a good thing.

Be that as it may, they sure did treat us like home folk. They offered insider secrets to the art of auctioning — "Don't grab the first bid, the price will drop," — and their best theories on auction etiquette — "Friends before the auction, friends after the auction, every man for himself in between." The auction regulars were just as friendly and down to earth as you'd expect at a place called the Possum Trot.

Auctioneer Mike Boswell runs a rowdy show — lots of cheering and hand clapping throughout the evening.

Bidders showed as much enthusiasm for the grass hula skirt as they did the vintage crystal and genuine McCoy vases.

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sports briefs

Army 10-Miler — There will be a Army 10-Miler team qualifier Saturday at the Santiago Fitness Center. Registration begins at 6 a.m. and the race kicks off at 7 a.m.

For more information, call Calvin Abrams at 545-4300 or 545-4777.

Bowling Leagues — The Winter Bowling Leagues kicked off Sept. 1. To sign up for the league, call 682-7781 or 682-7777.

Rodeo — The 12th annual HCCA Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association rodeo will be at 8 p.m. Sept. 15 and 16 on Highway 116 East in Hamilton.

Deer Hunters' Zero — The Rifle and Pistol Club, along with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit and the Muscogee Longrifles, is hosting the annual Deer Hunters Zero from 8 a.m. to noon Oct. 1 and 14.

Anyone eligible to hunt on Fort Benning is able to participate in the shoot. Members of the AMU's Service Rifle Team will be on hand to help hunters zero their weapons and AMU gunsmiths will inspect weapons to ensure maximum safety.

For more information, call 689-3371.

Club seeks powerlifters — Anyone interested in powerlifting or wanting to form a powerlifting club on post for the purpose of going to competitions, call Richard Wideman at 689-2481.

Hunters' meeting — The annual open meeting for all Fort Benning hunters will be at 5 p.m. 19 in Classroom 6 in Infantry Hall.

Golf Tournament — There will be a American Cancer Society Golf Tournament beginning at noon Sept. 21 at the Lakewood Golf Course.

There will be prizes given to the top four teams as well as for the longest drive and on all Par 3s.

The entry fee is $200 per team.

For more information, call Linc Shelton at 297-4266.

Aviation Golf Tournament — The 11th annual Georgia Invitational Golf Tournament will be Sept. 28 and 29 at the Pine Oaks Golf Course. The first tee time is scheduled to tee off at noon Sept. 28.

There will be $30,000 in prizes given.

The entry fee for the tournament is $250 per player.

For more information, call (912) 923-6600.

Cancer Society offers golf passes — The American Cancer Society is offering a golf pass.

Each pass is $30 and is valid through Dec. 31.

For more information, call (800) 227 2345.

Parks offer golf card — The Georgia State parks has a new program which offers golfers five days of unlimited green fees at any state park golf course for $59.

It is a great way to sample the seven courses throughout the state within the five days.

Cart rental fees are additional but are not required.

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For more information, call (770) 631-9988.

Bowling Center offers special league — There is a special bowling league held at noon each Saturday in the Main Post Bowling Center.

Children and adults with disabilities can participate in the league which is called "The Stars of Tomorrow."

Each person will bowl three games to establish a handicap.

Cost is $2 per child.

For more information, 562-9403 or 545-5850.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for football, soccer and cheerleading coaches. For more information, call 545-3070 or 545-3540 or stop by Youth Services, Building 1056.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services. Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and older, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

For more information, call 545-3070.

Georgia Parks offers annual pass — Outdoor enthusiasts can save money at any of Georgia's 48 state parks this year by buying an Annual ParkPass.

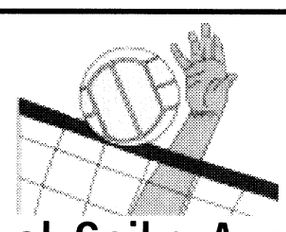
The pass is $25 and provides unlimited access to Georgia State Parks without paying the $2-$4 daily parking fee.

For more information about the ParkPass program, call (404) 657-9851 or visit www.gastateparks.org. To join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites" call (800) 864-7275.

NRMB sets pig traps — The Natural Resource Management Branch has set up traps in the wooded areas throughout the installation in an effort to eradicate the feral swine problem on post.

For more information, call Pete Swiderek at 544-7077.

Georgia hunter safety course — The next Georgia hunter safety course will be from 6 to 10 p.m. on Sept. 12 and 14 in Infantry Hall, Classroom 5. Students are required to attend both nights and must fill out a home study guide prior to attending. Home study guides are available at the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1701, behind the Windsong Theater.



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All Saints Presbyterian Church will be hosting the
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The format is for six member teams and is open to all ages.
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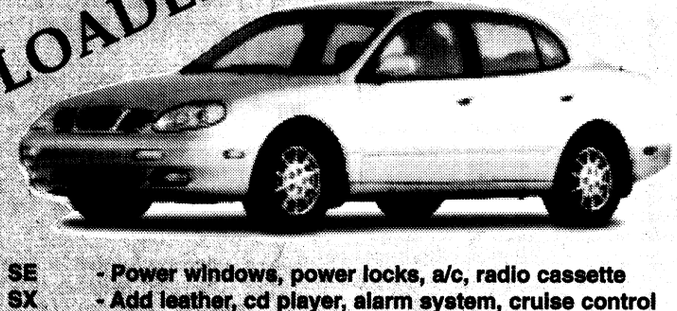

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Ethan Allen classic oak dining table, 2 captain chairs, 4 bowback chairs, matching server $900. 561-4844. (F8)

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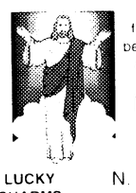
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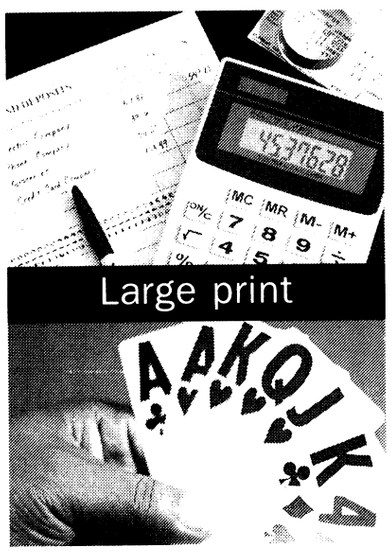

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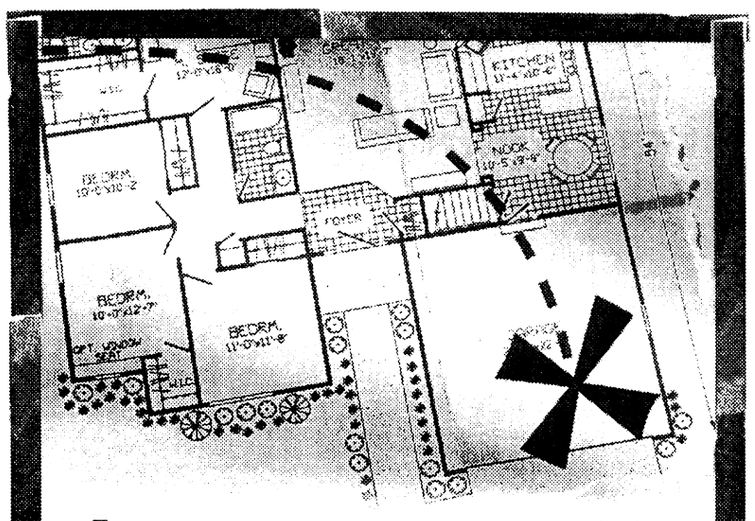

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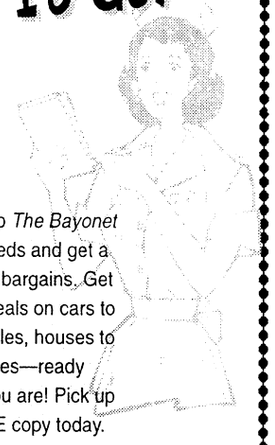
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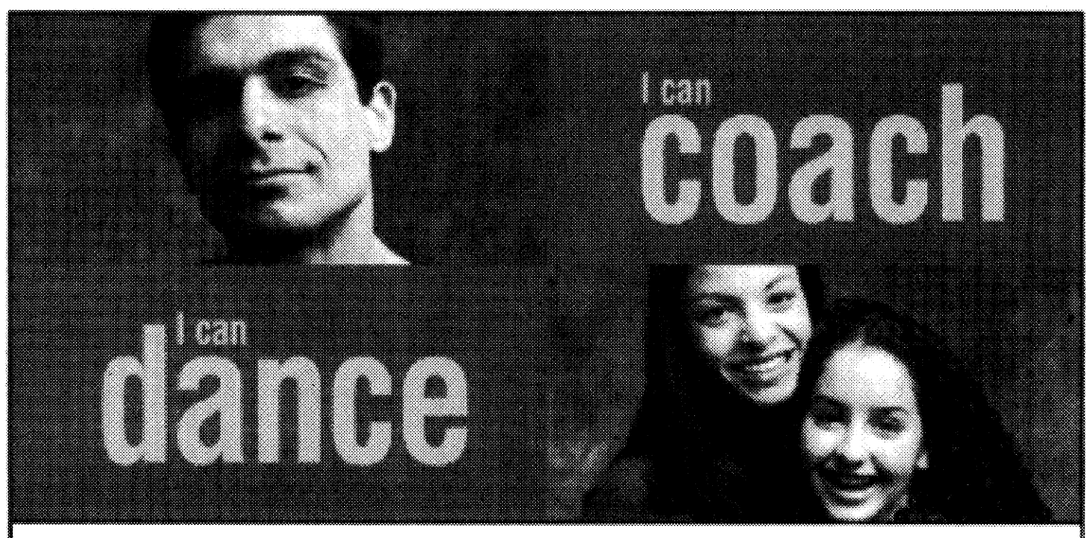

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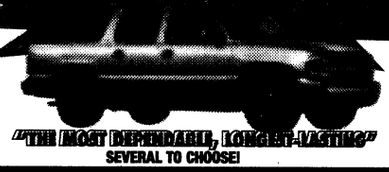

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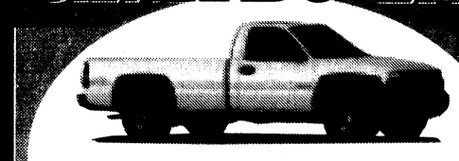

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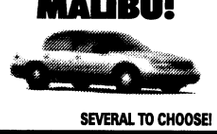

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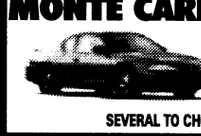

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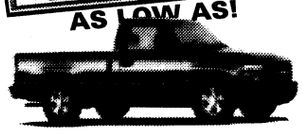

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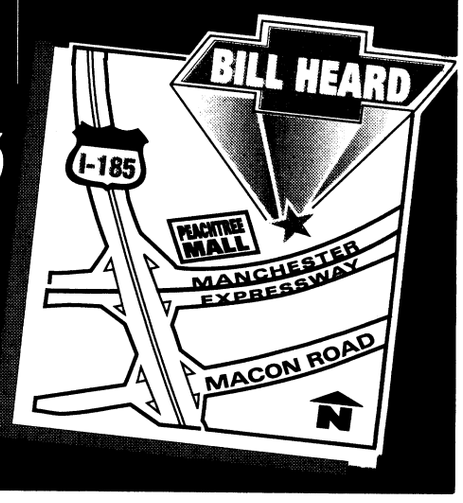

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Retention woes bring team to post

Spouses may hold key to staying in

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

In an effort to determine reasons why officers, especially those with less than 10 years of service, are leaving the Army, a team from Fort Leavenworth, Kan., will visit Fort Benning Tuesday and Wednesday to talk with people who would know — the spouses.

Spouses whose sponsors have five, 10 or 18 years in service, plus or minus two years, are invited to attend the two-hour focus group sessions, said Deborah Holton, installation volunteer coordinator.

"They want to get the view of the spouses and ask why, as a family, they are wanting to leave the military," Holton said.

"The Soldier's family impacts greatly on what the Soldier decides to do in terms of his or her career," Holton said.

Sessions will be held each day from 9 to 11 a.m., 1 to 3 p.m., and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Family Unit Network Center, Building 359, on Ingersoll Avenue.

Child care and refreshments will be provided.

Spouses are asked to call Holton at 545-3016 to sign up for their preferred session time and to reserve child care.

"Call as soon as possible, and tell your friends and neighbors," Holton said.

Three installations were selected for the visits — Fort Leavenworth, Fort Sill, Okla., and Fort Benning.

"One of the reasons they chose to come to Fort Benning is to reach the spouses of officers who are at the five-year and 10-year point of their careers," Holton said.

The review sessions are part of a follow-up to interviews conducted with officers earlier this summer by a team from Fort Leavenworth.

"The decision to stay or leave the Army is almost always a family decision," said Lt. Col. Mark Fields, chief of the Office of Infantry Proponency.

"Infantry Proponency, Training and Doctrine Command and the Army have been looking closely at the reasons our captains are choosing to get out," Fields said.

The attrition rate for captains is on the rise, and Fields said the reasons cited often deal with family issues.

Armywide the captain attrition rate is more than 10 percent.

"Every 3 percent represents 400 lost captains across the Army," Fields said.

"In that context, these focus sessions are very important," he said.

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Food fantasy



Spc. Mitch Frazier

Pvt. Jeff Wilson, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, enjoys a surprise visit from his mother, Linda, Saturday. The visit and the home-cooked meal were Linda's food 'fantasy' and the premise for a show that will be featured on the Food Network.

Show makes mom's dream true

TV show gives mother chance to surprise her son

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

When 19-year-old Jeff Wilson left his Paige, Ariz., home more than 14 weeks ago, he left behind his wife of one week, a child and the person he calls the most important person in his life, his mother.

He left it all behind for a new life, one he hoped would make a better living for him and his family.

He was joining the ranks of the U.S. Army, but becoming part of the green team wouldn't come without a price for the family.

His mother, Linda, is a single parent, and the two had been the other's confidant and best friend since his birth.

But now he was forced to cut those apron strings and move on with his life. He was now a Soldier in the U.S. Army.

Like any mother, Linda was devastated when her "little boy" left. She began to count down the days until she could see her son once again, but she couldn't help but feel guilty about the circumstances surrounding his departure.

"We were so busy with his wedding and getting things wrapped up with that, I just forgot," Linda said. "Ever since that day he left, I have thought about what I could have done to make it different."

It wasn't a forgotten "I love you" or

See **DREAM**, A-6

Country honors missing veterans

Cohen calls POW-MIA readiness issue

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

Last year in an observance marking POW-MIA Recognition Day, Secretary of Defense William Cohen dedicated a new inscription on the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington, Va., to reflect that the Tomb no longer contains the remains of an unknown Soldier from the Vietnam War.

The remains of 1st Lt. Michael Blassie, an Air Force pilot shot down over An Loc in 1972, were positively identified with DNA testing and his family buried him in St. Louis in July 1998.

Today, the third Friday in September, is the day set aside as the national POW-MIA Recognition Day.

The issue of POW-MIAs is a readiness issue for today's military, said Deputy Secretary of Defense Rudy de Leon in a speech to the National League of Families of POW/MIA in Southeast Asia June 22 in Washington, D.C.

"Even today, from the dangerous divide of the Korean Peninsula to our peacekeeping operations in Kosovo … our country, the United States, has a solemn compact with each and every Soldier, sailor, airman, Marine, and Coast Guardsman in the service; a commitment that we will do all in our power to find them and bring them home if they are captured, missing in action, or fall on the field of battle," de Leon said.

"So in a sense, the accounting for those who are still missing from past

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Astronaut rockets campaign into full swing

Federal fund-raiser will begin collecting here Sept. 22

Sally Shutt
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Former astronaut Norman E. Thagard is a man of many accomplishments, and he admits he had help along the way.

A medical doctor and Vietnam veteran, he holds a degree in engineering and was the first American astronaut on the Russian space station Mir in 1995.

Thagard visited Columbus Sept. 7 to help the city kick off its United Way campaign — "Blasting off into the 21st Century." He took the chance to share anecdotes on how he had been helped through the years, by teachers and others, and to encourage individuals to give back to their community.

"Various Americans have helped me succeed. No one can do all these things through their own efforts," he said.

More than 1,100 people attended the kick-off luncheon including representatives from Fort Benning. The Brass Quintet of the Infantry Center Band provided music during the event at the Columbus Convention and Trade Center.

The United Way of the Chattahoochee Valley serves eight counties and hopes to raise $6 million this year, said retired Maj. Gen. Jerry White, the organization's president.

Organizations that receive funding from the United Way include the American Red Cross, Big Brothers-Big Sisters, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and the Columbus Alliance for Battered Women.

Last year Fort Benning Soldiers and civilian employees contributed $609,000 to the Combined Federal Campaign, and of that total, $90,000 stayed in the local community to fund United Way agencies and Fort Benning Soldier Family Support Activities, Chuck Walls, deputy garrison commander, said after the lunch.

The CFC will kick off its fund-raising drive Sept. 22. Its goal is to raise $550,000 in the Fort Benning, Columbus and Phenix City area by Nov. 3.

During the CFC, individuals are encouraged to give to the charity of their choice and more than 900 agencies are listed, including international, national and local organizations such as the United Way. There is no limit on the number of charities a person can designate.

"While our primary objective is to encourage everyone to give to the CFC effort, we are putting special emphasis on supporting our 'local' programs — both on post and in the Chattahoochee Valley

See **CAMPAIGN**, A-7

Family still remembers MIA

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary

Even as children, my cousins and I knew not to question Sam's mother about him. I only know what I know by piecing together secondhand accounts from other family members.

Sam is one of more than 8,000 POW-MIA servicemen who served during the Korean War. He was declared "dead, body not recovered" years ago.

I don't know if he was drafted or if he volunteered, only that in 1951 he was a corporal with the 5th Regimental Combat Team in Korea.

Barely 20, Sam went out to pull a shift on a listening post. The Soldier sent out to relieve him never found him.

Later, Soldiers who had been held in the same POW camp as Sam eventually came home to Honolulu. They were shocked to learn they had seen him last. They reported that their camp had been evacuated, and the prisoners force marched to other locations. At



some point during the march Sam, who was already ill, became sicker and was ordered to wait on the side of the road for a vehicle that was picking up stragglers.

The other POWs marched on, were split up and sent to different camps.

When Sam didn't arrive at their camp, they assumed he had been sent to another. No one saw him again.

For years, the Korean War was referred to as a "conflict" and as a "police action." Sam's mom scoffed at this.

The government and the Army could call it whatever they wanted. It was a war and it had cost her a son.

In a corner of her apartment his mother displayed his medals and a neatly folded flag. She looked forward to the day that the flag would be taken from its display case, unfurled, and flown freely to welcome Sam home.

For years she openly maintained that he was still alive. It was a hope rekindled with every rumor that Korean POWs were taken to some far-flung corner of the world and had been seen working in a prison camp there and with every "report" that some POWs had been left behind instead of repatriated.

Nearly two years ago, Sam's aunt read an article asking family members of Korean War MIAs to come forward to give DNA samples in the event that unidentified remains were recovered.

She and his younger brother agreed that it was their only chance to ever identify Sam's remains. They called the toll-free number and a "very nice lady" in Washington D.C. thanked them for calling and encouraged them to submit samples.

With DNA from his mother and a full sibling, they would be able to make a positive identification if his body was ever found.

But the family worried that the anxiety it would cause his mother would jeopardize her fragile health, even after more than 50 years, and her doctor agreed.

They considered having her doctor take the samples and telling her that it was part of a routine office visit, but the samples had to be taken at "the Army hospital." In the end, she was gently told about the identification program. She had her surviving son take her to Tripler Army Medical Center where they submitted DNA samples.

Sam's aunt said that the "nice lady" said she didn't want to get the family's hopes up.

That while the identification program was a good thing, they would have to be very patient because it could still take years, many years, to identify any remains that are found and then match the tissue samples.

Sam's mom has waited more than 50 years.

She has patience, a lot of patience. It's time that she's running out of.

Uncle's life saved on Hamburger Hill

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

On a trip home to Indiana, I had the opportunity to sit down with my uncle Will and talk about Vietnam.

First I asked him if it would bother him to talk about it. He answered unequivocally.

"Not at all. This was the way I saw it," he said. "It was a terrible job, but I didn't have a choice in the matter. When it was over, I figured the job was done and there was no sense in bringing it home with me."

Uncle Will's a strong man. Not physically — since he had open heart surgery he's had to hire help around the farm. But mentally and spiritually, he's a powerhouse.

I've always known Uncle Will served in Vietnam, but I never knew he was in that first assault on Hamburger Hill.

I knew he'd sustained several injuries in his short time "over there." I didn't know he'd been shot three times and pierced by shrapnel in half a dozen places, including his head.

I knew he was eventually discharged honorably. That broke his heart. Even after the hell he'd



seen in the war he had hoped to make the Army a career.

Uncle Will recently visited the traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall. He said he went there to see just one name — the name of the young man who took his place 32 years ago.

Spc. John Franklin Kahler joined my uncle's unit a short time before the assault on Hill 994 — Hamburger Hill.

He came from a family of 11, like my uncle, and the two quickly became good friends. Uncle Will — Spc. Bolton back then — nicknamed his new friend JFK. They were in Sgt. Rocko's platoon.

The night of April 23, 1968, Sgt. Rocko warned Bolton and Kahler to expect the worst fighting they'd ever seen the next day.

Things were going to be rough, he said.

He also told them one change had been made on the flight manifest — Bolton would be moved from chopper one to chopper two. Kahler would take his place in the first chopper.

"I followed him out of the tent and asked him why. I was always on the first chopper with Rocko," Uncle Will said. "I asked him if I'd done something wrong, but he just said he'd made the change and that was all there was to it. He didn't want to hear another word about it."

Well the rest, as they say, is history. The first chopper was shot down during the assault on Hamburger Hill.

There were no survivors.

"It didn't register for several days, the significance of that change in the flight plan. It was the only change in the entire operation," he said flatly.

"A few days later I was detailed to pick up the bodies. I realized that it could have been me. That's when it dawned on me."

Somewhere I'm sure a family still grieves for John Franklin Kahler.

I don't know if it would comfort them to know what kind of a man my uncle turned out to be, but I wish I could tell them.

Uncle Will stayed in Vietnam nine months. He was injured repeatedly and kept going back for more. When it was all over, he "put the job behind him" and resumed his military career in the states. Ironically — after being awarded the purple heart four times and an Air Medal — he was discharged after it was discovered he was color blind.

He raised a little hell of his own when he came home, but quite a few years ago he turned his life around — a politically correct way of saying he decided to live his life for Christ, who took his place on the cross long before Kahler took his place on that helicopter.

Uncle Will's a good man by anyone's standards. He's been a farmer ever since the mill shut down. He has four children — one's a preacher now — and a beautiful grandbaby boy.

He looks much younger than his 50 plus years, and though he's not a very big man, he's a giant in my eyes.

I don't know why things happened the way they did all those years ago, but I'm grateful for the life my uncle was given.

And I'm thankful for Spc. Kahler who gave his life, in my uncle's place, for our country.

545-boss

Dial 545-BOSS is the commander's action line for Soldiers, family members and civilians to call when they have problems or complaints that can't be resolved elsewhere.

While it is not a substitute for the chain of command or for agencies established to provide assistance, the line offers another means of communication between Fort Benning's community and commanders.

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Call: A 19-year-old Soldier said she was not allowed in the NCO club for Bosses' Night.

Directorate of Community Activities response: The Soldier was told it has been the policy not to admit underage Soldiers, regardless of rank, to Bosses' Night.

The Enlisted Club was organized to accommodate a mixed group of underage and drinking age customers. As an underage Soldier the Afterhours is the facility this Soldier should use.

'How to' information

Editor's note: *Many people call us with questions about how to get their information in the paper or with erroneous information about deadlines, so we have compiled the following for your information.*

Coverage of events

The staff of The Bayonet enjoys covering newsworthy events on post that are timely and pertinent to our readers. Some events we cover include changes in post policies or procedures and other postwide events.

We don't have enough personnel to cover everything on post, so we focus on the events that affect most of the post.

Also due to our limited number of personnel, we prefer that coverage requests be submitted at least two weeks in advance.

Some events we do not send a reporter to cover are parties, dinners, dining events, dances, balls, teas, coffees, club and organization meetings and elections, award presentations, changes of command below the battalion level, check presentations and group photos.

Army Regulation 360-81, which governs the production and content of Army newspapers, states covering such events is not a function of the post newspaper or the Public Affairs Office.

If you need a photographer to record events for official purposes, call the Training and Audiovisual Support Center's photo lab at 545-4417.

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Film, photos, stories, letters to the editor and other news items intended for The Bayonet must arrive in our office no later than **noon Friday** prior to the next week's publication.

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Use civilian dates, times, the name of the building as well as the building number. You may include the street or road. Also, be sure to include the first and last names of all individuals mentioned in the story, and spell out all acronyms on first reference.

If you submit an announcement for publication, check it when it appears in The Bayonet. Then, if you must resubmit it at a later date, submit it as it ran in the paper. You may fax briefs or announcements only. The fax number is 682-0095.

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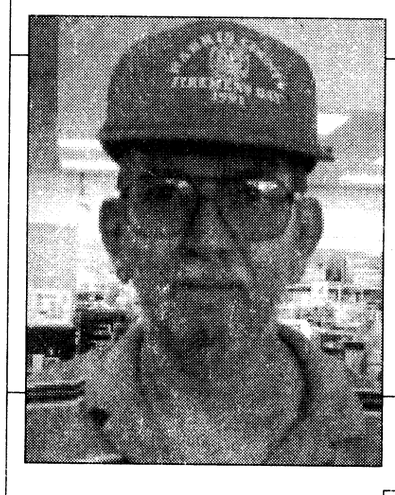
VARIOUS VOICES

What can we do to live up to the POW-MIA Day motto — "you are not forgotten?"



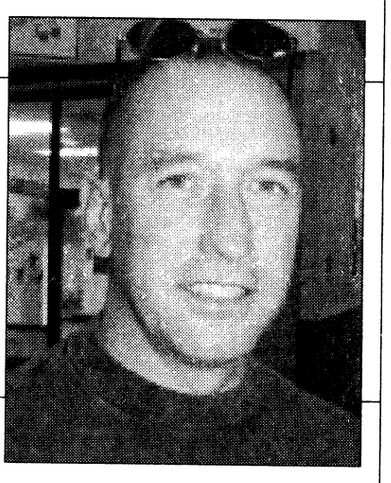
Retired Staff Sgt. Fred Norris, Fortson, Ga. — "Keep up aggressive remains recovery. Let your politicians know this is an item of concern. There are a lot who still haven't been found. Also make them a focus during the remembrance ceremonies on Memorial and Veterans Days."



Sgt. Guinevere Pedigo, U.S. Army Medical Detachment — "There are many families here who have loved ones missing. Recognize the families who still have POW-MIAs. We need to make sure we don't forget them."



Bee Graves, Retention Office — "We should never forget there are POW-MIAs. We should support all fund-raising efforts. We need to always remember."



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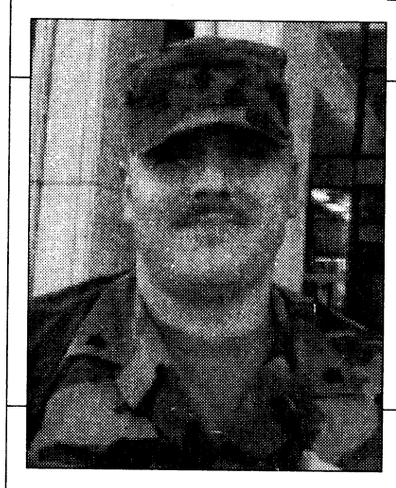

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Terry Beckwith, Martin Army Community Hospital — "We should continue to support efforts to search for our lost POW-MIAs."

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Army eyes overhaul for physical training

Fitness School spearheads revamp effort

Dr. Ed Thomas
U.S. Army Physical Fitness School

Current Army Physical Readiness Training doctrine is due for a tune-up, and the U.S. Army Physical Fitness School is using the past to shape the future.

Army Magazine signaled a major PRT paradigm shift 20 years ago in a February 1982 article called *The 'Daily Dozen' Just Won't Do It.* The new doctrine emerged after PRT proponency was transferred from the Infantry School at Fort Benning to the Soldier Support Center at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

"The SSC drew heavily from the aerobic-based model Dr. Ken Cooper developed for the Air Force," said Frank Palkoska, USAPFS assistant commandant "Lessons learned from previous Army PRT have much to offer as we reshape the doctrine for future missions."

Proponency for PRT returned to the Infantry in 1992 when the school returned to Fort Benning. "We were aware in the late 1980s, that our doctrine was leaning toward scientific foundations at the expense of practical application," said Palkoska. "A few years ago, at the direction of U.S. Army Infantry School Commandant Maj. Gen. Carl Ernst, we began reshaping PRT doctrine for the reality of 21st century missions.

"We started an extensive review of military PRT history in 1997," said Palkoska. "Predictably, post-WWII and post-Korean War manuals were strong, but the late-1800s also produced surprisingly effective doctrine."

"We were pleased to learn that many forgotten concepts developed in past PRT doctrine are now considered cutting edge," said Lt. Col. William Rieger, USAPFS commandant. "Current doctrine still has much to offer, and we can make it even more powerful by holding it up to history's mirror."

As a reality check, the USAPFS consulted numerous experts outside the Army. "The Army Fitness School vision is on target," said Al Vermeil, the Chicago Bulls Strength and Conditioning coach. "Precise calisthenics are an unbeatable base. Inexpensive training tools like medicine balls, dumbbells and war clubs offer almost unlimited functional exercises ranging from the simple to the complex."

U.S. Navy SEALS physical training advisor Jeremy Levine has also been following the evolution of Army PRT.

"We have already implemented drills similar to those the Army is considering," he said. "And we have also benefited from researching past military PRT doctrine."

Palkoska explained World War II Army and Navy PRT doctrines were based upon highly structured systems that European immigrants brought to the United States in the 1800s. These systems were built upon principles used as far back as the ancient Greeks.

"The foundations of effective military PRT appear throughout history. We need only adapt them to modern conditions," Palkoska said.

Past Army PRT doctrine at its best, explained Rieger, is characterized by rational progression, variety and precision.

"The right combination of these three elements adds the essential learning effect to the more familiar training effect," he said.

Classical military PRT can be divided into three categories:

- **On-the-ground training** includes mass drills executed to a specific standard. Calisthenics are done without equipment. Warriors throughout the centuries have also employed four hand-held items, each with a unique purpose. Dumbbell drills develop muscular endurance, flexibility, and general mobility. Medicine balls develop explosive power. The wand or walking stick is used for flexibility, and war clubs develop speed and neural-muscular control. Spotters are often employed in mastering these skills.
- **Off-the-ground training** teaches tumbling, leaping, vaulting, climbing, and general spatial orientation. Spotting skills prepare Soldiers to safely learn combatives.
- **Combatives skills** are the ultimate goal. Soldiers must be prepared to fight with and without weapons. The Ranger Training Brigade is the Army combatives proponent, and the doctrine is currently being revised.

"The emerging PRT doctrine will make it much easier and safer for Soldiers to master the combatives skills we are developing," said Sgt. 1st Class Matt Larson, RTB combatives expert. "Army PRT and combatives doctrines have not been coordinated since World War II."

Soldiers need a simple training formula that will provide all-around physical conditioning without compromising Army Physical Fitness Test scores, Rieger said. "It must be flexible enough to apply to all Soldiers. "

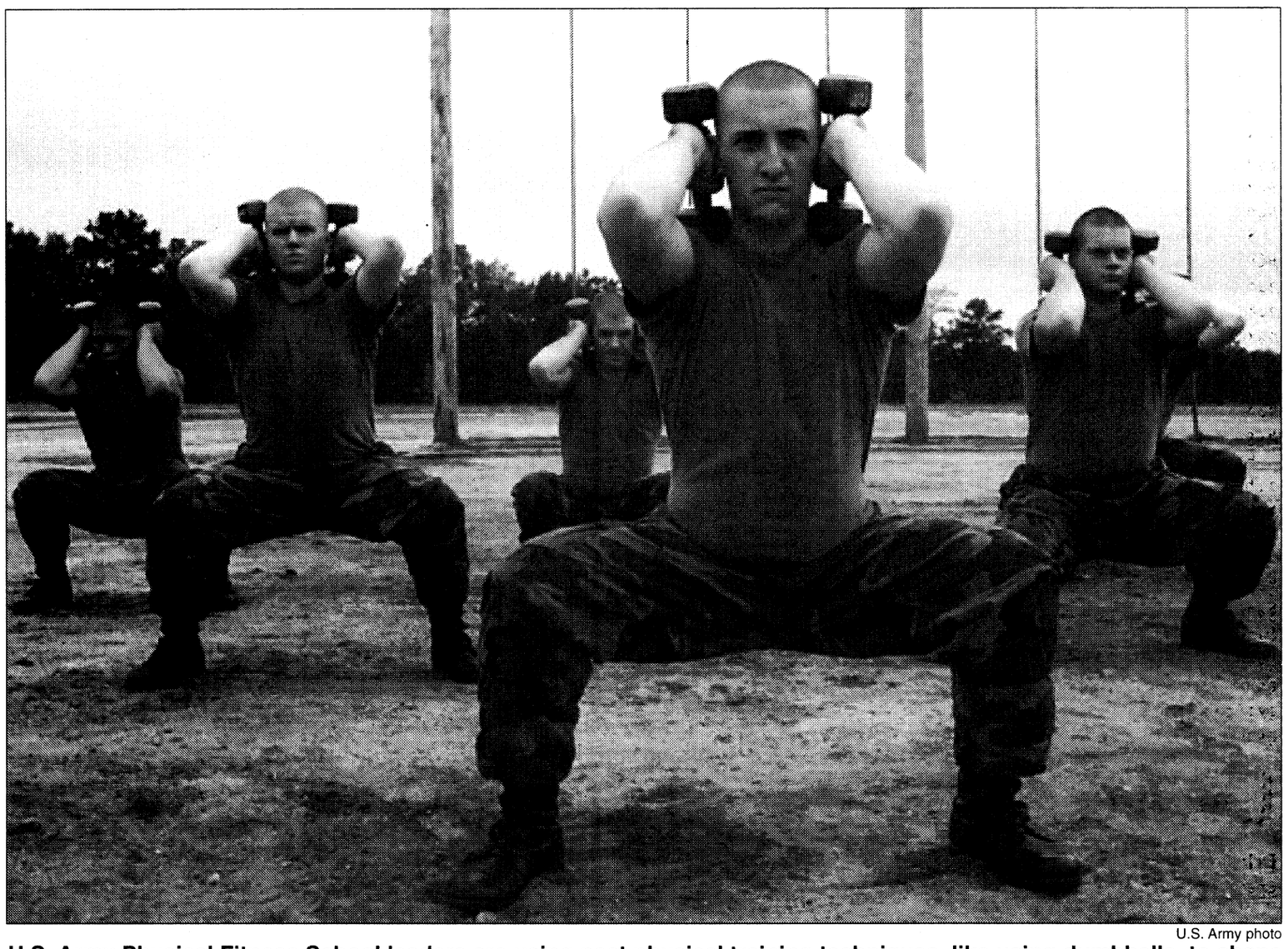
Elements of the emerging doctrine have been introduced in the Master Fitness Trainer Course, and reports from the field are positive. An Infantry Training Brigade platoon recently integrated improved calisthenics, dumbbell drills and more progressive running into their PRT.

The *Army Times* reported that of the 48 Soldiers trained, 36 "maxed" their last APFT test with scores of 300.

Fort Jackson recently launched a larger study funded by a grant from the Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventative Medicine. "This effort is geared toward injury reduction, but we are also interested in APFT score changes," Rieger said.

"By combining historical lessons learned with current doctrine, we can employ technology to educate every Soldier in the Army," Palkoska said.

"And today's professional Soldier is ready and fully able to learn."



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U.S. Army Physical Fitness School leaders are using past physical training techniques, like using dumbbells, to shape the new physical training doctrine now being reviewed.

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Woman turns life around, starts business

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Shirlonda Lewis was only 15 years old when she became pregnant, "unmarried, uneducated and clueless," in her words. She said the hardest part of facing her mistake was seeing the disappointment on her parents' faces.

"My dad's a minister, and I was brought up in the church," she said. "Everybody in town knew my family. They were devastated. My mom cried, and my dad yelled for a while. I was so ashamed."

Despite their initial shock and anger, Lewis's parents supported her decision to raise her son, Jervelous, and continue high school.

"My mom said, 'I love you, and we'll get through this together,'" Lewis said. "It was that love that got me through."

Shirley Chambliss said she knew her daughter had the determination to overcome what she called a minor setback.

"I'm proud of her," Chambliss said. "So many girls would give up on their dreams under those circumstances. Not Shirlonda. She lived up to her responsibility as a parent and she had to work harder, but she never gave up."

Lewis graduated with her classmates in 1992, an accomplishment she credits to her family's support and her own determination, which she said, was born out of shame.

"I'll never forget how everybody stereotyped me at that point," Lewis said. "There was one teacher who called me to her classroom to tell me how ashamed she was. She said I'd ruined my life, and that 'girls like me' made it hard for all African-American girls to overcome society's stereotypes. She said the most horrible things to me, and I just listened.

"When she was finished I couldn't get to the bathroom fast enough. I stayed there and cried and cried and cried, until I reached a decision. I could've walked out of there and never gone back, but I decided to stay and prove her wrong instead."

Lewis attended junior college after graduation and married "the most wonderful man who adores my son." Her husband, Henry, joined the Army shortly after their marriage, and the family moved to Fort Hood, Tx., in 1993.

"At that time, Jervelous was 4 years old, and naturally he'd become a very important part of my parents' life," Lewis said. "When we left for Texas, Mom wanted me to leave him with her. She thought it would be easier for us, as newlyweds, to get started.

"However, I felt we had to make it work as a family, and my husband was very supportive. When I made that decision, I felt like a real grown up for the first time. I knew we'd make it."

After marriage Lewis resumed her education, pursuing a degree in business management. In 1998, she gave birth to a daughter, Jelicia.

"God blessed me beyond my expectations," said Lewis, of her growing family and venture into the world of dot.com enterprises.

As her family prepared to move to Fort Benning last year, Lewis faced another desperation, of sorts, while trying to locate a new hairdresser in a new town.

"I'm not interested in 'doing' hair," Lewis laughed. "I'm not a hairdresser, but this is my hair we're talking about, and I needed a new stylist I could trust. What I really wanted was to see their work before I put myself in their hands."

And with that desire a new concept in advertising was born.

Lewis launched J&J Hair Exclusives May 15. The dot.com stylist directory allows potential clients to locate stylists in their area and preview their work before visiting a salon.

Lewis hopes to turn a profit next year on the business she funded with last year's tax return.

"I'm not in the least bit surprised," Chambliss said. "Shirlonda always had the attitude that she wanted to do something important with her life. I knew she had what it took to make her life a success despite the early setbacks."

With her business showing early success, and her family settling happily into life at Fort Benning, Lewis is eyeing another goal she hopes to pursue in the coming years.

"I have done several local commercials and talk shows to promote the business," she said. "During one of those shows, a local teacher from a teen-parent center asked me to speak at her school about what happened to me as a teen, and how I've overcome."

The idea of reaching unwed teen mothers appeals to one who has experienced the same desperation.

"I've been asked, and I'm seriously considering some sort of public speaking format," she said. "If I could reach kids who have made the same mistake, or any mistake for that matter, and tell them it doesn't have to ruin their lives, I would love to do that. I'm living proof that you don't have to ever give up your dreams and aspirations."

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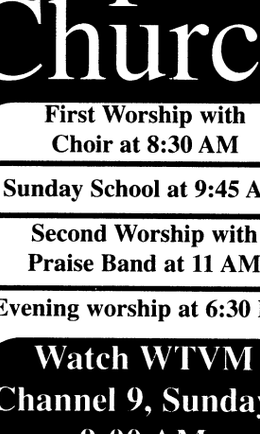
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wars is more than a question of justice and the payment of a debt come due. It is also a matter of readiness of today's military forces. Our men and women in uniform will only have faith in us if we keep faith with those who went before."

Keeping the faith for those who went before is the purpose of the National League of Families of POW/MIA in Southeast Asia.

"By keeping this issue alive against all odds, we have seen increased accountability for the Korean War, WWII and the cold War losses," wrote Jo Anne Shirley in a letter to Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, post commander. "Our work is far from over." Shirley is the chairman for the board of directors of the National League of Families of POW/MIA in Southeast Asia.

National POW-MIA Day helps to focus on what still must be done to achieve the fullest possible accounting, Shirley wrote. As part of a National League of POW/MIA Families delegation, Shirley has traveled to Southeast Asia twice.

The purpose of the trips was to convince government officials in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos to help account for missing Americans and for increased access to the known grave sites and crash sites.

When Cohen visited the Vietnamese village of Don Phu March 13, he told reporters that the United States has "an absolute, sacred obligation to do whatever we can to look for our missing in action." At the site, 20 members of Joint Task Force Full Accounting and 260 Vietnamese workers searched for the remains of Navy Cmdr. Richard Rich's plane. Rich was an F-4B Phantom pilot who is still unaccounted for.

Diplomatic efforts will continue to be used to discover the truth about those last seen alive and in captivity, de Leon said.

During his speech de Leon told the audience that both he and Cohen "consider it a priority to account for all the missing Vietnam veterans as well as those who preceded them in the Cold War, the Korean War and the Second World War.

"We must never forget — the nation, the Department of Defense, everyone who wears the uniform today," de Leon said. "And we will not waiver in our efforts to bring them home."

Dream: Comes true for mom

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failing to pack Jeff's favorite wool socks that had his mother so upset about the departure of her son. Linda never got to make Jeff his favorite meal — chicken enchiladas — before the newlywed left for basic training.

So after countless days of trying to find a way to ease her guilt-stricken predicament, Linda saw a television program she thought might help her solve the no food-serving situation.

"I was watching the Food Network, and I saw the show *Food Fantasy*," Linda said. "I had seen it before, but when I thought of me not making Jeff his enchiladas before he left, I decided to write in and tell them about it."

Her request was one of thousands producers of the show receive on a daily basis.

But host of the TV cooking show, Robin Dorian, said there was something special about Linda's fantasy.

"It has all the elements of a great story," Dorian said. "For mom this means a chance for her to see her son for the first time in 14 weeks and get a chance to make him his favorite meal.

"For the son it means getting a real home-cooked meal for the first time in weeks.

"But this goes beyond just food," she said. "Food is a way for people to remember strong emotions, and that holds true here with Jeff and his mom."

It was that bond that sparked show producers to pick up the phone and call Linda to tell her that her culinary dream was nearing reality.

"I was so surprised when they called, and said they had arranged for me to come here to cook for Jeff," Linda said. "I thought they would shoot it down immediately with him still being in training and all, but to my surprise when the producer called and said we were going to do it today, I started to cry."

The saga of Linda's favorite chicken enchiladas began when Jeff was just a small boy growing up in Arizona, Linda said. "I had to alter the recipe several times until I got it down to just these four easy ingredients so he would like it."

But when Linda arrived to Fort Benning Sept. 9 surrounded by television cameras for the Food Network, little did she know the enchiladas Jeff had grown to love would actually steer the trainee away from her surprise supper.

The plan producers had worked was to send Jeff through the chow line and switch the main course served to the other Soldiers with his mother's enchiladas hoping he would chose his favorite meal.

But the plan backfired on Dorian and the Food Fantasy folks when Jeff placed his order.

"Oh look, chicken enchiladas," Jeff said as he went through the chow line. "But I could never eat anybody's but my mom's."

But producers had a backup plan just in case this very situation occurred.

"We had mom ready with a plate of the enchiladas just in case," Dorian said.

And as Jeff sat down to dine on fine Army cuisine, Linda was right behind with a plate of her son's favorite food.

"It was unbelievable," said Jeff, a private assigned to B Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade. "When I first saw her come out of the kitchen, it took me a second until I finally realized who it really was.

"It was awesome to see her again," he said. "She and I have been close, her being a single parent and all, so just seeing her was the real treat.

"The enchiladas just made it better," Jeff said. "And they were just as good as I remember."

While the recipe for the enchiladas was kept clandestine, cooks can get a glimpse of the preparation process and a complete recipe by watching the *Food Fantasy*.

Producers were unable to say when the episode featuring Mrs. Wilson's Basic Training Enchiladas would hit local airwaves.

around post

Change of command

Lt. Col. Gordon B. Davis Jr. will relinquish command of the 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, to Lt. Col. Michael Winstead at 9 a.m. Sept. 27 on York Field.

Capt. Ronnie Preston, commander of A Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, will relinquish command to Capt. Paul Rhyne at 9 a.m. Sept. 22 at Building 2762B.

Dental exams

In an extended effort to improve the dental readiness of the Soldiers supported by Bernheim Dental Clinic, the clinic will fully dedicate their staff to do additional exams on dental Category 4 patients from Sept. 25-28. For more information, call 545-6426.

NCO and Soldier of the quarter

The NCO and Soldier of the quarter breakfast will be at 8 a.m. Sept. 28 in the Officers' Club.

For more information, call 545-1500.

Sick call

To improve Soldier care, weekend and holiday sick call for all active duty Soldiers will move from TMC No. 5 to Winder Health Clinic, Building 3306 on Sand Hill.

CID recruitment

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command is looking for qualified Soldiers to become special agents.

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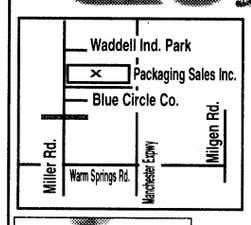

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Task force works to improve personnel management

Warrant officer, enlisted system comes under fire

Joe Burlas
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Nine months after standing up, the Army Development System XXI task force is preparing to present its final recommendations on how to improve the current Enlisted and Warrant Officer Personnel Management systems.

Chief among its recommendations to Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki will be the concept of a "multi-skilled Soldier" as the underpinning for future Military Occupational Specialty and force structure considerations.

"The environment in which our Soldiers serve today can be characterized as one of rapid and continuous change," said Col. Dave Cutler, ADS XXI director. "There is no one clear enemy and our traditional roles keep expanding. Equipment modernization and changes to our doctrine and structure must be anticipated to keep pace. The Enlisted and Warrant Officer Personnel Management System studies and their recommendations should help the Army keep current with the many changes it faces."

Culter explained how the Army currently relies on institutional training to prepare Soldiers for their assigned jobs, the equipment they use and the missions they receive.

"Change in the operational environment occurs faster than we can react with institutional training programs, and we may not be able to accurately quantify with an MOS all things Soldiers may be required to do," he said. "Soldiers repeatedly demonstrate the ability to adapt to new environments and learn new skills."

Recognizing Soldiers are adaptable, the task force is recommending institutional training be more focused on the core job competencies that comprise a Soldier's MOS as opposed to all of the separate tasks.

As a result of the momentum created by the ADS XXI study, Army branch proponents have independently initiated actions that may reduce a burdensome 241 MOS's currently in the Army inventory, to a more manageable and broader figure of around 200, Cutler said.

This potentially creates larger pools of Soldiers from which commanders can draw in the future to meet Shinseki's guidance to keep warfighting units manned at 100 percent.

ADS XXI also advocates providing NCOs with published, approved career development plans. This may include placing greater emphasis on directed self-development beyond the required institutional Army schools and providing the proper resources for that development.

A rewritten Department of the Army Pamphlet 600-25 will lay out the training and operational assignments required for development along specific career paths.

Other enlisted personnel management recommendations include: restrict garrison and other non-warfighting organizational manning requirement changes and require Department of the Army approval for those changes; develop a web-based automated personnel management system; and improve unit readiness reporting with a system that better captures Soldiers' deployment histories.

Task force warrant officer recommendations include:

"From the very beginning, our measure of success for any recommendation has been that it must be good for the Soldier, the Army and the nation," Cutler said. "I believe we are meeting that standard."

The task force will make its final recommendations to Shinseki sometime in early October.

Gatekeeper program aims to stifle rising suicide rates

Prevention training slated to begin Sept. 26 at O'Club

Sally Shutt
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The Army is fighting back against a rising suicide rate by offering its leaders training in prevention tactics.

Fort Benning will hold Gatekeeper Training Sept. 26 from 1:15 to 4 p.m. at the Officers' Club.

"Gatekeeper training is designed for those on the frontlines with the Soldiers day in and out," said Yvonne Wilbanks, an alcohol and drug control officer and Fort Benning's suicide prevention manager.

"Squad leaders, platoon leaders, first sergeants and company commanders are in a position to observe and help our Soldiers. Their role in suicide prevention cannot be overemphasized," she said.

Effective leaders are those who protect the men and women under their command, Wilbanks said.

"This workshop will give Army leaders specific training on how to protect their Soldiers, identify those at risk and emphasize the importance of getting them help," she said.

The guest speaker will be Iris Bolton, an author and grief counselor from Atlanta, Ga.

Bolton lost a son to suicide in 1977 and later wrote *My Son...My Son, a Guide to Healing After Death, Loss or Suicide*. She is the executive director of The Link Counseling Center, a non-profit family counseling facility that is home to the National Resource Center for Suicide Prevention and Aftercare.

A graduate of Columbia University, Bolton travels extensively speaking to groups about suicide. She visited Fort McPherson, Ga., earlier this year.

"She is a very motivational speaker and interacts with the audience," said Ginny Sparrow, program manager for The Link Counseling Center.

"Don't expect to just sit there and have statistics thrown at you," Sparrow said. "Iris loves to role play, and it's wonderful to see this 69-year-old transform herself into a teen-ager."

Suicide risk factors and warning signs will be discussed, as well as "the importance of seeking help and not taking it all in on yourself out of loyalty to a friend," she said.

Doreen Schultz, a therapist at The Link, will be assisting Bolton during the session and in break-out groups.

"This training is so important because we are naive to believe suicide can't touch us," Sparrow said.

"What you learn in an afternoon, could save someone's life," she said.

To accommodate busy schedules in units, the training will again be offered on Oct. 24. To register, call Willbanks at 545-1138 or 545-4415.

In conjunction with the Gatekeeper Training and National Depression Screening Day on Oct. 5, the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program will establish 10 sites across post that day where Soldiers, family members and civilians can complete a screening test and talk with mental health professionals.

Campaign: Kicks off here Sept. 22

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region," said Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander.

"If you want your donation to stay on Fort Benning, consider giving to 9001, Soldier Family Support Activity. If you want to donate to local charities supporting Soldiers and families, consider giving to 9000, United Way or to one of the 41 local charities shown on page four of the CFC listing," Mitchell said.

"People give to the agencies they want to because of personal reasons," Walls said. "I would just ask them to set aside some portion of their total donation for the local community."

In addition to supporting United Way, Thagard is also an advocate for science education and he donated his honorarium to the Challenger Learning Center in Tallahassee, Fla.

A professor in the College of Engineering at Florida State University, he is the director of the learning center which is set to open in March 2002.

"American kids aren't getting into engineering and science. I want to turn them on to engineering," he said.

"Our goal with the Challenger Learning Centers is to reach middle school students. I know from experience that one significant event can change a person's course," he said.

For Thagard that event occurred the day he checked out a book from the school library that taught him how to build a radio. He completed the project, and from that point on, he was hooked on engineering.

A Marine pilot, he flew 163 combat missions during the Vietnam War. After leaving the Corps in 1971, he enrolled in medical school and seven years later he was among 35 new astronauts in the U.S. space program. He has logged more than 140 days in space.

"There is a moment or two of doubt before each launch, but one needs to continue the mission," Thagard said.

"Just as each part of the shuttle has to work in order for liftoff, so people need to work together to help each other," he said.

A CLOSER LOOK

CFC training offered:

Combined Federal Campaign Training Sessions for project officers and key personnel will be Monday at 9:30 a.m. in Classroom 4, Infantry Hall, and Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in Classroom 6, Infantry Hall.

The Commanding General's CFC Kick-Off is set for 4 p.m. Sept. 22 in Classroom 6, Infantry Hall.

Community Oriented Policing

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Fort Benning Military Police will be conducting increased speed enforcement patrols in the following areas.

Friday	4:45 to 5:45 p.m.	Kessler Drive
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Tuesday	2 to 3:30 p.m.	Ingersoll Avenue
Wednesday	2 to 3:30 p.m.	Lumpkin Road
Thursday	4 p.m. to 5 p.m.	Riordon Street

Information courtesy of the Directorate of Public Safety

Restrictions:

The drought conditions that have plagued the South over the past three years have prompted post officials to continue to implement water restrictions on Fort Benning.

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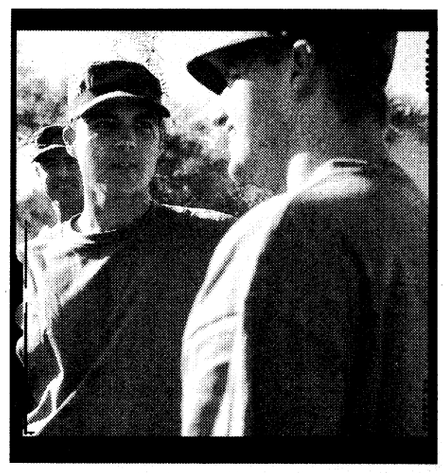

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School battalion welcomes new commander

Battalion's top officer will take job as 11th DCO

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

Fort Benning's Infantry band and assorted post support staff were introduced to a new commander Tuesday when Lt. Col Gary N. Daniel Jr. relinquished command to Lt. Col. Daniel P. Dillon in a ceremony on York Field.

Daniel had served as the battalion's top officer for the past 11 months. He and his wife, Kimberly, and three children will continue to reside on post as he assumes a position as the deputy commander of the 11th Infantry Regiment.

"You are taking over a battalion that has 1,400 personnel assigned to it in 27 directorates," Daniel told Dillon in his final address as the battalion's top officer. "These are the unsung heroes of the post who make this school function on a daily basis.

"Just be aware there are 23 officers who outrank you under your command," Daniel said with a smile as he said his final farewell to the troops.

Dillon, a native of Great Falls, Va., comes to Fort Benning after serving in Europe as an operations staff officer for the U.S. Army element, office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Other past assignments include stints with the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Ky. There he served as a rifle platoon leader, an anti-tank platoon leader and company executive officer.

His next tour took him to Illesheim, Germany, where he served as assistant operations officer, adjutant and company commander of the both B and Headquarters and Headquarters Companies, 1st Battalion, 6th Infantry Regiment.

He returned to Fort Benning in 1991 to serve as a small group instructor in the tactics division of the Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate, and later took a position at the Pentagon as a staff officer in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff Operations and as an assistant executive officer in the same office.

In 1995, Dillon moved to Fort Lewis, Wash., to become the battalion operations officer for the 1st Battalion, 23rd Infantry Division.

He is a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University.

Dillon's awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Joint Service Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Army Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Joint Meritorious Unit award with one oak leaf cluster, the National Defense Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Medal, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Ranger Tab, Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, the Army Staff Identification Badge and the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge.

"I thank you for your performance on the field today," Dillon told the troops after he accepted command of the battalion. "Your outstanding performance serves as a tribute to all those who have served before you in peace and in war."

Dillon brings with him his wife, Patricia, and his four children Michael, Brian, Rory and Jamie.



Spc. Mitch Frazier

Outgoing commander Lt. Col. Gary Daniel of the 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, troops the line with incoming commander Lt. Col. Daniel Dillon Tuesday on York Field.

Pioneer Challenge names top troops during competition

Four-day event tests Soldier's Infantry skills

Spc. Mitch Frazier
Bayonet staff

When Staff Sgt. Bryan Jeilleux goes to work everyday, he doesn't apply camouflage to his face. He doesn't draw a weapon, and he doesn't put on a rucksack to go negotiate a land navigation course.

But these are the things this Infantryman signed up to do in the Army.

He, like thousands of other Infantry Soldiers throughout the Army, are assigned to staff and support jobs that take them away from what they originally signed up to do.

Jeilleux is a squad leader assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment. But his duties aren't to lead Soldiers to the front of the battle to close with and destroy the enemy.

Right now his duties are ensuring students in the Bradley Leaders Course are sufficiently supplied with the equipment they need to learn how to be a leader.

"It's tough," Jeilleux said. "We have new privates coming in here straight from basic, and they don't get a chance everyday to be an Infantrymen. They are on police call or are moving equipment around.

"So we as leaders are challenged to find a way to keep their combat skills up as well as hone our leadership skills while we still continue to support the Infantry School," he said.

That way came in the form of this quarter's Pioneer Challenge — a four-day test of true Infantry skills that paired company against company in a challenge that tested everything from physical fitness to the Soldiers' abilities to navigate in both day and night conditions.

The Challenge began Sept. 5 at 6 a.m. when three squads from each of the battalion's three companies tested their physical endurance and fitness with a modified Army Physical Fitness Test.

"It wasn't your typical PT test," Jeilleux said. "It was continuous. As soon as they got finished with one event it was right on to the next. There were no breaks or rest periods."

The fast-paced start of the day repeated itself for the next 96 hours for the 81 Infantrymen involved in the competition that, at the end, would name the battalion's best troops.

A test of knowledge and skill were next on the list as the Soldiers were tested in assembling and disassembling the Squad Automatic Weapon, the M-240B machine gun and the M-16 A-2 rifle.

Once completed with the smaller personal weapons, it was on to the real "big guns" of the competition.

Soldiers had to load and unload different varieties ammunition onto the Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

Again, speed was important. The fastest time scored the most points and earned the lead.

At the end of the first day C Co. had the title of first, but B Co. trailed by only four points. A Co. rounded out the first day finish down four more at 36.

"At that point we were doing pretty well," said Staff Sgt. Dennis Webb, last quarter's defending champion from B Co. "We were short of people during the PT test, so that hurt us, but we rebounded and did great in the Infantry skills portion of the day."

Aching muscles didn't get a chance to recover before Day 2 started with a 12K foot march before the sun came up.

Rain began to fall once the event began and the march took a toll on some of the competitors.

"They were tired already," Jeilleux said. "The distance plus the ruck and the rain didn't help."

The day was sealed with a trip to the marksmanship range to shoot 20 rounds at a 100 meter target and 20 rounds at a 200 meter target.

A Co. continued to hold the lead throughout the day as B Co. struggled to pursue the Soldiers in the lead. Both finished with 18 points on the day. C Co. continue to fall behind, netting only 12 points during day two of the event.

"I could really tell the Soldiers were getting tired," Webb said. "The aching muscles began to be a problem by the end of the day, but we held on."

Day 3 was where that hold would tighten for Webb and his fellow second-place B Co. cohorts.

A test of both day and night land navigation for the weary warriors scored B Co. first place on the day, and brought the point difference between the two companies to only two points going into the final day of the competition.

C Co. fell short again at the end of the day tallying another third place finish and securing a last place finish in the competition.

"We did great on land nav, and we were within striking distance going into Day 4," Webb said. "Even though the guys were sore and tired going into the last day, they were all positive and I really thought we had a chance of winning it again for B Co."

After a five-mile squad run that welcomed the competitors to the final day of the Challenge, Webb's forecast for a possible win was looking like it could become reality.

The company's squads finished together and logged another top spot in the competition, but it wouldn't be enough to put them over the top. A Co. rallied for another first in the final event, a marksmanship test coupled with an NBC attack, to narrowly hold the lead and take home the Pioneer Challenge trophy.

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> Commander,
> 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment

"What we are doing here is not in any of our battalion mission statements or not mandated by any means," said Lt. Col. Keith George, commander, 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt. "We are giving Soldiers a chance to do what they came into the Army to do — be an Infantryman.

"These Soldiers don't get a chance to do that on a daily basis because of taskings and duties," he said. "I am trying to show them there is more to the Army than post clean up detail, funeral detail and the motor pool."

The nine Soldiers from C Co. will be honored today at 3 p.m. during a ceremony at the battalion headquarters.







Museum brings Airborne history to life

Some Benning artifacts featured in collection

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FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — A restored World War II glider, many of its parts discovered on a farm near Atlanta seven years ago, has found a home at the newly opened Airborne and Special Operations Museum in downtown Fayetteville.

Frank Hanner, curator of the National Infantry Museum, and other staff members from the Fort Benning museum collected glider parts from a farmer's field in 1993. The parts were stored until the Center of Military History could fund a restoration project.

The glider, which stands in tribute to the brave men who flew and boarded such vessels during World War II, is just one part of the Airborne and Special Operations story presented at the museum.

As visitors walk into the five-story high lobby their eyes turn upward to a fully deployed T-5 parachute attached to a World War II paratrooper.

From there, visitors walk back in time to the summer of 1940 when 48 volunteers formed the original U.S. Army Test Platoon at Fort Benning and introduced a new form of attack — the Airborne assault.

Cobblestone streets and bombed-out European buildings lend realism to World War II artifacts, which include jump boots worn at Anzio in early 1944 that are still covered in Italian mud.

Sound effects duplicate the drone of piston engines passing above. Overhead a C-47 hangs from the ceiling with a paratrooper taking the door position as anti-aircraft spotlights travel past.

To add to the realism, the life-size figures aren't run-of-the-mill plastic mannequins like those at the local mall wearing the latest fall fashions.

The museum commissioned Dorfman Museum Figures Inc. to create the Special Operations Soldiers on display. One even sports razor stubble.

"They help bring the story to life," said John Aarsen, the museum's curator.

From the battlefields of Europe and the islands of the Pacific, the story continues with exhibits from Korea, Vietnam and Desert Storm.

The museum opened Aug. 16, the 60th anniversary of the first jump by the Test Platoon at Fort Benning. The grand opening featured speeches by Gen. Henry Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Ross Perot, who donated $1 million to the project.

In its first three weeks the museum has attracted more than 26,000 visitors, Aarsen said. Close to 5,000 were expected to walk through the doors last weekend as members of the 503rd Parachute Infantry Regiment Association descended on Fayetteville and Fort Bragg for a reunion.

The Airborne Command was established at Fort Bragg in 1942, and today the post is the home of the 18th Airborne Corps, the 82nd Airborne Division and the U.S. Army Special Operations Command.

Feedback from visitors to the museum has been positive, Aarsen said.

"I've even had a person who is against war write that she liked the way it is laid out and that it told the story well," he said.

Bob Schneider, a retired sergeant major, drove from Ashland, Ohio, to see the museum.

"I think it's great, and I'm going to come back and bring the friends I served with with me," he said.

The museum is part of the U.S. Army Museum System and functions in partnership with a non-profit foundation. It is the first partnership of its kind.

The museum is accessible from Interstate 95, and admission is free.

Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

For more information, call (910) 483-3003 or visit the Web site at www.asomf.org.



Sally Shutt

A UH-1 (Huey) helicopter is on display at the Airborne and Special Operations Museum.

Airborne Rangers to return for 50th anniversary

Sally Shutt
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Bob Black arrived at Fort Benning in 1950 to undergo training and become one of America's first Airborne Rangers during the early days of the Korean War.

The experience had a profound impact on his life, the 71-year-old veteran said from his home in Carlisle, Pa.

"It taught you to believe in yourself," he said.

Black and other members of the Association of the Ranger Infantry Companies (Airborne) of the Korean War invite all Rangers from the past and present to join them Oct. 4-7 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Korean War and the birth of the Airborne Rangers.

"This is a family celebration for all generations of Rangers," Black said. "It's a party, a gathering of the brotherhood."

The celebration is set to coincide with the Ranger Hall of Fame induction ceremony hosted by the Ranger Training Brigade and the 75th Ranger Regiment's Ranger Rendezvous 2000.

"This way our members won't have to attend two or three separate events this year," Black said.

The Ranger Hall of Fame ceremony is set for 4 p.m. Oct. 4 at the Ranger Memorial. It will be followed at 7:30 p.m. by a barbeque at Hanger 2492 at Lawson Army Airfield for veterans. The cost for the meal is $12.

Ranger and Airborne demonstrations, including a HALO team from Special Operations Command, will take place beginning at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 5 at Airborne Walk.

At 5 p.m. a platoon of Korean War Rangers will march in the pass and review with their colors during a retreat ceremony on York Field in front of Infantry Hall with Rangers from the 3rd Battalion, 75th Rangers, Headquarters Company, 75th Ranger Regiment and the 75th Ranger Regimental Staff.

Military artist James Dietz will unveil a print dedicated to Korean War Rangers at Marshall Auditorium in Infantry Hall Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. At 8 p.m. a memorial service is scheduled at the Ranger Memorial.

"The Korean Community of Columbus will present two memorial stones as a gesture of appreciation for two Rangers who were killed in action during the war and who didn't have stones," said Black, who has written several books on Ranger history.

"There were 750 Airborne Rangers who fought in Korea, and in 1951 they served in the front of every Army division. Of those 750, one of every nine died there," he said.

Black has designated Oct. 7 as a day of rest for the veterans because the evening will be packed with a banquet at the Columbus Convention and Trade Center. About 800 people — including 240 Rangers from across the regiment who will be the guests of the various Ranger associations — are expected to fill the North Hall. They will view historical films and listen to the 82nd Airborne Chorus and the Atlanta Corps Vets Drum and Bugle Corps.

Cost for the banquet is $25, and today is the last day to register because of limited seating.

For more information and to download a registration form go online to the Ranger Regiment Association Web site at TRRAUSA.com and navigate to the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War Reunion link. The registration forms can then be faxed to Jim Hebert at (703) 323-1411 by the end of the day.

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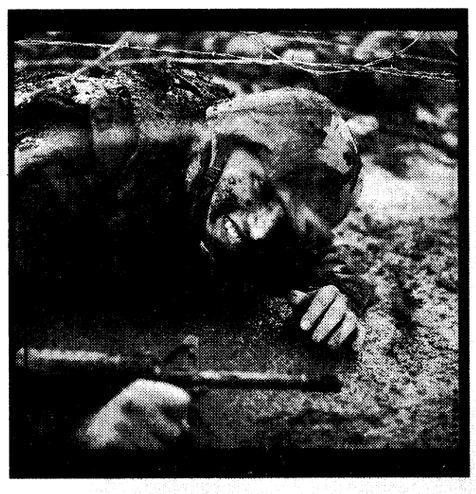

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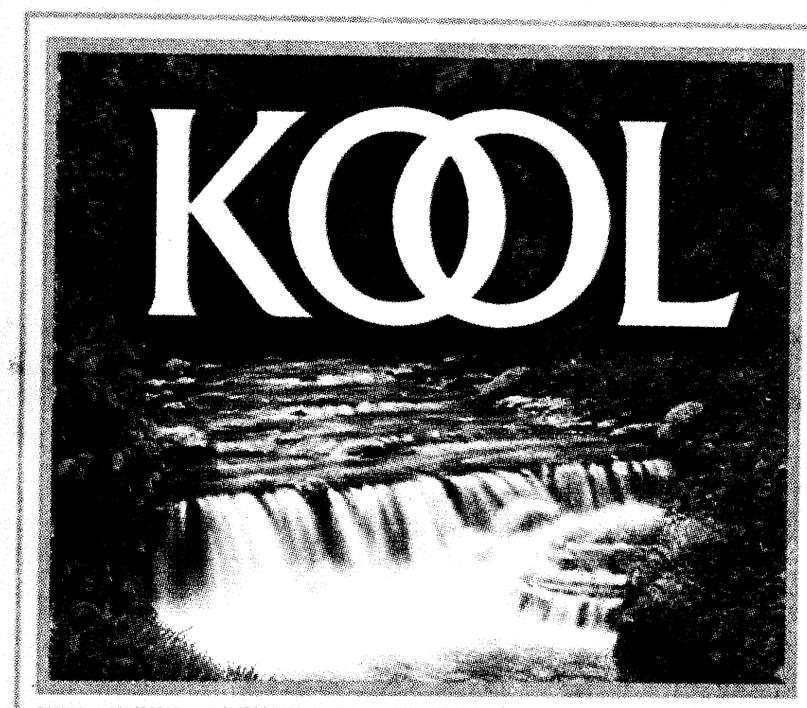

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SECTION B

Hospital to screen for prostate cancer

Prostate cancer affects one in nine men in America

Sally Shutt
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As part of Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, Martin Army Community Hospital will conduct prostate cancer screenings Tuesday in its Urology Clinic.

Military beneficiaries, regardless of Tricare status, are asked to call the clinic at 545-2292 prior to Tuesday to make an appointment for the screening, which will include a prostate-specific antigen blood test, also known as a PSA test, and a digital rectal examination.

"Last year we had a good response from the community and through the screenings we did diagnose a few cases of prostate cancer," Maj. Stephen Lee, urologist, said.

Prostate cancer affects one in nine men, making it the second most common cancer among men, according to the American Cancer Society. Skin cancer is the first.

The Cancer Society also reports that prostate cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer death in men. Lung cancer is the number one killer.

"Prostate cancer is highly treatable when detected early. However, it is most often silent in its early stages. That is why it is vital to screen for the cancer through the use of PSA and digital rectal exam," said Maj. Francis Schanne, urologist at Martin Army.

Blacks have the highest incidence of prostate cancer in the world, and their death rate from the disease is twice that of white men, according to the American Cancer Society.

"All men 50 years of age and older should have an annual screening. If you have a family history of prostate cancer or are African American, then you should begin your annual screenings at age 40," Lee said.

Increased media coverage in recent years, especially surrounding high-profile survivors such as Bob Dole and Harry Belafonte, has generated greater public awareness, said Alfreta Gibson, supervisor of the Health Promotion Center, Preventive Medicine, MACH.

Static displays will be set up at various gyms, the Main Post Exchange and Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion posts. Schanne will appear today at noon on WTVM to discuss the disease and to answer viewers' questions. Monday at 8 a.m. listeners can hear him on FOXY 105-FM.

For more information, call 545-1987. To make an appointment for Tuesday's screening, call 545-2292.

After Tuesday, patients must receive a referral from their primary care manager to be seen in the Urology Clinic.

A CLOSER LOOK

Did you know?

Prostate cancer is the most common form of cancer in men. It is the second leading cause of cancer death in men, exceeded only by lung cancer.

An estimated 180,400 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed in 2000.

The incidence of prostate cancer increases with age; more than 75 percent of all cases are diagnosed in men over the age of 65.

Black Americans have a greater risk of developing prostate cancer.

Convoy of Hope reaches hungry

35,000 bags of groceries to be distributed

Bridgett Siter
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More than five million children in the U.S. live below the national poverty level.

Across America and around the world, local churches, businesses and community organizations are partnering with Convoy of Hope to reach these hurting children, working poor families and disaster victims with free groceries and health services.

Convoy of Hope is a trans-denominational ministry that conducts outreaches in 40 major cities across America, including Columbus. At least 5,000 local families are expected to attend Saturday's event at the Alexander Field and Pop Austin Gym on Veteran's Parkway.

Alton Russell, the local coordinator for Convoy of Hope, said their goal is to offer groceries and medical services without asking for proof of income or identification.

"We treat everyone that comes as an honored guest," Russell said. "Fort Benning has always been involved as an active part of our community, and many on post have the same needs as those off post. That's why the free groceries and services are available for everyone, including single and married military men and women."

Russell said the Convoy staff and volunteers expect to distribute 35,000 bags of groceries, two per family, on a first-come, first-serve basis. In addition, sandwiches and

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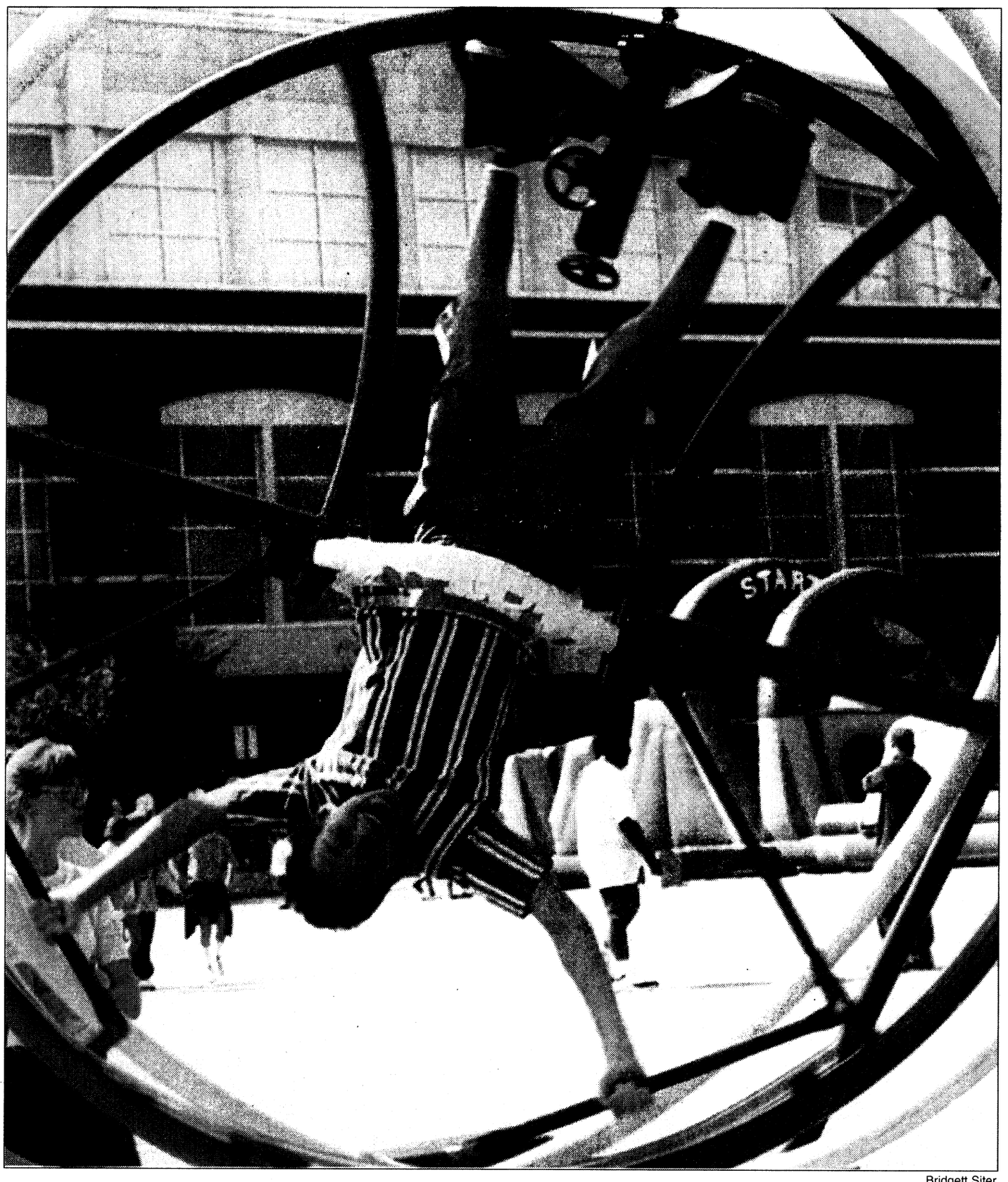
Rally turns teens off violence



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Grant Westbrook, an eighth-grader at Faith Middle School, spins in the gyroscope at Bold 2000.

Columbine youths give Bold 2000 dose of reality

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More than 6,500 Fort Benning, Columbus and Phenix City residents rallied Wednesday night to end school violence and encourage faith and fellowship among America's youth.

Bold 2000 began with a block party shortly after 3 p.m. By 5 o'clock the parking lot surrounding the Columbus Civic Center was jam-packed with partyers — teens and toddlers; preachers, peddlers and performers; even a leather-clad motorcycle gang called "Bikers for Jesus."

Hordes of adults and teens enjoyed free pizza and listened to local alternative and Christian rock bands. Carnival games, like the dunking booth and an inflatable obstacle course, were available for the younger kids.

The real deal took place inside the Civic Center auditorium when the doors were opened to the public shortly after 6 p.m. "Seven Dayz Straight," a regional alternative Christian band, and Dove award winner "Sonicflood" worked the crowd into a frenzy with popular contemporary praise and worship songs. Teens filled the aisles, some dancing and swaying to the rock-music beat, while others stood motionless, arms raised toward heaven, as tears streamed down their faces.

A hush fell over the auditorium when guest speakers from Columbine, Colo., and Paducah, Ky., took the stage to share their personal testimonies of triumph over tragedy. Heidi Johnson and Lauren Beyers talked about finding strength in Christ after last year's shooting at Columbine High School claimed the lives of their friends and classmates.

Jason Hudson and Ben Strong shared their stories of horror and healing in the aftermath of another killing spree at Heath High School in Paducah. This time the gunman's rage was directed at

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Stowers' Harris earns title as Benning's best teacher

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Stowers Elementary School's enrichment teacher has been named Fort Benning's Teacher of the Year. Millie Harris, a 22-year teaching veteran and published author, will represent Fort Benning in the Department of Defense Education Activity Teacher of the Year competition later this month.

"I can't say that I'm surprised," said Principal Glenn Hughes. "Mrs. Harris is an incredible educator who obviously loves what she does and gives her best everyday for her students and co-workers. She does an excellent job and she exemplifies the art of teaching."



Harris

One of Harris's former students said having her for a teacher changed his life forever.

Matthew Gillum was a third-grader at Fort McClellan Elementary School in Alabama when he met Harris, then a teacher in the Talented and Gifted program.

"I would meet Mrs. Harris every morning outside her room knowing that for the next few hours, I was the most important thing," Gillum wrote in a letter to the DoDEA Teacher of the Year committee. "I learned many things that had nothing to do with school, and I think that was her point. I was taught never to suppress my imagination, and to appreciate not only my creativity, but the creativity of others."

Gillum, now a student at the University of Louisville, visited Harris during Spring Break of his senior year in high school.

"(Fort McClellan) was closing, and I needed to see some people before this happened," he said. "My first priority was going to the school

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Hidden 'treasures' await bargain hunters during sale

Karen Taylor
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For yard sale shoppers it's heaven on earth, for yard sale sellers it's a godsend.

It's the postwide yard sale and it starts at 8 a.m. Sept. 23.

In its fourth year, the sale has earned the reputation of a treasure-hunter's paradise.

"We're going to keep up the tradition," Chuck Walls, garrison manager said.

"There's always something out there that will make it worthwhile," said Jodie Bowers, president of the Community Life Mayor's Association.

Bowers has found her share of treasures, most recently a Tom Clark Gnome collectible. "I got it for a dollar," she said. "I was tickled to death."

For people who do not collect "gnomes" Bowers said this particular piece normally costs about $60. She said the gnomes in the Clark collection range from $35 to $150.

The postwide yard sale occurs twice a year: spring and fall. The fall sale is ideal for people who have just arrived; unpacked; realized they have too much stuff and need to unload some things, Walls said.

Although an avid shopper, Bowers has been on the other side of the yard as a seller.

She advises sellers to stand firm with yard-sale hagglers who make offers that are just too low.

"Stand your ground and say no," she said.

There's no fee to participate. Sellers can display signs at intersections or on the street corner as long as they make sure to take down the sign by 2 p.m.

After the sale people can bring leftovers they just don't want to haul back in the house to the loading dock of the OWC Thrift Shop (located around back) as a donation. The Thrift Shop will be taking donations from 2 to 4 p.m.

garden tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet correspondent

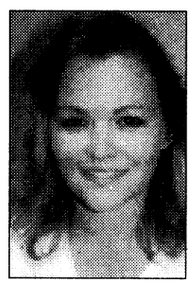
To get good results from your garden or lawn it is important to know how to use fertilizer.

Fertilizer acts as food for plants. All the nutrition a plant needs is in the soil but in very small quantities.

Most varieties of plants you buy or plant from seed have been cultivated to give a desired appearance or performance. To meet that goal growers intended gardeners to use fertilizer.

Fertilizers can be complicated but not if you know what to look for. On every bag of fertilizer there is a N-P-K ratio.

The N stands for nitrogen, the P stands for phosphorus, and the K stands for potassium. These are the three most important nutrients for any plant.



The nitrogen in fertilizer is for development of leaves and stems. It also helps give leaves their green color. Too much nitrogen burns the leaves giving it yellow splotches.

The phosphorus has two very important functions. One is for root development and the other is for flowering, including production of vegetables or fruit. Too little phosphorus and a plant lacks root strength to survive or has very little production.

The potassium aids in a plant's overall health. It also helps to ward off diseases.

Its primary function is to produce sugar and starches in the plant that help increase the size of the fruits.

Though each plant variety has its own recommendations for fertilizer, gardeners like to keep it simple.

A feeding every 7 to14 days with a balanced fertilizer based on need.

A good balanced fertilizer has equal portions of each of the nutrients, such as 10-10-10 or 20-20-20.

But when trying to get a good yield from crops or flowers an increase in the phosphorous content is best, such as 10-60-10.

For house plants, where green lush foliage is desired, choose a fertilizer with a ratio of 5-1-1.

For lawns a good nitrogen source as well as a phosphorous source, for root development, is best.

Some other key terms used when referring to fertilizer are: time-release, organic and granular. Time released fertilizers are designed to release the nutrients a little at a time. When using these, one distribution will last for 3 to 6 months.

Organic fertilizers refer to those that are made from the byproduct of living organisms.

Some common types are: fish emulsion, bat guano, manure and bone meal. Organic fertilizers are better for the environment and deliver small amounts of nutrients in a single feeding.

Granular fertilizer refers to the consistency.

Granular fertilizers are spread directly onto the soil. Some fertilizers can be poured into hose-end attachments and used as liquid. Others come in liquid form ready to use.

The best way to use fertilizer is to decide what you need it for and develop a practice of feeding regularly.

ask the judge

Jane M. Winand
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I was at home babysitting the kids while my wife was at a movie with friends. This guy called and said that I had won a sweepstakes.

He asked me for some identifying information like a credit card number but the baby threw dinner all over the floor and I had to hang up. He said he would call back soon. Am I about to be wealthy or is this guy trying to rip me off?

A: That sounds like the typical introduction for a telemarketing scam. Without warning you receive a call from a company you never heard of about a sweepstakes or contest that you also never heard of.

They get you fired up thinking about all the cash, investments or prizes you are going to receive.

The caller may talk about monthly payments of thousands of dollars that you will receive. Then the caller mentions a small fee to be charged to transfer the assets or register investments in your name.

The caller may ask for your age, your Social Security number and a credit card number with expiration date to cover these small fees. The request seems innocent enough. However, this information will allow the caller access to your credit account. You can expect large unauthorized charges on your credit card.

Schemes involving investment fraud, fake charities and phony sweepstakes cost Americans an estimated $40 billion each year, according to the American Association for Retired Persons.

You can protect yourself from telemarketers by using your common sense.

If a deal sounds too good to be true, it probably is. If you've never heard of the company or the contest or sweepstakes, you should immediately be suspicious about how you ended up the "big winner."

The AARP recommends the following actions:

• Ask the telemarketer for the company's name and address and a clear explanation of the offer being made.

• Never give your credit card number to anyone unless you made the call and are making a purchase.

• Never give a caller your bank account number, unless you are authorizing a payment to be deducted.

• Ask the caller to send you written materials to study before you make a purchase.

• Get advice from your family and friends or the Fort Benning Legal Assistance Division before you make any large purchase or investment.

• Ask that your phone number be removed from telemarketing lists if you don't want to be called again.

• Don't pay to get a prize, unless the item is of high quality and is at a price you are willing to pay. But then, if you have to pay, it really isn't a prize, is it?

• Don't allow a caller to intimidate or bully you into buying something "right now."

• Ask about the company's refund policy.

• Call your state attorney general's office, the Better Business Bureau or local consumer protection agency where the company is located. Ask about any complaints.

If you have been a victim of telemarketing fraud, you should call the Federal Trade Commission's Consumer Response Center at (877) 382-4357, the National Fraud Information Center at (800) 876-7060 or your state's attorney general.

Should you have any additional questions regarding telemarketing fraud, you can make an appointment to meet with an attorney.

The number for the Legal Assistance Division is 545-3281 or 545-3282.

births

Boys

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Dominick Andrew Seifert — born Aug. 21 to Spc. Catherine Jory and Sgt. Richard Seifert.

Jalen Sean Benton — born Aug. 21 to Patricia and Staff Sgt. Lional Benton.

Hudson Alexander Zeisman — born Aug. 21 to Melissa and Capt. Louis Zeisman.

Charles Jovan Faulds — born Aug. 22 to Gloria and Sgt. Marlon Faulds.

Michael Anthony Lewis — born Aug. 23 to Veronica and Sgt. George Lewis Jr.

Brandon Duane Lambes —born Aug. 25 to Kari and Sgt. Bradley Lambes.

Hunter Christian Qualls — born Aug. 25 to Christine and Capt. Ted Qualls.

Milton Bond IV — born Aug. 25 to Luna and Spc. Milton Bond III.

Jalen Javon Sexton — born Aug. 25 to Lueshionda and Spc. Christopher Sexton.

Caleb Andrew Rose — born Aug. 26 to Sgt. Stacy and Sgt. David Rose.

Zachary Ryan Locklear — born Aug. 27 to Tina Rivera-Locklear and Sgt. 1st Class Ronald Locklear.

Keon Sinclair Smith — born Aug. 28 to Kimberly and Sgt. Tiwan Smith.

Girls

Savanna Taylor Sanford — born Aug. 22 to Wendy and Sgt. Christopher Sanford.

Camille Maria Sanfiel Sandoval — born Aug. 22 to Maria Sanfiel and Lt. Col. Miguel Sanfiel Davila.

Katie Paige Culbertson — born Aug. 22 to RaeDean and Sgt. Daniel Culbertson.

Emily Linda Carmichael — born Aug. 23 to Traci and Spc. John Carmichael.

Jennifer Fuentes — born Aug. 24 to Pearl and Pfc. Jacob Fuentes.

Miracle Nicole Owens — born Aug. 24 to Doneta and Sgt. Mark Owens.

Deijah Tiara Neal — born Aug. 24 to Tiffany and Spc. Montez Neal.

Lydia Denae Bowen — born Aug. 25 to Spc. Tara and Spc. Christopher Bowen.

Madison Payton Wood — born Aug. 26 to Kimberly and Sgt. Robert Wood V.

Morgan Dallas Burcham — born Aug. 26 to Amy and Capt. Michael Burcham.

Kennedy Simone Thomas — born Aug. 27 to 1st Lt. Candace Thomas and 1st Lt. Ronald Thomas II.

Kristin Alexis Holley — born Aug. 28 to Deanna and Spc. Matthew Holley.

Megan Amber Davis — born Aug. 29 to Cindy and Capt. Gary Davis II.

Zoe Anne Martinez — born Aug. 29 to Diann and Staff Sgt. Daniel Martinez.

Hannah May Miller — born Aug. 29 to May and Spc. Timothy Miller.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

community briefs

on post

Car buying seminar — The Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program, Army Community Service, is sponsoring a Car Buying Seminar Sept. 19 at 6:30 p.m.

The seminar will be held in the Family Unit Network Center, Building 359.

The Car Buying Seminar will provide you with some of the best car buying secrets available. The information will help make your car-buying experience pleasant and make you the winner in the negotiation process. All your most important questions will be answered.

Registration is required, so be sure to call before today's registration deadline at 3 p.m.

Call the Army Community Service Financial Readiness Program, 545-5485, to register. We will need to know how many people will be in your party, so we can accommodate everyone who wishes to attend.

Survival class — There will be a survival class for new moms and dads from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sept. 27 in Martin Army Community Hospital's Regimental Conference room.

ACS offices relocate — The Army Community Service Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance Program and the Relocation Program have relocated from Building 2624 to Building 2633 in Soldier's Plaza.

The phone number to schedule appointments is 545-5485.

AFTB classes — Army Family Team Building teaches spouses about the Army and other topics including how to read a pay statement, Army benefits and where to turn for help. These classes are separated by levels of experience.

Classes for Level I are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 20 and 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 24-26.

Train the Trainer prepares students to become instructors for the local AFTB program.

These classes begin Sept. 25-28. To register for these classes, call 545-5377.

Pig control — The Natural Resource Management Branch has set up traps in the wooded areas throughout the installation in an effort to control the feral swine population on post.

For more information, call Pete Swiderek at 544-7077.

Advance medical directives — There will be an Advance Medical Directives class on choosing how we die at 3 p.m. Nov. 21 in the Family Practice Conference Room at Martin Army Community Hospital. For more information, call 544-3066.

off post

Job fair — There will be a job fair from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday at the VFW Hall on Victory Drive.

For more information, call 545-2308.

Coast Guard — The U.S. Coast Guard is accepting applications for the class of 2005. Appointments are tendered solely on the basis of an annual nationwide competition with no congressional nominations.

Appointments are based on the candidates high school record, performance on the SAT or ACT and leadership potential.

Candidates must be unmarried at the time of the appointment, have no legal obligations, be older than 17 and younger than 23 by July 1, 2001.

For more information, call (800) 883-8724.

Scouting volunteers — The Boy Scouts of America are seeking volunteers to be mentors. Volunteers are needed for Packs 27, 51, 217 and Troop 27. For more information, call 327-2634 extension 13.

Masters of science — Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University is offering a graduate degree and an ISD Certification.

Interested students must register by Nov. 1 in Building 2612 in Soldiers' Plaza. For more information, call 685-0105

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Columbine survivors speak to local students

Faith Middle School hears of tragedy to deter teen violence

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It may seem like a far cry from wielding joysticks to packing guns, but Heidi Johnson believes that's how it all started. And she should know. She knew the gunmen, and she knew their victims.

Johnson and Lauren Beyers were students at Columbine High School when two gunmen ravaged their school last year. Monday they spoke to students at Fort Benning's Faith Middle School.

"I heard they liked to play Doom," said Johnson, referring to a violent video game said to be a favorite of Dylan Klebold and Eric Harris. "That's how it starts — something small and seemingly inconsequential, but it grew and grew and grew into the evil that we saw that day."

Johnson did see evil April 20, 1999. In fact, for a brief moment she stared it in the face.

"I was hiding under a table in the library, the deadliest place in the school. Five people were killed in the area surrounding my table," she said. "I was praying. I was asking for God's favor at that time, and I believe he gave it to me.

"From where I sat I could see casings flying all around me. The boy next to me was shot as I watched. I had this sinking feeling, 'What if I'm next?' Then Dylan leaned over and looked right in my eyes. He asked me a question, but I don't know what it was. I was praying. He turned around and walked away."

"Why?" asked one student.

Johnson smiled. This was the question she'd been hoping for.

"Dylan didn't spare my life that day. God did. He saved me for this reason, that I can travel around and talk to young people about my faith. I have the unique opportunity to tell people about God's grace and that through him this generation can change the world and end this kind of violence."

More than 700 students listened raptly as Johnson and Beyers told of watching their classmates die around them and escaping with their own lives amidst the mayhem of gunfire and explosives. They weren't the only ones listening.

Manufacturers and marketers around the nation are listening to anti-violence proponents who say the kind of violence two students wreaked in Columbine often starts as fun and games. Major distributors like Walmart and K-Mart recently announced they'll discontinue the sale of video games deemed too violent for young children.

Anti-violence watch groups claim video games labeled for mature audiences are actually geared toward children as young as 12. Like Johnson, they believe children are being exposed, and ultimately desensitized, to the kind of violence depicted on these games.

"I believe it was just like a game to them," Johnson said. "You know, you just push the replay button and start all over again. Only those who died that day don't get to start all over again. I realized then that I am not guaranteed any tomorrows in this life, and my actions not only affect my future but the future of everyone around me.

"The violence has to end. We have to make a change and it starts right here and now, with this generation."

Faith students responded to Johnson's message with applause and shouts of agreement.

"She's right," said sixth-grader Jorge Castro. "It's important for students to hear about the dangers of anger and violence. We need to know that what we do and say affects everyone around us."

Teacher: Takes honors here, will compete for national title

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and finding Mrs. Harris. I always thought I was her favorite, and our bond was an unusual one for both of us.

"But when I spotted her in the computer lab with her class, I realized that she was like that with every student. I watched her work with them and treat them all as creative individuals. I hadn't seen her in six years, but the bond hadn't changed at all. I could look at her and see all the possibilities in my life."

Shortly after that visit, Gillum decided to pursue a career in education.

He said Harris was the main influence in his decision, and he hopes to follow her example as a teacher.

"I hope to make her proud by showing the same passion (for education)," he said. "She is truly a shining example of how one teacher can change many lives."

After Fort McClellan closed, Harris transferred to Fort Benning where she began teaching in 1999. For more than a year now, she has commuted weekly from her Anniston, Ala., home to her job at Stowers Elementary.

"From the moment she arrived at Fort Benning, she's been an active, involved teacher with insightful input at all levels," said Mike Starrett, Stowers assistant principal. "Her love of teaching shows in everything she does. She truly deserves this award."

Harris calls herself "a lifetime learner," with a real love for this "grand adventure called education." But her love of learning didn't always translate to the classroom.

"I was a classic underachiever. I dropped out of college after I married because I found school monotonous and irrelevant at that point," she said. "It didn't take me long to realize what I'd given up."

After the births of her son and daughter and a series of unsatisfying clerical jobs, Harris returned to college and earned a teaching degree at the age of 28.

In 1981 she completed her master's degree in special education, talented and gifted, at the University of Alabama.

"Now I work to make school more exciting and pertinent to students' lives than was my initial experience," she said. "However, I do stress to youngsters that in the real world people have to do many things they may not enjoy, but they should always do their best and keep a positive attitude.

"We're doing kids a disservice if we make them feel they should always be entertained. That's not what school is all about."

Harris said her greatest responsibility as a teacher is to focus on the "whole child."

"Our success with students is measured more and more by test scores," she said. "Tests can not measure all there is to know about a child. What is most important is their character.

"We can have a world where every child is knowledgeable and competent, but if they don't treat their fellow human beings with respect, it won't be a world worth living in."

Harris said her teaching philosophies are best defined in *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, by Stephen Covey. Last year she led a teacher's study group based on the principles outlined in the book.

"Teaching is all about attitudes, principles and priorities," she said. "Those who make the decision to teach must realize they will always come second.

"The people we serve must be our number one priority, and being an effective teacher means putting first things first all the time. It's all in your attitude.

"A good attitude is contagious and it will counter negativity every time. All in all, teaching is a fulfilling, wonderful career with amazing rewards and possibilities, but it all hinges on attitude."

Convoy: Gives locals free food

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drinks will be served throughout the day, and guests will be offered free hair cuts, smoke detectors and health and dental screenings.

A special "Kidz Zone" will be set up with games, rides, balloons, face painting, jumping gyms and pony rides. Local musicians and entertainers will perform throughout the day, and a family ministry tent will be available for prayer and special attention.

"We expect many people to become aware of our God and the love he has for all of them," Russell said. "Our mission is to show that love by being kind and offering them free food and services."

Russell said the success of the event will be determined by the number of guests and volunteers on hand Saturday. At least 1,500 volunteers are needed.

"Anyone can be a part of the Convoy effort by volunteering. Again everyone is welcome," he said. "We need help setting up Friday, and distributing groceries and serving as greeters and ushers Saturday.

"Everyone involved is just 'plain old folks' who want to help the needy. No one gets paid money or has anything to gain by being involved. We're all just volunteers. Our motto is, 'it's amazing what can be accomplished when no one cares who gets the credit.'"

Bruce Mulford, Fort Benning's director of youth ministries, said members of Club Beyond will volunteer at the event. Anyone interested in participating can reach Mulford at 545-2359.

The event starts at 10:30 am, rain or shine. For more information, call 323-1876.

Bold 2000: Attracts teens

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a student prayer group gathered one Monday morning in 1997.

"I believe God cried that day," said Hudson, now a senior at Heath. "But he took what was meant for evil and turned it into good.

That tragedy has opened the doors for people like me to share our love of Jesus with people like you who can stop the violence in America."

Throngs gathered around the auditorium for a time of prayer and worship as the clock neared 9 p.m.

Despite the hour, no one seemed in a hurry to leave — the best was yet to come.

Rich Gallagher, who coordinated the event with the help of the corporate sponsors CB&T, Synovis, Total Systems and One Accord, held aloft a set of keys to a 2000 Ford Mustang.

Alexandra Winchester, 15, of Columbus won the car.

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An example of critical thinking skills.

Talents Unlimited program teaches kids critical skills

Millie Harris
Stowers Elementary School

Children need to learn how to think critically, as well as creatively.

Talents Unlimited is a model for teaching both. Dr. Carol L. Schlichter at the University of Alabama developed this innovative educational program under a Title III Elementary and Secondary Education Act grant in Mobile, Ala. in 1971.

Instructional support and enrichment teachers at Fort Benning received training this summer on this highly effective, research-proven strategy for students' development of higher order thinking skills.

The Talents Unlimited approach helps teachers identify and nurture children's academic, productive thinking, communication, decision-making, planning and thinking skills.

Academic talent helps students acquire knowledge in a variety of subjects, while the other skills help students in processing or using the knowledge to create new solutions to problems.

When youngsters are engaged in productive thinking, they are asked to name many, varied and unusual ideas or solutions and to add detail to the ideas to improve them or to make them more interesting.

An example of how Talents Unlimited would be used is by (productive thinking) beginning with singing "Where oh where has my little dog gone?"

Students are then given time to think of many, varied, unusual places their little dog might have gone.

Next students are given a sheet of paper to draw the most unusual place their little dog may have gone. This is a second grade task.

"The critical thinking component is the biggest thing involved with this," Dixon said.

Teachers hope to stimulate the different talents that students possess by giving them the opportunities to let their minds wander "outside the doghouse."

The students are excited about coming to the lab where they are encouraged to "charge their brains" using the Talents Unlimited model.

Decision making involves generating solutions to a problem, weighing these solutions, making a final judgment and defending a decision on the many alternatives to a problem.

An example of decision-making could be students who are preparing to assist in a snack bar for the fall festival making final decisions about the type foods to offer by weighing alternatives with such criteria as cost, children's preferences, availability of the particular snacks, and profit.

Students use planning to design a strategy for implementing an idea by describing what is to be done, identifying the materials needed, listing the steps to take in sequence, and analyzing possible problems in their plan.

Some examples of planning talent are youngsters making plans for a science fair project, a class party, lesson for younger students or a field trip.

Forecasting is making predictions about the possible causes and effects of various phenomena.

A possible example of this skill would be students who are studying about possible reasons for the disappearance of the dinosaurs being encouraged to generate their own predictions about possible causes for the dinosaurs' demise.

Communication is using and interpreting both verbal and nonverbal forms of communication to express ideas, feelings, and needs to others.

A case in point would be fifth-graders studying the Civil War role-play reactions of both Union and Confederate Soldiers as they hear the reading of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Academic talent is developing a base of knowledge and skills about a topic or issue through attainment of information and concepts. It precedes the other thinking skills.

Children need a foundation on which to build. A student reading from a variety of resources to research information about the presidential election and then sharing the information in a discussion of the political candidates illustrates academic talent.

Implementation of the Talents Unlimited model is enhancing identification of students with high potential in a wide range of abilities and is providing the basis for enrichment of all students talent strengths at Stowers Elementary.

The instructional support teachers are infusing Talents Unlimited in the regular classrooms through co-teaching, in small group, and in whole group instruction. The enrichment teacher is integrating Talents lessons in the enrichment program and in co-teaching.

The students at Stowers will become better thinkers because of this program's implementation.



Courtesy photo

Children work on artwork with an Australian theme.

Work features Australia

Sharon Del Gobbo
Stowers Elementary School

The Olympics are coming! And the art classes at Stowers Elementary School are learning all about Australia, its inhabitants, animals and artwork.

Kangaroos, koalas and coral reefs abound in the art room. The students are very excited about aboriginal artwork in particular.

The third- and fifth-graders are making drawings and paintings in the style of these native Australians.

Fifth-grade students are making bark paintings on simulated bark (brown paper bags) and fourth-grade students studied three-dimensional artwork by making a coral reef. We feel strongly that experiences in art should not be limited to making cute little crafts, but are a study of artists, techniques and world cultures.

The world is full of wonderful artwork. Come to Stowers and see.

Pets of the week





Photos by Pfc. Mark Watson

A female 2-year-old lab and husky mix and a male 1- to 2-year-old domestic, shorthaired tabby are just two of the animals that are available for adoption at the Fort Benning Vet Clinic.

For more information on how to adopt a pet from the clinic, call 545-4444.



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God's love puts 'Yes' on faces

Chaplain (Maj.) Ruben Colon
U.S. Army School of the Americas

reflections

There is the story of a woman who, early one morning, made a mad dash out of the house when she heard the garbage truck pulling away.

She was still in her bathrobe. Her hair was wrapped in big curlers. Her face was covered with sticky cream. She was wearing a chin-strap and a beat up old pair of slippers. In short, she was a rightful picture.

When she reached the sidewalk, she called out, "Am I too late for the garbage?" "No, hop right in," came the reply.

The beautiful thing about God is that he keeps on loving us even when our life becomes so frightful we're ready to hop into the garbage.

"Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord," cried the psalmist (Psalms 130:1). "Behold, I make all things new" comes the reply (Rev. 21:5). This is the time of fulfillment. "The Reign of God is at hand! Reform your lives and believe in the Gospel" (Mark 1:15). In Mark's Gospel, these are the first words spoken by Jesus.

Believe in the gospel of God's love and you will reform. It will change your way of living. It will become "second nature," so to speak, to forgive those who have hurt you, to pray for those who mistreat you, to bless those who hate you, to comfort those who need you, to appreciate those you take for granted.

Never are we fully equal to these responsibilities.

None of us is perfect, after all. We are sinners all in one way or another. And so the call to change is a continuing one. It is a continuing need in our life. The important thing is the direction in which we are moving.

There is a story about Thomas Jefferson in which the president and several friends were riding cross-country on horseback.

They came to a swollen river which they had to ford. Standing at the water's edge was a man who was traveling on foot. After several men in the president's party had crossed the river, the traveler asked Jefferson to help him across. Jefferson took the man on his horse and carried him to the other side.

Whereupon, one of the president's men asked the traveler, "Why did you select the President to ask for this favor?"

The traveler replied, "I didn't realize he was the president. I just know that in some faces is written the answer "No!" and in others the answer "Yes!" His was a 'Yes!' face."

New life begins when you read the unconditional "Yes!" in the face of God and accept his invitation to carry you safely through life's journey.

And you will know for certain that you are moving in the right direction when your fellow travelers begin to see the word "Yes!" written in your face.

"Reform your lives. The Reign of God is at hand!" Get your "No!" face ready for the garbage and put on your "Yes!" face as a sign of God's love.

chapel notes

Sunday School — The Fort nning Sunday School meets from 0 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at hite Elementary School on 1st vision Road.

There are classes for students rom 3 years of age through adult.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at he Infantry Center Chapel.

Anyone needing a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-715 and transportation will be cheduled.

Protestant Women of the Chapel — The Protestant Women of the Chapel meet from 9:30 to 1:45 a.m. Thursdays in the Custer Terrace Chapel.

The program includes prayer, praise, bible study and fellowship.

All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551 or Lisa Truitt at 689-5050.

Protestant Youth of the Chapel — The Junior High and Middle School Youth of the Chapel meet every Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel Annex from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Senior High group meets Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Custer Terrace Chapel.

All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

Sunday pianist — The funds custodian is seeking applications for a pianist for the Sunday worship service at 11 a.m. Also applications are being accepted for a day care provider from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Custer Terrace Chapel. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Constance Jones at 545-4960.

Club Beyond meets — The junior high and middle school youth meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sundays at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings. For more information, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

Chapel plans premarriage class — The next premarriage class will be at 10 a.m. Sunday in the Fort Benning Golf Club House. To register call the Main Post Catholic Chapel at 545-1452. All personnel planning to marry in the Catholic Church between now and the end of the year should plan to attend this class.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

Secrets often result in lies of omission

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Family Life Ministries Center

How much of our past we keep secret from people and how much we disclose to others is not a simple decision.

Typical things we keep secret are previous criminal activity, sexual impropriety or moral indiscretion. In part our decision to reveal or not to reveal a secret is based on several factors.

First, how close is our relationship with that person?

What we disclose to a person who is our neighbor, friend, relative, colleague, supervisor or employer might be different than what we disclose to our chaplain, counselor, attorney, fiance or spouse.

Second, is the past indiscretion over or is it ongoing?

A person who has served his time in prison is more willing to reveal his past than a person who is still wanted by the law.



Third, will revealing the secret cause additional harm to another?

Revealing to a person that you had an intimate relationship with their spouse will frequently cause further heartache.

But keeping a current affair that you are having with another secret from your spouse is probably done more to protect you than to protect your spouse.

Unfortunately keeping secrets often results in the need to tell lies of omission, half-truths or bold face lies in order to maintain the secret.

Lying not only attempts to deceive others, but it also attempts to deceive ourselves.

Considerable mental and emotional effort is needed to maintain secrets and uphold lies. Unfortunately all this effort is wasted since most lies eventually become known.

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If you would like help in considering your options, free counseling is available. Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or e-mail me at ChiefFamLifeMin@aol.com.

Blessed is he that considers the poor — Psalm 41:1

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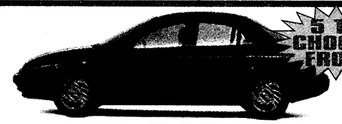

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Soldiers head to Gold medal dreams

Shooters on way to Sydney Olympic games

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

Most people never get to live out their wildest dreams, but 10 Soldiers from the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit are fulfilling their dreams in the land down under.

The Army shooters who made the U.S. Olympic Team headed to Sydney, Australia, this week to prepare for their Olympic Shooting Competition, Saturday to Sept. 23.

The Olympic shooters are: Michael E. Anti and Glenn A. Dubis, free rifle three position; Dubis and Thomas A. Tamas, free rifle prone; Lance D. Dement, running target; James Todd Graves and Michael E. Schmidt Jr., skeet; Daryl L. Szarenski, free pistol; Kenneth A. Johnson and Jason A. Parker, air rifle; and William H. Keever, double trap.

"I've devoted 17 years to winning at the Olympics," said Johnson, a 1996 Olympic air rifle alternate, whose wife, Nancy, also made the 1996 and 2000 Olympic Teams in Women's Air Rifle. "I witnessed the energy of the Olympics in 1996; it can pick you up and carry you away.

"I'll get to compete this time," said Johnson, a 31-year-old from Marshfield, Mass., continued. "I wanted to be an Olympian because I want to do one thing right, perfectly right, when it counts."

Johnson said he and his air rifle teammate, Parker, will strive to bring home the Gold and Silver for the United States; they said it does not matter who wins which medal, as long as the Army gets them.

"I always wanted to be an Olympian since I was a kid, so it felt good to be named to the team," Parker said. "I came into the Army to serve my country, and the Army has made me into the best shooter I can be.

"The USAMU has given me every advantage; we have the best gunsmiths, ranges, coaches and training."

Parker, 26, from Omaha, Neb., echoed the sentiments of his rifle teammates by attributing much of his success to USAMU International Rifle Team Coach William E. Krilling, 73, who is also at the Sydney Games as a shooting official and juror.

"My success as a shooter is due mainly to Bill Krilling," said four-time Olympian Dubis. "He has coached me since 1982; he has a special talent for working with people and helping them with the technical aspects of shooting."

Dubis, 41, who is the current Military World Rifle Champion, said he had to give up many of his other goals to pursue his Olympic dream.

"You have to pursue your dreams," the Bethel Park, Pa., native said. "That way you won't have to look back on your life and wonder 'what if.'"

Anti, 36, of Winterville, N.C., a 1992 Olympian, said winning Olympic Gold has been his goal since he was 13.

"The 1992 Olympics were very exciting," Anti said. "The opening ceremony and competing in the prone rifle event was the highlight, and the low point was finishing 15th and not winning a medal.

"This time, I will be better prepared mentally."

Tamas, who was a 1992 Olympic alternate, said his number one goal is to compete and win in the Olympic Games.

"To be on the Olympic Shooting Team is an accomplishment in itself; it's a very good feeling to be among the best," said Tamas, 35, a native of Columbus.

Tamas, who shot with the Fort Benning Junior Rifle Team and the Kendrick High School ROTC Shooting Team, said he joined the Army to serve his country and to compete and win in shooting competitions.

"Most of my life was spent in Columbus," Tamas said. "My father was in the Army, so I'm an Army brat. My father was a shooter, and it looked fun, so I started."

Another Army "brat," Dement, the son of an Airborne colonel, is an Airborne Ranger himself and is an Expert Infantry Badge recipient. He is also one of an elite group of shooters who are "triple distinguished" — having been awarded the Distinguished Pistol Shot Badge, Distinguished Rifleman Badge and Distinguished International Shooter Badge — as well as possessing the President's Hundred Tab.

"Being a member of the 2000 Olympic Team is one of the greatest honors of my life," said Dement, who will turn 32 the day before he competes in Sydney.

"I joined the Army after high school to get out on my own and earn some money for college. I believe that all my Army experiences have made me a better person."

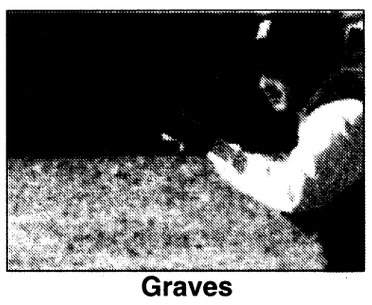
Szarenski, 32, of Saginaw, Mich., said becoming an Olympian accomplished one of his many shooting goals, and that the Army helped him achieve that goal by training him effectively.

"I attribute my success as a shooter to all of the people who have taught me anything about shooting, and to me for executing what was taught," Szarenski said.

Szarenski attended Tennessee Technological University on a four-year scholarship to shoot on the school's ROTC rifle team and was an All-American in rifle and both air and free pistol before joining the Army.

"My Dad got me interested in shooting. The best advice I ever got was from my Dad who said, "It's never over until all of the shots are down range.'"

Graves started shooting with his parents when he was growing up in Laurel, Miss.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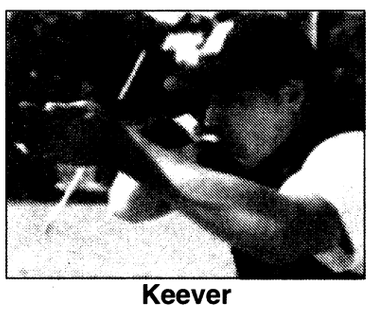
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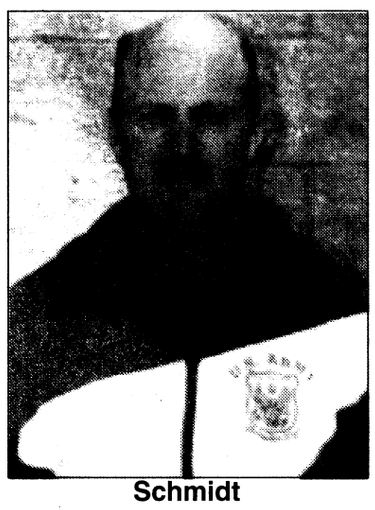
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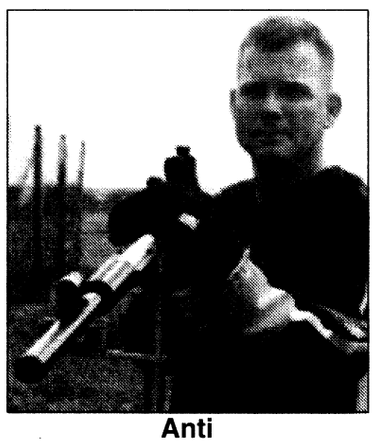
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When he was 10 years old, he and his father saw a group of people shooting a trap tournament in a field near their home.

Graves' father let him shoot in the match, and when he took third place, little did he know it would start him in a career that would make him a three-time Olympian.

"Being an Olympian has been my lifelong dream; it's one of the greatest feelings in the world," Graves said, adding that he attributes his success to the Army. "If it weren't for the Army, I'd probably be watching the Olympics on TV at home instead of competing.

"My family and my coach, Burl Branham, never gave up on me and always stood by my side," the 37-year-old added. "They always said, 'Don't ever give up; keep working hard.'"

Schmidt, a Reservist who got assigned to the USAMU under the World Class Athlete Program, is also competing in the Olympic Skeet Competition with Graves.

Schmidt, 42, said he credits the training he received at the Army Marksmanship Unit for his being selected to the U.S. Olympic Shooting Team and declares that he will win a medal in Sydney.


Dement


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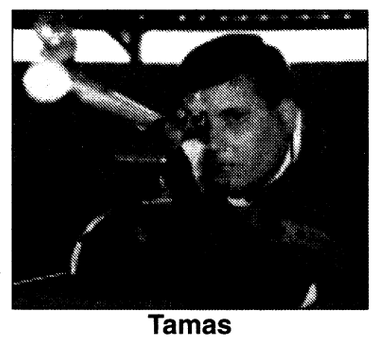
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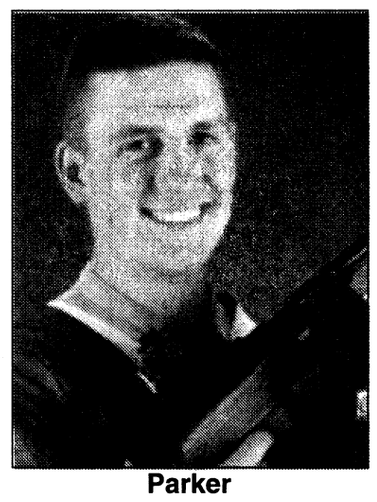
Keever, 24, of Rutherfordton, N.C., said being an Olympian had always been his dream since he was a child.

"The moment I found out I was on the team, I was overcome with emotion; it was the best feeling I have ever had," Keever said.

Keever said he thanks God for giving him his talent, his parents for their long hours, financial support and unselfishness, his wife for putting up with his busy schedule, and his brother, former USAMU shotgun shooter Walter B. Keever, for pushing him to be a better shooter.

"The Army was the means to which I obtained my goal," Keever added. "The Army afforded me the time and training it took to be a world-class shooter.

"Without the Army, I could have never done it."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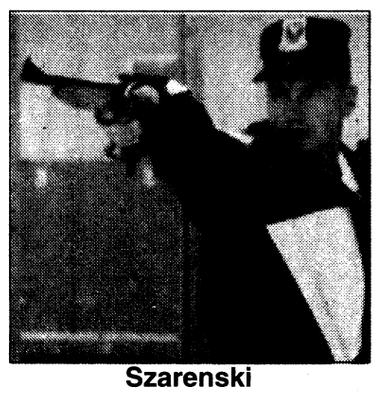

Szarenski

Brewers squeak by Indians in season opener

Soldiers' Baseball Association wins first game, 6-5

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

The Brewers brought out their mighty bats to beat the Indians Sunday at Darnell Field in Phenix City in the first game of the fall baseball season, 6-5.

The Brewers, of the Soldiers' Baseball Association outplayed the Indians to win the first game of the season.

The game started with a bang for the Indians when Root Pierce, the second baseman, hit a solo shot over the center field fence scoring the only hit for the Indians in the first.

The Brewers' second baseman Chris Folk, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, and shortstop Anthony Ferraioli, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt., hit back-to-back singles.

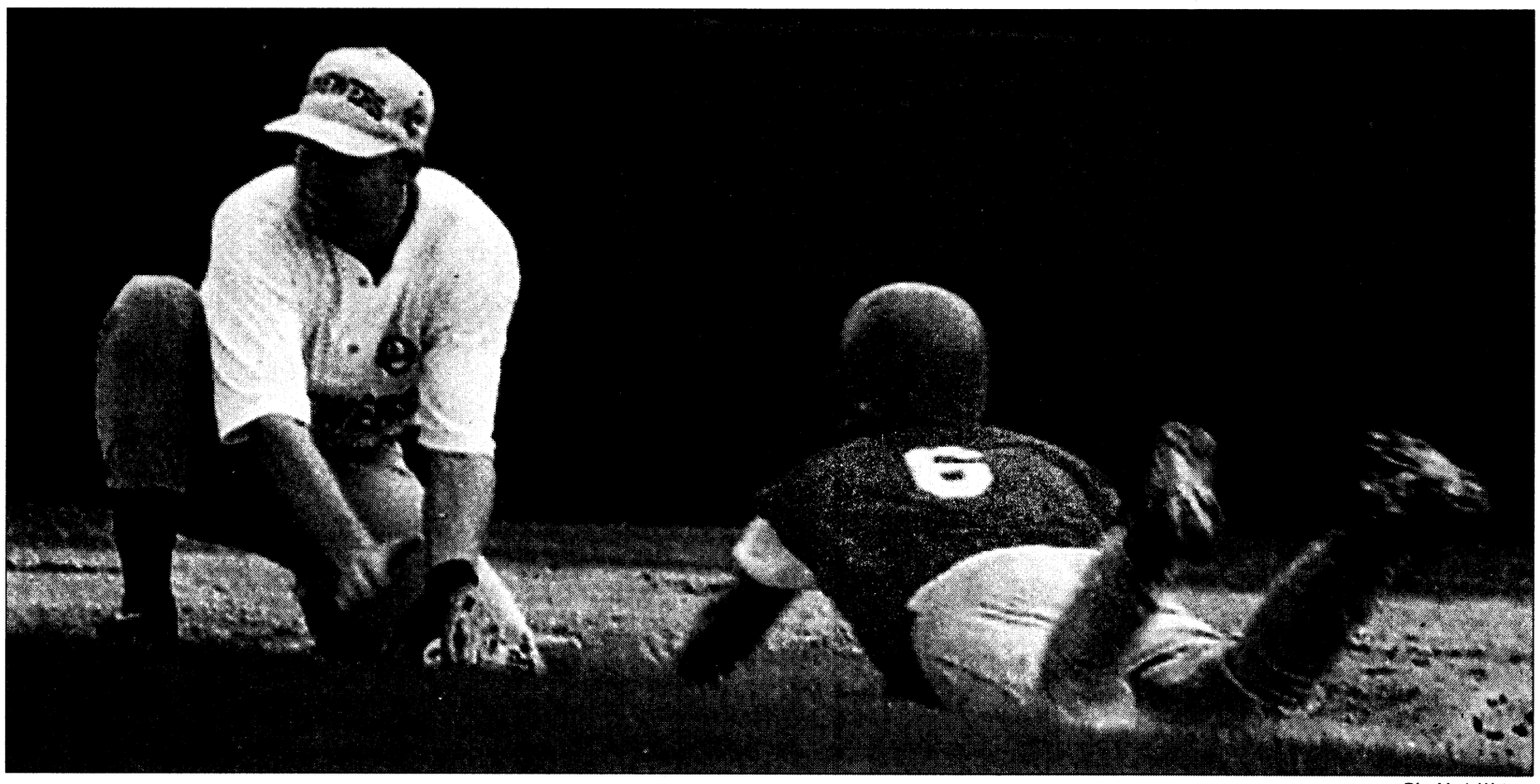
On a wild pitch, Folk scored and Ferraioli advanced to second.

As Ferraioli took his lead off of second, Indian's pitcher Will Peoples gunned the ball toward second to make the pick off and end the inning.

The Brewers kept the Indians scoreless in the second and scored one more when catcher Chris Burgess, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt., who hit a double, stole home courtesy another wild Indian pitch.

Both teams were hitless in the third leaving the Brewers in the lead, 2-1.

In the top of the fourth, Indian's catcher Shane Parrish hit a hard drive over the right field fence for the Indian's only hit of the inning.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Brewers shortstop Anthony Ferraioli prepares for a collision as he tags Indians shortstop Joe Stansen sliding into second base. The Brewers won the game, 6-5, which marked the season opener for them.

Brewers center fielder Eric Hare, U.S. Army Student Detachment, walked and then stole second to move himself into scoring position.

Burgess knocked the ball deep into the outfield scoring Hare. Left fielder Korey Brown, B Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt, hit a blistering shot scoring Burgess for a two run inning, giving the Brewers a 4-2 lead.

The Brewers kept the Indians nearly hitless, but the Indians managed to get one hit advancing third baseman Mark Snyder. When Snyder stole third, Burgess tried to make the throw, but the throw went high into the outfield and Snyder scored.

With the Brewers back on the offense, Rick Johanninsmier, C Co., 1st Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., who came into the game as a substitute, doubled.

Edwin Perez, who also subbed into the game, followed suit and drove the ball deep into the outfield bringing Johanninsmier in and the game to 5-3.

Both teams played solid defense in the sixth and neither team allowed a hit.

Ferraioli said throughout the game both teams played defense real well.

With the Indians back up, Peoples hit a single scoring Snyder and bringing the game within one run.

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Soldier's child takes top honors

Golfer, 7, birdies to take third in world competition

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

He is only 7, but he has accomplished more than most people twice or even three times his age. And now he is considered one of the best in the world.

Johnathan Howard, the son of Yong and Timothy Howard, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, 3rd Brigade, competed in the U.S. Kids World Golf Championships Aug. 12 - 14 at Jekyll Island, Ga.

Matched up against more than 30 other 7-year-olds, he bested all of them in the long drive competition and played well enough to receive third place during the two days of nine holes.

"The first day was just a skills competition," Howard said. "There were contests on driving, chipping and putting. He won the long drive contest," driving the ball 126 yards in flight. "The other kids hit, about 105, was a good drive."

In the second and third day of the competition, the youngsters played two nine-hole rounds and Johnathan emerged in third place. He placed only one stroke behind second place and five behind first.

After the first round of the tournament, where Johnathan scored a 36, he was near the top of the leaders board with nine holes left in the second round.

With two holes remaining in the tournament, an official told him he was tied for fifth.

"That gave him a bolt of energy," Howard said. "He tried like I've never seen him try before. He birdied the last two holes ,which gave him third place," he said. "On 18, he didn't know it, but he was tied and the birdy which was about a 15- or 18-foot putt, put him over the top."

"It was a long putt and a hard one," Johnathan said. "But it wasn't my longest one." The youth recently sank a putt which was more than 25 feet.

"Johnathan picked up his first club when he was 2, Howard said.

"We were in Washington state where it rained a lot so I was bringing my clubs inside," Howard said. "He started copying me at 2 and one half. He couldn't swing a club because it was too heavy so I got him a yardstick and he had a good swing. He caught on real quick."

Now, five years later, Johnathan has his own clubs, which his father partially built, and a smooth swing.

"I really like driving the best," Johnathan said. His driving is his strong point, Howard said.

For next year's tournament, Johnathan will be hitting 100 yards for a par 3, 200 yards for a par 4 and 300 for a par 5.

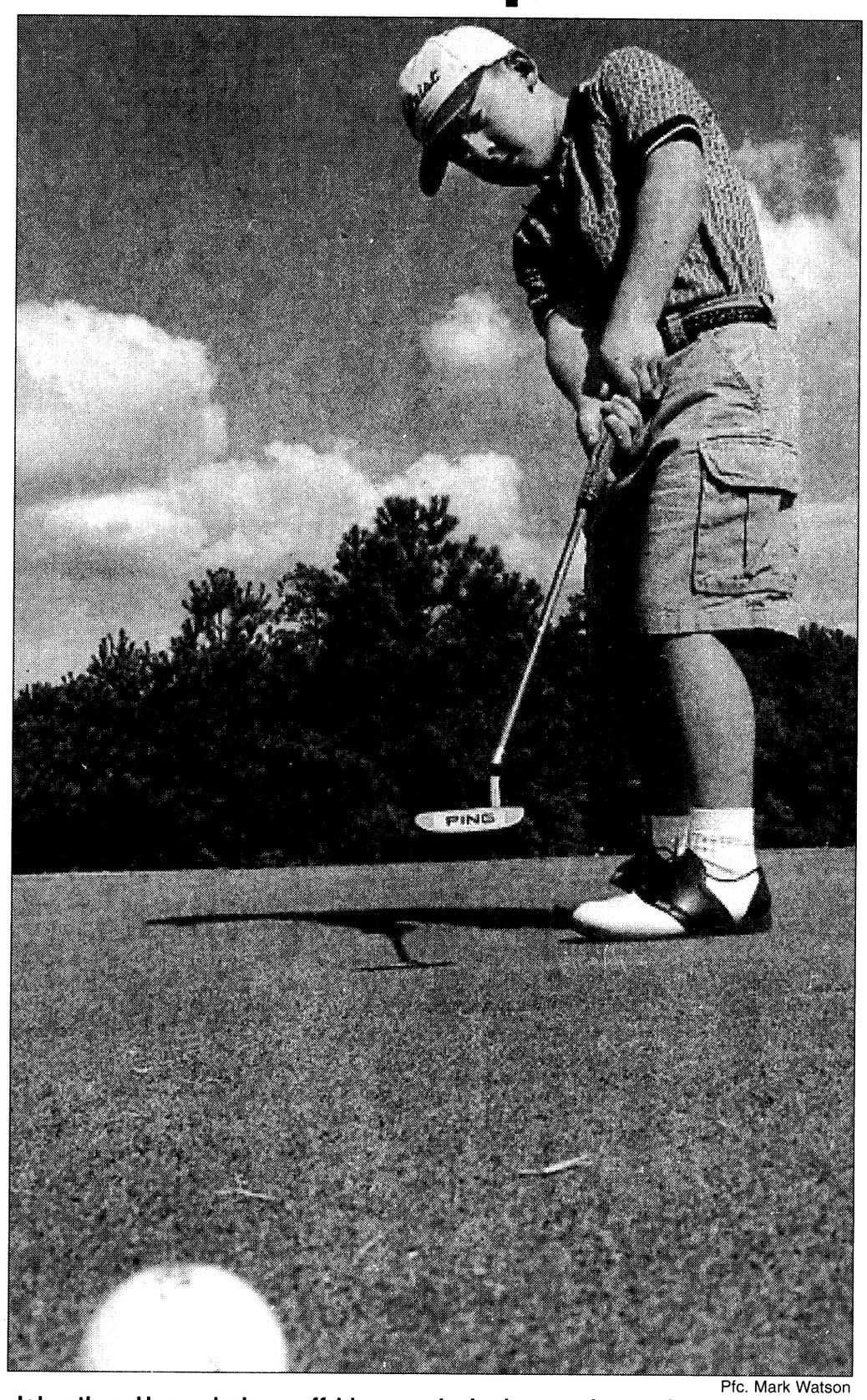
"This year everybody was real close," he said. "With it moved back double, I think next year he will really shine."

"Physically he's got it," he said. "He needs to stay mentally focused. Sometimes it is hard for him to keep his cool under pressure, but I tell him try to focus and take things one shot at a time.

"I tell him every stroke is important and never to give up," he said.

"It really is fun to be able to teach him," Howard said. "We encourage him to play, but we won't force him. "He also plays football and baseball, so we'll just see where things go from here."

Johnathan said he is looking forward to next years' tournament and then with his putter and a ball, he moved to the putting green to practice alongside one of his youth golfing companions.



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Johnathan Howard show off his award-winning putting style. Howard won third place in the U.S. Kids World Championship Golf Tournament Aug. 12-14.

Brewers: Steal win in season opener

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The Brewers took to the plate again hoping to finish the game.

The Indians changed pitchers bringing Pierce to the mound and Bielak to second.

Pierce walked the first batter and then hit two more. One was drilled in the back and the other in the legs loading the bases.

On a wild pitch Burgess scored from third taking the score to 6-4.

Extra hitter Derrick Dotson stepped up to the plate for the Indians and was hit by the ball. Rick Jacobson hit the ball directly to Bielak, but with one bounce left the ball took a bad hop over Bielak's glove and into the outfield which scored Dotson.

"I need to work with the pitchers a little more," Burgess said. "I am not too familiar with them, what they can throw, what their capabilities are."

He said by working with the pitchers and knowing their capabilities will benefit the team.

Although the run brought the game within one, it wasn't enough and the Brewers managed to pull off the win, 6-5.

"We played OK for the first time out," Indians' first baseman Kevin Favant said. "We were a bit rusty but we'll come along. It really was a good game."

Ed Gawlik, the Brewers coach, said the game was great.

"These close games are rough," Gawlik said. "We really played a fundamentally sound game. There were a few problems, but overall it was a good game. The game was really competitive and both played great."

The Brewers will play again at 1 p.m. Sunday at Darnell Field.

sports briefs

Rodeo — The 12th annual HCCA Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association rodeo will be at 8 p.m. today and Saturday on Highway 116 East in Hamilton.

Golf Tournament — There will be an American Cancer Society Golf Tournament beginning at noon Thursday at the Lakewood Golf Course.

There will be prizes given to the top four teams as well as additional awards for the longest drive and on Par 3s.

The entry fee is $200 per team. For more information, call Linc Shelton at 297-4266.

Hunters' meeting — The annual open meeting for all Fort Benning hunters will be at 5 p.m. Tuesday in Classroom 6 in Infantry Hall.

Peanut race — There will be a 5K road race starting at 8 a.m. Sept. 23 in Plains, Ga., as part of the town's annual Peanut Festival festivities.

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Aviation Golf Tournament — The 11th annual Georgia Invitational Golf Tournament will be Sept. 28- 29 at the Pine Oaks Golf Course.

The first tee time is scheduled to tee off at noon Sept. 28.

There will be $30,000 in prizes given away. The entry fee for the tournament is $250 per player.

For more information, call (912) 923-6600.

Kelley Hill Chess Tournament — There will be a three-round chess tournament starting at noon Sept. 30 in the Kelley Hill Recreation Center. There is a $4 entry fee.

For more information, call 687-6483.

Deer Hunters' Zero — The Rifle and Pistol Club, along with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit and the Muscogee Longrifles, is hosting the annual Deer Hunters Zero from 8 a.m. to noon Oct. 1 and 14.

Anyone eligible to hunt on Fort Benning is able to participate in the shoot.

Members of the AMU's Service Rifle Team will be on hand to help hunters zero their weapons, and AMU gunsmiths will inspect weapons to ensure maximum safety of privately owned weapons.

For more information, call 689-3371.

Callaway hosts steeplechase — There will be a steeplechase Nov. 5 at Callaway Gardens. Volunteers are needed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers will receive uniforms, lunch and infield tickets for immediate family members.

For more information, call 324-6252.

Club seeks powerlifters — Anyone interested in powerlifting or wanting to form a powerlifting club on post for the purpose of going to competitions, call Richard Wideman at 689-2481.

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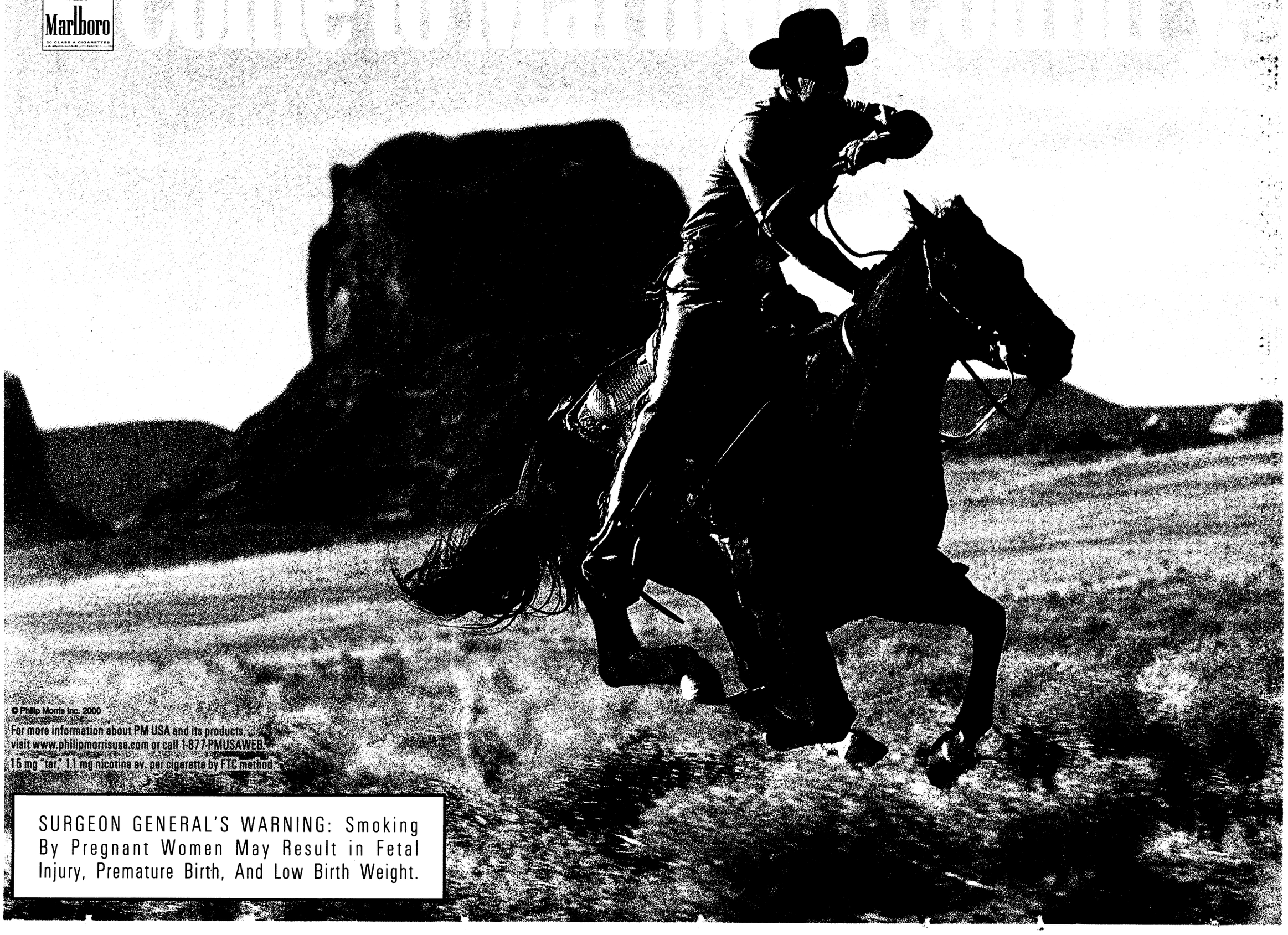

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- One auto for sale per year
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Autos for sale

65 Mustang, 90 to 95% original equipment, 289 V8 engine, auto transmission, runs & looks great, $6650.00. 568-1518. (F6)

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87 Dodge Omni 4 door, cold air, good basic transportation, $600.00 or best offer please call 855-9097 if interested. (F22)

87 Volvo 740 GLE, best offer accepted. Call 706-682-4066. (F15)

87 Honda Accord, 4 door, pw, pl, chrome rims, new oil pump, must sell. $700.00. 682-1080. (F29)

89 Toyota Tercel. New tires, a/c, pioneer stereo, $1200.00 o.b.o. 687-0042 leave a message or call after 6:00 p.m. (F22)

89 Ford Taurus GL. In very good condition. $2,200- negotiable. 689-6853. (F6)

89 Mazda 969, interior and exterior in good condition, new transmission in 98, needs engine work, $800 o.b.o, call 689-8514 if interested. (F6)

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96 Chevy Corvette. Fully loaded, low miles, $20,000.00. 582-2360 after 6:00 p.m. (P15)

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97 Achieva, 4dr, oil changed every 3,000 miles. 2 new tires. Close to 58,000. miles. Nice Car!! $8,500. Call 687-8710. (F15)

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89 Dodge Caravan. Asking $1000 o.b.o. 685-3223. (F15)

89 Mazda B2200, p/s, a/c, am/fm cass, blue, bedliner, $2500, PCS'ing, must go, 682-0211. (F6)

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96 Ford F-150, 46K/mi, sport wheels, dual tanks $10,000/take over payments, call 682-4585. (F22)

97 Ford F150 extended cab, White, 3 door, long bed. $16,000.00, 56K please call (334)298-7879. PCS'ing must sell ASAP. (F29)

98 Kia Sportage. Black, 5 door, 5 speed, pw, pl, third air bag, alarm system, CD player, take over payments. 687-7722. (F15)

99 Ford Ranger, white, 5 spd, A/C, alum cap, 15k miles, like new, $10,000 (no tax!) 317-4614. (F22)

99 Chevy Venture van V-6, loaded, still under warranty, 33,000 miles, $1500. Call anytime: 682-2556. (F6)

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92 Larson 190 SE 19 1/2 ft. (green/white), excellent condition, features: sink, icebox, commode, AM/FM cassette, canopy, trailer & seats 10, only $8500. 565-5488. (F6)

96 Glastron Fish & Ski Boat, runs excellent, includes ski, kneeboard, tube, ropes, & vests. Great buy for $7500, for more info call 682-9817. (F22)

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Child care needed for school days off, three hours per day and three or four days a month. Call 685-8443. (F22)

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Office Cleaner: general office cleaning for three hours per week. 1 hr. on Tue, two hrs. on Fri. afternoon. Located on post. $140/month. For more info. call 683-7801. (P15)

Yard Sales

317 Lumpkin Rd. (Main Post). 8-2. Multi family yard sale, Christmas tree, girls and boys clothes (sz 14 and under), household goods, toys, and much more. (F15)

178 Kessler Dr., multi-family, furniture, clothes, baby items. 8:00 a.m. to ?, no early birds please!!! (F15)

156-D McGrath Street, multi-family yard sale, girls baby clothes sizes 3mos-2T, men's, women's & children's clothing, baby toys, assys. & misc. (F15)

131-F Baker St., large three family yard sale, lots of baby items, household goods, Sat. & Sun., rain or shine! (F15)

116 Ingersoll Loop, PCS yard sale, Sat. 9/16 from 8am until. (F15)

192 Derrickson St., Indianhead Terrace, 9/16, 8am-2pm, toys, kids clothes newborn to 5 yrs., and more.

661 Kandle Dr (Custer Terrace), come rain or shine, 8-?, Sept. 16, it all must go!!! (F15)

211 Austin Loop (E.Main Post) 8am - ?. Multi-family, home decorations, baskets, dishes, boys and girls clothes, car seat and more! (F15)

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Kenmore 5.0 cubic ft. chest freezer. good condition $40.00 call 687-6671. (F15)

JVC Camcorder vhs-c, with all accessories, and extra battery. $175 OBO 566-0479, leave message. (F15)

Refrigerator, side by side, almond, ice/water on door, large Whirlpool, 6 yrs old, $300. Washer & dryer, almond, 6 yrs old, full-size Whirlpool, great shape $200 each or $300 for set. 685-4884. (F15)

Flatbed Visionport 3100b color scanner with disk for Windows 95. $50 or best offer. Call 685-3406. (F22)

Maytag washer/dryer, exc. condition, $325. Mark: 685-9297, pgr: 257-4355. (F22)

Dryer, electric, excellent condition, $75. Call 577-2311 or 298-1352. (P15)

Childcare

FCC Daycare Provider now has openings for children 18-mo-old to 12-years-old. Loving environment w/good meals, lots of fun activities. Bilingual (English, Spanish), 12 yrs. experience. 687-2346 (P15)

Dependable childcare in my home. Two slots available. Drop ins welcome. 682-6526. (P15)

Children's Items

Little Tykes Play house-$40, swing set-2 swings, glider, carriage glider, slide-$60 Both just over a year old. 682-2950. (F15)

Whit Graco Toddler Bed $30, Barney toddler bed sheets and comforter extra pillow $25, adjustable highchair $25. Call 706-596-0054. (F22)

Jenny Lind style crib, light, w/ Sealy Baby Mattress. Like new. $125 OBO. (706) 576-3968. (F22)

Furniture

White sleigh bed with mattress, pastel knobs on bed and matching dresser, $350 o.b.o. or willing to trade other furniture to equal value. 689-4214. (F15)

Couch and chair, country blue and in fair condition. The couch has a sleeper bed, $150.00 o.b.o. 685-3559. Good starter set. (F15)

2 all wood girl's dressers, $350, and an antique couch, $600. 682-4324. (F15)

Couch/ loveseat, beige, Italian Leather, excellent shape $500. 685-4884. (F15)

Emerald green love seat, good condition. Ask for Tina 682-3802. (F22)

5-piece black bedroom set w/Queen size mattress. Will sell dressers separately. Includes mattress, boxspring, dresser, long dresser w/mirror, headboard, end table. Asking $350 for all. 687-3791. (F15)

Dark green metal vanity with oval mirror. Two solid glass shelves, matching stool w/off-white top, $75 firm for complete set. 685-3237. (F15)

Couch, 2 Loveseats, cream & pink pattern, $500 or will consider selling separately. 687 9765. (F22)

Wooden coffee table. $20. Good condition. Call 689-4660. (F22)

Matching Couch and Love seat, very good cond: $150 both. Glass Coffee table and 2 matching end tables $60. 689-7101 or 689-9511 anytime. (F22)

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D&B Fence Co. Rent, Rent to own, credit cards, free estimates 562-8833. (PTFN)

120 feet of fence-2 gates all poles and accessories-just over 1 year old-$200. 682-2950. (F15)

Sports & Fitness Equipment

Elliptical Trainer, new. Can't use, have Asthma. Paid $400; asking $200. 563-1067, leave message. (F22)

Fold up electronic treadmill with digital read out. Only 9 mo. old, barely used. $150 or best offer. 685-3406. (F22)

Diving Gear -4 mens, 1 ladies wet suits, 3 BCs, 2 regs, and more. 565-9695 leave message. (F22)

Miscellaneous

TRADING for sports cards. All years and brands. Call George 687-4711. (F22)

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Sharp microwave with rotating tray $50.00, champion weight bench, 350lbs and 45lbs bar. $150.00. Call 323-1721 after 2:00p.m. (F15)

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Divers, size large, eagle ranger buoyancy compensator. Weight integrated, excellent condition, very limited use. $400. 687-2346. (F15)

Couch with bed and love seat $150, Camper shell fits Ford Ranger, Ford factor made $225 o.b.o. Like new. 682-2556. (F15)

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Sharp microwave w/rotating tray $50. Champion weight bench w/350lbs & 45lb bar $150. Call 323-1712 after 2pm. (F22)

Nintendo 64 w/2 controllers, memory pack, 14 games & manuals, $300, great for Christmas, negotiable. Games for $20. 685-8548. (F22)

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Free Pets

Free kitten to good home, black and white. Ask for Tina 682-3802. (F22)

Cat to good home, white, with grey and orange patches, 3 years old, fixed, declawed. Call Sarah 685-9034. (F22)

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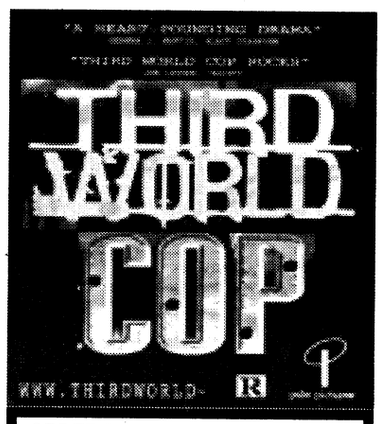

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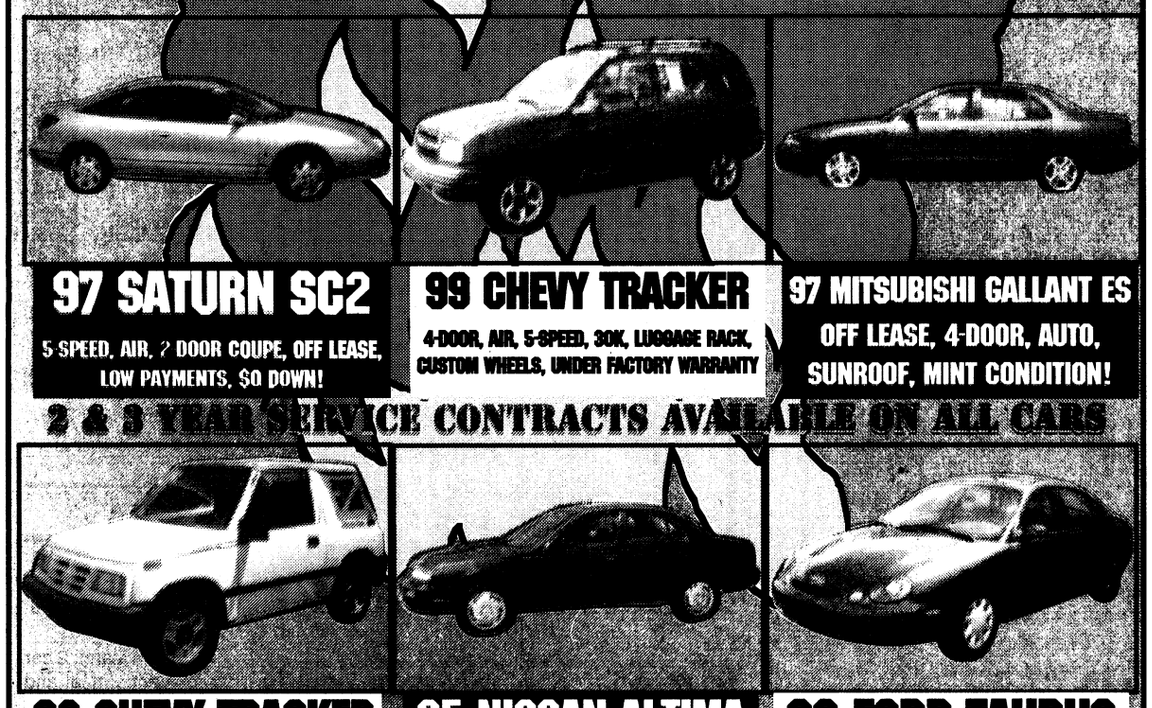

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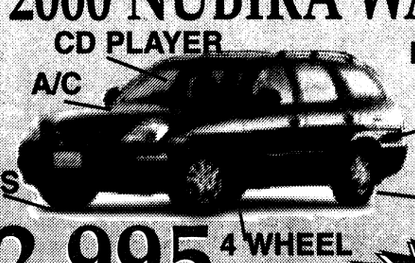

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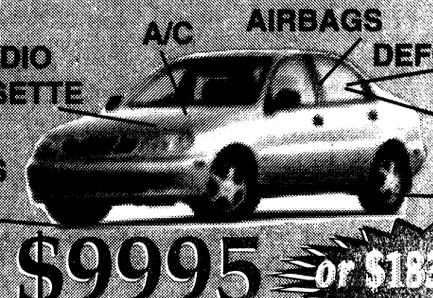

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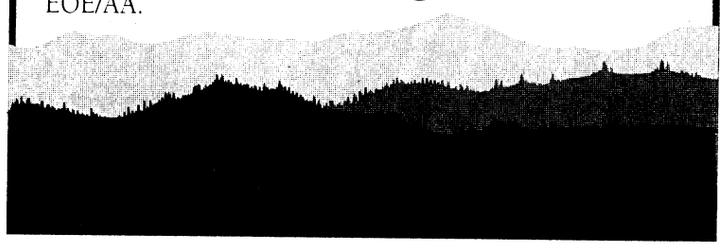

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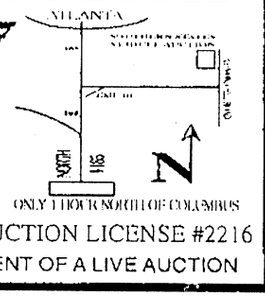

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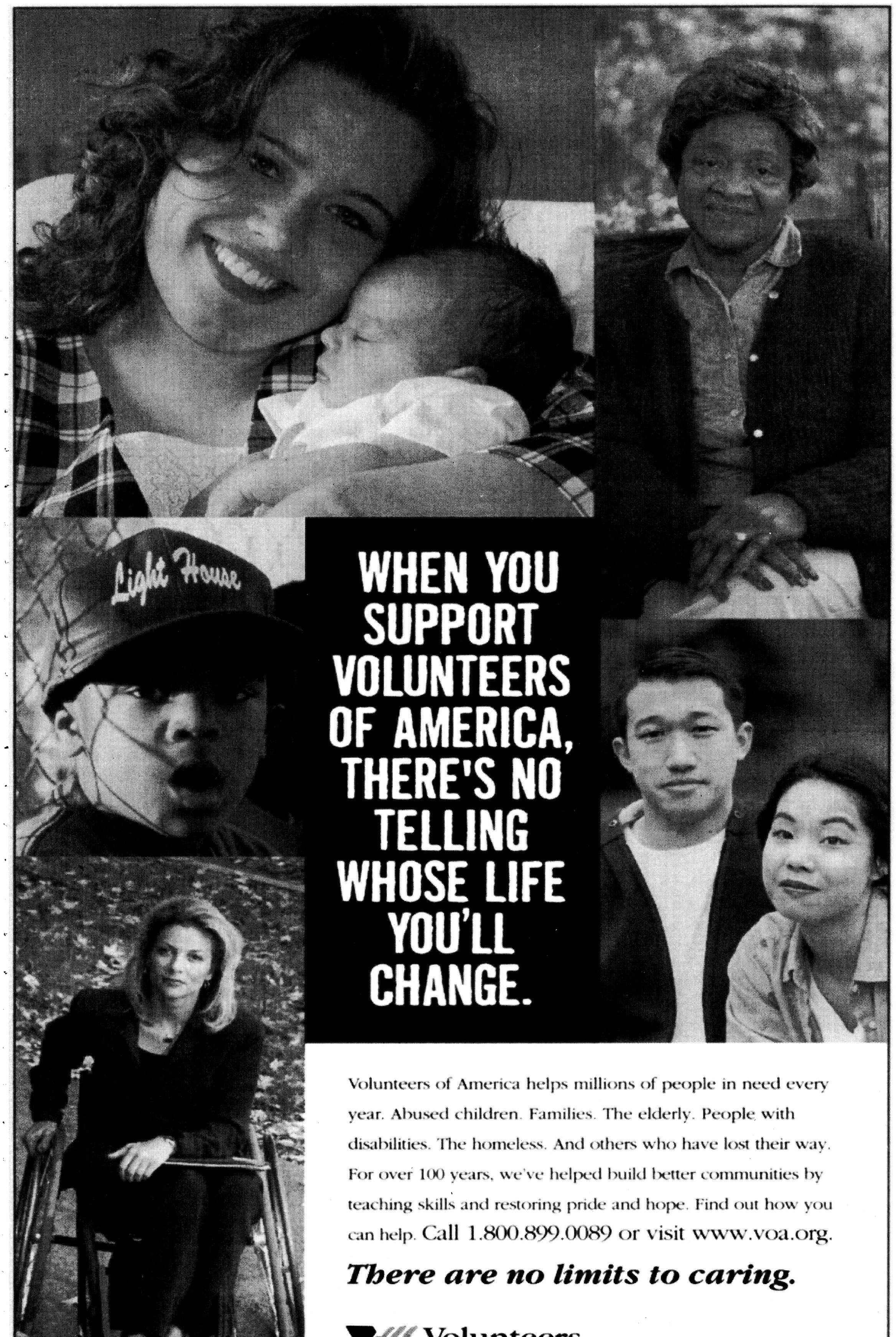

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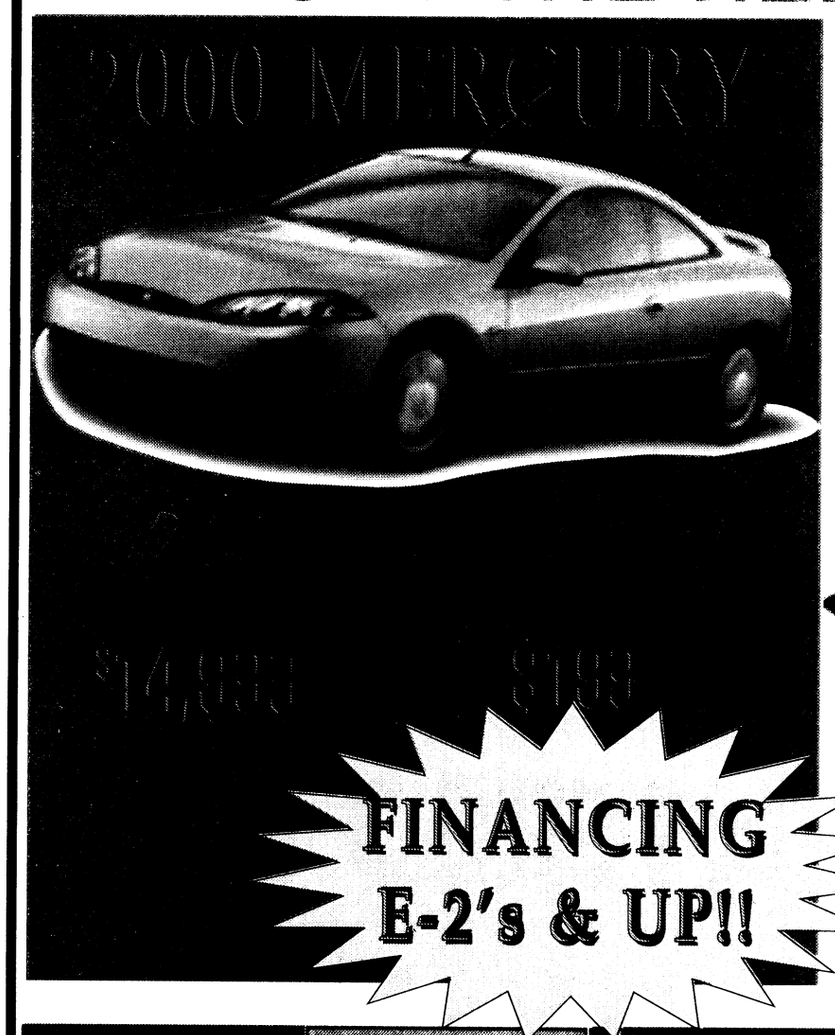





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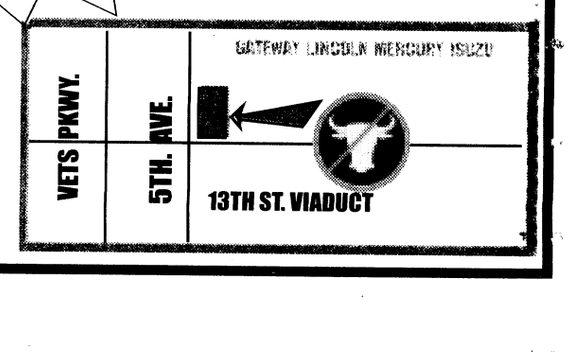

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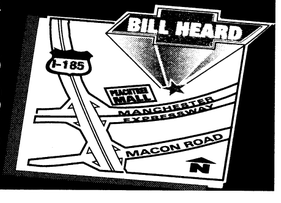

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Theater tumbles to ground

Soldier Show sent to Civic Center Sunday

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

About 7,000 trainees from Sand Hill will ride buses to the Columbus Civic Center Sunday to see the Soldier Show.

This is the first year the performance will be held off post, and the new location will almost triple the number of Soldiers and community members who can attend the free 90-minute program.

In the past, the show was held in the Sand Hill Theater No. 3, but that facility is no longer standing. A casualty of the infrastructure war, it was demolished in late September.

Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne decided in March to tear down the theater.

"The roof had severe leaks and was deemed uneconomical to repair," said Col. Keith Stelzer, director of Public Works.

"The demolition will save a great deal of operations and maintenance dollars that would have been poured into the 30-year-old structure. It was neither energy efficient nor waterproof and was laden with asbestos insulation and lead-based paint," Stelzer said.

"Unless you take down the older, inefficient structures, you will never get the funding necessary to build what you need," said Col. John Latimer, former chief of staff.

Built in 1970, the theater needed a new roof, which Latimer estimated would have cost more than $400,000.

"We would spend between $15- to $20,000 each year just to make it presentable for the Soldier Show," Latimer said.

The theater could seat about 1,000, so three performances of the show were held each year, allowing only about 3,000 trainees to be entertained. The civic center can seat 9,000.

"In the past we would invite members of the Columbus community to come out to the show, but very few attended because of limited capacity," said Al Stewart,

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MPs return from Honduras

Deployment comes to end for 988th MP Co.

Bridgett Siter
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Soldiers from the 988th Military Police Company's 3rd Platoon returned from Honduras Oct. 7.

A host of family and friends braved Saturday's plunging temperatures to greet 31 Soldiers returning from nearly five months at the Soto Cano Air Base where they participated in Joint Task Force Bravo.

Jason Elmore, 13-year-old son of Staff Sgt. Brett Elmore, said he's been anxious for his dad's return since the day he left.

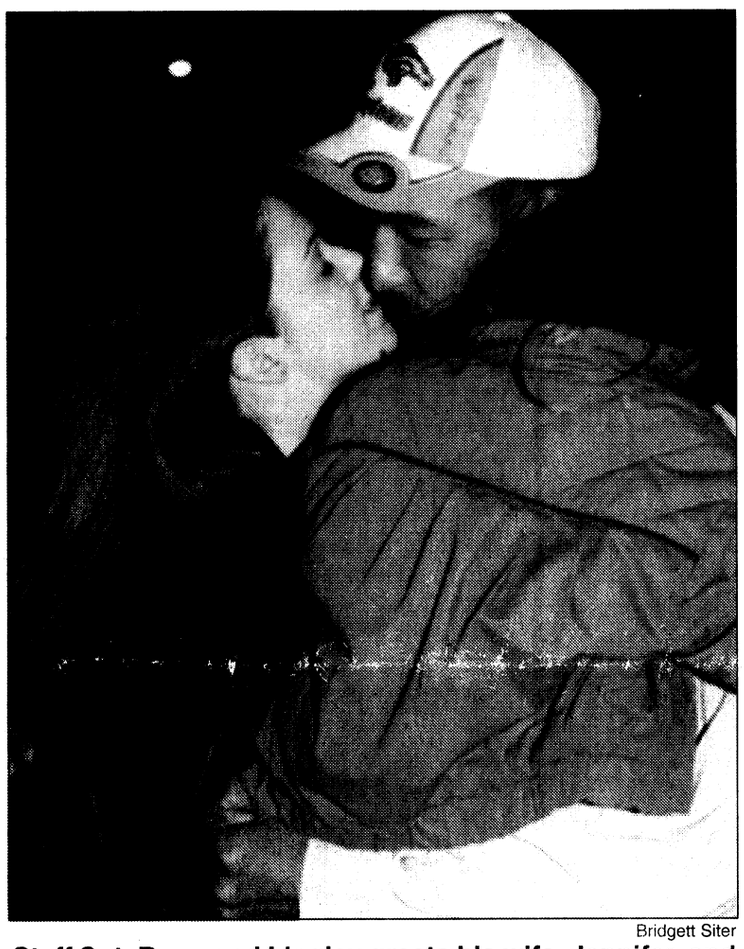
"It's hard not having a dad around. I'm going to hug him and tell him how much I missed him," Jason said, as he waited anxiously for the bus carrying his dad.

The returning Soldiers were greeted with a police escort at the entrance to Fort Benning and a rousing fanfare of flags, flowers, balloons, hugs and cheers as *"The Stars and Stripes Forever"* blared from a loud speaker.

"They've been gone a long time. I know they're exhausted and excited to be home. They deserve a hero's welcome," said Cheryl Suber, family support group president.

Soldiers from the 988th and families of the 10 married Soldiers began preparing for the homecoming more than a month ago. The company's executive officer, 1st Lt. Rosalyn Reese, said they cleaned barracks and provided the single Soldiers with the necessary toiletries to make their homecoming comfortable.

"They're going to come in tired and ready to sleep. We wanted them to have everything they need to be as comfortable as possible and to have a real smooth transition," Reese said.



Bridgett Siter

Staff Sgt. Raymond Lingley greets his wife, Jennifer, and daughter, Allison, Saturday night.

Last week family members painted banners and erected signs to welcome home their Soldiers. Papa John's and Little Caesars donated pizza for the event.

"It's good to be home," said Pvt. Bo Williams. "All I want to do is have some pizza and get some sleep."

Spc. Larry Fowler said he was looking forward to some rest and quiet time with his wife and six children, including his 6-month-old daughter Sha'neece.

"She was just a tiny thing when I left," he said. "Now she's crawling and saying da da. I've missed a lot. I'm glad to be back."

Fowler said he appreciated his wife's ability to manage the family in his absence.

"I'm so proud of her," he said. "She had her hands full, but she handled everything wonderfully. It's good to know everything's OK at home if you have to be away."

Sgt. 1st Class Chris Cox lost one family member and gained a new one while he was away. He was greeted by his wife, Michelle, and Zipper, a Jack Russell puppy.

"Our dog passed away while Chris was gone," Michelle said. "He's coming home to a little bit of sadness and a little bit of joy. I'm hoping Zipper will make him feel better."

While in Honduras, the Soldiers served on the Joint Security Force, which was tasked to provide law enforcement and security for the JTF-Bravo personnel, facilities and equipment and act as liaison to Honduran law enforcement.

AC heads west

Karen Taylor
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There will be a new face in the assistant commandant's office come Monday.

Col. David Rodriguez is the new deputy commanding general of the U.S. Army Infantry Center and the assistant commandant of the Infantry School.

"I look forward to coming back to the Home of the Infantry and hope to have a positive impact on the Infantry force of the future," Rodriguez said.

In Rodriguez's latest assignment he served as the assistant chief of staff at the 18th Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, N.C., and brings broad Infantry experience to his new position.

"I've been in four of the five types of Infantry units," Rodriguez said. This includes Ranger, Airborne, Air Assault and mechanized Infantry units.

Rodriguez replaces Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton, who has been the deputy commanding general and assistant commandant of the USAIC since Aug. 9, 1999.

Eaton's next assignment is in Fort Lewis, Wash., where he will be the deputy commanding general for transformation, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command.

There he will be working with the Initial Brigade Combat Team and the Interim Brigade Combat Team, Infantry-centric units that blend heavy and light capabilities for advanced tactical and strategic agility.

"I look forward to continuing the great work started by Maj. Gen. James Dubik and his

See **EATON**, A-3

Dog handlers gather in remembrance

War Dog Memorial unveiled Sunday

Sally Shutt
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A 3,000-pound bronze monument and a memorial service on a field named Sacrifice brought tears to John McCollett's eyes Sunday.

McCollett served in the Marines as a dog handler during the Vietnam War. He drove 25 hours straight from New Hampshire to attend the unveiling of the War Dog Memorial at Fort Benning and to pay tribute to one dog in particular — a German shepherd named Colonel.

"I think today is helping me with closure," McCollett said almost 30 years after leaving Southeast Asia. He still carries a photograph taken in Vietnam of the dog.

McCollett and Colonel trained with Fort Benning's 26th Scout Dog Platoon in 1967 before departing for Vietnam in January 1968.

McCollett returned to the states a year later, and Colonel was assigned

See **WAR DOGS**, A-6



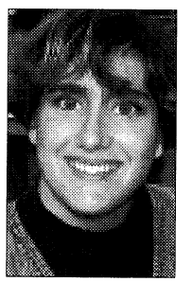
Sally Shutt

Gene Foster, a Vietnam War dog handler, drove from Mississippi for the unveiling of the War Dog Memorial Sunday on Sacrifice Field.

Superstitions surface on 13th

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary



"Mom, you don't turn here to go home. Where are we going?" asked my daughter several years ago when I detoured from the normal route.

"Umm, around the block."

"Why?"

"No reason."

"Mom did you turn because of the black cat that was in front of us?"

Busted! Me? Superstitious? Not at all.

So why was I taking an alternate route home?

I didn't want the black cat to cross my path, not because I am superstitious, but for the same reason I don't walk under ladders. I can go around.

For people who are superstitious, Friday the 13th is considered to be an extremely unlucky day.

When I was younger (read: attending college), my usual custom was to sleep through Friday the 13th unless, of course, there was a full moon. Then, for educational purposes, I would observe the locals performing ritual customs at favorite watering holes.

Now that I no longer observe ritual customs and can no longer stay indoors all day, I wonder why all the fuss over Friday the 13th? So I did a little online research.

I found out that some folk believe both Friday and the number 13 are unlucky so Friday the 13th is a double whammy of bad luck.

Friday is considered unlucky because it was the day Adam ate the apple and we all know what happened after that.

Another significant Friday occurrence is Christ being crucified by the Romans.

One reason the number 13 is considered unlucky because the 13th guest at the Last Supper was Judas.

Some Scandinavians believe the number 13 is unlucky because of a mythological story where 12 demigods, were joined by a 13th demigod, Loki, an evil cruel one, who brought upon humans great misfortune.

I don't know why black cats are considered unlucky but I do know Vet Services stops all black cat adoptions until after Halloween. It's to protect the cats and it does.

And tonight there is a full moon on Friday the 13th. If you go out, don't step on any cracks.

History of hooah clarifies meaning

Karen Taylor
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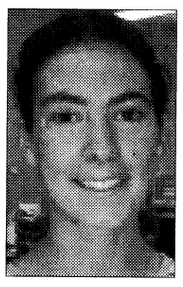
commentary



My first reaction to the hooah word was not a pleasant one. It was about five years ago, my husband and I were just married and I was definitely a newbie to the Army life and more specifically, Infantry life.

Someone from his unit called for him while he wasn't home. The conversation was going OK until he said:

"Hooah!"

"Huh?" I said.

"Hooah ma'am."

"What'd you call me? Can I take a message?"

It only got worse from there.

I later told my husband that some guy from his unit called and kept grunting at me. At first my husband was upset. "What do you mean?" he asked. "What did he say?"

I then explained that the guy sounded like he was saying "Hoouuw," or "Huuaa," or something like that in the middle of conversation.

All my husband could do at this point was burst out laughing. When he finally gained his composure he explained the person was saying "Hooah."

"It's an Army expression," he said.

Well, it didn't take me long to catch on to the meaning of the word.

Today it means everything from yes to you've got to be kidding. There is much creative license used with the word and it can mean just about anything — anything except "no."

Although "hooah" is a distinct part of Army, especially Infantry, culture, the word came from the Seminole Indians.

In 1841 a meeting between the Second Dragoons and Seminole Indian Chief Coacoochee in Florida was arranged as an attempt to end the war with the Seminoles.

The Dragoon Regiment was a special military force authorized by Congress in March 1833. It was to be an elite unit composed of Soldiers who would fight either on horse or foot, functioning as calvary without the name.

A celebratory banquet followed the meeting between the Second Dragoons and the Seminoles, where officers of the garrison made a variety of toasts including "here's to luck" and "new beginnings."

Chief Coacoochee asked an interpreter what they were saying. The interpreter explained the toasts meant "How d'ye do."

The Chief then lifted his cup and returned the toast with a deep guttural "Hough!" to which his warriors followed, "Hough!"

The Soldiers then looked at one another and toasted back with a resounding "Hooah!"

The Army expression was born.

Although the word was adopted to mean good job, yes or can do, it has been used by a person who doesn't completely understand something to mean "I haven't the vaguest idea," or "I don't know what that means, but am too embarrassed to ask for clarification."

The word has also been used as a way to politely tell someone to shut up. Instead of saying "That's enough of your dribble, sit down!" or "stop sniveling," a simple "Hooah" would do the trick.

Hooah also is perfectly acceptable to use when one has a loss for words.

For example, when told the paperwork piled 4 feet high must be filed before you leave that night. "Hooah" might be appropriate.

I guess it's even possible to be hooah-ed to death the same way a person can be yes-ed to death. But not likely because hooah has its endearing qualities.

My mind is quick to translate its meaning now, but I can't help smiling to myself, remembering how offended I was the first time I heard it because I didn't know what it meant.

You know?

"Hooah."

Pets keep household hopping

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



My daughter is an only child and for a long time, she was sure her parents were psychic.

She couldn't get away with much of anything. She got an "A" for effort, but never managed to convince us that the cat was responsible for stuff like opening the pantry, tearing open a bag of jellybeans, changing her mind about eating them and passing them on to her best friend, our daughter.

She tried, but we never fell for the one about the dog taking the cap off the toothpaste to leave a minty fresh blue swirl along the edge of the sink. It wasn't until I witnessed the dog opening the sliding screen door that I conceded our daughter hadn't left it open.

During one memorable period I kept finding little caches of candy (to include candy canes lifted from the Christmas tree), packages of cold cuts, boxes of raisins and other foodstuffs behind the drapes and under the sofa cushions.

"Maybe she's heard about an upcoming famine," I told her dad. We called in the usual suspect who tried to "finger" the tall dog.

"She's the only one smart enough to open the pantry and fridge doors. Mom, it was her."

"True," I conceded. "But she's also a walking stomach. She would never save food for later. Who really did it?"

She's asked for a baby brother several times, mostly I think, to have someone to share the blame.

The only thing that saves her from being blamed for "everything" that happens is that there are three dogs and a cat at home too. We outnumbered adults know their "Modi Operandi," especially if there is food involved.

Take the cat (please)! If my daughter wants to sneak a bite from a bag or container left on a counter, she'll open it and snag a piece, leaving small, telltale finger swipes throughout, and then almost manage to close the container again.

The cat uses a more direct approach. Eat through the paper, plastic or styrofoam to get to what you want. Maybe they won't notice the gaping holes. Plan B? If they notice the holes, be somewhere else.

If it was edible and the container is still on the counter intact, look for the short dog.

He knows how to walk across furniture to where it's a short sneak to whatever he wants. (This MO hasn't been used much since the guilty party was banned, for obvious reasons, from parts of the house.)

If it was edible and the container is on the floor, look for the tall dog lurking guiltily in the corner trying her best to look innocent. She's the only one who could reach it.

Our middle-sized dog is still a puppy and hasn't learned about being sneaky yet. Like everything else she does, she takes a direct approach, especially where food is concerned. I've already caught her standing in the middle of the kitchen table. Give her time; subterfuge is, after all, an art. Apprenticed to our resident masters of the craft, I'm sure she'll learn it, and learn it well.

The short dog's aunt, who is no longer with us, was the worst.

I once heard the sound of crackling paper. Unfortunately for her case, there weren't many crackers left in that box and she had gotten in way over her head. Literally. When she heard me coming, she had the presence of mind to sit innocently on the floor as if nothing was going on.

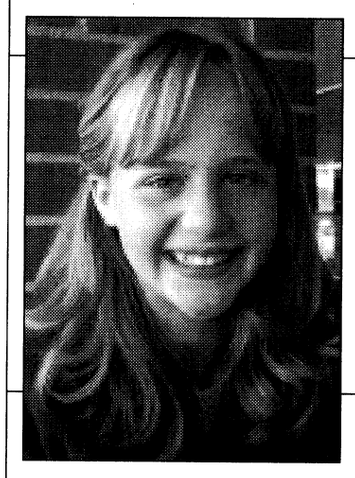
I might have fallen for the charade, but that Triscuit box she was wearing down to her shoulders was a dead giveaway.

Sun Tzu may not have been writing about kids and pets when he wrote "Know your enemy as you know yourself," but I'll bet he had both. The tactic can certainly be applied.

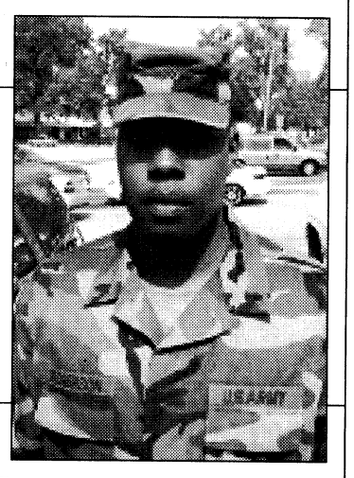
And had he been writing about parenting and pet ownership instead of the art of war, he could have simply written, "Don't put anything past 'em." He would have had it right, too.

VARIOUS VOICES

What are you superstitious about?



Amber Hansen, family member — "I am not superstitious because nothing really bad has ever happened to me before."



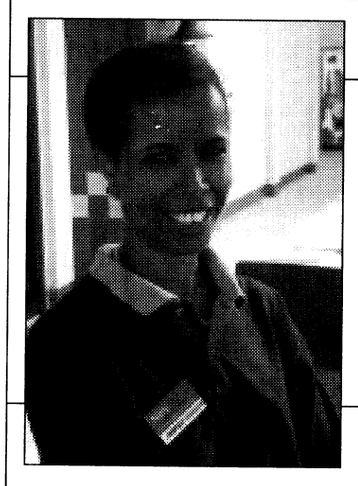
Sgt. Darren Roberson, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, 3rd Brigade — "I am superstitious about black cats that run across the road. I really try to avoid them."



Pfc. Candy J. Fowler, 206th Transportation Company — "I am superstitious about black cats. I have had some bad experiences with them. One time I crossed the path of one and got into a wreck shortly after."



Sgt. Robert Petersen, B Company, 203 Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade — "I believe when you give, you get back more than you have given, like in church offerings."



Nasi Davis, AAFES employee — "I am superstitious about Friday the 13th, but nothing bad has ever happened to me."



Stephanie Powell, Fort Benning kennel manager — "I really am not superstitious about anything. I love black cats and I do believe in luck."

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Vaccine shortage delays flu shots

Hospital officials plan to vaccinate Rangers first

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Flu season is here, but the influenza vaccine is not.

The season runs from October until March, but a delay in the availability of the vaccine nationwide has health-care professionals holding empty syringes.

The Food and Drug Administration and Centers for Disease Control started warning health-care providers this summer of the delay. They cited two factors — a slow-growing component of this year's vaccine formulation and production problems at two of the four pharmaceutical companies that produce the vaccine.

This week Martin Army Community Hospital is expected to receive only 4 percent of what has been requested for the year, said Maj. Bryan Alsip, chief, Preventive Medicine.

The remaining doses are expected to arrive sometime in the next two months.

The vaccine will be distributed based on a prioritization plan developed by the Department of Defense and announced Sept. 21.

According to the DoD plan, current available supplies will be administered first to operational military personnel, including those on 24-hour alert status. At Fort Benning, that would include units such as the 75th Ranger Regiment and the Immediate Ready Company of the 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, Alsip said.

Health-care workers — including civilian employees and volunteers — with direct patient contact are next because of the risk of spreading the virus to high-risk individuals.

"Assuming we get enough doses in the first shipment, we should be able to cover all the 24-hour alert personnel on post and to start vaccinating the health-care workers with direct patient contact," Alsip said.

Of the health-care workers, Soldiers deploying with the 14th Field Hospital to the Joint Readiness Training Center, La., at the end of the month will have priority, Alsip said.

DEERS enrollees with high-risk medical conditions will be the next. This category includes individuals older than 65 who are assigned a primary care manager at Martin Army; adults and children with chronic pulmonary or cardiovascular disorders, including asthma; and women who will be in the second or third trimester of pregnancy during the flu season.

Children and teen-agers who are receiving long-term aspirin therapy and therefore might be at risk for developing Reye syndrome after an influenza infection are also included, as well as individuals who required regular medical follow-up or hospitalization during the past year because of chronic metabolic disease, kidney dysfunction, blood disorders or immunosuppression.

The post's trainee population will come next, and Alsip hopes to have enough vaccine to provide shots to both the high-risk population and the trainees simultaneously, he said.

"But that will depend greatly on the supply of the vaccine," he said.

Preventive Medicine is particularly concerned about how the delay will affect the trainee population.

"We will get the alert-status folks right off, as well as the health-care workers. And when the bulk of the vaccine comes in, we'll get the high-risk population. But as for the trainees, they live in close quarters and are susceptible to respiratory illness already," Alsip said.

"If we aren't able to get them the vaccine in significant quantities early enough, we could have a very high rate of respiratory disease among them," Alsip said.

"We are actively working on a contingency plan should that occur," he said.

Next in order of priority will be people in close contact with high-risk individuals, all other military members in priority for deployment (but not on alert status), other active-duty service members and mission-critical DoD civilians stationed overseas, followed by all other beneficiaries.

By this time last year, clinics at Martin Army were announcing hours for patients to come in for their flu shots.

This year, a widespread campaign will be delayed until at least mid-November, pending the arrival of additional doses, Alsip said.

The amount of influenza vaccine supplies distributed this year should be approximately equal to what was distributed last year, but a substantial amount will reach providers later than usual across the country, according to the CDC.

Martin Army usually receives 37,000 doses of the vaccine a year.

"That's usually enough to cover all the major categories and most everyone else who wants a shot, as well as enough to vaccinate the trainees year-round," he said.

"I requested more this season, and we should get it all, we just don't know when," he said.

Martin Army will provide an update when more information is available.

A CLOSER LOOK

Health-care professionals will vaccinate the community in this order:

- Rapid deployment Soldiers.
- Health-care workers, including civilians and volunteers, with direct patient contact.
- DEERS enrollees with high-risk medical conditions.
- Post trainee population.
- People in close contact with high-risk individuals, all other military members in priority for deployment.
- Active-duty service members and mission-critical DoD civilians stationed overseas.
- All other beneficiaries.

Show: Moves to Civic Center

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director of Community Activities.

"Moving it to the Civic Center will be good for Fort Benning and Columbus," Stewart said. "And for the trainees who will get a break from rigorous training to see a show and have access to the concessions."

Fort Carson, Colo., is the only other Army installation that holds the Soldier Show off post, where it draws about 4,000 people, said Brian Smith, chief, Marketing Division, DCA.

"Our show should be the biggest and the best," he said. Jumbo television screens will be installed in the Civic Center allowing better viewing for the crowd.

Originally a movie theater, the Sand Hill structure stopped showing films when the Wynnsong 10 Cinema opened on Main Post in 1996.

The Basic Combat Training Brigade had conducted graduation ceremonies in the Sand Hill Theater during bad weather. Two options now being considered for inclement weather events include the Regimental Chapel and the breezeways of the starship buildings, said Maj. Hugh Mueller, the brigade's operations officer.

Battalions at the Infantry Training Brigade also conduct graduation ceremonies under the breezeways of their starship buildings during rainy weather, said Maj. Brian Whalen, ITB operations officer.

"Some battalions may even choose to use the Santiago Gym," Whalen said.

A grassy lot will replace the theater debris, which is still being removed from the site by the contractor.

A proposal to add a "general purpose" auditorium at Sand Hill to the installation's "2018 Plan" will be presented to the Permanent Installation Planning Board Wednesday, said Kenneth Holloway, installation master planner.

If the board approves the "multipurpose" facility, which could seat 1,000, the proposal would go before the commanding general for his approval, Holloway said.

Eaton: Leaves

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superb staff. I look forward to building upon that effort and continue to produce results for the chief of staff of the Army initiative to transform our Army," Eaton said.

Both IBCTs will also use technology to increase situational awareness during military operations in urban terrain such as Kosovo or Chechnya.

"My intent is to succeed at fielding a fully capable force by December 2001, prepared for employment anywhere in the world in 96 hours," Eaton said.

"The recent preparation here at Fort Benning has added considerably to my depth of understanding the IBCT concept and operational and organizational details.

"Finally, recent deployments to the Balkans and earlier work in Somalia give some understanding of the dynamics of small scale contingencies, one of the key missions the IBCT could be asked to execute from to full spectrum of potential force deployment."

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Snake strikes Ranger student

Soldier's quick thinking helps another after bite

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When one Ranger student fell prey to a venomous snake bite Oct. 3, another came to his rescue and "led the way" to safety.

Sgt. Christopher Lawson was in the first phase of Ranger school, participating in a terrain association exercise in a heavily wooded area on Fort Benning, when he took a short break that ultimately ended his first shot at a Ranger tab.

"My sock was slipping into my boot. I knew if I didn't pull it up, I was going to have blisters," Lawson said. "I sat down on a log and pulled up my BDU pant leg. That's when it got me, right on the calf."

"It" was a venomous snake, probably a copperhead — "a very large snake," said Sgt. 1st Class Mark Rasdall, the senior medic for the 4th Ranger Training Battalion. "The penetration points were two centimeters apart. That's a significant size snake. Lawson described it as big, fat and brown. Our best guess is it was a copperhead, since there was no rattle and that terrain was not consistent for a moccasin."

Lawson said his chest began to hurt immediately and his vision blurred. He panicked and ran in the direction he hoped would lead him to the nearest road.

"I heard him yelling," said Pfc. Kevin Snyder. "He was headed in the wrong direction, zigzagging, and when I got to him, he was confused and obviously distressed. I turned him around and we headed for the road."

By the time Lawson and Snyder got to the road — just a matter of minutes — Lawson was vomiting and could no longer walk. At that point Snyder did what Rasdall called "the smartest thing he could've done at that point."

"Nine times out of 10, a Ranger student will panic and leave his buddy in the woods by a tree to go get help," Rasdall said. "Snyder moved him to a known point, a land navigation marker on a boundary road, and told him to sit there and not move while he ran for help."

Snyder ran nearly a mile to where Rasdall was talking with other medics.

"There's the irony in the whole thing. When Snyder ran up to us, we were discussing the Sawyer Extraction Kit and the proper way to use it for a snake bite. We jumped in the truck with the kit and headed out."

By the time the medics found Lawson, he was going into respiratory arrest and experiencing involuntary muscular contractions, slight incoherency and an elevated heart rate. Rasdall radioed for an air medevac and transported Lawson to the Medical Center in Columbus, where he was treated and released three days later.

"They said I may have tissue damage," Lawson said, as he was preparing to return to Fort Polk. "It's still pretty bruised and it hurts a lot, but I'm able to walk on it a little. It would've been a lot worse if (Snyder) hadn't kept his head and got me out of there."

Rasdall agreed Snyder's quick thinking and level-headed reaction probably saved Lawson from worse injuries.

A CLOSER LOOK

Immediately following a snake bite:

- Safely identify snake if possible.
- Allow bite to bleed freely 15-30 seconds.
- Remove jewelry or tight fitting clothes.
- Tie a light constricting band above and below the bite area.
- Elevate bitten extremity to heart level. Have victim sit, not lie.
- Keep victim warm and immobile.
- If victim must move to safety, help him walk, not run.

"Most people don't die from snake bites, but they do get violently sick," he said. "Lawson could have experienced long-term complications or permanent damage if (Snyder) had not reacted the way he did."

Although more than 7,000 venomous snake bites are reported annually in the United States, only 15 of those cause fatalities. Nearly 85 percent of reported snake bites are below the knee.

"It's hard to say how you would react to a snake bite," Rasdall said. "It's just wise to take precautions to never find yourself in that situation."

Rasdall said snakes are "on the move" this time of year, hiding under leaves and logs or searching for a sunny rock to stay warm. Hunters, campers or anyone in wooded, brushy terrain should take extra precautions, including traveling with a partner, carrying a whistle to signal for help and keeping a snake bite kit in their backpack or automobile.



Dogs: Remembered with monument

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to another Marine handler, Ray Heminover, who drove from Oklahoma to attend the ceremony.

But Colonel — like hundreds of other military dogs — didn't make it back after the war.

Although the dogs that served in World War II and Korea were shipped back home, the majority of Vietnam War dogs were classified as surplus equipment and either euthanized or turned over to the Vietnamese.

McCollett learned of Colonel's fate years later.

"I like to say he is missing in action," he said.

"John wouldn't have missed this for the world," McCollett's wife, Kathy, said. "In a way, this is the funeral Colonel never had."

The ceremony attracted members of the Vietnam Dog Handlers Association and others from across the country who wished to honor "America's forgotten heroes" — all dogs that served in battle, regardless of war, and their handlers.

"This is one of the largest crowds to ever witness the unveiling of a monument on Sacrifice Field," Frank Hanner, director of the National Infantry Museum, said.

Nearly 30,000 dogs served with American servicemen in 20th century wars. Of the 4,000 dogs that served in Vietnam, 303 died in the line of duty and 294 handlers were killed, according to the VDHA.

Richard Humphrey brought an 8 by 10 inch framed photograph of Shep.

"I'm here for him," Humphrey said of his scout dog.

"He was one of less than 25 percent who could work off the leash. I was always bragging that he had a real good nose. I had a lot of faith in him, and he proved me right when he would alert," Humphrey said.

Like other scout dogs, Shep could hear wind over trip wires, smell enemy clothing, detect enemy movement and mortar rounds.

"It's obvious they were good at their job, or the enemy wouldn't have put a bounty on them or the handlers," said Gene Foster, a handler from Mississippi.

"This tribute was a long time coming, the dogs and their handlers made a tremendous sacrifice," Foster said.

"War dogs have always been a part of our history," said author and historian Stephen Ambrose in his keynote address. "During World War II, they parachuted into Normandy with the 101st and 82nd Airborne Divisions. They were in the snows of Belgium and Luxembourg, finding the wounded during the Battle of the Bulge."

Created by artist Thomas Schomberg, the 18-foot-tall work depicts a handler and his dog emerging from a wall of security into an environment of combat.

It is the result of fund-raising by the War Dog Memorial Fund. Jeffrey Bennett, founder of Nature's Recipe Pet Foods, spearheaded the effort, which received tremendous support after the documentary *War Dogs* aired last year on the Discovery Channel.

This is the second memorial built by the fund. The first was dedicated in February at March Field Air Museum in Riverside, Calif.

After the unveiling, handlers lined the sidewalk leading to the statue to wait their turn to lay flowers at the monument and touch the face of the dog.

Members of Fort Benning's Military Working Dogs Platoon provided a demonstration on the field behind the monument.

"This is one of the proudest days I've ever had," Staff Sgt. John Lang, the platoon's kennel master, said.

"This not only gives the dogs of the past the recognition they deserve, but also the dogs of the present and the future."

Jackie McIntyre and her husband drove from Minnesota to see the monument and visit with the handlers. McIntyre has a special fondness for the Vietnam handlers and their dogs that dates back three decades.

She and her German Shepherd Dog Club adopted the 42nd Scout Dog Platoon during the war. They routinely sent care packages with letters and other goodies to the dog teams.

"I still have all the letters they sent to me," McIntyre said. "I just love them all, they were like my boys."

The Internet and the VDHA have helped McIntyre track down the handlers she befriended during the war, and she plans to give the letters and other items to the National Infantry Museum to add to its War Dog exhibit, which opened last year.

"It makes me feel good the handlers and dogs who made the supreme sacrifice are finally being honored," McIntyre said.

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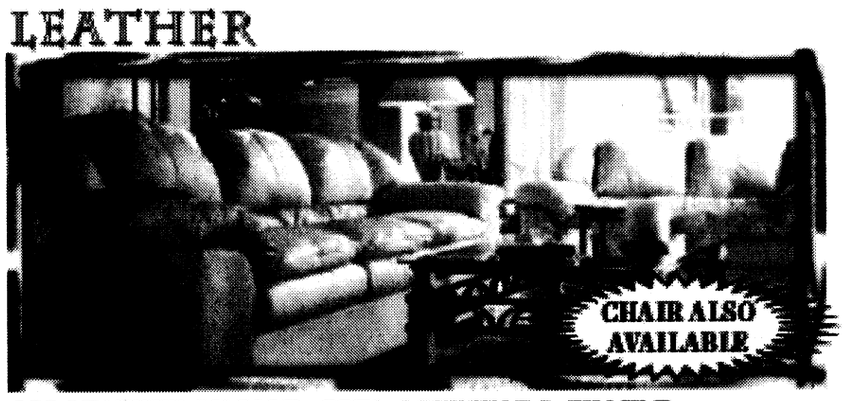

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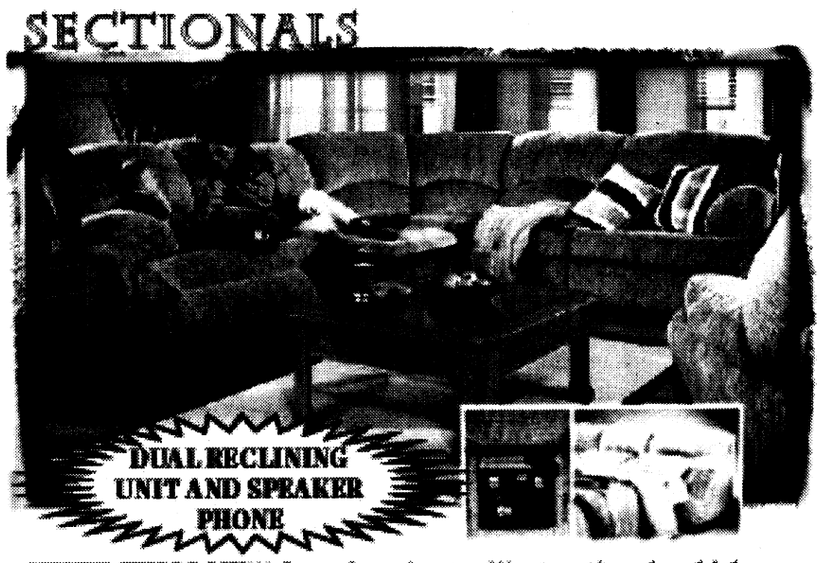

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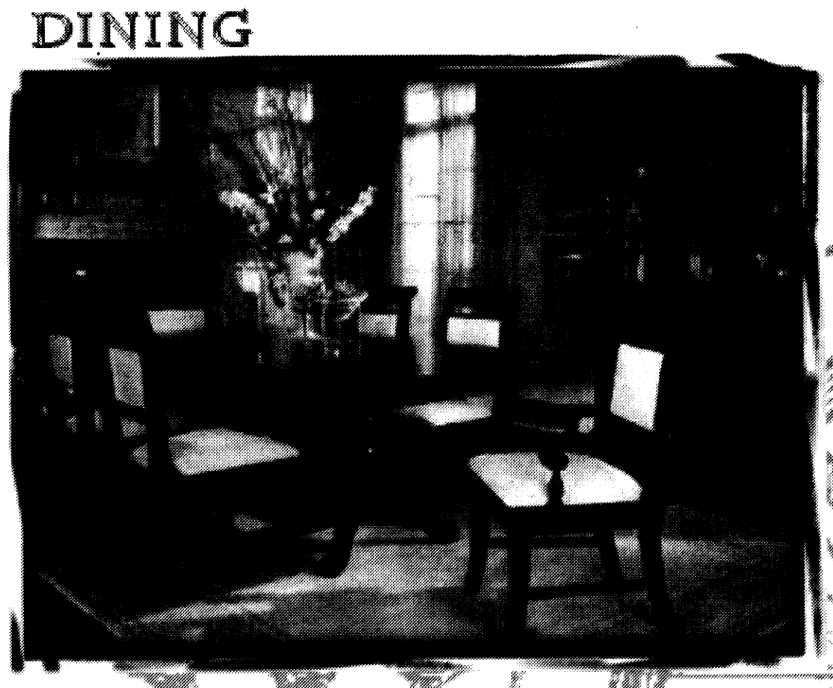

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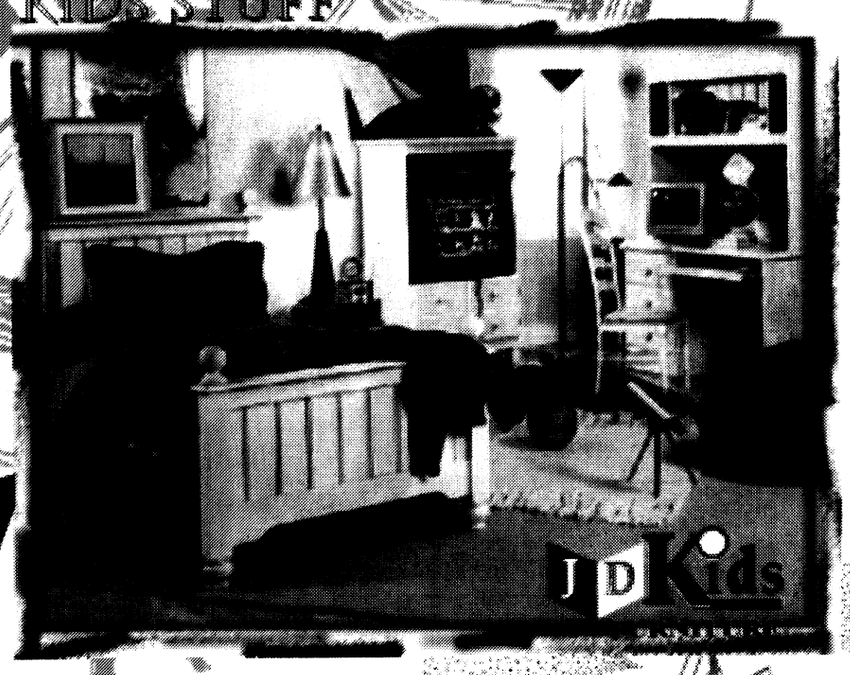

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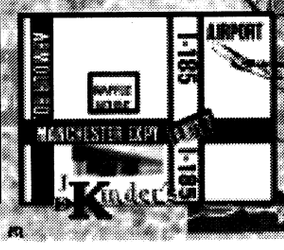

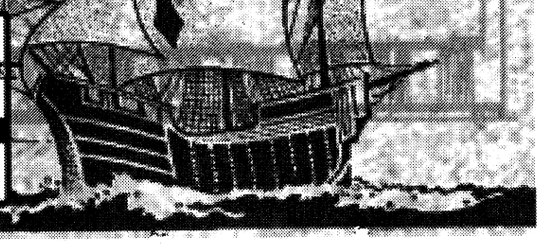

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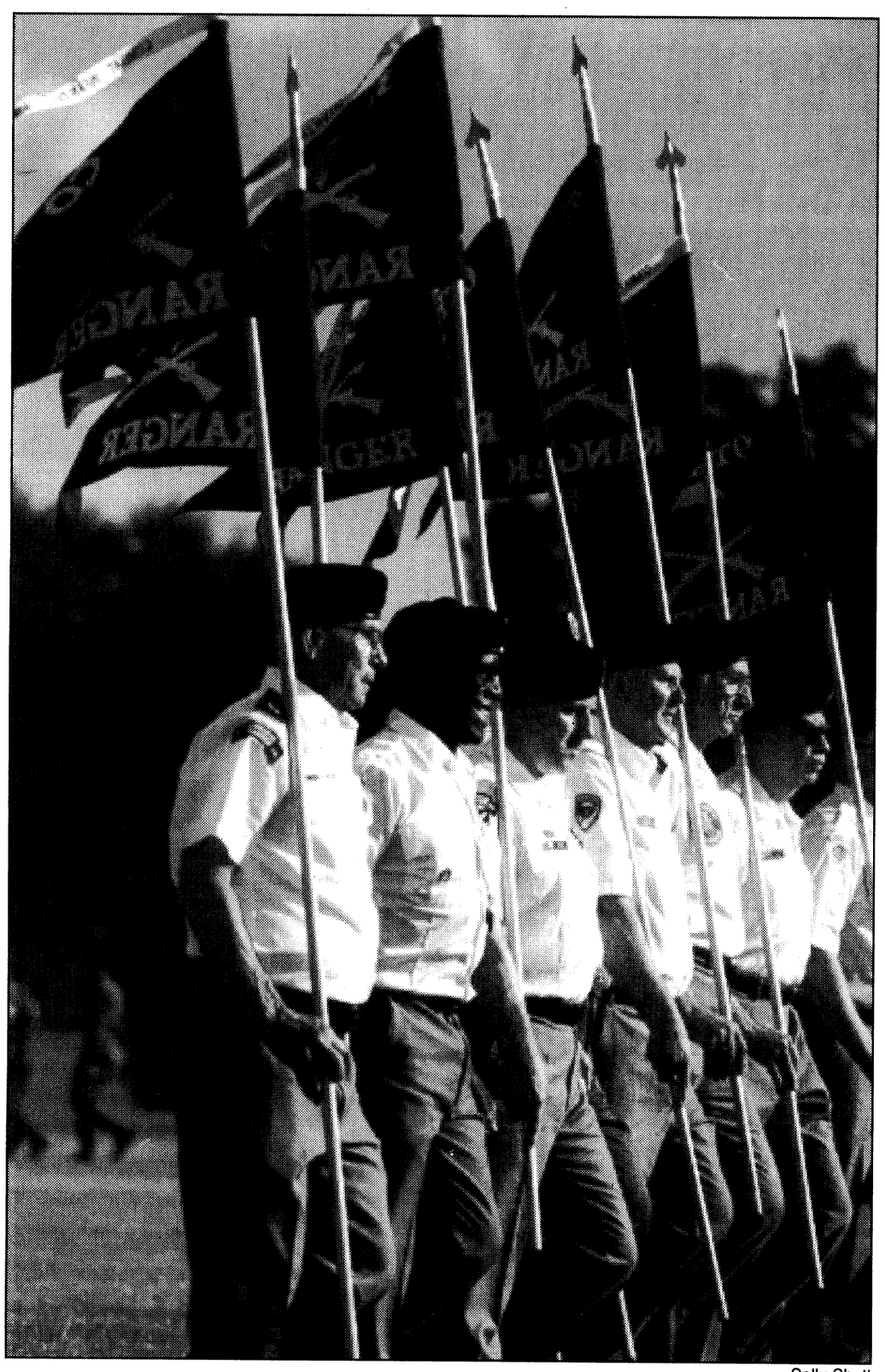

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Korean War Airborne Rangers pass in review Oct. 5 on York Field. The veterans returned to Fort Benning to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the war and to participate in the annual Ranger Rendezvous and Hall of Fame events. The men marched ahead of troops from the 75th Ranger Regiment.

Veterans remember 50th anniversary

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A retreat ceremony on York Field Oct. 5 looked like most at Fort Benning. The Infantry Center Band played, and the 75th Ranger Regiment provided the precision marching expected for such an event.

But, it was the not-so-precise marching of men who no longer stand as straight as they did years ago that pulled at the emotions.

About 80 of America's original Airborne Rangers, the first to wear the black and gold tab, marched ahead of the present-day Rangers during the pass in review.

Members of the Ranger Infantry Companies (Airborne) of the Korean War returned to Fort Benning to mark the 50th anniversary of the war.

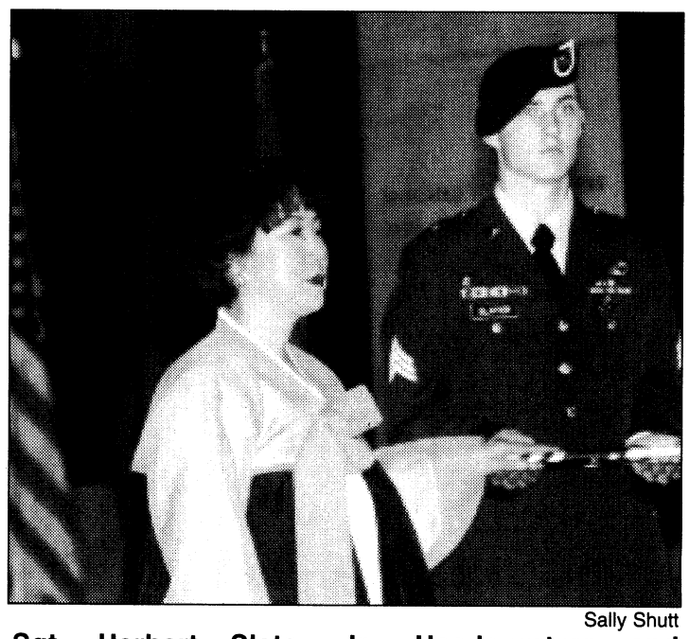
Many of the former Soldiers in the formation and their family members in the audience had tears streaming down their faces as the men marched, a half century after volunteering to become the first Airborne Rangers.

"These veterans, who 50 years ago in the springtime of their lives, fought so bravely in a forgotten war in a distant land, have returned home to the birthplace of the American Airborne Ranger," said Col. Ken Keen, 75th Ranger Regt., commander.

"Today we acknowledge the debt America owes these Soldiers," he said.

Sonny Costin carried the colors of the 15th Ranger Infantry Company (Airborne).

"It felt awesome. There's nothing like it," he said after the ceremony. "I haven't been back to Fort Benning in 49 years. What an honor to be here."



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Sgt. Herbert Slater Jr., Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 75th Ranger Regiment, holds a stone presented by Kija Kim Humphus, president of the Columbus Korean Association at the Ranger Memorial.

Costin brought his grandson, Brandon Wroten, with him from Cape Charles, Va.

The two came for the four-day Ranger Rendezvous honoring the Korean War Rangers.

"I didn't realize what being a Ranger meant to him until we got here," Wroten said.

"I know how happy he was to be out there today, but I can't say it made me any prouder of him, because I've always been proud of him."

Bob Black, one of the organizers of the RICA reunion, worked three years planning the various events designed to honor the Korean veterans.

"We wanted to have a pass in review in honor of the Korean War Rangers who never got a parade when they came home," he said.

"I had tears in my eyes even before we started marching," said Bill Georgia, who retired from the Army in 1973 as a colonel. He had marched on York Field numerous times before, but this time was very special.

"It was a highlight," he said.

Black and the other Korean veterans returned to post the next evening for a memorial service at the Ranger Memorial.

"This is a time to remember the cost of freedom and those who paid it," Black said.

The 82nd Airborne Chorus from Fort Bragg, N.C., and the U.S. Air Force Reserve Pipe Band from Robins Air Force Base, Warner Robins, Ga., performed.

Kija Kim Humphus, president of the Columbus Korean Association, presented two stones engraved with the names of two Korean War Rangers who died in action during the conflict. They will be added to the memorial.

"We wanted to show our appreciation for the people who died for us in the Korean War," Humphus said.

The association has more than 3,000 members.

Ranger Hall-of-Fame inductees remember wars

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Twelve veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam and Desert Storm were inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame Oct. 4.

The inductees included retired Gen. Colin Powell, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Powell did not attend the ceremony.

Each inductee was presented with a bronze medallion, suspended from a red, white and blue ribbon.

Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, commanding general, accepted the medallion on behalf of Powell.

"In his very quiet, very professional way, General Powell always led the way," Le Moyne said.

Mike Kirshfield accepted the medallion awarded his father, Sgt. William Kirshfield, who died during the Korean War providing cover fire for his fellow Rangers.

Sgt. Kirshfield was one of the original members of the 5th Ranger Infantry Company (Airborne).

"I stood in for my father once before, when I was four years old and he was awarded the Silver Star.

"At the time I didn't think it was a fair trade — a living, breathing father for a medal," Kirshfield said.

"My understanding of my father came from my mother, and the pride I have for him, comes from her," he said.

Kirshfield also thanked members of the Ranger Infantry Companies (Airborne) of the Korean War for helping him learn more about his father and the events leading up to his death.

About 100 Korean War Rangers participated in the four-day Ranger Rendezvous, which celebrated the 50th anniversary of the war and the birth of the Airborne Rangers.

Retired Master Sgt. William Butler accepted his medallion from Col. Hazen Barron, commander of the Ranger Training Brigade. But it was his son, Chief Warrant Officer William E. Butler Jr. who spoke for the elder Butler, a stroke victim.

Master Sgt. Butler served 43 years as a Ranger, performing his last jump at the age of 59. He fought in Korea and Vietnam and was awarded two Silver Stars.

"When people say 'Airborne Ranger' to my father, to him it means brotherhood," Butler, a Ranger, said.

"There's an unmistakable bond between all the different Soldiers who have a Ranger tab," said 2nd Lt. William Marm.

"It really is a brotherhood."

Marm flew 17 hours from Korea and the 2nd Infantry Division to see his father, retired Col. Walter Marm Jr., inducted into the Hall of Fame.

"I wouldn't have missed this for the world," Marm said.

The elder Marm, a Medal of Honor recipient, fought in the Ia Drang campaign in Vietnam.

He charged 30 meters across open ground and hurled grenades into enemy positions, killing some of the eight insurgents.

Although severely wounded, and with no more grenades, he continued his assault armed only with a rifle and killed the remainder of the enemy.

The other inductees were:

Albert Clement, who helped rescue 239 missionaries and doctors in the Congo in 1960.

Emmett E. Fike Jr., a Korean War Ranger and driving force behind the establishment of the Ranger Memorial on Ranger Field.

Julius Gates, a former sergeant major of the Army.

Warner Katz, a lead scout for Merrill's Marauders.

Ronald Lesley, who served two tours in Vietnam.

William Spies, who developed the Desert Phase of Ranger School.

Robert "Tex" Turner, a former Ranger School commander.

Humbert Versace, who displayed valor as a prisoner of war in Vietnam.

Darby Dome gets new name

Bridgett Siter
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The 4th Ranger Training Battalion dedicated their "Darby Dome" to the memory of Col. Roy A. Murray, the first and only commander of the 4th Ranger Battalion during World War II.

Murray's son, retired Lt. Col. Roy A. Murray Jr., also a former Ranger, was on hand Oct. 6, to represent the Murray family and assist in the unveiling of a sign proclaiming what was formerly known as the "Darby Dome" the new Murray Hall.

"He would have appreciated that his name was chosen to grace this building here at Camp Darby where all new Rangers get their start," Murray Jr., said. "He was there at the beginning, and he'll be there at the beginning for each new Ranger as they pass through these doors."

Guest speaker Col. William Ivey, a former 4th RTBn commander, said Murray, who died in 1998, got a "late start in the Ranger business." At the age of 30, he was chosen by Col. William Darby to command F Company, 1st Ranger Battalion in 1942.

Under Murray's command the Rangers took part in the British raid on Dieppe, Ireland and the North African assault landings at Arzew and Sened Station, for which he received the Silver Star from Maj. Gen. George Patton.

While still a captain, Murray was selected to command the newly activated 4th Ranger Battalion in 1943, a position he held until the battalion was deactivated in 1944. The 4th Battalion participated in the Sicilian invasion at Gela, an amphibious assault at Maori-Salerno and several gallant, though unsuccessful, attempts to break the heavily reinforced enemy positions surrounding his fellow Rangers.

Murray later served as commander of the 32nd Infantry Regiment in Korea, I Corps Deputy Chief of Staff and commandant of the Combat Surveillance School.

Besides the Silver Star, he was awarded the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Legion of Merit, the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Chief Emperor Minilik II Medal.

Murray was named honorary commander of the 4th RTB in 1993, a position he used to "coach, mentor, teach and provide continuity to the Ranger community," Ivey said.

Ivey spearheaded the campaign to dedicate the tactical operation center at Camp Darby in 1995 while stationed at Fort Benning as the commander of the 4th RTB.

"We're here to dedicate this building to the memory of a man who was the flesh embodiment of the words, 'Never shall I fail my comrades,'" Ivey said. "What can I say about Colonel Murray? These words come to mind — Ranger, dedicated, hard — mentally and physically, professional, loved his Soldiers and loved his family."

Work begins on HQ

Sally Shutt
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The 75th Ranger Regiment celebrated the start of construction on its new regimental headquarters, Ranger Hall, with a groundbreaking ceremony Oct. 5.

The state-of-the-art two-story facility is expected to be complete in 2001, said Maj. Todd Ratliff, regimental engineer.

It will also house the Regimental Reconnaissance Detachment, Regimental Signal Detachment, and property book office.

The building is the third phase of a four-phase $54 million project started in 1998 with the construction of Keneally Hall, the headquarters for the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regt., and Dawson Barracks, named in memory of Bull Dawson, a World War II Ranger who fought on Omaha Beach.

Soldiers from the 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt., are expected to move from their existing barracks into the newly completed housing next week.

A dedication ceremony was held earlier in the day for Dawson Barracks and Keneally Hall, named in memory of Col. John T. Keneally, the commander of the 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt., who was killed in a training exercise in 1992.

Representatives from both the Dawson and Keneally families attended the ceremony.

Phil Piazza, president of the Merrill's Marauders Association, Inc., participated in the groundbreaking ceremony.

The 83-year-old suggested "Ranger Hall" to a committee assigned to name the building.

"I thought it represented all Rangers — past, present and future," Piazza said.

"Ranger Hall is simple and direct at the same time, reminding all Rangers and Soldiers alike of the sacrifices our fallen comrades have made," Capt. Todd Bearden, Public Affairs officer, 75th Ranger Regt., said.

Construction on the final phase of the project will start in 2002, Ratliff said.

It will house the Regimental Training Detachment classroom and serve as a working facility for the Regimental Headquarters and Headquarters Company's maintenance and communications sections.

around post

Education fair

The Army Education Center will conduct an Education Fair from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today in Building 2602, Soldiers' Plaza.

There will be food and refreshments available.

Colleges in attendance will be Columbus State University, Columbus Technical College, Georgia Military College, National Graduate School, Troy State University, Vincennes University, Chattahoochee Valley State Community College and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Airborne reunion

There will be a reunion of 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division reunion today. Part of the reunion will be a memorial service at 3:30 p.m. in front of the National Infantry Museum.

For more information, call 563-2851.

Change of command

Col. John Schorsch, commander of the Infantry Training Brigade, will relinquish command to Col. Thomas Hayden at 10 a.m. Oct. 20 on Kanell Field.

For more information, call 544-9130.

Job opportunities

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Red Ribbon Week

The Red Ribbon Week Breakfast will be held at 6 a.m. Oct. 26 at the Officers' Club. Guest speaker will be Chaplain (Col.) Hartsell, Installation Post Chaplain.

Call your unit prevention leader or Sgt. 1st Class Cornell Swanier, Education Coordinator, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention & Control Program, at 545-4993 or 545-1138 for tickets ($6.25).

Two-star breakfast

The quarterly CG's Two-Star Excellence Breakfast and Awards Ceremony is scheduled from 8 to 9 a.m. Oct. 27 at the Supper Club, Officers' Club.

The cost of the breakfast buffet is $6.25 and includes scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast sticks, grits, biscuits, coffee and juice.

There will be open seating at the breakfast and buffet lines will be open at 7:30 a.m. Tickets are available from now through Oct. 25 from the Quality Management Division, DRM, Infantry Hall, Room 547.

For more information, call Pat Porter at 565-4729 or e-mail porterp@benning.army.mil or Janie Herring at 545-5607 or e-mail at herringj@benning.army.mil.

Graduations

There will be several companies graduating from Infantry Training Brigade. B Company, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, ITB, will graduate at 9 a.m. Oct. 27 on Kanell Field.

At 10 a.m. Nov. 10 A, D and E Companies, 2nd Bn., 58th Inf. Regt. ITB will graduate on Kanell Field.

For more information, call 544-8166.

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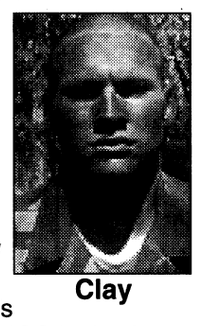

Clay

Pvt. William Clay
Conway, Ark.
D Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, ITB
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army for the experience needed to further my future career as a doctor. I selected the Infantry because it is the most respected and difficult MOS in the Army has to offer.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I believe I was selected as the honor graduate because of my academic scores and I display the seven Army core values in my actions and life.



Edwards

Staff Sgt. Timothy Edwards
Ashburn, Ga.
D Company, 2nd Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., ITB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I use a participative style.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? My satisfaction from being a drill sergeant lays within the young men I turn into Soldiers knowing they have met the goals the Army, their families and they have layed in front of them.

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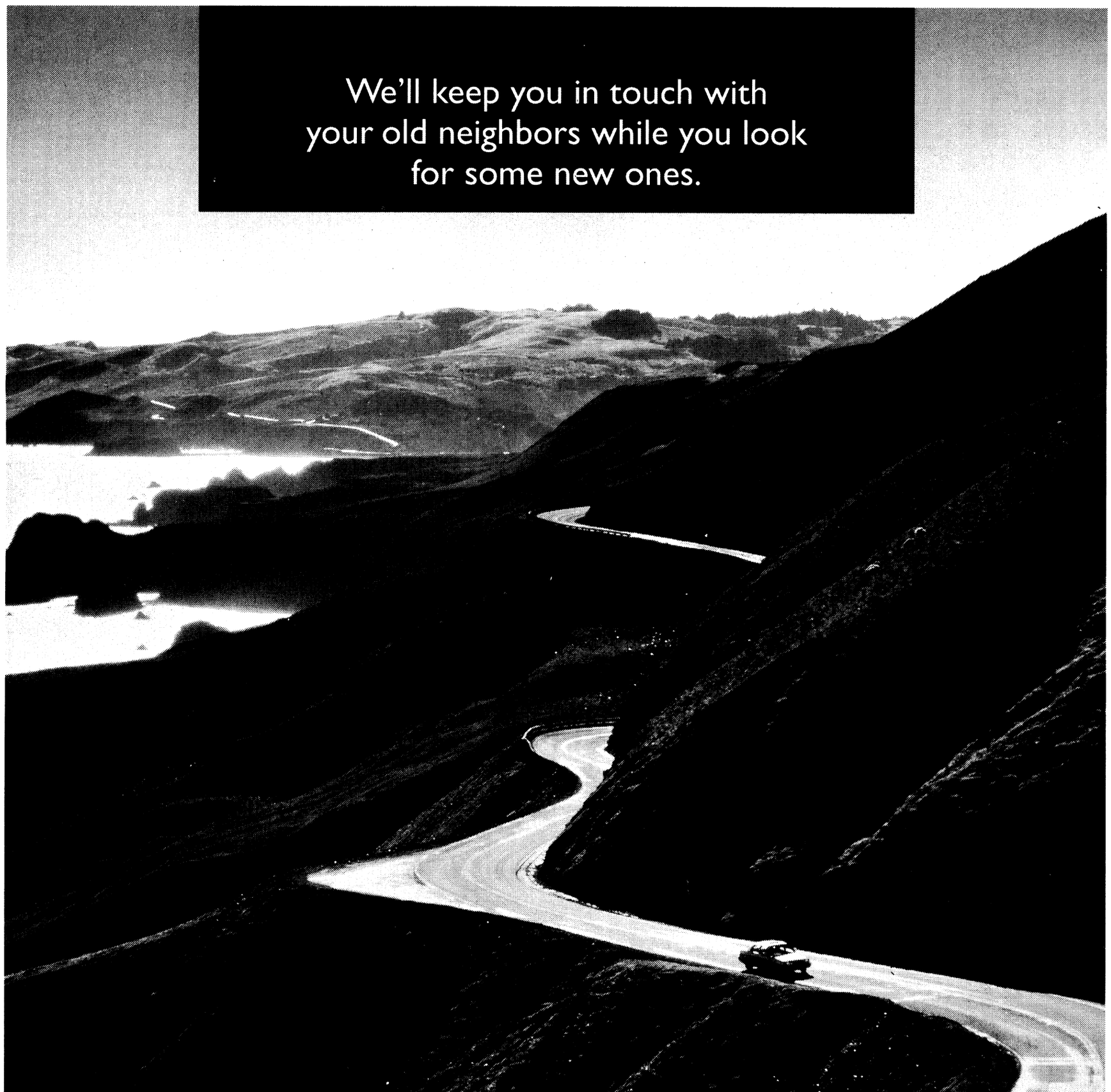

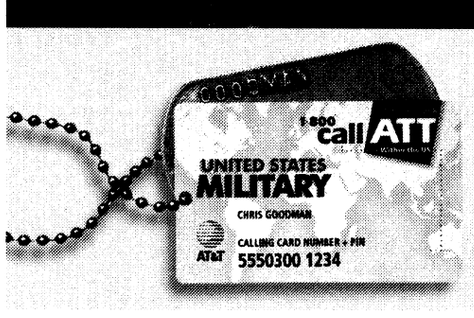

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- Columbus, GA

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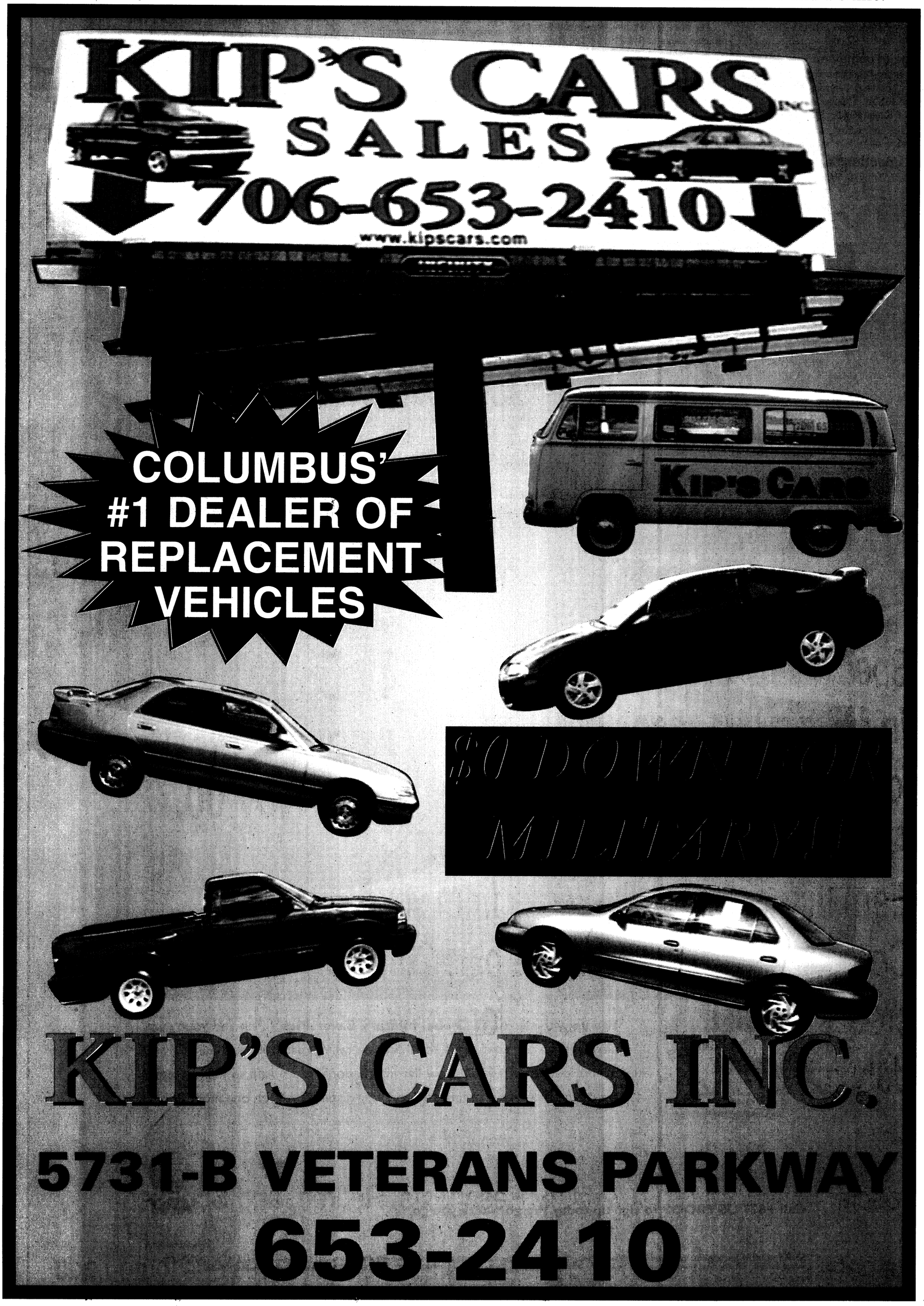
Kip Hammitt, vice president and General Manager of Kip's Cars, defending his position, stated, "Our custoemrs enjoy doing business with us because 'It's Easy!' We pass the savings back to our customers. We have the same warranties, service plans, and the same financing, if not better, than the big car dealerships. We know a vehicle can't be worth three times the value, so we don't do that type of advertising. We earn our busniness with a simple handshake and a smile."



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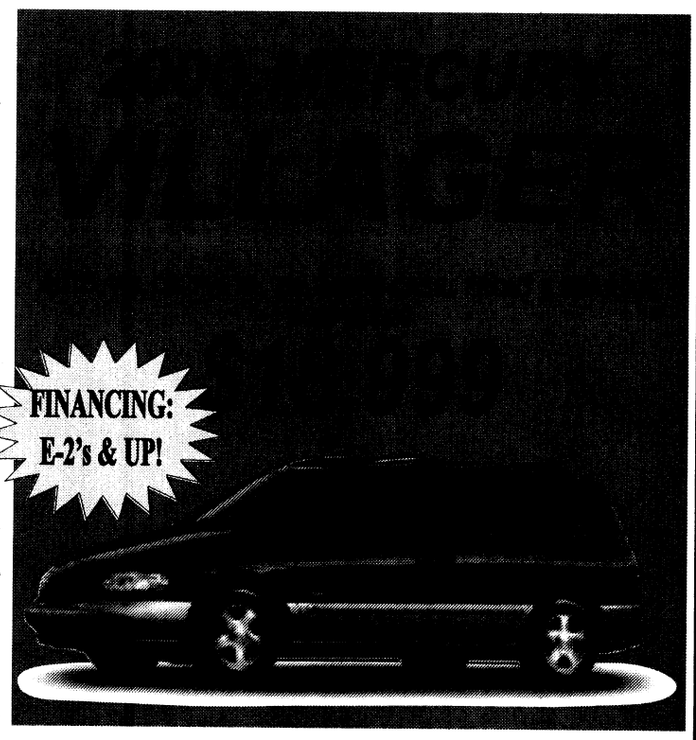

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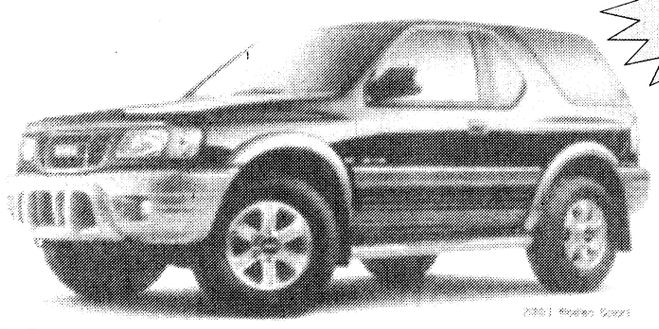

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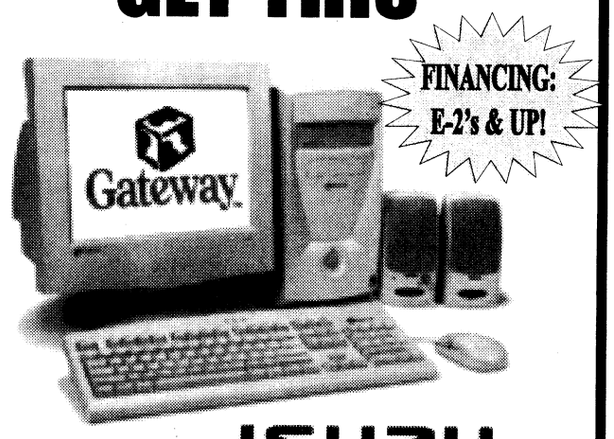

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SECTION B

Nation, post focus on family violence

Domestic violence awareness month examines tragedy

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The statistics are a national tragedy:

• Every day, 5,000 women are abused or beaten at home.

• A woman is assaulted by her husband or boyfriend every 15 seconds.

• One woman in four will be the victim of domestic violence at least once in her lifetime.

• One-third of all women killed in the U.S. die at the hands of a husband or boyfriend.

• Last year approximately 1,500 women were killed by their husband or boyfriend, making the home the most dangerous place for a woman in America.

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and Fort Benning's Family Advocacy Program is teaming with local agencies to spread the message: domestic violence is a crime that has a traumatic, long-lasting effect on everyone it touches.

The Domestic Violence Roundtable is a coalition of local agencies and citizens, including Fort Benning's FAP, who have established a public forum to address the problem of domestic violence locally.

Since 1997, the roundtable has established various training programs for law enforcement and service providers. Twenty organizations sponsor representatives who attend monthly roundtable sessions to "discuss and take action against the crisis of domestic violence," said Shawna Hartley, DVR spokesperson.

"It's time for us to take the domestic violence crisis out from behind closed doors and examine it closely," Hartley said. "It's a time for us to honor those who have survived, and to take a stand against the kind of violence that has claimed the lives of four victims in Muscogee County so far this year."

Hartley said domestic violence crosses all social, cultural and economic boundaries. On the surface, abusers may appear good providers, loving partners and law abiding citizens, but one-third of men counseled for battering are professionals, well-respected in their jobs and communities.

According to *Domestic Violence: The Facts*, a handbook for battered women, physical, mental and emotional abuse is about power and control. Battering is the establishment of control and fear in a relationship through violence and other forms of abuse, including intimidation, threats, psychological abuse, coercion and isolation.

The book points out that abuse may happen sporadically, but it remains a constant, terrorizing factor, a fact Hartley says undermines the victims' self-esteem.

"It's not always a sudden change of behavior," Hartley said. "Sometimes it's a constant string of put-downs and lies that the victim eventually starts to believe.

"Abusers are really good liars and really good at convincing their victims

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Scouts visit Faith

Students learn about area high schools

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Representatives from area high schools converged on Fort Benning Oct. 5 for Faith Middle School's annual "High School Expo Night."

Eighth-grade students and their parents met with administrators and students from six Muscogee County high schools for what Principal Dr. Tom Dignan called "an opportunity to learn about the various and unique educational opportunities local high schools offer our students."

Robyn Hughey, Faith Middle School's counselor for eighth-graders, said the event also gave students the chance to learn what would be expected of them as students at any of the area magnet schools.

Fort Benning high school students are zoned to attend Spencer High School, located just off post on Victory Drive. However, students who opt to attend Carver or Columbus high schools, can apply for acceptance into either school's magnet program. Bus transportation is provided from Fort Benning to Spencer, Carver and Columbus High Schools.

Spencer High School boasts a student population of 1,000, more than 80 percent whom live on Fort Benning. Spencer offers college preparatory, technical and vocational curriculums. For more information on Spencer, call 685-7652.

Carver High School is an integrated math, science and technology magnet. Students qualify for entrance into the program based on a combination of the following criteria: successful completion of Algebra I, a cumulative average of 3.0 or above in all science and math courses, a letter of recommendation from a science and mathematics teacher, an interview with the principal and acceptable scores on standardized tests. For more information about Carver, call 649-0931 or 649-0870.

Columbus High School is a liberal arts magnet and offers advanced placement courses. Students qualify for entrance into the program based on teacher recommendation, an entrance exam and school records. Each of the school's 1,200 students are required to perform 20 hours of community

See **SCHOOL**, B-2

Trading cards



Paula J. Randall Pagan

Sgt. 1st Class Lance D. Dement hands out his Olympic trading card to first-graders at Wilson Elementary School.

Olympians meet first-graders

Paula J. Randall Pagan
USAMU Public Affairs Office

Three Olympic athletes who are Soldiers in the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit visited with first-graders at Wilson Elementary School Oct. 4.

Sgt. 1st Class Lance D. Dement, Sgt. Jason A. Parker and Spc. William H. Keever talked with nearly 100 students about their trip to Australia to compete in the 2000 Olympics. Dement participated in the running target competition, Parker shot the air rifle competition, and Keever was a double trap competitor.

Keever talked about going to San Diego to in-process and get his Olympic uniforms, and then about his trip to Sydney.

"We flew on an airplane for 14 hours — that's like the whole time you're awake in a day — and went to Australia, which is on the other side of the world," Keever said.

He told the children how the seasons are the opposite in Australia and it was early spring there. He added that it was great being in the Olympic Village where he got to meet other Olympic athletes.

"The opening ceremony was the most exciting thing I ever experienced," he said. "I had a really great time."

Dement then explained to the youngsters that the Olympics are games and sports and the most important thing

See **OYLMPIANS**, B-2

'Hooch to get clean up

Bass Club helps to clean waterway

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

Some post organizations are getting the jump on helping the 'Hooch today when they use the morning to clean up part of the Chattahoochee River that runs through Fort Benning.

Nearly 85 volunteers from the Directorate of Public Works, Adjutant General, Directorate of Intelligence and Security, formerly the Directorate of Threat and Security, members of the Bass Club of Fort Benning and other organizations plan to pick up several tons of garbage from the river.

Chief Warrant Officer Ken Shuler, who scouted the five areas along the river where the volunteers will clean, said he hoped with the addition of the Bass Club's 15 boats that today's clean up efforts will surpass last year's when more than 7 tons of trash were removed from the river's banks.

"While scouting the areas, I saw a sofa, a washing machine and a lot of floating debris," Shuler said. "This year the Directorate of Community Activities has loaned us the pool skimmers so we'll be able to pick up the debris from the safety of the boats."

Last year three boats were used to ferry participants and trash from point to point. This year they'll shuttle up and down the river reaching the hard to get to areas.

Six green recycling bins have been placed at the five sites to ease the transportation woes, Shuler said. The litter will be sorted and disposed of onsite.

The volunteers will meet at 8:30 a.m. at an Uchee Creek pavilion for a safety briefing and then be taken to one of the five sites along the river.

After a morning of clearing and cleaning, the volunteers will rendezvous once again at the pavilion for a pizza party provided by Little Caesar's and distribution of Help the 'Hooch T-shirts.

Today's clean up activities are an extension of the Keep Columbus Beautiful Saturday event that unites Boy and Girl Scouts, environmental clubs and school classes along with families to beautify the river banks, said Gloria Weston-Smart, executive director for Keep Columbus Beautiful.

The clean up efforts have grown to include parks and

See **RIVER**, B-2

Soldier Show cast to seize Civic Center

Shannon Walsh
Bayonet correspondent

As the Soldier Show cast and crew perform on stage Sunday, some audience members may wonder what it takes to become a part of this traveling tour.

The show will be held at the Columbus Civic Center for the first time this year. The theme is "Carpe Diem: Seize the Day." This is the 16th year the tour has stopped here to entertain military personnel and their families at Fort Benning.

The show begins at 2 p.m. and is free of charge to the community. There will be reserved seating for military trainees and VIP guests.

"Every year it's a joy and a privilege to support the Soldiers. It's standing room only wherever they go," Harriet Rice, Public Affairs officer for the Army's Community and Family Support Center.

The first Army Soldier Show debuted in 1918. The performance didn't become an annual event until 1983. Currently, the tour makes more than 50 stops and gives more than 100 performances across the U.S. and overseas each season.

Now in its 17th year, the show provides Soldiers with a chance to showcase talents they have in addition to military skills. However, military traits like "precision and attention to details" do play a part in the show, Rice said.

"These performers bring their military discipline to the stage," Rice said.

Hopeful applicants submit videos, biographies, photographs and letters of recommendation from their commanders. A panel of judges narrow down the entries and final auditions are held the spring of each year, prior to the tour.

In addition to "musicality, movement, stage presence and versatility," potential cast members must have an outstanding record of military performance. "They have to be tops in their unit to be selected. It's not a picnic," Rice said.

Out of more than 60 applications, only 25 finalists made it to the final auditions last April at Fort Belvoir, Va.

Cast member Spc. Brian Dosch said, "Before I came into the military, I was a professional actor. I'd been away from (performing) for three years and just wanted to get back into it."

During their time on the road, Soldiers are expected to adhere to military physical fitness and appearance requirements. Show members put in an average 14-hour day for 6 months straight.

After each performance, the stars will mingle with the audience, meeting people and signing autographs. The entire cast and crew also sets up and breaks down more than 15 tons of stage equipment for each show.

The Soldier Show is an Army Morale, Welfare and Recreation activity.

Application packets for next year's show are due by Dec. 31. For more details on becoming a part of the Soldier Show, go to www.armymwr.com.

Abuse: Hurts entire family

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they deserve it, or they provoked it.

They convince them they're stupid, helpless, worthless, ugly, crazy...It's their way of maintaining power and control."

For this reason, Hartley said it often takes third-party involvement to end the cycle of abuse.

"It's a very complex issue," she said. "Women stay for lots of reasons. They've been convinced no one will believe them or nobody will help. They don't know that there are financial resources and shelters out there just for them."

Though Hartley acknowledged it's often hard to gain a victim's confidence, there are ways of "getting involved without revealing your suspicions.

"Of course if you hear it or see it, you should call 911 immediately," she said. "But if you've seen bruises or become suspicious for some reason and are afraid to confront either party, call 211. You don't have to give your name. It's so easy — 911 or 211."

Though the term domestic abuse conjures images of quarreling lovers, Hartley said 95 percent of abuse cases actually involve more than one victim. "Domestic abuse" is an umbrella label for a myriad of abuse scenarios, including child abuse, and studies show 50 percent of the men who abuse their wives also frequently abuse their children.

"Most child abuse cases revolve around domestic violence," Hartley said. "Even if the child is not injured physically, he's permanently scarred if he's had to witness mom being battered."

In most cases, Hartley said, abuse is a learned behavior, and children exposed to domestic violence often become abusers themselves. Boys who witness violence at home are three times more likely to become abusers than children on non-violent parents.

"Maybe they begin to show violence towards others at an early age, or they get big enough to try to defend their mother. For whatever reason, they're following a pattern they've learned at home," she said.

Many times the children of abusers show symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome, including, but not limited to, stuttering, sleeplessness, poor grades, outbursts of anger and weight loss.

"As adults we are often the only voice these children have. You can take the attitude that it's not your problem, and you shouldn't get involved," Hartley said. "But you need to know it's often not just the woman who is suffering but the children too.

"Domestic violence is a crime, not just a personal issue. You can't look the other way when you're aware of abuse any more than you would ignore a crime you witness on the street. You have to get involved."

The Domestic Violence Rountable will sponsor a candlelight vigil to honor survivors and victims Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. on the plaza level of the Government Center on 4th Avenue in Columbus. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Hartley at 653-4580.

School: Faith hosts expo

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service each year. Last year's graduates averaged 1,115 on college entrance SATs, 100 points above the national average. For more information about the Columbus Liberal Arts Magnet call 649-0701.

Hughey said students who wish to attend a school other than Spencer, Carver or Columbus are responsible for their own transportation and tuition.

"What our eighth-graders need to realize is they are assigned to Spencer High School," Hughey said. "If they chose to go elsewhere their only options are one of the two magnet schools in our zone or private schools where they pay tuition."

Representatives from Pacelli, Christian Heritage and Brookstone, all private high schools, were also on hand to supply information about tuition and admission requirements.

Although **Pacelli High School** is a Catholic, college preparatory school owned and operated by St. Anne Church, it has a diverse student population (60 percent Catholic and 40 percent non-Catholic) and is open to students of all religions and cultures.

Students are accepted on the basis of an entrance exam, school records, personal interview and teacher recommendation. Entrance test dates are scheduled for Jan. 20 and 27.

Tuition for Catholic students is $4,975 per year, $5,975 for non-Catholics. Financial aid is awarded on a need basis in April for the coming year. To find out more about Pacelli High School, call 561-5233.

Christian Heritage Academy is a Christian, co-educational school with an enrollment of approximately 200 students. It is a member of the Southern Baptist Association of Christian Schools and the high school program is accredited by the Georgia Accrediting Commission. The school offers a college preparatory curriculum, and more than 90 percent of its graduates attend a four-year college.

Christian Heritage Academy is a ministry of Edgewood Baptist Church. Tuition is $3,500 per year for non-church members and $3,000 for members, with discounts for subsequent family member enrollment. For more information, call 568-1251.

Brookstone School is an independent college preparatory institution with an "upper" or high school population of 261 and a teacher - student ratio of one to 14. Brookstone is accredited with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and 99 percent of its graduates attend a four-year college. Admission is based on an entrance application and test, teacher recommendation, classroom visit and personal interview. Tuition is $7,945, with financial aid scholarships available. For more information, call 324-1392.

Hughey said students who wish to attend any public school not within the Fort Benning jurisdiction, such as Shaw, Hardaway or Kendrick high schools, must submit an application to the Columbus Roberts Center Board of Appeals. Exceptions to the policy are granted on an individual basis.

Olympians: Visit students

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is to have fun and be a good sportsman.

"When you play a sport or a game, you have to appreciate everyone who comes to play—not just the winners," Dement said.

Parker told the group about the animals in Australia and how he got to pet and feed a kangaroo at the zoo in Sydney.

"I got to see some koalas too and was surprised to find out that they sleep 20 hours a day, and the rest of the time they're looking for food," Parker said.

Parker also told the children that he climbed the 400-foot Sydney Harbor Bridge during his stay Down Under.

To remind the students of their visit, the Olympians gave the first-graders their trading cards, which the teachers and principal wanted too.

Wilson Principal Phyllis Parker said, "I'm going to hold on to this. It might be worth a lot of money someday."

River: Gets clean up

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school campuses, Weston-Smart said.

"Last year the Girl Scouts had a rally at Lakebottom Park the same day, but they really wanted to contribute so they picked up the park."

This year more than 8,000 volunteers have registered to help pick up the tricommunity areas, and the clean up is spreading into neighboring Harris county.

A schoolwide cleanup is in store for the White Elementary School campus today, and the River Kids, a fifth-grade environmental club, will clean up the Oxbow Meadows area Saturday.

Dexter Elementary School also organizes volunteers for the clean up effort.

Last year members of the school's environmental clubs and their families picked up the campus, and then walked to the stream between Edwards Road and Infantry Hall to pick up the litter that accumulates in the marshy stream.

First-grade teacher, Linda Turner, has organized the school's participation in the cleaning of the river since the clean up efforts began six years ago.

"I think it is really important for everyone to be responsible for their environment," Turner said.

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Keenan Justin Perry Conrad — born Sept. 23 to Constance and Maj. Eric Conrad.

Christian Nicholas Cavaliere — born Sept. 25 to Barbara and 2nd Lt. Todd Cavaliere.

Michael Dakota McNeill — born Sept. 25 to Jenna and Spc. Michael McNeill.

Jarrod Arness Lott — born Sept. 26 to Spc. Salina Upton and Pvt. Tremain Lott.

David Elias Cole — born Sept. 27 to LaTonya and Staff Sgt. LaJun Cole Sr.

Kristian Gy Brown — born Sept. 27 to Janaia and Sgt. Kristian Brown.

Jake Ryan Hanvy — born Sept. 29 to Catherine and Staff Sgt. Bobby Hanvy.

Girls

Sabrina Nuriel Frumerie — born Sept. 18 to Nurys and Maj. David Frumerie.

Cristina Renee Ithier — born Sept. 22 to Crystal and Spc. Avimael Ithier.

Valerie Louise Myers — born Sept. 23 to Sheila and Spc. Fredrick Myers.

Samiah Kaleese Love — born Sept. 24 to Pamula and Sgt. Willie Love Jr.

Lyndsey Grace Tharpe — born Sept. 24 to Tamara and Staff Sgt. Billy Tharpe.

Madison Rae Miller — born Sept. 25 to Darcy and Staff Sgt. Claud Miller.

Hannah Leigh Stanton — born Sept. 27 to Naomi and Capt. Paul Stanton.

Chyrelle Doris Storr-Person — born Sept. 28 to Glenda Storr-Person and Sgt. Andre Person.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

gardening tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet corespondent



Fall is an important time to clean up the lawn. It is time to remove debris and take care of tasks overlooked in the summer.

The prevailing late summer heat tends to keep gardeners from doing chores and end of season maintenance. With the onset of cooler temperatures it is time to get back in the garden.

First, pull up summer annuals that are fading away. And pull up any vegetable plants that are finished as well. Put the disease-free plants in the compost pile.

Start a regimen of raking and removing the falling leaves. Leaves that remain on the ground unattended can invite disease into the garden. They get compacted on the lawn and smother the grass and roots beneath, creating a bare spot in the spring.

Use the leaves to replenish the carbon in the compost pile. Bag up the rest in a paper lawn bag and keep near the pile for replenishing later or shred them with your lawn mower and use them for mulch.

Do not use leaves to amend the soil. Adding leaves to the soil can take away nitrogen from plant roots. Decaying leaves in the soil actually steal the nitrogen to aid in their decomposing. So don't bury the leaves in the garden beds.

Clean and oil all the garden tools. Oiling the tools keeps them from rusting over the winter when most tools aren't needed. This is a good time of year to do the maintenance on mowers and gas-powered equipment.

Mow the lawn, removing one-third of the grass blade, and rake the grass clippings if you are planning to overseed the lawn.

Till up the vegetable beds now. Disrupting the soil disturbs possible bacteria and disease living in the garden. Exposing these diseases to the air will kill them and aid in preventing them from coming back in the spring. If possible, till again during the winter before a final tilling for planting in the spring.

There is enough maintenance to do in the garden to keep busy for a weekend.

Now is a good time to reflect on the things that were good in the garden this year and plan for new things in the spring. Remember to take time to enjoy the leaves before taking them away.

community notes

on post

Fall festival at Dexter Elementary — Food, fun and games will be available at the Dexter Elementary School fall festival 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the playground. Cakewalks, pony rides, face painting, McGruff the crime dog and a fire engine on display are just part of the activities planned.

Radio control airshow — There will be a radio controlled airshow from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Fort Mitchell Flying Field. There will be more than 150 remote control airplanes, helicopters and skydivers. There will be special flight demonstrations and a mass parachute jump at 12:30 and 3 p.m.

For more information, call 297-2873.

OWC funding requests — The deadline for OWC funding for local nonprofit organizations in need of additional funds for this year is Oct. 20.

Organizations should submit requests for funding to the Fort Benning OWC, P.O. Box 51978, Fort Benning, Ga., 31905.

All requests will be reviewed by the OWC Board of Directors and awards will be presented in November.

For more information, call Nancy Carlisle at 687-9678.

ACAP — There are several ACAP events coming up. They are:

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Eckerd Youth Alternatives is recruiting for counselors, teachers and social service workers.

Also C.H.K Rexair, Inc. will be recruiting for sales and marketing representatives.

From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. K&G Technology will be recruiting for information systems specialists.

From 2 to 4 p.m. there will be a small business seminar for people wanting to go into business for themselves.

From 1 to 3 p.m. Oct. 23 Hornady Truck Lines is recruiting truck drivers.

From 1 to 4 p.m. Nov. 1 a panel of former Army officers will tell about their lessons learned about successful moves from the Army to large companies.

Town hall meeting — There will be a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. Oct. 24 in the FUN Center, Building 359.

For more information about the town hall meeting, call 685-0030

AFTB classes — Army Family Team Building teaches spouses about the Army and other topics including how to read a pay statement, Army benefits and where to turn for help. Classes for Level I are from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 24-26. Call 545-5377 to register.

off post

Ground breaking — The ground breaking for the Georgia Veterans Memorial Park will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Black Shoals Park.

For more information about the ground breaking ceremony, call (770) 929-4052.

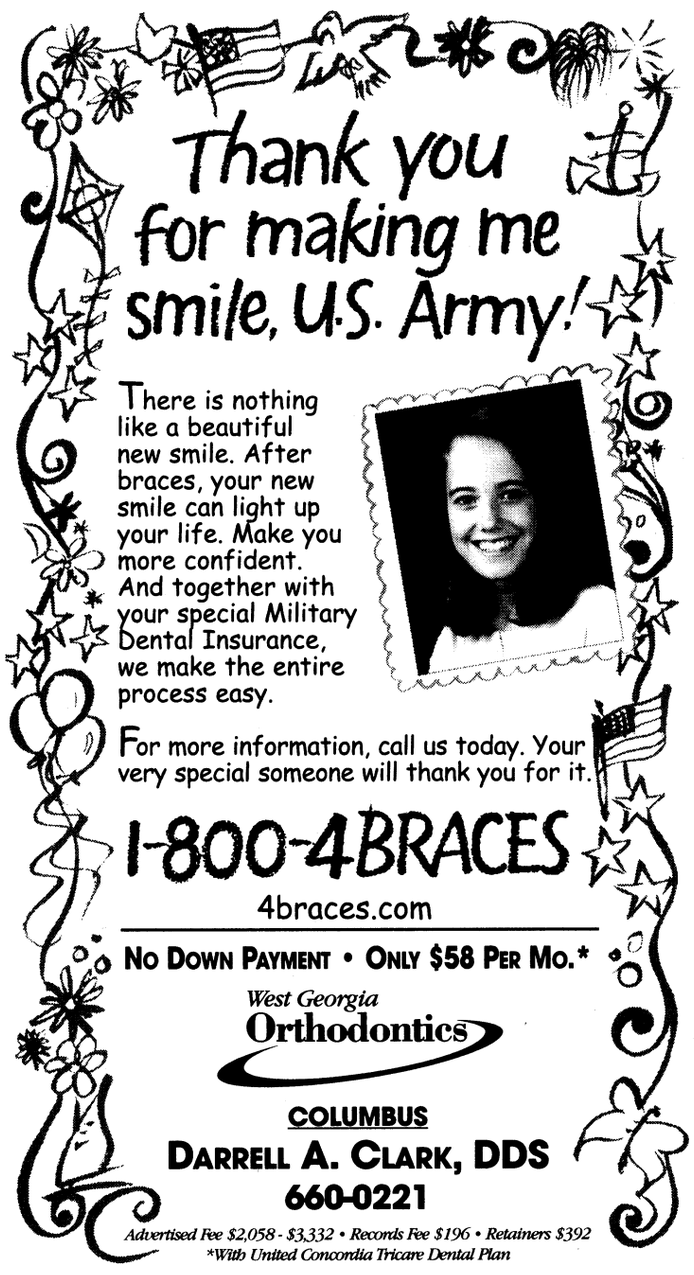
Scouting volunteers — The Boy Scouts of America are seeking volunteers to be mentors for Packs 27, 51, 217 and Troop 27. Call 327-2634 extension 13.

PETS OF THE WEEK



To adopt a pet, call 545-4444.





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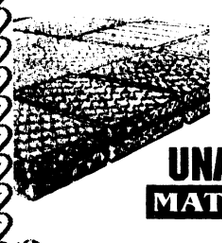

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Perspectives change often

Ricky Elsey
Spencer High School

As people change over the years, so does their perspective of others. In this case, I would like to change the perception of my school. I am a senior at Spencer High School and have attended since I was a freshman. Since then, my perception has changed now that I know what goes on in everyday student life.

Many parents believe that Spencer is a nonproductive school. To the teachers, administrators, parents and students it is not that easy. In the past three years of my life as a Spencerian, I finally realized how hard the teachers at Spencer work. Most students do not realize all the material they have been taught until they graduate, others do not know until they begin their careers.

The overall atmosphere at Spencer is well-behaved. Teachers maintain strict and quiet classrooms, which leaves a great learning environment. As the bar for higher education rises, ours rises a bit higher.

Since 1997, the year I came to Spencer, a lot has changed, not only the teachers and students, but the atmosphere inside the building as well. Once known as a scary place to learn, it is now safe for anybody to attend.

Spencer offers great education

Cassandra Conrad
Spencer High School

Spencer High School is an excellent learning facility for students. Our counselors are very experienced and educated. They help students with personal and school-related issues. The athletic department here at Spencer is very advanced and provides the students with a wide variety of extracurricular activities. The students show a lot of enthusiasm and spirit when it comes time to participate in school activities. We have activities such as student council, basketball, football, softball, soccer, baseball, track, golf, tennis and a wide variety of academic clubs. All around, the learning experience for a Spencerian would be extraordinary.

Spencer under constant change

Krista Gorman
Spencer High School

Since my first day here in 1998, I noticed how Spencer has changed. My impression and image of Spencer was negative: all the students were not bright, the teachers were apathetic about the students learning and the school had nothing going for it. But I was very wrong. The students are willing to learn and excel in their studies and the teachers go to great lengths to make sure that the students are learning. The organizations have increased over the past three years and more spirit and enthusiasm were expressed when they have their pep rallies to cheer on the Greenwaves. Even the environment has changed. The students are very friendly, the teachers are willing to help and the counselors help you in time of need.

Over here, we're all like family, willing to care and help each other and making a difference here at Spencer and beyond.

Student recommends Spencer High School

Montrel Woodhouse
Spencer High School

Eighth graders, at the end of their middle school career, are faced with a decision on which high school to attend. As a sophomore this year who has been here since my freshman year, I recommend Spencer High School. People give Spencer a bad reputation by saying Spencer is full of students who misbehave and who are bad influences; violence, drugs and that Spencer isn't academically challenging enough and there are no scholarship opportunities.

All of these accusations are false. First of all, in every school there are a few students that have behavioral problems and influence others in the wrong way. Violence is all around, whether exposed or camouflaged. Spencer has strict rules against misbehavior with effective penalties to those who break the set rules. Drugs are very scarce at Spencer just as they are at every school. Lastly, Spencer is one of the most academically challenging schools in Muscogee County. Several scholarships are granted to students who strive for excellence. Spencer — what more can I say? I highly recommend Spencer High School as a choice to spend your high school years.

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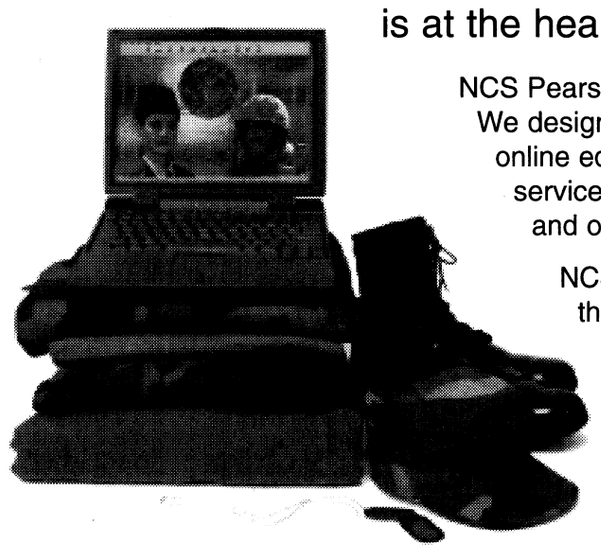

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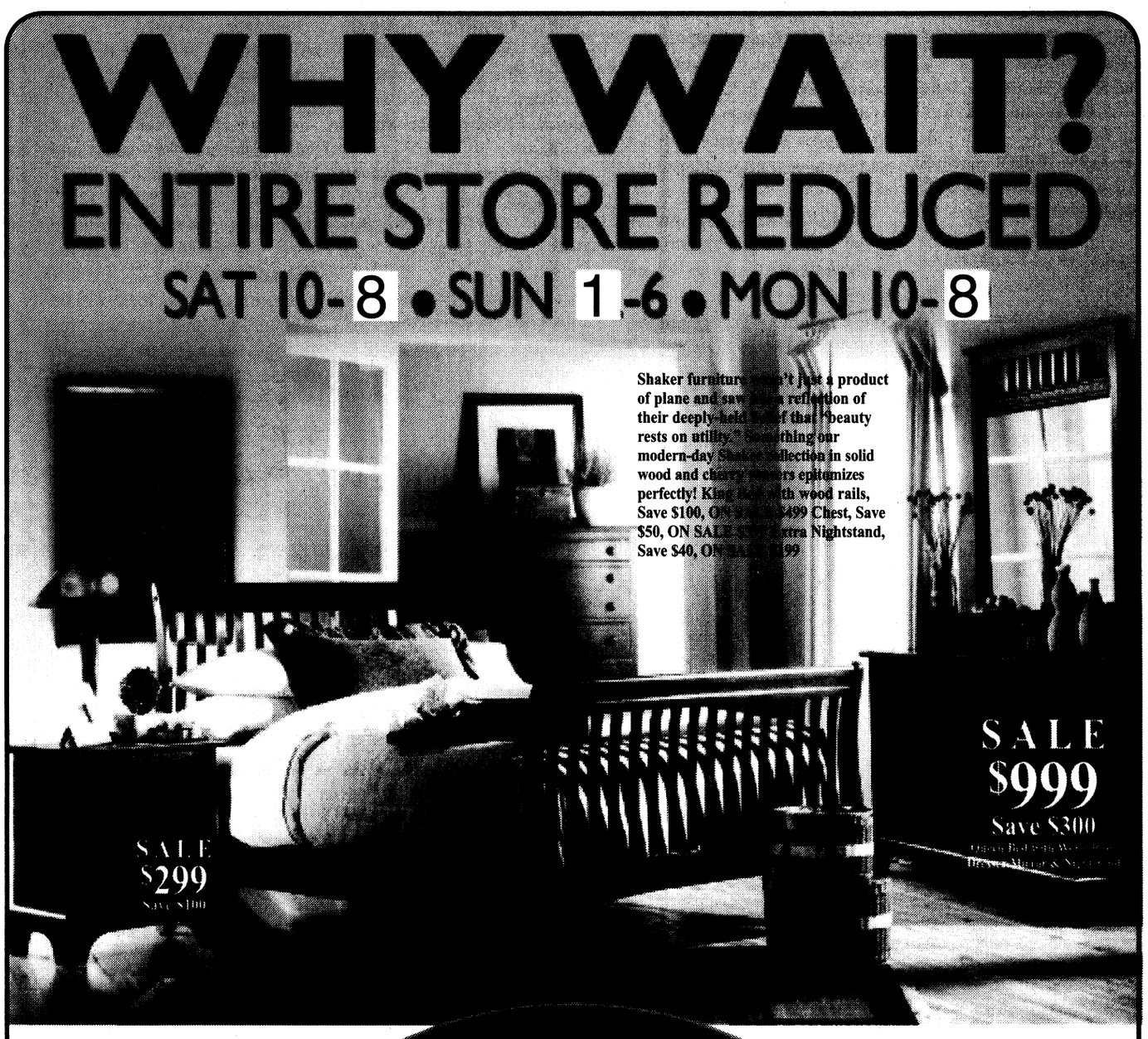



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Sukkot is time for giving thanks among Jews

Chaplain (Capt.) David J. Arredondo
1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade

reflections

In late October of this year, Jews worldwide celebrate the holiday of Sukkot. In ancient times, Sukkot was a time for thanksgiving as the final harvest was gathered.

The American holiday of Thanksgiving had its origin in Sukkot.

Sukkot was also the third of three pilgrimage festivals (Passover, Shavuot and Sukkot) in which adult Jews from all over the land of Israel would come to Jerusalem. They also built huts or small booths called the Sukkah.

The Sukkah, originally a shelter in the harvest fields, became a symbol of God's divine protection, even when living as wanderers or nomads.

The Sukkah must be built in the open air, under the sky.

It consists of four walls and a removable covering of materials that grow from the soil.

Sukkot is observed for seven days, beginning after Yom Kippur.

Coming after Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, Sukkot is a joyous celebration after a long, spiritual journey. God's blessings are celebrated.

Sukkot concludes with two special days. On Shhemini Atseret, the Jewish people prayed for rain for a bountiful harvest. On Simchat Torah, we celebrate God's giving of the Torah to the world.

Traditionally, Psalms of Thanksgiving are recited and a four-produce bouquet consisting of the citron, the palm branches, myrtles and willows is brought to the synagogue. The bouquet is seen as a symbol of humanity itself, with its essential variety of distinct characteristics, all of which make up a framework in which no one is expendable.

The bouquet is symbolically pointed in the direction of the four points of the compass and above and below expressing that God is found in all directions of the universe. The six directions represent the sources of divine blessing and humankind the seventh point, who must gather them to make good use of them.

During the exodus of the Israelites, while wandering in the desert, the Israelites had nothing with them except what they could carry.

They had manna and fowl to eat and other signs of God's special care until they reached the land they were to settle. Once settled, they planted, harvested and built houses. The Sukka they lived in for a week once a year, served as a reminder of their deliverance from Egypt and the solidification of the Jews as a people during the time of wandering in the Sinai.

The Bible stresses Sukkot's historical aspect, "You shall live in booths seven days ... In order that future generations may know that I made the Israelite people live in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt." (Leviticus 23:29)

This reminder, not only to those of the Jewish faith, teaches us that all we have — relationships, possessions, spirituality and health comes to us because the Lord has given it to us. Shelter and rest are found in God's "Sukkah" for humankind.

The Sukkot holiday also serves as a reminder to take care of creation and to trust in God's provision of a beautiful environment in which we live.

Getting outdoors and enjoying the natural world around us serves to protect us from the tendency to take our environment and seasons for granted. We may very well come to realize that Sukkot reminds us to sleep under the stars and look for a glimpse of beauty in the heavens.

Be joyful about God's care for humankind.

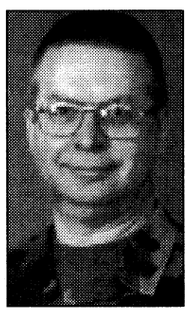
Everyone can leave a positive legacy

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center

Many people are just living from day to day trying to survive. Tragically some people will leave a legacy of criminal activity. Luckily some people will achieve fame and fortune.

Few of us, however, will accumulate wealth or possessions or be moguls of business and industry. Few of us will be elected president of the United States or be promoted to general in the Army. Few of us will earn an Olympic medal or become a professional athlete.

Wealth and possessions do not satisfy. Fame is fleeting. Merely attaining office or rank leaves a hollow legacy. The athletic records made today will soon be broken.



Nevertheless, I am convinced that each of us can leave a positive legacy. Here are some examples: coming up with an original idea; living a moral life; having a positive influence on others; and being a part of something greater than ourselves.

For parents, our legacy is our children and the values we instill in them. For teachers, it's their students. For military leaders, it's the Soldiers they mentor and train. For all of us, our legacy is our example and the character we set for others to follow.

The legacy we leave is rooted in the values we live, the relationships we build and our creativity. At the very least, all of us can be a part of something great by working together for the betterment of mankind.

If you would like more information of leaving a positive legacy, free counseling is available. Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760, stop by building 2606, Soldiers' Plaza or e-mail at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

chapel notes

Choir members needed — Anyone interested in singing can join The Infantry Center Chapel choir. Practice is at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Chapel Annex. Ability to read music is not required, though appreciated. Rehearsals for Thanksgiving and Christmas begin soon.

Protestant Women of the Chapel — The Protestant Women of the meets every Thursday. All women are invited to attend. Child care is provided at the chapel.

For more information, call Susan Parks at 682-6551 or Lisa Truitt at 689-5050.

Club Beyond meets — The junior high and middle school youth meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sundays at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings. For more information, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

Catholic women — The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m. Fridays at the Main Post Catholic Chapel at Vibbert Avenue and Sigerfoos Road. The program will begin with the rosary, followed by a Bible study.

Child care will be provided. There will be refreshments after the program. For more information, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth of the Chapel, The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

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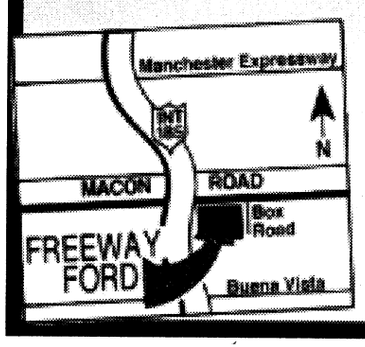

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SPORTS

Soldier putts with the pros in pro-am

BOSS president tees off with PGA members in tourney

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

Finding a Soldier to fill the post commander's shoes isn't easy — unless they are golf shoes.

Because Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne isn't a golfer, Sgt. Robert Brown was given the opportunity to rub shoulders and compare golf swings with the professional golfers who played in the Buick Challenge at Callaway Gardens.

Sgt. Robert Brown, the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers president, and three amateur golfers played 18 holes with professional golfer Rob Sabbatini during the Buick Challenge's Pro-Am tournament Sept. 27.

Sabbatini, a 24-year-old who turned pro in 1998, is 29th on the money list for the PGA tour and has earned more than $1.24 million.

Brown, who had a 1 p.m. tee time, arrived early enough to practice chip shots next to David Duval, who is the tournament's champion.

"These guys are so unbelievably good it is just shocking," Brown said. "While practicing they would hit the ball with one hand, it would spin twice and land next to the hole."

The course was designed to make it hard for the pros: the rough was a foot deep, the fairways were tightly mown and the greens were very fast, Brown said.

"The fairways were like hitting off carpet," he said.

Brown's group started play on the back nine and he made an eagle on the par 5 11th hole.

"He helped his team with that hole," said Maj. Mark Felderman, who watched Brown golf on the front nine. Felderman, special assistant to the commanding general, Army National Guard, has golfed with Brown at the Follow Me Golf Course.

"Brown hit the ball well and was the low handicapper for his group," Felderman said.

One of the amateurs playing with Brown was Buick chief executive officer, Bob Colletta, and Bruce Kemp who was the director of the tournament.

"They had quite the following," Brown said. "It was nerve wracking to play with the gallery there watching you."

Brown found the rough more than he wanted to on the front nine, but his game settled down on the back nine, he said.

"I was nervous on the front and hit into the rough more than I wanted," Brown said. "The rough was tough to avoid."

Brown said he finally relaxed on the last nine holes and ended his game shooting a 39 for the back nine.

After the tournament, Brown and the other golfers received a plaque with the golfers' photos, a sweater vest and shirt, a 12-pack of balls, a top-of-the line wedge and new golf shoes.

"This was an unbelievable opportunity," Brown said. "I really appreciate General Le Moyne and Colonel (John) Latimer for picking me to represent the post at the tournament."



Courtesy photo

David Duval, the Buick Challenge tournament winner, poses with Sgt. Robert Brown Sept. 27.

Brewers hurl heat past Rockies

Karen Taylor
Special to the Bayonet©

How does a pitcher shut a team's offense down? With a K of course.

A strikeout steals the batter's chance to hear the crack of the bat and run to first base. Instead, it's back to the bench.

Many of the hitters from the Brewers and the Rockies were introduced to that path from the plate during the Oct. 3 game at Golden Park, where the Brewers beat the Rockies, 3-1.

Rockies' pitcher Clay Little had eight strikeouts in the 33 batters he faced. But it was Steve Bielak, family member, who out-pitched Little with 12 strikeouts in the 30 batters he faced.

"Every time Steve pitches, he keeps getting stronger. His stuff is getting better and better," said Brewers' catcher Chris Baglio, 1st Battery, 10th Field Artillery Regiment.

Bielak was on his way to a 3-0 shutout until the bottom of the eighth when the Rockies managed to put one run on the board for a 3-1 final.

The game was scoreless until the third inning when the Brewers put a run on the board. Chris Allen, B Co. 1st Bn., 50th Inf. Regt., got on base with an error and stole second. Then Bielak followed with a single to drive him in for a 1-0 lead.

Bielak said he likes to hit fastballs and felt comfortable enough to wait for one to hit,

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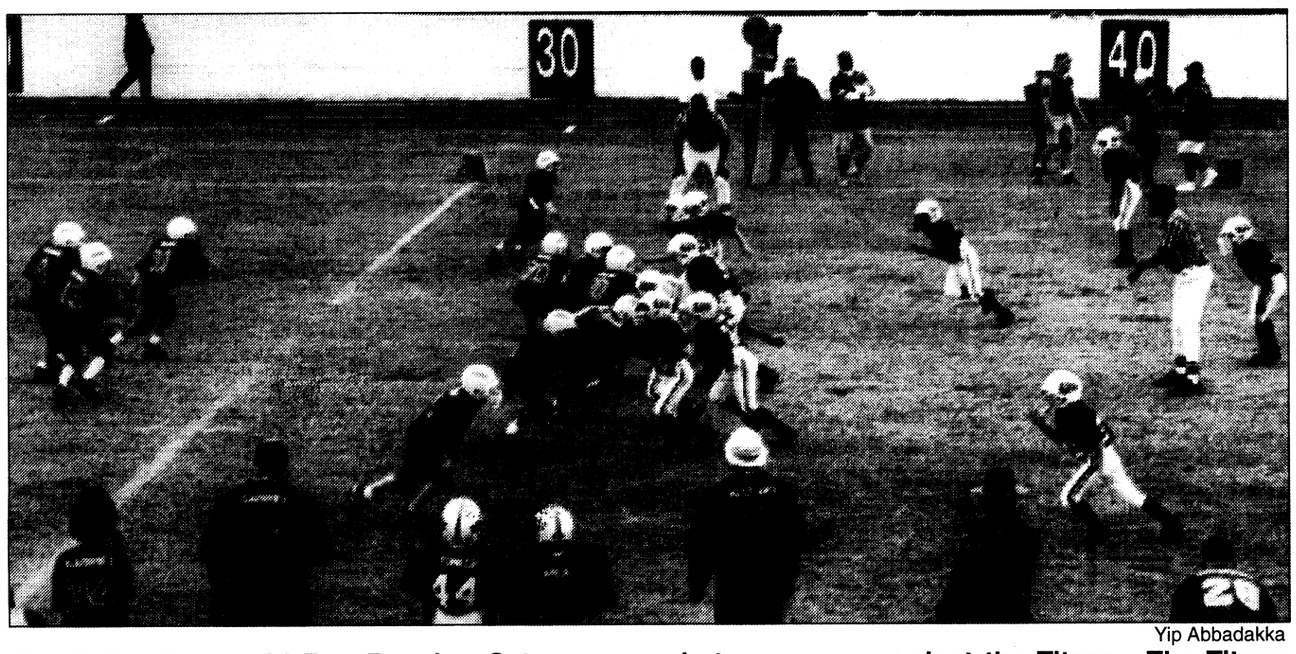
Youth Services sports



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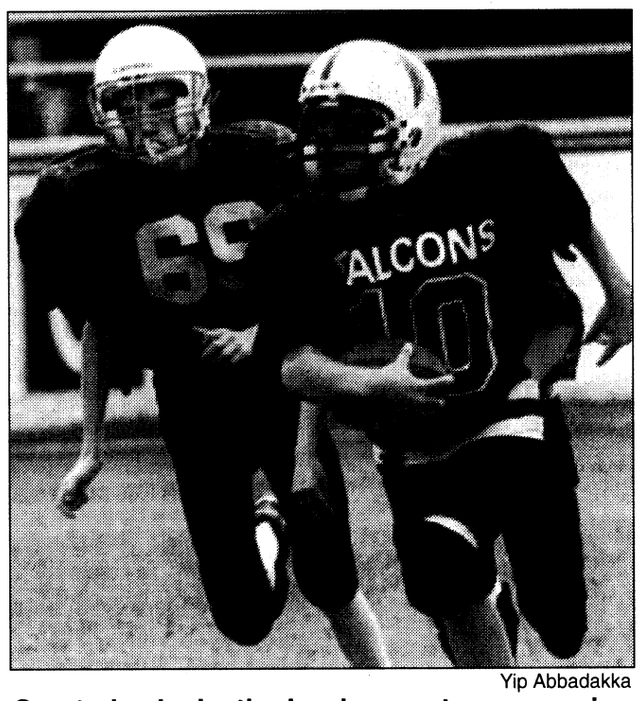
The 9- to 10-year-old Fort Benning Gators run a shotgun sweep against the Titans. The Titans earned a 14-0 shut-out victory over the Gators.



Sally Shutt

Red Devil's Jose Ibarra breaks away from the Raptors during a Youth Services 8- to 9-year-old soccer game Saturday morning. The Red Devils emerged victorious 4-0.

Youth Services hosts sporting activities including dance, piano, taekwondo, soccer, chearleading, basketball, baseball, football and flag football. For more information about these activities call 545-3070.



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Quarterback Justin Lord executes a running play for the 11- to 12-year-old Fort Benning Falcons with a Jaguar defender in hot pursuit. The game ended in a 0-0 deadlock.

AMU inducts shooters

Olympians honored in ceremony

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

More than 300 members, past and present, of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit, gathered last weekend to celebrate the USAMU's 44th Reunion.

The reunion included inducting three Sydney Olympians into the International Rifle Hall of Fame, the rededication of Hook Range and induction of three former unit members into the USAMU Hall of Fame.

"The Military Marksmanship Association Reunion honored the shooters, gunsmiths and staff who made the USAMU great, and provided an opportunity for the shooters of the past to meet the shooters of the present," USAMU deputy commander Robert Aylward said.

Three USAMU Olympians who competed in Sydney last month, Michael E. Anti, Kenneth A. Johnson and Jason A. Parker, were inducted into the USAMU International Rifle Hall of Fame 9 a.m. Oct. 7 at Pool International Shooting Complex.

"It's a real honor for me to be inducted in the Hall of Fame," Parker said. "I want to thank my coach, Mr. Bill Krilling;

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Fort Benning hunter offers ideas for delicious wild game

Proper game care puts tasty meal on table

Cliff Hughes
Bayonet correspondent

At this point in the hunting season, we are looking at rifle season starting soon and bow season coming to a close on the Georgia side. Many bow hunters will venture toward the Alabama side of Fort Benning for superb hunting.

Some practiced bow hunters were lucky enough to take a deer or two; a few may even have shot a buck nice enough to mount. But once you've harvested the deer, it's essential to handle it properly.



It is extremely important in the early season to get the animal to a cooler of some sort. For a brief period I worked with a processor in Richland on weekends and was truly amazed at some of the deer hunters brought in and were actually going to consume.

It is essential to care for the animal properly. Most processors can recognize the signs of a deer not fit to consume but to leave it to someone else is taking a chance. It is a good rule of thumb to have the deer skinned and either on ice or in a cooler within an hour, not more than two hours.

Many hunters, especially bow hunters, may not be able to find their animal for several hours depending on where it was hit.

If rigor mortis has set in and the animal is warm to the touch and bloated (swollen), it is probably not a good idea to eat it. Perhaps the rack and fur are still salvageable or portions of the legs and hooves for a gun rack.

If all goes well and your deer is cared for properly, cleaned and cooled, and not dragged in the dirt for miles, you should have some tasty venison to look forward to.

There are many excellent ways to prepare venison; these are just a few tasty ideas:

- Back strap marinated in soy sauce and wrapped in bacon, then grilled to perfection
- Venison stew
- Chili, using ground venison
- In the crock pot cooked as a roast
- Venison fondue
- Venison kabobs
- Venison jerky
- Smoked venison

Also, many Asian recipes like Korean bulgogi work very well with venison.

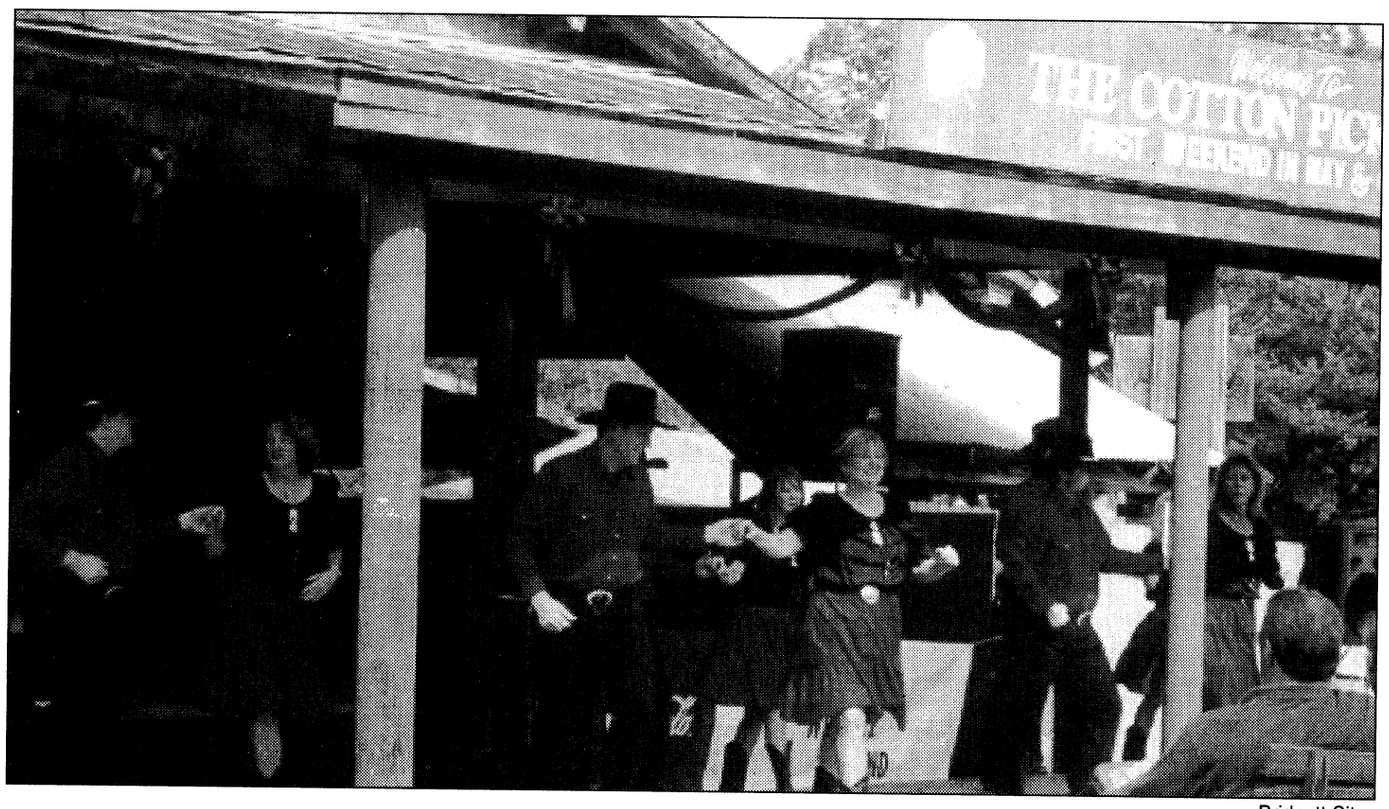
It's always fun to experiment with recipes. One time my wife tried a new recipe. The finished product was quite tough and it had a unique purple appearance. Not to complain, but we won't have that again. Oh well, at least she tried to do something a little different. Doing everything yourself can be a lot of fun, too.

I ast year we bought an industrial grinder and started making our own burgers and sausage. The sausage was most excellent.

We had the best success mixing and measuring pork or beef fat with purchased boston butts and the venison for several different flavors based on the seasonings. We came up with Italian, basil and hot, with cajun being the favorite. This was quite a tedious process as we grilled each one and tasted it as we were processing. Definitely worth the effort though!

So remember, keep your meat as clean as possible, cool it as soon as you can and either take it to a processor or do it yourself and save a little money.

And by all means, experiment, avoiding the purple stuff and, of course, have a safe and happy hunt.



Bridgett Siter

Dancers from the Cimarron dance club perform at the Cotton Pickin' Fair.

Cotton Pickin' fun found at fair

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"There's not a cotton pickin' thing to do around here. It's not fair."

How many times have you heard that one? If I were to write a mother's manual, chapters one and two would be called *"Not a cotton pickin' thing to do? Clean your room,"* and *"No one told you life would be fair. Get used to it."*

Now the good folks in Gay, Ga., have undermined everything I've worked so hard to teach to my children. And it probably started something like this:

Back in the early '70s, someone — my guess is a teen-ager —complained and complained and complained about the lack of entertainment in the tiny town of Gay.

Instead of responding according to the book (i.e. "Get a job Junior," or "Son, when I was your age we used to tip cows for fun,"), the townsfolk decided it might be a good idea to give those young'uns something to do before they all left town on a bus headed for Atlanta.

So in 1972 the citizens of Gay threw the biggest party they could muster and invited everyone near and far. And by golly, they had the best cotton pickin' time anybody could remember. It was so much fun they decided to make it an annual — no, better yet, a semi-annual — event and call it The Cotton Pickin' Fair.

I admit my theory is purely conjecture, but there's no arguing the outcome. Their little venture has put Gay on the map. Nearly 30 years later, folks are still coming from far and wide to take part in The Cotton Pickin' Antiques, Arts and Crafts Fair. They come from Florida, North Carolina and Tennessee to peddle their wares at what's been called one of the top 10 festivals in America.

The brochure called it "a Sunday dinner of the senses," and I can't argue with that. My daughters and I arrived early and stayed late, and we still didn't get to sample all there was to do and see.

Music filled the air — really good knee-slappin' bluegrass and country and flute and harp and something called Sisai, music of the Andes. Who knew those Andes could make such lovely music?

While the music tickled our toes, a potpourri of aromas tempted our noses and made our mouths water for roasted corn-on-the-cob, fried green tomatoes and "Smack Yo Mama" barbecue, candies and jams and funnel cakes and homemade ice cream.

There was lots for the kids to enjoy — trains and pony rides, rock climbing, games galore, an "old-timey" puppet show and various activities just for the young and young-at-heart.

And beneath it all lies the town, little more than a village, whose architecture and main-street facades are preserved much the same as they were a hundred years ago when cotton was king of Gay.

The fair is held on the grounds of a turn-of-the-century cotton plantation. More than 300 vendors and exhibitors set up shop below the magnolias, pecans and pines. Most of the antique booths are housed in the cotton gin, seed house, packing sheds and Victorian plantation house built in 1891.

In retrospect I'd say that's what sets The Cotton Pick' Fair apart from the hundreds of others that crop up around Georgia every spring and fall.

The people of Gay have not only preserved the historical integrity of their tiny slice of the peach, but they've also welcomed the rest of the world to touch it, taste it and try it on for size.

Gay is located 50 miles north of Columbus on Highway 85. Take the Interstate 185 Manchester exit north through Warm Springs and you can't miss it. The Cotton Pickin' Fair is held the first weekend of May and October every year, and is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is $5 for adults and $2 for children between the ages of 4 and 12.

Shooters: Receive induction

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without him, I wouldn't be here."

"Being in the Army Marksmanship Unit is the best job in the Army," Anti said. "I want to thank the USAMU commanders and my teammates — the best team ever assembled at the Army Marksmanship Unit — and Mr. Krilling who has coached me since I was a junior."

Johnson was unable to attend the induction ceremony so Krilling accepted Johnson's award for him.

Following the USAMU International Rifle Hall of Fame, 2000 Olympian retired Army Reserve Col. Bruce Meredith inducted 12 U.S. Army Reservists into the USAR Roll of Honor. Range rededication Medal of Honor recipient, retired Col. Robert B. Nett of Columbus, Ga., was the guest speaker at the Hook Range Rededication Ceremony at 11:45 a.m. Oct. 7.

"It's great to be back at the Home of the Infantry," Nett said. "I'm grateful to be here today for the Hook dedication and to recognize the world's most outstanding marksmen."

Nett and USAMU Commander Col. Arch Arnold unveiled a portrait of Hook, painted by USAMU graphic artist Charles R. Pagan. Then, the USAMU 44th anniversary cake was cut by the youngest member of the MMA at the ceremony — 18-year-old USAMU action shooter Max Michel — the oldest member of the MMA — 84-year-old Walter Schneider — and the MMA member who traveled the farthest to attend the reunion — Rocky Marchioli from Luxembourg.

Gordon R. Roberts, the only active duty Medal of Honor recipient, was the guest speaker at the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Oct. 7 at 2 p.m. at Pool's Ceremony Hill. Roberts is assigned to the U.S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning and is a part-time international rifle shooter. Inducted into the Hall of Fame were former Maj. Lanny Bassham, retired Lt. Col. Francis B. Conway and former 1st Lt. John R. Writer.

"It is a great pleasure to induct these three national treasures into this esteemed Hall of Fame," Roberts said.

Bassham, who won an Olympic Gold Medal in 1976 and an Olympic Silver Medal in 1972, was unable to attend the ceremony. Conway, a former USAMU gunsmith and rifle and pistol shooter and former commander of the U.S. Army Europe Marksmanship Unit, was present to accept this award and encouraged all the support personnel of the Army today to do the very best job that they can do because of its importance to the Army's mission. Writer, a 1972 Olympic Gold Medalist and 1968 Olympic Silver Medalist was also unable to attend.

His former coach, Bill Pullum accepted the award.

Brewers: Nearly shut out Rockies

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and he got one.

"I always think fastball," he said. "I knew I'd seen all his pitches and was just waiting for the fastball."

The lead remained 1-0 until the top of the seventh when Baglio doubled to right field to drive in the second run.

Baglio later comes home on a single by Jacob Stimson, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt., to make it 3-0. For Baglio, the No. 5 hitter in the lineup, his hit was on that was long overdue.

"I've been fighting myself at the plate lately," Baglio said. "This is the first time I've hit in this ball park."

Baglio said in order to hit that double in the seventh he had to adjust his arms a bit to make contact with the meat of the bat.

"Whatever it takes to get the barrel of the bat on the ball," he said.

Baglio was 2 for 3 on the day including his RBI double and a triple in the fifth inning.

The Brewers were happy to have breathing room, especially at the bottom of the eighth. The Rockies showed signs of a rally in the seventh to no avail; but in the eighth they put together a few hits to drive in one run and potentially more if not for Bielak's game-ending strikeout that left men marooned on first and second.

Bielak, who pitched a solidly stellar game, seemed to tire in the eighth especially after the Rockies scored.

"I had to bear down a little bit and get some outs," Bielak said.

Baglio helped Bielak get back in the game by reminding him that keeping it together mentally is very important.

"You have to tell yourself that this team will not hit you," Baglio said of his advice to Bielak.

"In the last inning he looked like he was losing it. But again he gained it back and gutted it out," he said.

There was an evident sigh of relief from the Brewers when the inning ended and they came away with the win after a game that was nail-bitingly close.

"The Rockies are just a very tough team. Even in the summer without all their players, they're tough to beat," Brewers' coach Ed Gawlik, 3rd Bn. (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt.

Gawlik said every time the teams have met the game was always within a few runs and they usually exchanged the lead. In the last game against the Rockies, Sept. 16, the score see-sawed and then ended in a Brewers victory 7-3.

The Brewers' next and last regular game until the playoffs is 1 p.m. Sunday at Golden Park where they will play the White Sox.

The first week of playoffs are set for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday also at Golden Park.

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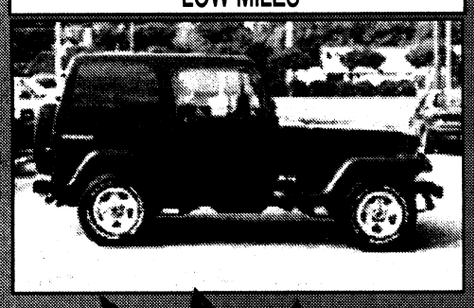

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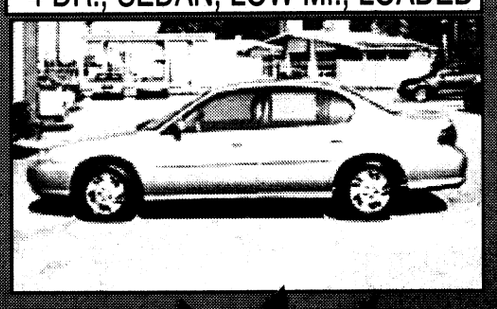



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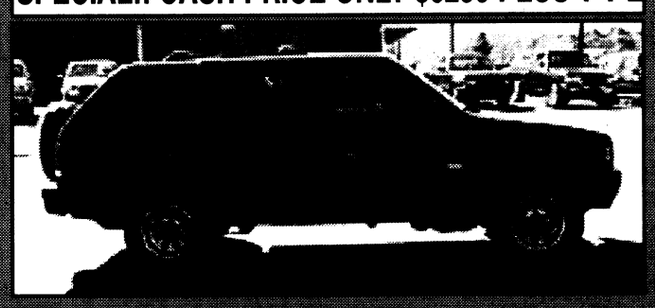

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97 Ford Taurus GL. White, loaded with options, excellent condition, clean, new tires, brakes, tune-up, hwy miles. Sacrifice $5900. o.b.o. 568-9407. (P13)

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94 Ford Ranger like new, 3.0 liter v-6 engine runs excellent, 15 inch all-terrain tires w/sport rims, new transmission {automatic}, 1/2 inch body lift, flowmaster series two dual exhaust, asking $ 9,000 or highest offer. 689-3689 ask for Laura or William. (F27)

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97 Toyota 4 Runner. 48000 miles, desert dune, 4 cylinder, loaded, CD player, PW, wood grain, tinted windows, power locks, tilted steering wheel, aluminum wheels, $18000. 575-5399. (F27)

99 GMC Sierra, dark blue, Z71, ext. cab, topper, spray on liner, leather seats, 49,000 miles, asking $26,900. Perfect Truck! Call (706) 687-8369, leave message. (F20)

99 Ford Explorer XLS,Must sell PCS'ing, Gold, V-6,new tires. 36 month lease.19 payments left on lease, Take over payments will pay you $1200 or will sell for $20,000 689-5579. (F27)

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daycare has openings, Infants-up, Call 568-9848. (P20)

Wanted

Wanted roommate. $280., 1/2 utilities, 2 bedroom house, off Manchester Expressway. Lots of room. 569-0833 house. 464-5693 cell. (F27)

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Yard Sales

113 BALTZELL AVE. OCT. 14, 8:00 - 12:00., baby items, toys, household items, clothes and a lot of misc. items. (F13)

304 Stewart Ave. Ft. Benning. YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS ONE!!! Sat. Oct. 14th, 8:00 - 2pm. Floor lamps, 14 X 14' binded carpet (3 months old), q & f mattress sets, boys bike,little tikes items, baby items, and much much more! LOOK FOR THE SIGNS. (F13)

136-G Baker St. McGraw Manor. Weather permitting, clothes, kids and women's, furniture, tools, baby accessories and much more. 8-2. October 14. (F13)

107 Austin Loop (Main Post). Multi-family yard sale. Saturday, Oct 14, 8 until Antique, furniture, toys, grill, lawnmower, kids clothes & more!! Everything goes!! (F13)

50-A Doane Loop. Boughton Heights. Multi-family. 8am-?. (F13)

312 A Kawamura St. in Davis Hill. Kids clothes, toys, etc. Multi Family. 8-noon. (F13)

537-A North Valdez Ct. Custer Terrace. October 14. 7-12. (F13)

3-A Fournett Ct. Furniture, dishes, household items. 8-?, October 14, 2000. (F13)

178-B Arrowhead Road 8-11 am on October 14. Multi-family yard sale. Lots of boys clothes, toys, household items. (F13)

6147 Mill Branch Road, off of Amber Drive in the 31907 zip code. Huge Yard Sale. Saturday, 28th of October from 7:30 AM until 2 PM call 562-8046 for directions. (F27)

208 Austin Loop (Main Post) TOO MUCH STUFF! Clothes, toys, decorations, furniture, and lots more. 8 a.m. until? (F13)

307B Kawamura. Furniture, gas grill, nick-nacks, toys & lots of clothing (boys 8-16, girls 12-14, Jrs 1-5, women's 4-8) 14 Oct 00, 8 AM 'til noon. (F13)

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Fisher stereo system,100 watt integrated amp,dual cassette deck, 18 preset tuner, Technics 5 disk carousel cd changer, jensen cs 265 speakers $125. 687-9708. (F20)

Espresso Maker by DeLonghi, good condition, $20 obo. Hair Clippers by Oster, good condition, $10 obo. Call 685-0079. Leave a message. (F13)

Whirlpool dishwasher, excellent condition. $75 o.b.o. 221-5621 or 464-3245. (F20)

Whirlpool washing machine, 2 speed, five cycle, heavy duty. Asking $65. o.b.o.. 568-9635 or 888-3783. Ask for Greg. (F13)

Magnavox TV, console, excellent condition. $100. 291-5422 after 5:00p.m. (F13)

Bose entertainment speakers $400., Pioneer receiver $200., DVD player $200. 565-7376 evenings. (F13)

1 lg. cap. G. E. washer 2 settings $150.00 687-6799 (F20)

Children's Items

Halloween Costume. Plush dog. Very cute. Bought for Halloween last year, my never left the house in it. size 12-24 months. Can scan you a picture of it if you have email. $10 687-1944. (F13)

Carl's Bargain Barn. New and used baby and household furniture. Hwy 80, Phenix City. 291-7600. (P3)

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16" Girls Mountain Bicycle 18 spd Schwinn Frontier excellent condition $80 obo 689-8632. (F20)\

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Weight lifting equipment, two benches, 450lbs of weights, barbell, dumbbells, dumbbell rack, weight tree. $350. 561-4844. (F20)

Miscellaneous

JESSE - We met in "Books-A-Million" two Thursdays ago. i need your help with my Spanish. Please call 706-884-4423. If I'm not home please leave a message and your number. Anxiously awaiting your call...**CECELIA.** (P20)

Contemporary formal gowns for sale, worn once. Pale pink A-line gown w/matching wrap sz. 14, $40. Black two piece satin gown sz. LG (fits 12-14) $40. 682-6697. (F13)

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By owner: 3-year-old home in N. Phenix City. 3br/2ba on large lot, fenced in back yard. $87,500. 297-7655. (F3)

Mobile homes for Sale

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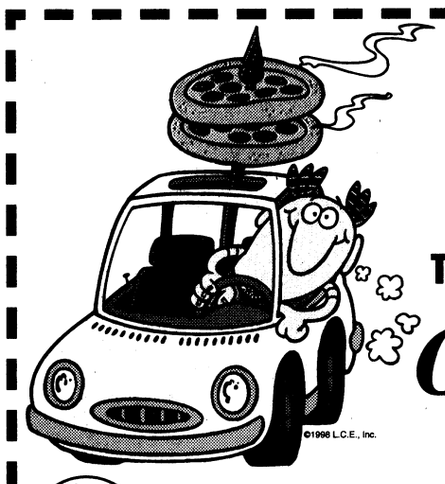

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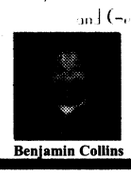
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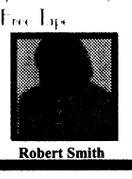
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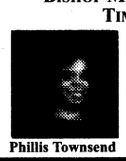
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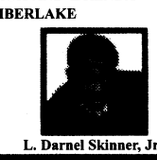
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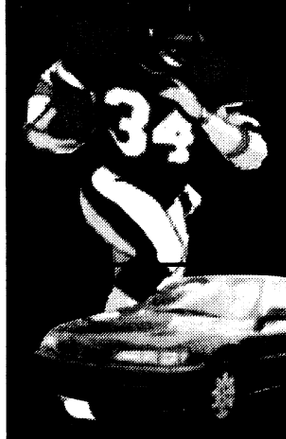

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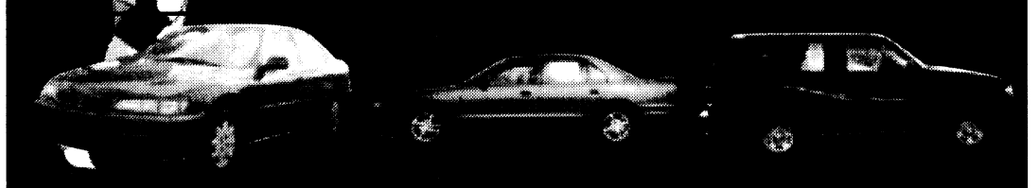

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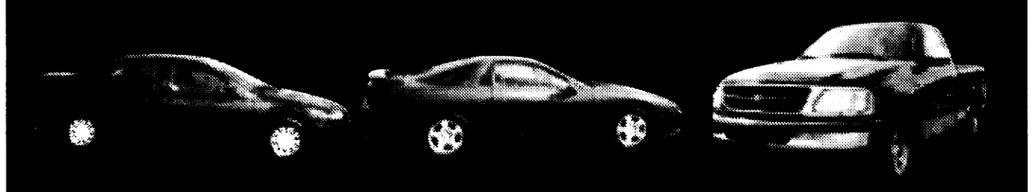

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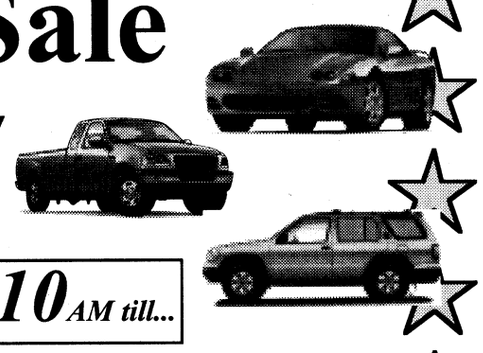

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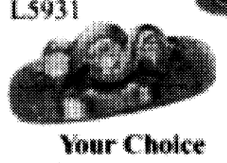



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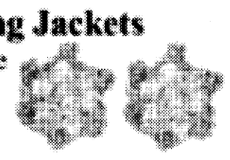

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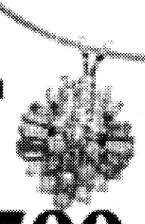

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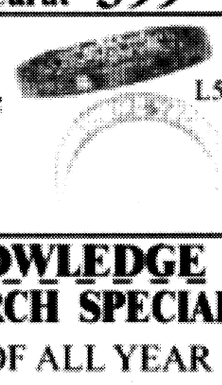

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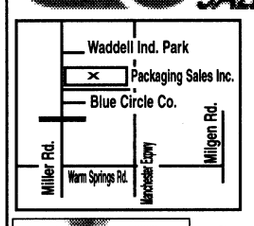

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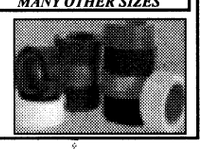

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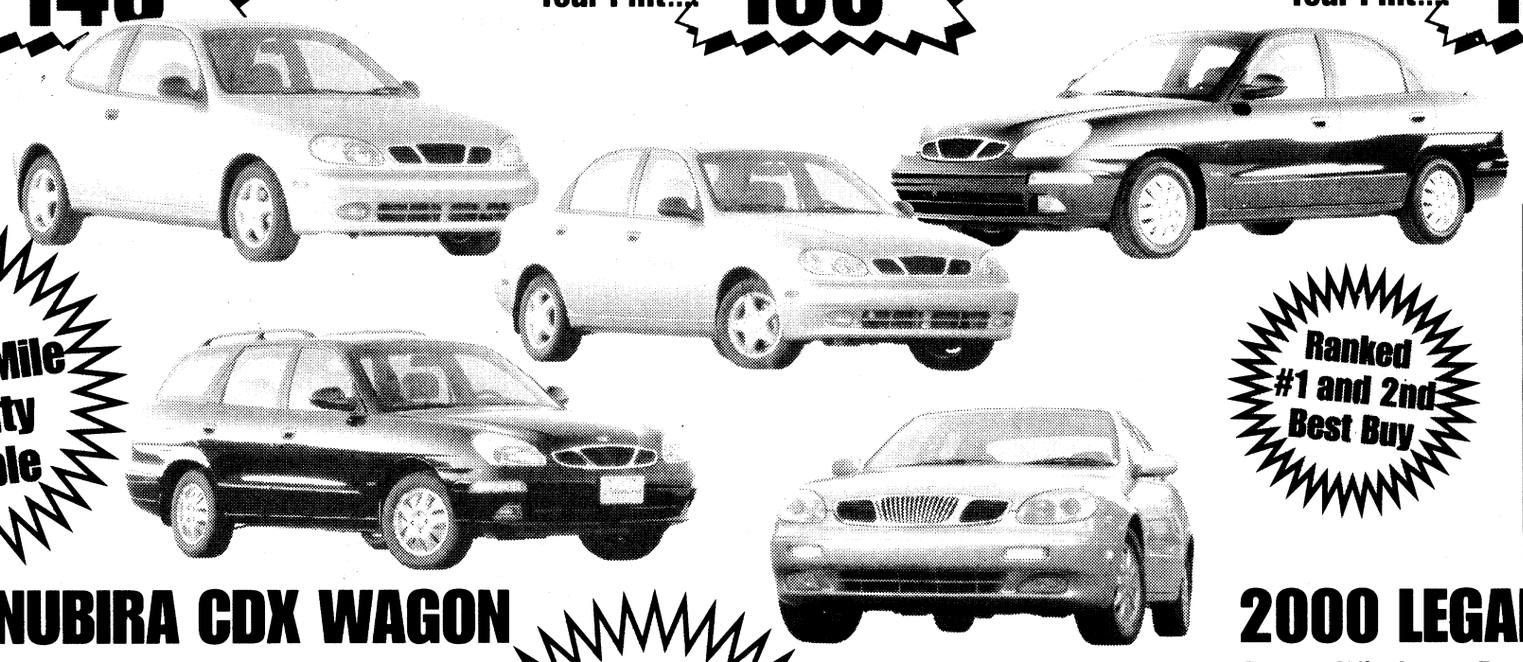

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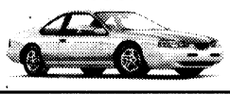
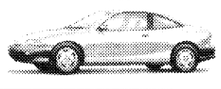
95 NEON 	96 NEON 	96 THUNDERBIRD COUPE 	98 GRAND AM 4 DR SPORT 	98 CAVALIER 4 DR 	99 NEON SPORTY 	97 TRANSPORT LOADED 	00 CARAVAN V6 SE 4DR $15,995 
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Army needs more Soldiers

Caldera says current troops overextended

Staff Sgt. Jack Siemieniec
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera said the Army needs more Soldiers to meet future worldwide missions during a press conference held after the opening AUSA annual meeting ceremony Oct. 16.

"I think in the post-Cold War world, Soldiers are the strategic forces that help us prevent wars. If that is the case, and we project to be as busy as we are, then maybe we need a larger Army than we have today," Caldera told the media.

"In the post-Cold War world, it's your people-to-people forces that prevent wars — that become your key strategic enabler.

"If our security has evolved to the point of saying it's not just about fighting and winning wars, it is also about preventing wars by our active engagement in the world, you have to resource your principal engagement force," he stressed.

The Army is the principal engagement force for the nation and the service that performs the "lion's share of humanitarian assistance, peacekeeping, military-to-military engagement — which is a way of building confidence among nations in different regions of the world," he said.

"That means two things to me. One, you can't be a people force without the people. You have to ensure you have the people. If you're going to use them the way we've been using them, then we need a larger Army. Two, you have to give the Soldiers the tools they need to do the job both in peace and wartime."

Earlier, Caldera addressed a standing-room-only crowd at the AUSA opening ceremony.

During his speech, he broached the idea that if the Army continues being busy with worldwide commitments, it may need more Soldiers.

The audience, about 1,300, included not only AUSA members — both military and civilian — but also West Point and Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets and members of foreign militaries.

"We have been truly blessed as a people and as a country. We live in a time of great prosperity at home and we exert unprecedented influence abroad," Caldera said. He added that even though prosperity is spreading throughout the world, it remains a dangerous place.

"Consequently, everyday, people from throughout the globe call on our nation for help," Caldera said. "They call on our nation to be a world

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Purple Heart



Courtesy photo

In 1968 Capt. Dan Terry begins recovery on the USHS Repose from wounds he sustained while fighting in Vietnam. His shipmates were celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Navy's Nurses Corps.

Veteran receives medal

Army awards Purple Heart during ceremony

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

A retired Fort Benning Soldier and Vietnam veteran was presented the Purple Heart Thursday at the Quarterly Retreat Ceremony, more than 30 years after being left for dead on the battlefield.

Retired Maj. Dan Terry was awarded the Purple Heart for the six wounds he sustained May 8, 1968, the day the 28-year-old 1st Cavalry Division company commander was scheduled to meet his replacement and return to the United States.

Instead, Terry and seven other Soldiers met with heavy enemy fire. Four didn't make it out alive. Terry was wounded in the initial engagement and shot repeatedly as he attempted to reach friendly forces.

"I had no idea I would make it out of there. There was just a lot of hell going on all around me," Terry said. "At some point I just closed my eyes, and I woke up two days later."

Terry credits his company's communications chief, Sgt. Gene Meredith with saving his life. Meredith led a detachment of Soldiers who routed enemy fire for nearly five hours to rescue Terry.

At Terry's recommendation, Meredith received a Silver Star for his heroism, and Terry traveled to Pembroke, Va. to personally present Meredith with his medal in 1970.

"He was out of the Army by that

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Watering becomes voluntary

Fort Benning lifts mandatory restrictions

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

Because of water conservation measures, Fort Benning has saved nearly 2 million gallons of water a day for more than 100 days, and the watering restrictions that were once mandatory are now voluntary.

The drought conditions that plague the South haven't abated, but now the post's focus has shifted to strengthening the sod that was placed in construction areas before spring rains can wash the topsoil into the Chattahoochee River.

"Watering these areas is critical," said Col. Keith Stelzer, director of Public Works, "to the success of this grass getting the proper rooting before the colder periods."

This in turn will hopefully eliminate the need to dredge sand from the water collection inlet more frequently, said Joe Wilkins, environmental specialist with the Directorate of Public Works.

Silt buildup at the water collection inlet necessitates dredging at least once in a three-to-five week period.

Although the runoff of the Upatoi Creek is still below normal for this time of year it is within the sustained flow rate that allows Fort Benning to lift the mandatory restrictions, Stelzer said.

Requesting voluntary compliance with the watering restrictions allows the residents to use their judgment on the watering demands of their yards, Stelzer said.

"The post's response to the conservation measures has been tremendous," Stelzer said.

Campaign continues collections

Goal attainable with Soldiers' contributions

Shannon S. Walsh
Special to the Bayonet©

The Combined Federal Campaign is looking for help as organizers strive to reach the $550,000 goal by Nov. 3.

The CFC kicked off Sept. 26 and has received about $126,000 in donations so far. Garrison manager Chuck Walls feels the Fort Benning community has the potential to raise money that exceeds this year's goal.

"We've had some people turn in their donations but we're not where we need to be. There are people and children out there that need our help and depend on these campaign dollars," Walls said.

The CFC catalogue lists more than 800 worldwide charities. There is a brief description for each organization explaining who it serves.

Donations to local organizations go toward services often used by Fort Benning Soldiers and their families.

Local charities listed include the American Red Cross, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, the Food Bank, Big Brothers and Big Sisters and the YMCA.

There is also an opportunity to give money locally through the Fort Benning Soldier and Family Support Association. This assists services such as youth and

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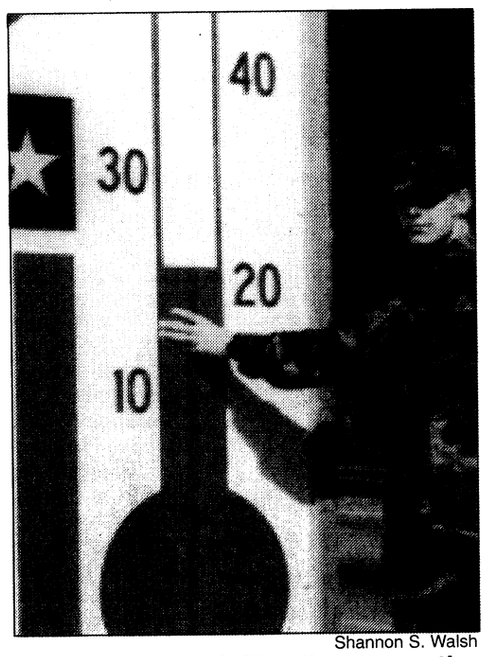

Shannon S. Walsh

2nd Lt. John Stillwell moves the CFC marker to the 20 percent mark.

Remember to reset your clocks and "fall back" one hour Sunday.

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Boo humbug! on Halloween

Scrooge has holiday change of heart

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

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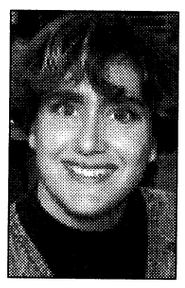

I am the Scrooge of Halloween. This is a title I have defended for many years.

I have stood on my soapbox many times and have written numerous commentaries declaring the day a waste of time and common sense. But I haven't always felt this way.

When I was a child, I loved dressing up as a ghost or goblin and scaring the neighbors into handing out candy. The neighbors two houses down always had freshly made caramel apples for the children they recognized. Mmmmm.

Then there was the time one neighbor tried to get us ghosts to say more than trick-or-treat. "I need to see a trick before I can give you a treat." What in the world? Perform for candy? I don't think so.

Then there was the year one of the more artistic neighbors rigged his son's sound equipment to scare the beejeebers out of anyone who had the nerve to step past the Frankenstein he built from scratch who was guarding the steps or the Dracula in the coffin next to the door.

When the doorbell rang, a low moan filled the neighborhood (one set of speakers was on the roof, another was hidden with Dracula). The door creaked open and this horribly disfigured man filled the doorway and cursed at the children. Parents of the younger children became upset and the police were called, several different times.

The year before this same neighbor made me and his daughter decoupage witches' hats. Who knew the next year would spell disaster?

Was this the beginning of my dislike for Halloween? I don't know, but I do know that when my daughter was born I couldn't imagine ever letting her roam neighborhoods asking strangers for candy. After all, I was teaching her to never take candy from strangers, so why would I let her one night out of the year?

This rationale went over reasonably for several years ... before she could walk and talk. She was satisfied with having her face painted like a cat at preschool and then handing out the candy for the next several years.

Then when she was 5, the questions started. "Why don't we trick-or-treat this year Mom? I want to be a Dalmatian puppy!" Who could say no to that? Not I; she was the cutest puppy ever. Plus she got good use out of the costume because she wore it whenever she wanted — even to the post exchange in July.

Last year she was a black cat and she convinced me to buy a witch's hat and carry a broom.

This year she's excited about dressing up as Harry Potter and last year's broom becomes this year's Nimbus 2000. She has already carved the pumpkin into a jack o'lantern. She even gave it eyebrows.

But she wants to know why we are trick-or-treating on a school night (another one of my rules has gone up in flames.)

For other children whose parents allow them to trick-or-treat on a school night, Fort Benning celebrates Halloween 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday.

I remember one year when the Magraw Manor traffic started backing up at 5 p.m. Watch for the ghosts and goblins that are too excited to watch for traffic.

Check the treats before allowing your child to snack. Keep your pets at home while trick-or-treating.

Have a safe and happy Halloween.

Mother's Curse transends nature

Elsie Jackson
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



Have you seen the calling service commercial with the young mother talking long distance to her mom in France while a toddler brings life to the words "terrible twos?"

The ad ends with the young mom saying, "You've never seen such a difficult child" and her mom replying "Oh, yes I have" as she smiles down at family photos.

Between you and me, she's not really smiling. That's a smirk on her face. She's smirking because a Mother's Curse she laid down years ago has just been validated.

You know the one. It goes, "And I hope, someday, you have a little boy (or girl) JUST LIKE YOU." There are variations, of course, the one most frequently used starts or ends with, "I just hope I live to see the day ..."

That commercial was not fabricated by some ad agency. "Mother's Curses" are real and my second-grader is living proof they work.

My mom laid one on me. My mother-in-law laid one on my husband. (She used the ever-popular and highly effective "One of these days" version). I thought we would be safe from the Mother's Curses our moms laid on us. Our daughter, after all, is adopted, and we aren't related by blood. I was wrong.

There's no other explanation for how the same things that drove both my mom and mother-in-law crazy could manifest themselves in one child. Not just any child, either. Ours.

What are the odds that we would be blessed with a little girl who refuses to wear a dress and can drink tomato soup by the gallon but refuses every other tomato product, except for catsup and spaghetti sauce, on the grounds that "It's yucky?" From the time she was a toddler, she has been fascinated by miniatures, the smaller and more realistic the better.

She spends more time coming up with excuses to put off doing her homework than she would need if she just sat down and did it. Her favorite word isn't "No," it's "Wait!" She's also a packrat. And stubborn? We got a double-whammy Mother's Curse there.

That "She gets it from YOU" stuff just doesn't cut it at our house — we can't use genetics as an excuse.

During some of our adventures in parenting, even though they live miles away, I know our two moms were laughing.

Our daughter is growing up way too quickly, undoubtedly because her grandmothers can't wait to see the results of the "Mother of Teens Curses" they planted. Basically, though, she's a good kid, and I think we'll survive her adolescence. (I do have to confess that from time-to-time I wonder if she will.)

In the meantime, I can always console myself with the thought that some day I'll be laughing just like my mom and mother-in-law are now.

In the meantime, I've got some practicing to do...

"And I just hope, young lady, that some day ... ."

545-boss

Dial 545-BOSS is the commander's action line for Soldiers, family members and civilians to call when they have problems or complaints that can't be resolved elsewhere.

While it is not a substitute for the chain of command or for agencies established to provide assistance, the line offers another means of communication between Fort Benning's community and commanders.

The Bayonet features some of the calls that may benefit other members of the Fort Benning community.

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Call: Why isn't the Main NCO Club designated "No Smoking" like other buildings on post. The caller said people who don't smoke use the club and they shouldn't have to put up with other people smoking.

Acting chief of Community Operations Division response: The caller was told that there is a totally smoke free room, and also a nonsmoking section in the front of the club.

The ventilation system in the smoke free bingo room is separate from the ventilation system in the main room. However, in the main room there are smoke eliminators mounted in the ceiling and on the walls as well as ceiling fans that help to dissipate any smoke.

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Call: A resident of family housing expressed concern about another resident's dog biting two people and the dog's constant barking and what could be done.

Garrison commander's response: The policy on pet control is governed by the USAIC Reg 210-5, Garrison Regulation, which states "The owner must take a pet that bites someone to the Vet Clinic for examination and quarantine. Owners will prevent pets from being a nuisance, and will not allow their pets to stray." The garrison commander's office is responsible for taking action against residents who violate the regulation.

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Call: Why do vehicles need to be registered on post, and why do the stickers need to be on the windshield instead of on the dashboard?

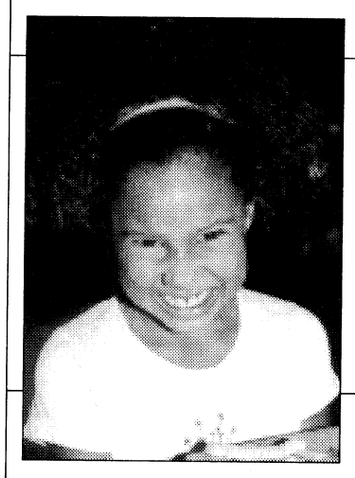
Provost marshal's response: The registration requirement for vehicles driving on post is for the safety and security of the installation. The stickers are placed at the center top of the windshield for easy visibility.

for the record

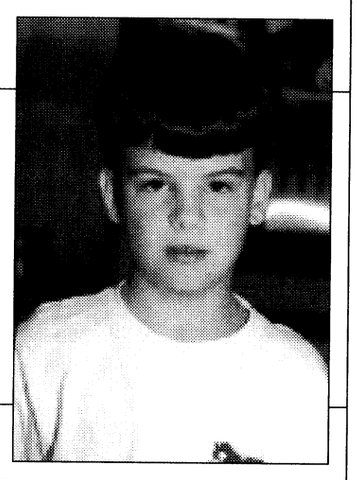
In the Oct. 20 issue of *The Bayonet,* several events in the "club scene at a glance" were incorrect. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

VARIOUS VOICES

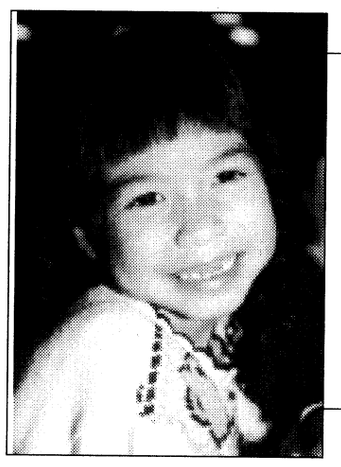
What's your costume going to be this Halloween, and why?



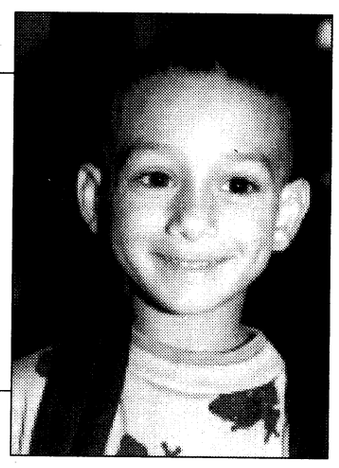
Erin Thomas, 6 years old — "I'm going to be Frankenstein, because I want to scare people this time. "



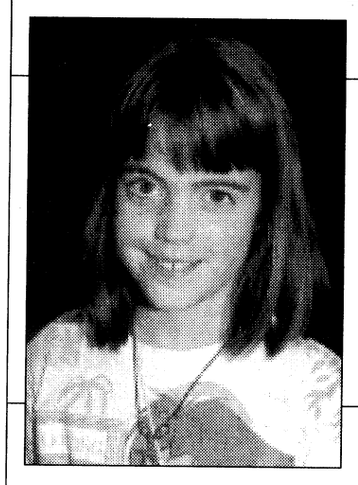
Billy Hogue, 9 years old — "I'm going to be a Mexican guy so I can wear one of those great big pointed hats."



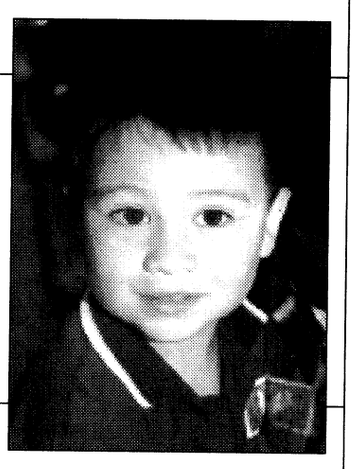
Christina Sanchez, 6 years old — "A ballerina. I like to dance, and I get to wear a crown and carry a magic wand."



Cameron Stewart, 5 years old — "I'm going to be an alien because they're cool. But I'm going to be a nice alien, not a scary one. I'm going to be all green and have a spaceship."



Courtney Clifford, 9 years old — "I'm going to be a princess. I don't want to be something scary this year because I have a little brother. I'm going to fix my hair and wear a long, pink dress."



Gabriele Gallegos, 3 years old — "Batman. I wanted to be Superman, but we already have a Batman costume. I saw the movie. It was cool. I wish I could fly like him."

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New brews flow from Reggie's taps

Microbrewery opened Oct. 20 at Reggie's

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

The bartenders at Reggie's Beverage Company had additional duties assigned in October. They became brew masters when the microbrewery became operational and their first beer was ready for consumption Oct. 20.

The microbrewery now provides "the freshest beer you can get — straight from the brewery to the bar," said Jon Downing with Micropub Brew who provided the training to get the brewery up and running.

The first beers brewed on the premises were an Oktoberfest-style of beer and an American light. The next will be an amber and dark beer.

The microbrewery consists of a brewhouse with three large, stainless steel tanks — a brew kettle and two fermenters. The first tank used is the brew kettle, which is where most of the beer's flavor comes from when the malt, hops and boiling water are mixed.

Next the mixture is "cooled into" to one of the fermenters where the yeast is added, Downing said. After 14 days in the fermenter the beer passes through a triple bank of filters on its way to the cooler where carbonation is added. In the cooler the beer has a shelf life of three months.

This is the second stateside Reggie's to have a microbrewery on the premises. The other one is at Fort Irwin, Calif.

"The Reggie's in Korea had the first microbrewery and all three use the same process and recipes so the beer served in California and Korea will have the same flavor as the beer here," said Downing, who won a Gold Medal for a hefewiessen in Dusseldorf, Germany in 1996. "Water is the main ingredient in the beer and each location will add its own characteristics to the brew but the flavor profiles will remain similar." Downing's brews have been named the best beer in Atlanta for six years straight, said Michael McDonald, Micropub Systems president.

The microbrewery was in the planning stages when the restaurant opened in 1998, but funding prevented its inclusion, Paul Arthur, senior food and beverage analyst for the Community and Family Support Center, said.

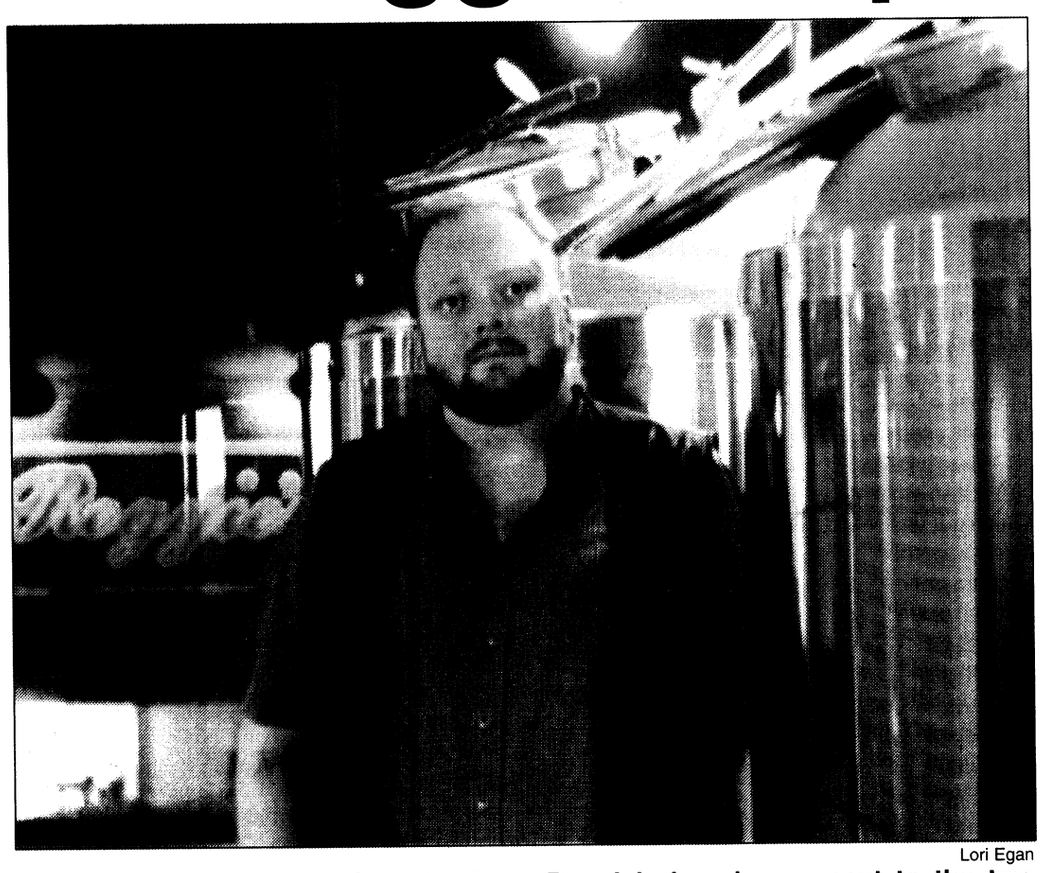
It cost $120,000 from start to finish, he said, and includes the equipment and training.

"This was paid for with NAF money, Soldiers' money, not the taxpayers'," Arthur said.

"From the start, Reggie's has been a themed concept where Soldiers and their families can eat and mingle in a friendly environment," Arthur said. "We found a challenge in supporting our rank-restrictive facilities on smaller installations and Reggie's is the result of that challenge. We pride ourselves on quality food, excellent, friendly service and the brewery is complimentary to our food — it enhances the experience."

Arthur said sales projections, based on the other locations', are $2 food sales to $1 beverage and that including a signature root beer to the beverage menu should also increase sales. "We expect to sell as much root beer as we do our draft beer."

Old-fashioned root beer straight from the tap is one of the draws to bring families to the restaurant, said Patty Couture, Reggie's general manager. "Wednesday night is our kids' night and we serve $1 chicken fingers, spaghetti and hot dogs in addition to the root beer. The dining room is smoke-free and the bar has four electrostatic air filters to keep the air clean."



Lori Egan

Master brewer Jon Downing stands in Reggie's brewhouse next to the two fermenters. The microbrewery opened Oct. 20.

Other improvements to the facility include three big screen televisions and four-plasma screen TVs.

The plasma screens are sprinkled throughout the bar for viewing pleasure and come with speakers that can be placed on the table for the guest's convenience, Couture explained.

Soldiers can play trivia or watch sporting events. On Sundays NFL football coverage includes four satellite games. Friday nights feature karoake.

Reggie's is open for lunch and dinner and Couture said a 24-hour advance notice for large groups keeps waiting to a minimum.

CFC: Continues, campaign benefits local organizations

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handicap programs, the lending closet and food locker, volunteer services, and family support groups.

"We need to think about giving locally," Walls said. "This is your home, let's keep some money coming back here to your community."

Although a lot of Soldiers are involved with local programs and donate to the cause, the campaign still needs more effort. "Right now we have about a 40 percent rate of giving. If we could increase that to 50 or 60 percent, we would hit such a bigger goal," said Cindy Cain, CFC Coordinator for the local chapter of the United Way.

"They don't have to give a huge amount. A few dollars a pay period would make such a huge difference in the overall picture," Cain said.

"Take a moment, look at the catalogue and find something in there that touches you," Walls said.

CFC donation packets can be picked up from the campaign key person in your unit. Units are given credit for donations raised toward this cause.

2nd Lt. John Stillwell is the CFC OIC and has been tracking the campaign results for this year. "It's picking up but we're still down about $69,000 from what we were at this time last year," Stillwell said.

After the CFC ends, the United Way of Chattahoochee Valley disperses the money to all organizations.

Individual donors can contribute to the campaign from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday at the CFC Office on the 2nd floor of the First Union Bank, Wold Avenue. For donations from a group larger than 100 people, go to the office at least 1 hour prior to closing or call ahead to schedule an appointment. The phone number is 682-5142.

Walls wants to make sure that everyone at Fort Benning has been approached and has had an opportunity to give.

"If you've got the money, turn it in. If not, spread the word. It's a great program," Walls said.

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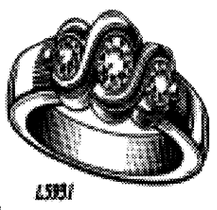
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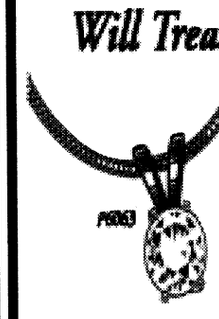
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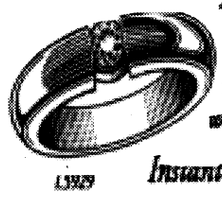
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Frequent fliers hit bumpy area

Officials warn DoD travelers of pitfalls

Shannon S. Walsh
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In spite of warnings of penalties, the personal misuse of frequent-flier miles earned through official government travel has still proven to be a problem.

A top Department of Defense employee, based at Fort Jackson, S.C., was recently accused of using more than $4,000 worth of these earned miles for personal use.

Most airlines currently have programs that reward customers with frequent-flier mile points. These points can then be used for discounts or upgrades on future trips.

Fort Benning officials want to make sure Soldiers and government personnel are aware of the rules.

"The bottom line is simple. If you earn the miles as a result of official travel, they belong to the government and may be used only for official purposes," said Bernard Pfeiffer, chief, Administrative and Civil Law Division, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

There was an attempt several years ago to monitor the program but it did not work because individuals were not reporting their miles earned through government travel, said Ron Johnson, chief of Fort Benning's Transportation Division.

"A lot of people either knowingly or unknowingly use those miles for personal travel or to upgrade to first-class," Johnson said.

Airlines often record frequent-flier miles in one lump sum. "Personnel who do a lot of heavy travel and belong to frequent-flier clubs need to be very cautious," Johnson said.

Johnson said it's up to travelers to keep track and separate personal miles from business miles. They should then inform their supervisor when they've accumulated enough to put toward future official government travel.

Government auditing agencies look at records for commercial travel offices on post and audit airline records to determine if this practice is occurring. There are penalties if someone is found guilty of misusing their miles.

"Soldiers who violate the restrictions are subject to punishment under the Uniform Code of Military Justice," Pfeiffer said. "DoD civilian employees risk adverse administrative actions, to include removal from federal service and federal criminal prosecution."

There have been few problems with the misuse of frequent-flier miles at Fort Benning to date. Education is the key to stopping this practice, Pfeiffer said. The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate presents classes that emphasize the rules and also publishes information papers and bulletins on this topic.

Fire mission



Spc. Mike Menendez

Artillerymen from 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery Regiment, 3rd Brigade, wrap up range firing on Rowan Range. The Soldiers spent 10 days in the field — shooting, moving and communicating.

Two Soldiers killed in accidents

Sally Shutt
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Two Fort Benning Soldiers died in separate traffic accidents this week on Columbus roadways.

Spc. Joe Elliot Lee Cortes, 26, died in a single car accident Tuesday morning on Manchester Expressway. A memorial service will be held today at 2 p.m. in The Infantry Chapel for Cortes, who was an assistant tasking NCO in the 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment. Cortes had served with the unit since 1996. His home of record was Denver, Colo.

Cortes was driving a 1998 Jeep Cherokee on Manchester Expressway near the Warm Springs Connector about 1:35 a.m. when he lost control of the vehicle, which jumped the guardrail and crashed into a ravine, according to police reports.

Cortes, who was pronounced dead at the scene at 3:10 a.m., was not wearing a seat belt, and reports indicate alcohol was a factor in the accident.

In a separate incident, Sgt. Joseph M. Ekstam, 30, was killed Wednesday afternoon after the motorcycle he was driving struck the rear of a tractor-trailer on Victory Drive.

Ekstam, of Bloomington, Ill., was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade.

Initial reports indicate he was traveling west on Victory Drive near 30th Avenue about 3:35 p.m. The tractor-trailer, which was eastbound, was trying to make a left turn onto 30th Avenue.

Ekstam, in an attempt to avoid hitting the tractor-trailer, slid his motorcycle on its side and struck the rear tires of the semitruck.

The truck driver left the scene of the accident. Ekstam was taken to the Medical Center where he was pronounced dead at 3:56 p.m.

The Columbus Police Department has since charged the truck driver and is continuing to investigate the accident.

A memorial service has been tentatively scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Nov. 3 at Kelley Hill, said Maj. Boyce Evans, executive officer of 1st Bn., 30th Inf. Regt.

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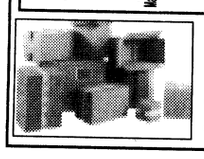

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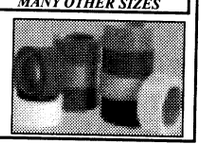

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Future Army marching right on schedule

New doctrine to use 'vertical envelopment'

Master Sgt. Jon Connor
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The plan to develop and field the future Army remains on schedule, said the chief overseer of the new fighting force at a media update briefing at the Pentagon.

Maj. Gen. James Dubik, Training and Doctrine Command's deputy commanding general for Transformation, told reporters Oct. 20 that "everything has started on time and on schedule" in developing the Objective Force.

Dubik, who has headed up organizing and training the Initial Brigade Combat Teams since last October, will soon depart to become the commanding general of the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

"Transformation" as it is called, is the process of developing a new fighting infrastructure that is partly based on self-sufficient brigade-size units. The IBCTs will be "changing all the items associated with combat power," he said. IBCTs are designed to deploy quickly, be agile, very lethal, and be sustainable to meet the missions of today's unique post-Cold War Army, Dubik said.

Because Army doctrine developed decades ago required a major overseas airport and seaport to receive incoming troops and equipment, the need to develop a new strategy was evident, Dubik said referring the prolonged Gulf War buildup of forces in Saudi Arabia.

"Do you think the next one (conflict) is going to be that way?" Dubik asked rhetorically. "The answer is no."

The new doctrine could employ "vertical envelopment," which means large units would have the capability to be dropped behind enemy lines to quickly move out, Dubik said.

"We're changing the governing ideas of our Army," he said. Dubik cited immediate changes at locations like Fort Lewis, Wash., where the ICBTs are being developed and trained; Fort Benning, where lieutenants are educated on the new doctrine; and, Fort Lee, Va., where radically different approaches on logistics support are underway.

Also tied in with transformation is the way leaders communicate to each other and their subordinates.

"The senior gets the subordinates together to collaborate," Dubik said. During training, leaders at different levels work a problem and then come together to discuss, he said.

"It gives the company depth in its leader-oriented decision-making process. It helps them learn to think like their seniors," Dubik said.

"More and more is asked of junior leaders," Dubik said, citing such diverse missions in Panama, Haiti, Bosnia and Kosovo.

The IBCT transformation is a stair-step process, the general said, which continues with the delivery of several hundred Interim Armored Vehicles to replace the unit's former vehicles in March 2001. While the future of today's tanks and fighting vehicles remains to be seen, the interim armored vehicles and their successors are for certain.

"They're not tanks. They're not designed to be tanks," Dubik explained. "They're designed to go to places where tanks can't go.

"You don't want to be a force fighting this organization," Dubik said. "This force has Javelins in every platoon," he said referring to the advanced anti-tank weapons system.

And, Dubik said, the Army is merging the Infantryman military occupational specialties 11B and 11M.

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> **Maj. Gen. James Dubik**
> explaining interim vehicles

Dubik acknowledged that the new Army emerging is not one without growing pains. One goal that is nearly completed is manning the Army's 10 divisions at 100 percent. This consequently produced personnel problems in the organizational stability of losing units.

As of Sept. 30, only two divisions were less than 100 percent strength, Personnel Command reported.

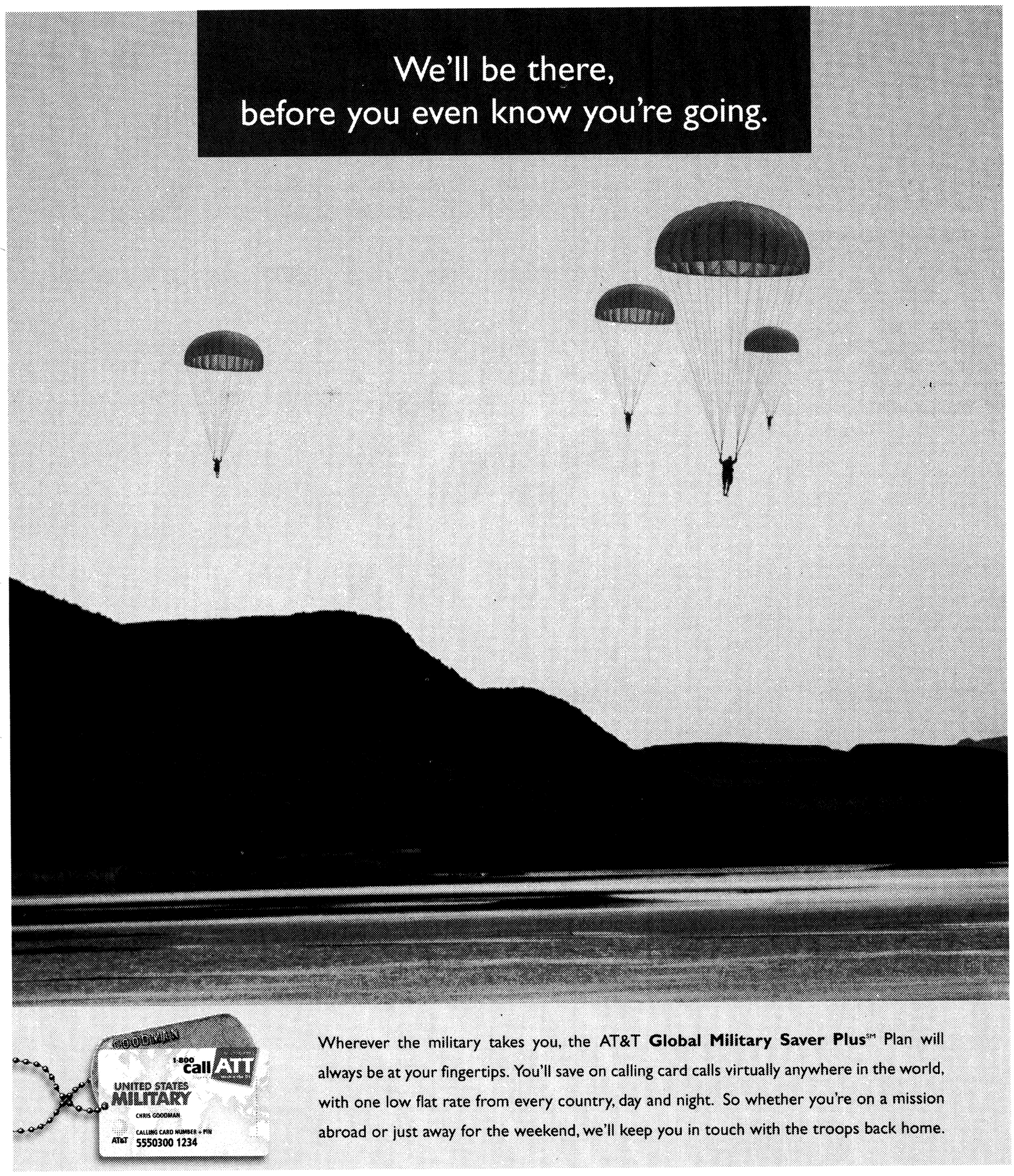
"We need organizational stability," Dubik said, adding that the deputy chief of staff of Personnel must redefine what organizational stability will mean.

"The governing ideas of our Army are coming into question," he said. But by incorporating the new doctrine in TRADOC-run schools, Soldiers will embrace the doctrine as the norm.

"They're adapting very well. Very well," he said. For many captains and sergeants on down, the post-Cold War is all they've known, Dubik said.

He added that while it's natural for some to be nervous while being at the forefront, the feeling of excitement today's young Soldiers are experiencing cannot be denied.

"There's high excitement in this stuff," he said. "People like moving out and being first."



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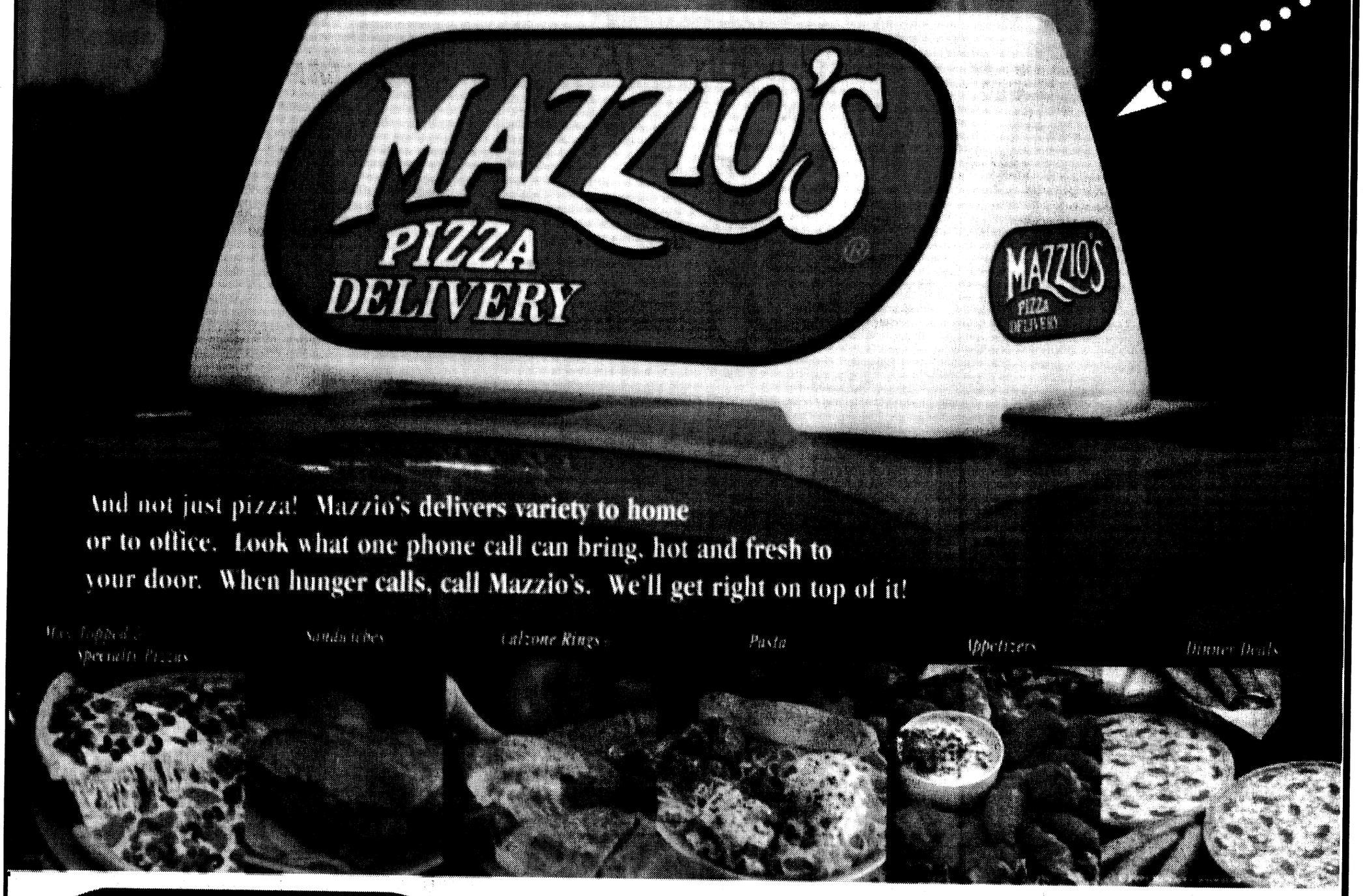

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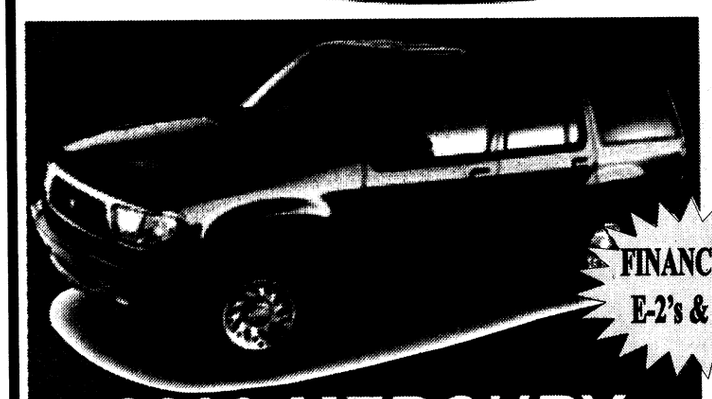

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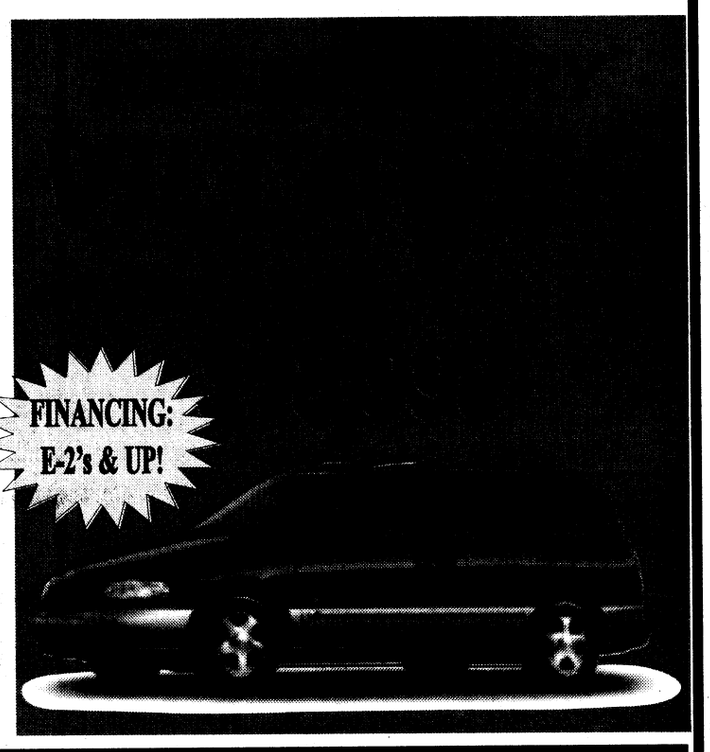

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Every Thursday morning Isabel Engeldinger volunteers her time at the Retirement Services Office and helps retirees and tries to answer a plethora questions.

From 8 a.m. to noon she, along with the rest of the RSO staff, field retirees' questions and with the Retiree Military Appreciation Days nearing, the work has picked up.

This routine has lasted her for the past 13 years and she's enjoyed the work since the day she began.

Engeldinger began her volunteer work when the head of the office at the time asked for her assistance.

"I guess I just enjoy doing it," Engeldinger said. "It seems like it helps the girls (who work in the RSO) because they get pretty busy."

People come into the office for not only retirement information, but they come in for getting their pay and address changed, she said.

The best part is greeting the people coming in, she said. Some people are not too happy about retiring but there are others who are really happy and there the ones who are a lot of fun. "You can almost see the sparkle in their eyes," she said.

Engeldinger herself needed to go to retirement services when her husband retired and was unable to clear the Army by himself because of health problems.

"I had to do a big share of the clearing," she said. "I was uptight about the move because he couldn't do anything and here we were out in California moving to here. We had the car out there and I had to worry about shipping the household goods."

Retirement services helped her and her husband as it has many other retirees.

Her husband, Ralph, said he feels Isabel's job is important to the local retirees.

It is a way to give back to the community, Ralph said.

Isabel is just one of the people who help military retirees from the Fort Benning area.

The 18th annual Military Retiree Appreciation Days, Thursday through Nov. 3, are another way for retirees to receive more help.

During the two days there will be seminars providing information about retirement, Isabel said.

People can receive physical examinations during this time and there will be briefings on retirement services.

The two days of events will also include a breakfast with trainees in basic training, attending a graduation ceremony of A and B Companies, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, as well as attending a Rangers in Action demonstration.

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Fort Benning will host a special Transition Seminar 2 to 5 p.m. Wednesday in Infantry Hall's Classroom 9.

This seminar brings a panel of former Army individuals to the stage to share, on a personal level, their experiences when transitioning to civilian occupations.

This seminar complements the efforts of the Army Career and Alumni Program because it provides insight and motivation for Soldiers to plan for the inevitable separation from Army, said Ron Green who retired from the Army 1993 and will lead Wednesday's panel.

The panel will consist of seven retired Army officers and a sergeant major now employed by a cross section of businesses around the country.

Companies such as IBM, MPRI, ENRON, Logiciel Consulting, T. Marzetti Company, IBMLink, and UNISYS currently employ the panel members. Their unique perspectives and insights into the civilian job market may not be available anywhere else.

This Transition Seminar is open to anyone interested in learning more about the transition process, but may be most appropriate for Soldiers who will retire or transition within the next two years.

The format for the seminar will start with brief introductions by the participants followed by question and answer periods to delve into all aspects of successfully moving from Army green to the business suit.

The panel members will respond to questions about preparation for transition, personal and family stress, resume preparation and uses, looking for the good jobs, networking, interviewing, job search experiences, positive attitude, rejection and success, and how to keep success going after being hired. Any additional transition related questions are welcomed from the audience.

Commanders and supervisors are encouraged to release Soldiers to attend this special Transition Seminar. The participants are offering this program because they want to help others who have given so much to the Army.

Good attendance by Fort Benning Soldiers will ensure a successful event. This is a once in a career opportunity open to all Soldiers nearing separation or just getting prepared for separation down the road.

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Army: Needs more new Soldiers

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leader, to use our prosperity and prestige, our awesome military might, to make the world a safer place and to help spread the blessings of liberty and freedom."

In the 21st century, Caldera said, the source of the nation's strength will not only be its military might and capability to respond if attacked, but also demonstrated in worldwide day-to-day affairs.

"The Army is our nation's premier engagement force, our strategic force of choice for people-to-people interventions that further our national interests."

He added that the Army Vision announced at last year's AUSA meeting would serve to transform the service from a Cold War, Industrial Age Army into a 21st century, Information Age Army.

Caldera also pointed to record re-enlistment figures for the second straight year and noted the service had made its recruiting goal for the current fiscal year.

This was a total of 20,000 more new Soldiers than in fiscal 1999.

The Army also made recruiting goals for all three components, active, reserve and National Guard.

In addition, the secretary touted new business practices to advertise, market and communicate to young people that the service is now using to ensure continued recruiting successes.

These include direct mail advertising, telemarketing and increased use to the Internet.

Caldera said an essential part of his and Shinseki's vision of transforming the Army is a commitment to investing in its people.

His new initiative, Army University Access Online, is a distance learning program announced in July and will provide Soldiers the opportunity to pursue a college education, regardless of where they are serving.

The first three locations are scheduled to begin operation in January, at Forts Hood, (Texas), Campbell, (Ky.), and Benning.

"Army University Access Online will give Soldiers an information age, learn-while-you-serve option," Caldera said, "that eliminates many of the obstacles they routinely encounter today trying to earn a college education.

"The Army University Access Online program will benefit both recruiting and retention and importantly, will produce the better educated, more productive, and more technology savvy Soldier that our country will need in the missions and the battlefields of tomorrow."

It will ensure those serving that they can leave the Army with the education and the skills needed to succeed in the today's economy, Caldera said.

"This is just one of the many ways we are working to communicate that the Army is still a place of unprecedented opportunity for America's youth," he said.

Caldera then appealed to the members of the audience asking them to continue their efforts to educate and acquaint the general American public with the Army.

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Medal: Given at Retreat Ceremony

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time, so I had to enlist the help of his mother and his boss to surprise him," Terry recalled. "But it seemed only fitting to make a formal presentation after what he had done for me."

Terry, however, was never formally presented his own medal, the Purple Heart, for the wounds he'd suffered in Vietnam — wounds that kept him confined to a hospital bed for a year.

"I kept waiting to get it, and it never came.

"Finally I went to personnel at Martin Army, and they handed it to me across the counter," Terry chuckled. "I didn't think too much about it, and I didn't blame anyone. I knew there were too many who didn't get one at all. I was just happy to have it."

Terry wore his Purple Heart for the remainder of his 21-year military career, never questioning the manner in which he received it.

In 1978, he retired in Columbus with his wife, Judy, and their three children, Kel, Melissa and Laura Meredith, who was named after the Soldier who saved Terry's life. Despite 11 surgeries and a myriad of recurring health problems stemming from his war wounds, Terry refused a medical disability and pursued a second career in sales and supervision.

Ironically, it was another officer's retirement that ultimately added the final chapter to Terry's military career.

Retired Col. Greg Camp, former Fort Benning chief of staff, moved to Columbus when he retired in 1997.

He soon discovered his new neighbor, Dan Terry, was a very modest man, but friendly, with a penchant for making wine he labeled with a purple heart.

It was often over a shared glass or two that Camp would pry a little information about Terry's Vietnam experience. Camp said it took almost four years — "quite a bit of digging, a little at a time" — for the whole story of Terry's injuries and subsequent health problems to unfold.

"Here is a guy who was left for dead on the battlefield, who fought to stay alive.

"A year later, when he recovers from his wounds, he picks up his Purple Heart at the personnel office as if it were a piece of paper," Camp said. "That just isn't right. He is, to me, the epitome of the unsung hero — someone who devoted his life to his country and his family and has never once given a second thought about that."

To right the matter, Camp enlisted the aid of Terry's wife and oldest daughter and secretly arranged for Thursday's formal presentation of the Purple Heart.

Though Terry balked at the plan when he learned of it two weeks ago, he relented when he discovered his son, daughter and four grandchildren were coming from Arkansas and Birmingham, Ala., to be present for the ceremony.

"I don't like attention, and that was a long time ago. But my daughter told me I wasn't going to get out of it and I had no say in the matter," Terry laughed. "I had to do it for my family and Greg."

Just two months after undergoing surgery to fuse three vertebrae and implant metal rods in his back, Terry stood arrow straight, the outline of his body brace barely perceptible beneath his suit jacket, as he was formally presented the Purple Heart "for wounds received in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 9 May, 1968."

ITB welcomes new commander to Sand Hill

Schorsch goes to Vicenza, Hayden's back

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Trainees from the Infantry Training Brigade welcomed a new commander Oct. 20 when Col. John Schorsch relinquished command to Lt. Col. Thomas Hayden in a ceremony on Kannell Field.

Schorsch served as the brigade's commander since Dec. 16, 1998.

He and his wife, Debbie, will move to Italy where he will be the chief of staff of the Southern European Task Force (Airborne).

"These men and women will do anything you ask," Schorsch told Hayden in his final address as ITB's top officer. "Lead them well."

Then addressing his five battalion commanders, who he served with for two years, by their radio call signs, Eagle six bid them "goodbye and good luck."

Schorsch left his legacy knowing that he oversaw the training of nearly half the Infantrymen within the Army's ranks, more than 15,000 trainees each year.

Hayden, a native of Richmond, Va., returned to Fort Benning and the ITB, where he is the former commander of 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry Regiment.

He most recently came from Fort Lewis, Wash., where he served with the 9th Infantry Division.

Other assignments included serving with the 3rd Armored Division in the Federal Republic of Germany, the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) in Fort Campbell, Ky.

He also served with the 24th Infantry Division in Fort Stewart, Ga., and the U.S. Army Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, N.C.

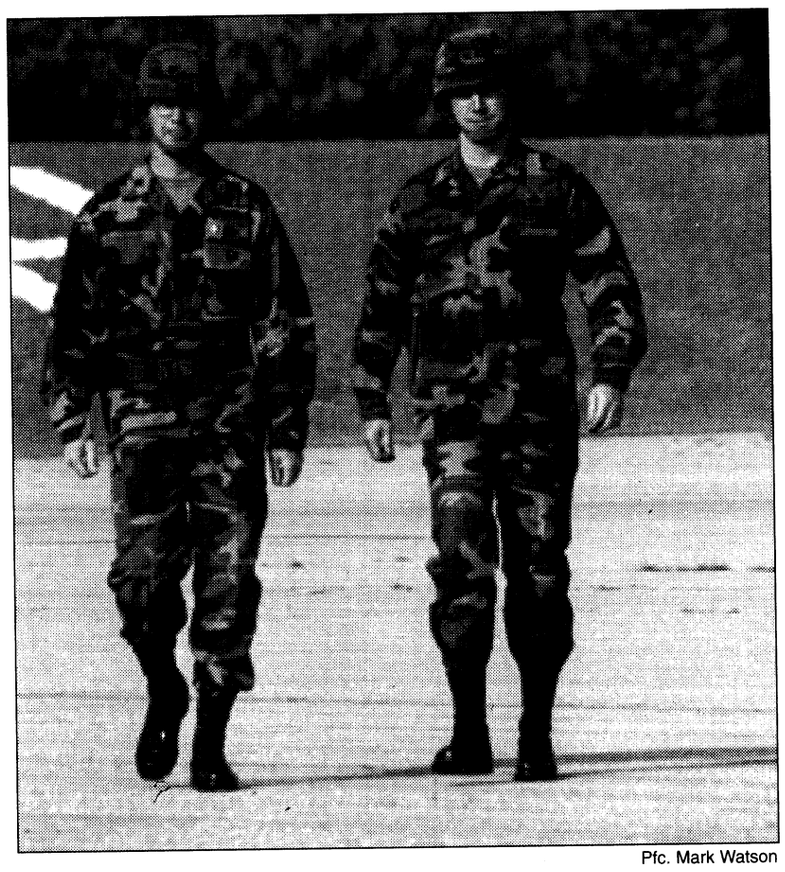
Hayden's awards include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Achievement Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal and the Expeditionary Service Medal. He has also been awarded the Expert Infantryman's Badge.

"This is a great day for the Hayden family," Hayden said after he accepted command of the largest brigade in the Army.

"We are extremely excited to have the opportunity to be back on the Fort Benning team and once again participate in the magic which takes place in this brigade.

"We are indeed fortunate to rejoin the ranks of this great unit."

Hayden brings with him his wife, Shanda, and their children, Ashley, Mark, Lindsey and John.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Lt. Col. Thomas Hayden (left), who took command of the Infantry Training Brigade from Col. John Schorsch troop the line Oct. 20.

Officer candidates compete in squad competition

Soldiers face strenuous march, heavy task

Officer Candidate Kenneth Stewart
3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment

The shout of "first call" roused candidates from their sleeping bags to the frigid morning air of Garnsey Range Oct. 13.

Candidates from A Company, 3rd Battalion, (OCS) 11th Infantry Regiment, struggled to stow their gear into rucksacks as their first sergeant shouted for formation. The candidates were about to face one of their most strenuous challenges to date.

After three days of field training, candidates woke at 1:30 a.m. and separated into 10 different competition squads to carry a five gallon water can 11 miles in addition to the combat loads they were packing.

"The challenge was finding out how we carry the water and our gear and get to our objective together as a team," said Officer Candidate Dawn Carver.

A variety of strategies were employed by the candidates to reach the finish line in the quickest time possible.

Candidates were not allowed to leave their pre-designated course, but they were allowed to use any of their equipment and the items in their immediate surroundings to accomplish their mission. 2nd squad lashed two sticks together and hung their water can from it with 550 cord.

"It was a squad competition. Our team decided before we started that if we won, it would be great; but regardless of what place we earned, we would all finish. That was our goal and we did it," said Officer Candidate Candace Hurley.

> "The road march, obstacle course, and combatives were like an Army triathlon. It was one of the most physically challenging events I have ever completed."
>
> **Officer Candidate Leann Courtney**
> A Company, 3rd Battalion, (OCS) 11th Infantry Regiment

After completing the 11-mile march with their water cans, the squads marched an additional 4.7 miles to the Bolton Confidence course. At the confidence course squads competed for the best time through numerous obstacles. The toughest obstacles for the candidates were the inverted wall, the log balance and the vault obstacles, Carver said.

Despite the rigors of completing a nearly 15-mile road march the candidates' morale was high.

"After completing these challenging events, I realized that as long as you have the mental toughness to win there is no physical pain that can stop you," said Officer Candidate Santos Arroyo.

Upon completion of the obstacle course, candidates once again put on their rucksacks and marched to an Airborne training pit where they practiced combatives. Candidates participated in hand-to-hand combat drills and bouts for submission for two hours.

"The road march, obstacle course, and combatives were like an Army triathlon. It was one of the most physically challenging events I have ever completed," said Officer Candidate Leann Courtney."

The competition was designed to test the candidates' strength, endurance and ingenuity, Capt. Paul Rhyne, A Co. commander, said.

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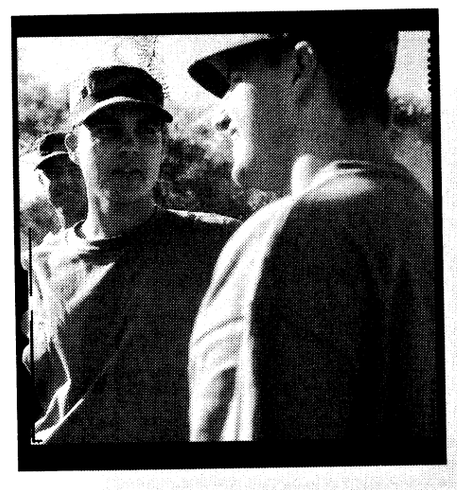
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Infantrymen try to earn expert title



Shannon S. Walsh

Sgt. James Taylor, A Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, disassembles a squad automatic weapon Wednesday during testing for the Expert Infantryman's Badge. The weeklong testing ends today and included a PT test, weapons knowledge, NBC warfare and first aid. Traditionally, fewer than 30 percent of the candidates will earn the badge.

Weeklong EIB testing ends today

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Testing wrapped up today for Soldiers trying to earn the Expert Infantryman's Badge.

The test measured each participant's physical fitness and ability to perform critical Infantry skills to standards of excellence.

"It shows who is the best at what we do, who is an expert at our job," said Pfc. Tyson Cole, B Company, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment.

Cole was among the many Soldiers hoping to end the week with a successful completion of the test.

The EIB test is administered once a year for a unit and must be completed within five days. Testing is voluntary and open to qualified officers and enlisted Soldiers. Candidates must be recommended by their commander prior to taking the test. They must also qualify as an expert with an M-16 rifle.

"It's a one-time deal and you don't have to worry about it for the rest of your career," said 1st Sgt. Dennis Jones, assistant NCOIC for the EIB test site. "After you pass, it sets you aside as someone who met that challenging test of the Infantryman."

Jones earned his EIB in 1984 and acknowledged that it can be a stressful experience. "If someone comes through and says they're not very nervous, they don't make it very far," Jones said.

Most of the Soldiers trained for two weeks prior to testing.

They were also given study guides to prepare them for the variety of tests on the course. EIB rules say there should be no practice areas on or near the testing sites.

Even if Soldiers couldn't physically practice a task, Jones said memorizing the steps helped. "You need to study the tasks, learn them and become proficient at those tasks," he said.

Soldiers trying for the EIB had to get above a 70 percent minimum score on their physical fitness tests.

Day and night land navigation were another part of the challenge. Candidates had three hours for each test to find a certain number of points along the route. Electronic navigational devices were prohibited during this phase of the testing.

There was also onsite testing of more than 30 tasks at more than 20 stations.

The tasks ranged from proficiency with hand grenades and first aid, to demonstrating knowledge of how to handle nuclear, biological and chemical warfare.

"I was most worried about the grenade station," said 2nd Lt. Curtis Cannon from B Co., 1st Bn., 15th Inf. Regt. "It's mostly luck and you could get a bad bounce."

Sgt. James Taylor, A Co., 1st Bn., 15th Inf. Regt. said the M-240 Bravo station was his biggest challenge. The first test at that station was to disassemble and reassemble an M-240.

"There are a lot of steps you have to go through in sequence and there's very little time to do it," Taylor said. "I'm trying to stay focused and take one station at a time."

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> **1st Sgt. Dennis Jones**
> assistant NCOIC of the EIB site

The last phase of testing was a 12-mile road march with a 35-pound pack.

Site instructors were certified by the EIB board prior to the testing. They had to show they could perform the same skills they were judging the candidates on. "They must be able to brief it, execute it and critique it," Jones said.

The EIB is seen as a mark of honor for hopeful candidates. "It will mean I'm a part of the great tradition of the Infantry," Cannon said.

If a candidate made up to three mistakes, or "no gos" on site tests, he will have to wait until testing begins again next year.

For candidates who made less than three mistakes, there were opportunities for retesting during the week.

Many hopefuls were ruled out early on in the testing. "Anything above 30 percent of remaining candidates is great at the end," Jones said.

Those who did make it through all five days were awarded their new badges today.

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Tankers blast way into qualification tables

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Abrams tanks are making their way through the desert in a southeasterly sweep toward the positions of a well entrenched enemy force of both troops and Russian-made T-72 tanks.

The tank named "Bling Bling," along with its wing man crew of "Black Beard" are in the lead when one tank commander spots an enemy tank while looking through the night sights.

The tank stood out white from the heat it generated against the rest of the desert bathed in green.

"Tank identified," yelled the Soldier as he maneuvered the sights of the main gun to the center of the enemy vehicle.

"Up," shouted the loader as he closed the breach of the 120 mm main gun holding a sabot round, the main tank killing round for the Abrams. The tank commander ranged the enemy at 2200 meters, "Fire!" the tank commander ordered.

"On the way!" the gunner said and with that he pulled one of the five triggers inside the tank.

"Lost, lost, lost!" the commander said as the muzzle flash and the dust from the round going toward the target obscured the enemy tank from Bling Bling.

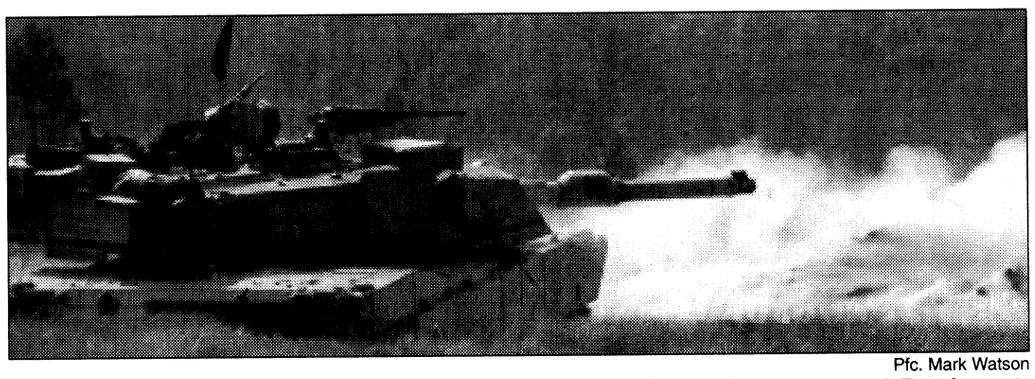
Watching through their sights, the gunner and tank commander of Black Beard watch the tracer from the round streaking toward the enemy tank. The round disappeared into the tank punching a small hole through its armored plates.

With a blinding flash, fuel and ammunition from the enemy tank explode putting it out of action.

"Target!" Black Beard's commander called out to the Bling Bling crew.

"Ohh yeahs" and "Hooahs" are heard on the radio from the Bling Bling crew.

Although this was a fictional battle, it is the reality tankers from 2nd Battalion, 69th Armored Regiment, 3rd Brigade were training for.



Pfc. Mark Watson

The crew of Black Beard, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armored Regiment, 3rd Brigade, fires from a defensive position Oct. 20 on Hastings Range.

The tankers were taking part in their biannual qualification tables to prepare them for combat. On Oct. 20 it was B Co.'s turn at Hastings Range and Tank Table Eight.

Tank Table Eight consisted of six day runs and four night runs in which the tankers faced 10 engagement opportunities. Each engagement was a little different.

"Table Eight brings all the weapons into use," Capt. David Meyer, the company commander said. "On some engagements they use only the main gun and on others they use the main gun and the machine guns."

Some had only one stationary target while other engagements consisted of stationary and moving tank targets and ground troop targets, he said.

The tankers fired from both defensive and offensive positions on targets up to 2200 meters, for the main gun, and 800 meters for the machine guns.

"Tank Table Eight is the best test to properly manipulate the firing systems to hit targets," Meyer said.

"For a lot of (the tankers) it is their first gunnery," he said. "We tell the NCOs to train their crews like they are going to war and their crews' successes are the direct result of the NCOs."

Meyer said the crews were doing fantastic. The main gun rounds struck their targets with a 94 percent accuracy rate.

Spc. Ahmed Edwards, the gunner for Bling Bling, said he was pleased with Tank Table Eight.

"You really learn a lot from it," Edwards, the gunner of Bling Bling said. "We had some problems with our tank and we fought it, but we worked on it as a crew and did a good job.

"We really came a long way from the first tank table," he said. He, along with the rest of the Bling Bling crew shot 822 points out of a possible 1000 earning them a superior rating.

The crew of Black Beard was equally satisfied with their performance.

"We really did a good job," Staff Sgt. Don Hickson, Black Beard's commander said. "We had some misfires, but our reaction time was good. We were pretty squared away even though we had a lot of breaks in firing."

After each crew completed a run, an after action report is held to critique and evaluate their actions. Video taken from a thermal camera shows the tankers where they were shooting.

After facing the tables, the tankers are able to fight as a team better than they were before. They faced problems they may face in combat and learned how to overcome them.

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Fish

Pvt. Matthew Fish
Conway, S.C.
E Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army to protect and defend the U.S. Constitution as well as carry on a family tradition of serving in the armed forces. It also will give me an excellent chance to better myself physically and mentally.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen by my peers for my motivation and dedication in all tasks which I was involved in during the cycle, as well as the confidence I show in my knowledge and in my peers.



Green

Staff Sgt. Harry Green
Lompoc, Calif.
E Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I use a mentoring style.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I am satisfied to see Soldiers who give 100 percent graduate.



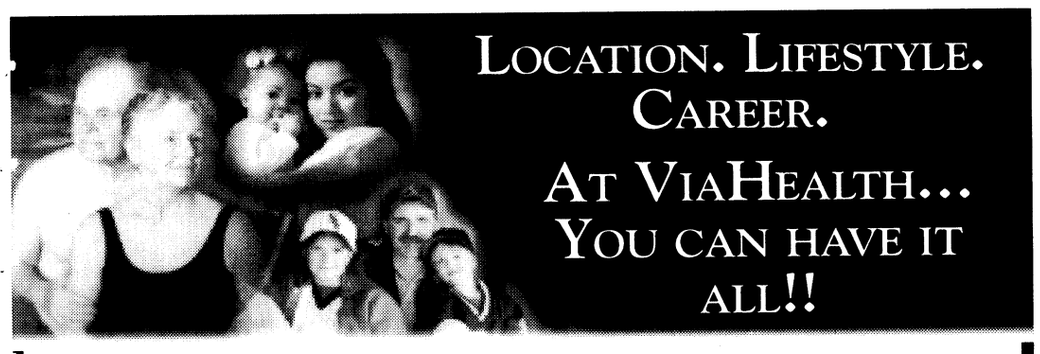
Kidd

Pfc. James Kidd
Bradenton, Fla.
B Company, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I learned to appreciate my country through ROTC and feel I can excel in the military.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen for my knowledge and leadership skills.



Garcia

Staff Sgt. Orlando Garcia
Brownsville Texas
B Co., 2nd Bn., 58th Inf. Regt., ITB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. Participative. You have to lead in order to train Soldiers.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Watching the transformation from civilians to Soldiers and knowing I've helped train the Infantrymen of tomorrow.



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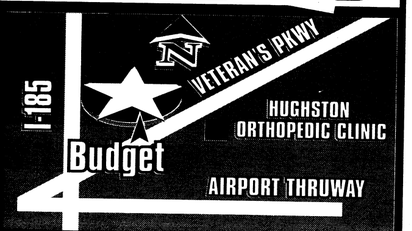

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SECTION B

Classic hog cruises to Infantry Museum

Minnesota business donates vintage military motorcycle

Sally Shutt
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A 1942 Harley-Davidson military motorcycle, complete with sidecar, and photographs detailing life in a World War II prisoner of war camp are two of the latest exhibits on display at the National Infantry Museum.

While the motorcycle is a gift from a Minnesota corporation to the museum's permanent collection, the photographs are only on loan from the Andersonville National Historic Site.

This summer Mark Stump, vice president of Katun Corporation in Minneapolis, Minn., contacted the museum's director, Frank Hanner, with an offer. Katun owned a restored Harley-Davidson WLA and wanted to donate the vehicle to the museum.

"I think Frank thought I was joking when I called," Stump said.

It was no joke.

Stump and his wife, Judy, had visited the museum earlier while they were on post to see their son, 1st Lt. Matthew Stump, graduate from Ranger School.

"I was very impressed with the museum. What a wonderful place," Stump said.

But it wasn't until Katun was about to redecorate the lobby where the motorcycle had been displayed for several years that Stump had the idea of giving the vehicle to Fort Benning.

Katun, the world's largest independent provider of replacement copier parts, had purchased the motorcycle from a man and paid to have it restored to mint condition, Stump said.

"We were redesigning the lobby and thinking about selling it. One day I said, 'You know this motorcycle really belongs in a museum and I know just the one,'" Stump recalled.

Although the motorcycle is fully operational, it has been "pickled" — the gas and oil removed — in order to meet museum requirements.

Once representatives from Katun signed a gift agreement with the U.S. government, the motorcycle was loaded on a C-130 flown by the Minnesota Air Guard, which was already scheduled to land at Lawson Army Airfield.

Hanner met the plane at the airfield where he, his staff and personnel from the Directorate of Community Activities unloaded the museum's latest acquisition and transported it to its new home on the third floor.

During World War II Harley-Davidson produced a total of 88,000 motorcycles. Each armored division was assigned about 500 motorcycles used to transport personnel engaged in messenger service, reconnaissance and police operations, Hanner said.

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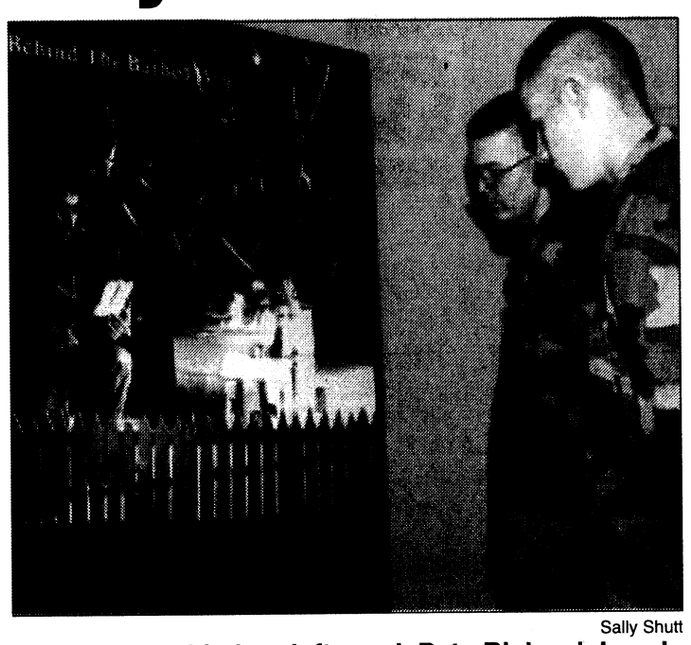

Sally Shutt

Pvt. Steven Limbo, left, and Pvt. Richard Lasek, both of 1st Battalion, 507th Infantry Regiment, look at the prisoner of war exhibit on loan until December at the National Infantry Museum.

BACK OFF! Take control!

"Any woman who has not taken the proper steps to learn the basics of defending herself from an attack is already a victim — it just hasn't been recorded yet."

Alex Mordine (BACK OFF! founder and director)

Former Ranger teaches self defense

Bridgett Siter
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A former Fort Benning Ranger is waging a personal battle against domestic violence and rape. He's teaching women to survive any assault, whether it takes place in the home or on the street.

Kestner Edens has been practicing martial arts for 27 years. After retiring from the Army in 1999, he and a friend opened a dojo, or martial arts academy, in Columbus. Not only does he offer courses in the art of Ninjutsu, but he teaches special classes in situational awareness and self-defense for women only.

"It's not martial arts. That's the first thing I always tell people," Edens said. "I can't teach women to be martial artists in two weeks, but I can give them the tools to avoid dangerous situations whenever possible and survive and escape an assault if it does happen."

Edens and four assistants teach "BACK OFF!" — a 16-hour, two and a half week, self-defense training program designed specifically for women by Alex Mordine, Eden's friend and former Ranger buddy from Camp Zama, Japan.

"We saw the statistics — they're unbelievable. There are 78 rapes each hour, 1,872 every day in the U.S.," Edens said. "We came up with the idea to teach women to empower themselves to avoid or survive threats of rape or violence of any kind. Alex designed the curriculum and we started teaching it in Japan."

The course is now offered in various cities around the U.S. and overseas.

It addresses the most common situations where a high probability of physical assault occurs between a male aggressor and a female victim.

Students are first taught to avoid possible confrontation. They practice simple techniques to create distance between themselves and a potential aggressor or to stun and temporarily incapacitate an assailant.

When no other options are available, Edens teaches his students how to

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Erin Contois demonstrates a defensive maneuver during a BACK OFF! class.
Photo illustration by Bridgett Siter

A CLOSER LOOK

Basic steps to keep from becoming a victim:

- Use common sense and trust your intuition.
- Walk, talk and carry yourself with confidence. Be assertive. Do not allow strangers to assist you.
- Do not accept an open container from anyone.
- Never open the door to a stranger. Use a peephole rather than a chain. Talk through the door if necessary.
- Don't list your address or first name in the phone book.
- Walk facing traffic so you can see who is approaching.
- If you feel you are being followed, turn, look and stay in a crowded area. Do not be afraid or embarrassed to make a scene.
- If you must work late, have someone walk you to your car. Always park in well lighted areas.
- If you break down while on the road, stay in your car. Use your cell phone. Do not get out and accept assistance from a stranger. Ask them through the window to call for assistance.
- Don't get on an elevator with a stranger. Stand near the alarm button when you are on an elevator.
- Know your neighbors and their telephone numbers.
- When confronted by a possible attacker be assertive and show self-confidence. Make noise. Yell "Fire."
- Identify avenues of escape when you enter a building.

Former Faith principal visits post

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Former Faith Middle School principal Dr. Beth Middlemiss has been named the acting deputy director of the Department of Defense Elementary Secondary Schools.

Middlemiss, who served as principal at Faith from 1994 to 1998, visited Fort Benning schools Oct. 19.

She toured various schools and the administrative building where she first began working as the director of staff development and public relations in 1985.

"I was at Fort Benning for 13 years," Middlemiss said. "I was impressed then, and now in my current role with DDESS, I still marvel at the things I see and read about Fort Benning. I love this place, and I love these people, and I'm so proud of the things they've done."

Middlemiss started her career in education as a public school teacher and principal in Coweta County, Ga., where she remained until she started working at Fort Benning.

"I never had any involvement with the military prior to Fort Benning," she said. "I rapidly developed a great respect for the military family and their involvement in their childrens' educations."

Following a stint as the director of staff development for Baltimore City Schools, Middlemiss returned to the DoDEA system as the chief of staff at DDESS in 1999, after concluding the DoDEA mission sets it apart from public schools.

"Our entire mission, our whole focus, is to serve the military family.

"I'm impressed by the ability of teachers and principals to bring new students in and instantly make them a part of what's going on in the classroom," Middlemiss said. "And the new programs being implemented and expanded every year to encourage and foster ties between the schools and the military families is phenomenal."

Dr. Dell McMullen, superintendent of Fort Benning schools, said Middlemiss' visit was a combination of business and pleasure.

"She was here to work on a

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Male domestic abuse victims on rise

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Talk about domestic violence and images of cowering women and hulking male aggressors automatically come to mind.

Such is not always the case.

Surprisingly only 25 percent of domestic aggression is exclusively male, according to American social scientists Murray Straus and Richard Gelles.

Straus and Gelles point out that violence is an inclination that knows no gender. Females are the sole aggressors equally as often as men.

In fact, in the 20 years Straus and Gelles have been surveying and collecting data, they've concluded women hit, slap, kick, punch, throw objects and use weapons as often as men.

The U.S. Department of Justice released a yearlong survey of emergency rooms admissions that recorded 30,000 male victims requiring treatment for domestic-violence related injuries.

That was 1997. Experts say those numbers are steadily increasing.

So who's been keeping it a secret?

For the most part — men.

Domestic violence is traditionally believed to be a man's domain. Women are often quick to deny instances of mutual combat, but men are even less likely to accept the label of victim.

Bill Sweeney, a licensed clinical social worker, leads a men's therapy group for Fort Benning's Social Works Services. He said his clients have the same problems and complaints as women.

"They tell me they have the same issues women do," Sweeney said. "They complain about emotional abuse, verbal abuse and occasionally physical abuse."

Here's the catch, Sweeney said.

By and large, his clients only talk about being the victims of abuse in private, one-on-one counseling sessions.

Sweeney said men, and Soldiers in particular, equate the admission of abuse with an admission of weakness.

"Their egos are involved and they seem to perceive it as a blow to their pride," Sweeney said. "Even if they admit to being hit or abused in a group session, they're really quick to put on a macho front and minimize the incident."

Sharon Cox-Bevley, a licensed social worker with Social Works Services, said the men she deals with "don't want their business on the street," so they'd rather not report abuse.

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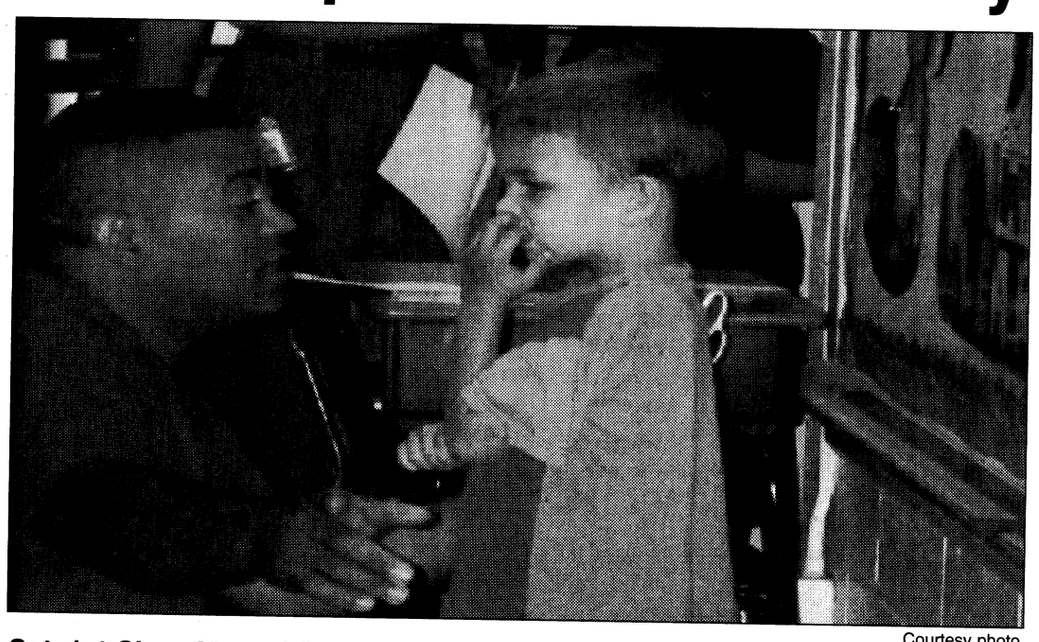
Kelley Hill Soldiers partner with Eastway

Sgt. Krista Ayers
203rd Support Battalion



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Sgt. 1st Class Manuel Sotopadilla performs a vision screening.

Kelley Hill Soldiers are helping Columbus school children by becoming partners with Eastway Elementary School.

In conjunction with the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce Partners in Education Program, the 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade, has "partnered" with Eastway Elementary School on Buena Vista Road.

Capt. Heather Mack and Pfc. Aroura Brown-Warren were chosen as the 203rd FSB PIE coordinators.

They meet regularly with Principal Tommy Bassett and Kay Dowis, assistant principal, to discuss plans for the schoolyear.

"Our commitment is to make a difference in the students' lives. If we connect with just one child, we have accomplished our mission," Mack said.

The 203rd FSB assisted with the school's hearing and vision screening in September.

In previous years Eastway was unable to screen all students within the three-day prescribed timeline.

Thanks to the Eagle Battalion, more than 550 students received the mandatory hearing and vision screening.

"We are extremely grateful for their help," said Linda Jenkins, Eastway Elementary's PIE and Parent, Teacher, Student Association coordinator.

Mack and Brown-Warren also designed certificates of achievement, which were presented at an Honors Breakfast to students who made the Honor Roll and Principal's List.

Mack said the 203rd FSB has many activities planned throughout the school year.

"Currently we are preparing for Red Ribbon Week, CPR and first-aid training for the teachers in November and a Christmas tree lighting ceremony where the students will make ornaments and serenade us with carols," she said.

"We also plan on conducting a 'Commander for a Day' essay contest," Brown-Warren said. "The winner of the contest will spend the day at Fort Benning with a commander.

"We will provide the winner with a set of children's BDUs with the Marne patch and their name, rank, and branch insignia on it.

The winner will really learn what it's like to be the commander for a day."

births

Boys

Yi'Kem MarQuintis Wiley — born Sept. 15 to Dianca and Spc. Cordell Wiley.

Jason Dylan Wiggins — born Sept. 19 to Andrea and Staff Sgt. Michael Wiggins Sr.

John Carlos Moreno — born Oct. 1 to Spc. Giovanna Moreno.

Steven Michael Bonia — born Oct. 1 to Danica and Spc. Steven Bonia.

Thomas Martin Garcia — born Oct. 2 to JoAnn and Spc. Mauricio Garcia.

Victor Alexander Santiago —born Oct. 2 to Yahaira and Spc. Gerald Santiago.

Mark Franklin Hockenberry — born Oct. 3 to Pvt. Danielle Hockenberry.

Marquis Elijah Collins — born Oct. 3 to Tammy and Spc. Marlon Collins.

Ryan Daniel Garcia — born Oct. 3 to Vicky and Pfc. Daniel Garcia.

Daniel Edward Montero —born Oct. 5 to Rachel and 2nd Lt. Manuel Montero Jr.

Deshon Demetrius Thompson — born Oct. 5 to Sgt. Terri Thompson.

Michael Prashad — born Oct. 5 to Jeniffer and 2nd Lt. Dale Prashad.

Michael Edward Burgess Jr. — born Oct. 7 to Victoria and Spc. Michael Burgess.

D'Andre Claudius Christian Thomas — born Oct. 8 to Carol and Staff Sgt. Shevon Thomas Sr.

Hunter Ashlin Bradstreet — born Oct. 10 to Kerry and Sgt. Houstin Bradstreet.

Matthew Aaron Stammeyer — born Oct. 11 to Janette and Staff Sgt. Brian Stammeyer.

J'Lynn Alonzo Martin — born Oct. 11 to Sgt. Marla Rose and Sgt. 1st Class Lynn Martin.

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Girls

Syrena Brianne Young — born Sept. 18 to Donna and Pfc. Robert Young.

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Celine Renee Frazier — born Oct. 4 to Heike and Sgt. 1st Class Gaudie Frazier.

Alyssa Marie Sherman — born Oct. 5 to Stacy and Sgt. David Sherman.

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Melanie Leannes Ortiz Muniz — born Oct. 9 to Eillim Ortiz and Spc. Heddy Ortiz Roche.

Khloe Melissa Perry — born Oct. 11 to Kellie and Spc. Karriem Perry.

Crystal Marie Rodriguez — born Oct. 11 to Marisa and Staff Sgt. Wilfredo Rodriguez.

Lienna Yvonne Silva — born Oct. 12 to Wendy and Pfc. Jesus Silva.

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community notes

on post

Fall festival at Youth Services — Youth Services will hold a fall festival today from 6 to 8 p.m. at Building 1056.

Children between the ages of 3 and 12 are invited to participate in face painting, a cake walk, costume contest and other games and activities.

Halloween Bonanza — Sayers is hosting a Halloween Bonanza Oct. 31 at 11 a.m.

Preschoolers will participate in crafts, not-so-scary stories and a costume parade to collect goodies and snacks. Costumes are optional. For more information, call 545-4911.

Yard waste — There will be no yard waste picked up in Family Housing Nov. 13. The next scheduled yard waste pickup will be on the following Nov. 20.

There will be no refuse or recycle pick-up Nov. 10. Family Housing areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Fridays will be picked up on Nov. 13. Refuse and recycle collection in Family Housing for Nov. 6-9, will be picked up as normally scheduled. For more information, call 545-4232.

DPW Self Help — (U-DO-IT) Center closure

All sections of the Self-Help Center will be closed on Veterans Day Nov. 10 and will reopen for business on Saturday Nov. 11 at 8:30 a.m. For more information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

ACAP events — From 2 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, in Classroom 9, Infantry Hall, a panel of former Army officers will tell about their lessons learned about successful moves from the Army to large companies.

Masters of science — Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University is offering a graduate degree and an ISD Certification.

Interested students must register by Wednesday in Building 2612 in Soldiers' Plaza. For more information, call 685-0105.

Road Closure — Marne Road at the intersection of Marne Rd and Luzon Drive in Kelley Hill will be closed Nov. 9-13 for work on the storm drain system. Signs will be posted diverting traffic around this intersection. If you have questions concerning this closure or need more information, call Regina Jackson, Army Corps of Engineers at 545-2387.

Advance medical directives — There will be an Advance Medical Directives class on choosing how we die at 3 p.m. Nov. 21 in the Family Practice Conference Room at Martin Army Community Hospital. For more information, call 544-3066.

Pig control — The Natural Resource Management Branch has set up traps in the wooded areas throughout the installation in an effort to control the feral swine population on post.

For more information, call Pete Swiderek at 544-7077.

off post

PROBE fair — Approximately 45,000 Georgia high school students and their parents will explore the options of post-secondary education this fall at one of the many PROBE Fairs, including the Columbus Fair to be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Nov. 14 at Columbus State University's Woodruff Gym.

PROBE is the organized college fair tour that attracts representatives from nonprofit educational institutions to shopping malls, civic centers and high schools throughout the state of Georgia.

The typical PROBE Fair consists of two to three hours of browsing time for students and parents.

Topics such as financial aid, housing, programs of study, admissions requirements, scholarships and campus life are discussed with the representatives.

Last year, more than 250 private and public colleges and universities, technical institutes and ROTC participated in PROBE.

For more information about the program, call your local high school or Bill Smith, North Georgia College & State University, Admissions Center in Dahlonega, Ga., at (706) 864-1802.

Coast Guard — The U.S. Coast Guard Academy is accepting applications for the class of 2005. Appointments are tendered solely on the basis of an annual nationwide competition with no congressional nominations.

Appointments are based on the candidate's high school record, performance on the SAT or ACT and leadership potential.

Candidates must be unmarried at the time of the appointment, have no legal obligations, be older than 17 and younger than 23 by July 1, 2001.

For more information, call (800) 883-8724.

Continuing Education — The Continuing and Regional Education Services fall course catalogs are on their way. Classes are offered at the Elizabeth Bradley Turner Center, on post, online and through independent study.

For more information or to receive a catalog, call 568-2023.

Literacy program — The Adult 1:1 Literacy program is seeking volunteer tutors and students.

The tutors will be trained and matched with adult students following a confidential assessment by the program coordinator.

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DoD reaches out to military kids in public schools

Directorate to support school system

Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — DoD's new Educational Opportunities Directorate hopes to provide for "quality education" of all 870,000 children in the military family — not just the 110,000 who attend DoD schools.

"Our concern was that at any given time, we really weren't reaching all of our children," said Victor Vasquez, deputy assistant secretary of defense for military community and family policy. "Overall, we do very well for the children that are in our system, but we don't have them there all the time."

Vasquez stressed civilian schools do provide a quality education, but added "military children have other issues that they bring to the table."

He said the purpose of the new directorate is to "facilitate, advocate and support" open communications between DoD and local school systems. "What I see taking place down the road is a sharing and cross-fertilization of best practices," he said.

To get the directorate off to a good start and foster good communications, officials have scheduled a series of six regional roundtable discussions over the next two years.

More than 100 state and local education experts, teachers, military parents and students, and DoD officials attended the first such roundtable in San Antonio in September.

Future roundtable discussions will be in Savannah, Ga., San Diego, the Virginia Tidewater region, Seattle, and a Midwestern site to be determined. Officials targeted areas with a high concentration of military bases.

Vasquez said the Texas officials were receptive to opening a dialogue with DoD, and they even pledged to start looking into a few issues that are particularly vexing to military families constantly on the move.

Some issues discussed at the Texas meeting were

• Reciprocity of standardized test scores. A student may get tested in one state, then move to another state and get tested again. "Will there be reciprocity for that process, or do our children spend their entire school careers being tested?" Vasquez said.

• Standardization of transcripts. "We want young people to know that if they get a grade in one school, it'll be similar to what's accepted in another school," he said.

• Continuity of extracurricular activities. "When young people are in transition, how can they continue an extracurricular activity from one school to another without being left out because they missed a tryout or because they missed a sign-up deadline?" he said.

"It was clear to me as I listened to this dialogue that they have worked with military children long enough to know that there are issues children from an average civilian community don't deal with," he said, adding that cooperation could do more than just help military children.

"Ultimately our goal is to build an education system that all will benefit from," he said. "In the long run, it will serve our nation better."

Abuse: Knows no gender

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"They don't worry about the punitive aspect of reporting their wife's abuse. They just don't want their chain of command involved or their neighbors knowing their personal business."

Cox-Bevley said even when women admit they are physically violent, their spouses prefer to ignore the issue.

"I'd say almost 100 percent of the time, the men tell me the incident was blown way out of proportion and they don't want to talk about it. They're paranoid about what other people will think."

Cox-Bevley said female aggressors, like male aggressors, have been taught to believe violence solves conflicts.

"More and more, we're seeing women perpetrators who just think it's the thing to do, the way to communicate, because that's what they observed growing up," she said.

National statistics support Cox-Bevley's observation. Violence by women in traditionally male categories is on the upswing. Girls are the fastest growing group of violent offenders in the areas of robbery, homicide, gang activity and assault.

Sweeney said he's seen a steady increase in the six years he's worked on Fort Benning.

"We can't order a wife to get counseling the way we can a Soldier," Sweeney said. "But the only way things will change is if the victims frustration overrides his pride and he starts reporting incidents of abuse."

Trick-or-treat

Watch for trick-or-treaters 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Speed limit is 15 mph in housing areas. Drive carefully.

Class: Teaches defensive options

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physically harm the aggressor.

He said women can learn to counter the fact that men naturally possess a greater amount of physical strength.

"We teach real-world situations, whether it's domestic abuse or a stranger assault," Edens said. "There's no way a woman can take on a 200-pound man for any great length of time, but there are techniques she can learn to defend herself long enough to escape. That's the key to survival."

Erin Contois, a 15-year-old Spencer High School student, took the course in January. She now assists Edens as an instructor and demonstrator.

"I'm not a prize fighter, but I'm a lot more confident in my ability to handle myself in any situation," Contois said. "It was so easy to learn and practicing on real people helped me know I can apply what I learned if I really need to."

Edens recommends the course for anyone over the age of 12, though he caution the course addresses various types of sexual assault.

For more information, call 561-4341.

Educator: Visits stomping grounds

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curriculum project, but she was very eager to renew old frienships.

"We had an absolutely delightful visit," McMullen said. "We still see evidence of the incredible work she did while she was here, and we're proud of what she has accomplished since then because she's one of our own."

Middlemiss started her tour of Fort Benning at Stowers Elementary School, where she hailed the accomplishments of Principal Glenn Hughes and enrichment teacher Millie Harris, who were recently named Department of Defense Education Activity's Principal of the Year and Teacher of the Year.

"This is the first time one DoDEA school district has claimed both titles," Middlemiss said. "That's quite an accomplishment. I know they'll both represent Fort Benning and DoDEA wonderfully.

"It's truly a great day to be in education and a great day to be at Fort Benning."

NIM: Gets hog

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"We are thrilled to have this beautiful and rare item here at the museum," Hanner said. "It is a wonderful addition to our collection."

Stump was recognized Thursday at the commanding general's retreat ceremony.

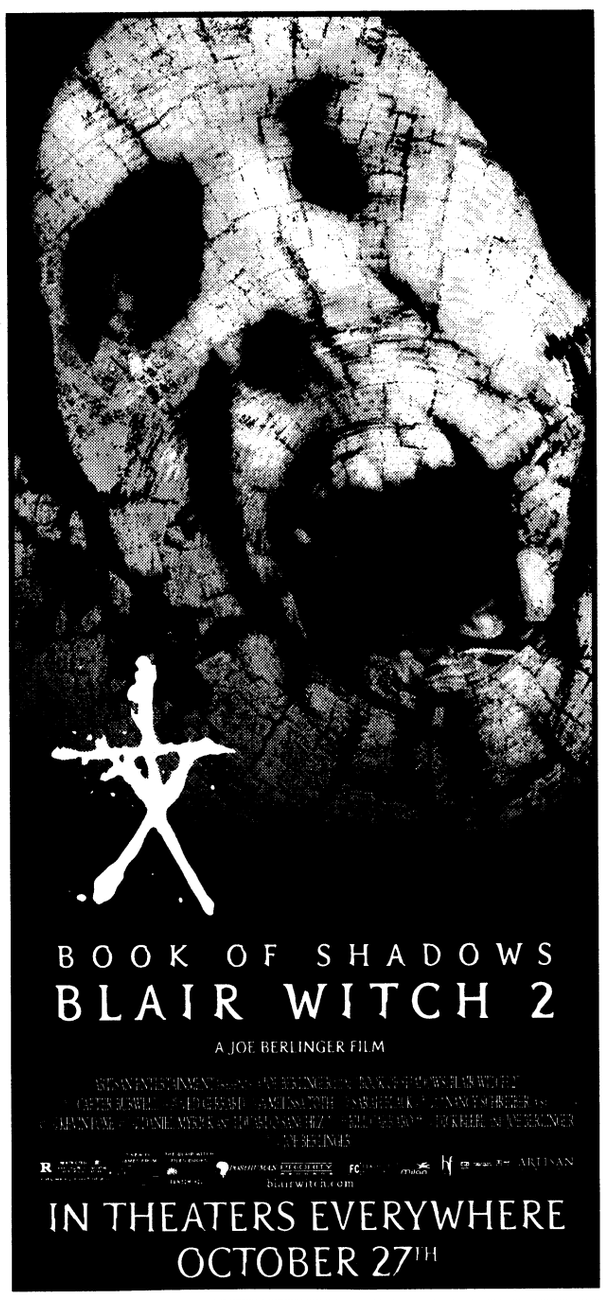
In addition to the motorcycle, museum visitors will also have a chance to see in black and white what life was like in a World War II stalag.

The exhibit, *Spinelli: Behind the Wire*, features the work of former prisoner of war Angelo Spinelli. The traveling exhibit was produced by Andersonville National Historic Site with grants from the Georgia Humanities Council and Friends of Andersonville.

A native of New York, Spinelli was assigned to the 1st Armored Division as a military photographer. He was captured in 1943 in North Africa and eventually sent to a stalag in Germany where he spent two years.

He used cigarettes as bargaining chips with a guard, and eventually traded for a camera, film and tripod. The original camera is displayed in the exhibit.

"This exhibit gives us unique pictures of how they lived, survived and even entertained themselves to overcome the constant boredom while they were waiting to see what was going to happen to them," Hanner said. "This trained photographer made a historic record for his fellow POWs and the rest of us."



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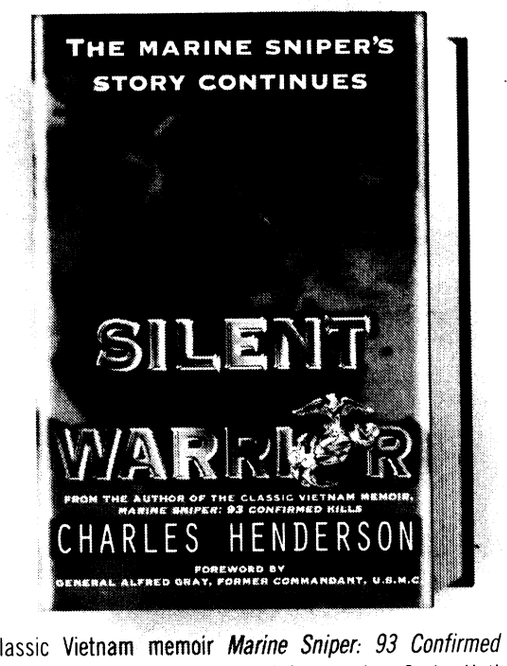

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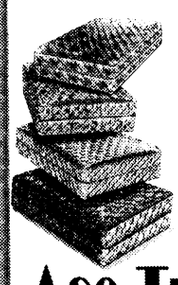

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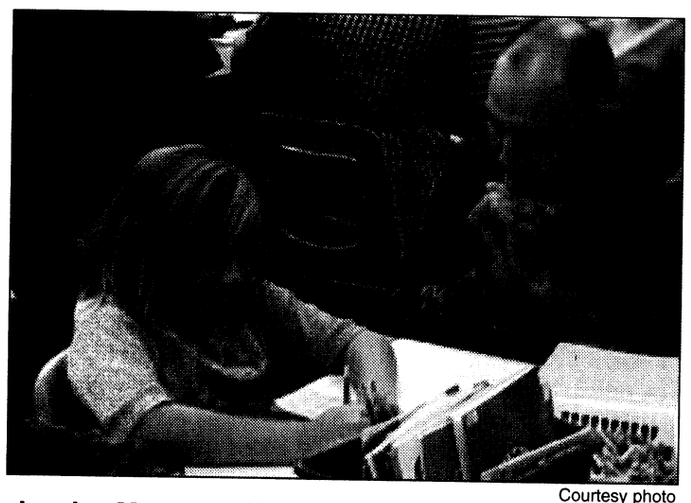

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Jessica Moore and her father, Sgt. Troy Moore, work through one of the exercises during the Literacy Lessons at Loyd Oct. 18.

Students learn literacy lessons

Loyd Elementary School

In the glow of excitement to a new school day the children and teachers at Loyd Elementary School eagerly await the arrival of parents Oct. 18. Loyd held it's first 3-L project — Literacy Lessons at Loyd.

Literacy Lessons at Loyd is a project where students in pre-K through second grade invite parents to come and experience a literacy lesson with their child.

When you say literacy you automatically think of reading. However this lesson can indulge any subject area — reading, math, science or social studies.

Strategies are demonstrated to parents during this lesson so that parents can in turn, use them at home when reviewing daily work.

The basis of all the strategies presented will be integrating literacy in every aspect of school curricula. Parents were actively participating with their children.

Gail Stafford's pre-K classes demonstrated how they were able to use a calendar. They recognized the month, recited the day of the week and counted the days. They also made monster puppets with their parents.

The parents of the kindergartners learned how to use environmental print to reinforce skills taught in kindergarten.

One group of children copied words from empty food containers into their spiral bound notebooks. Another group circled the letter of the week on coupons and cash register receipts.

A third group made posters using letters cut from magazines. The final group made number books using numbers and pictures cut from newspaper supplements. Parents and children worked together and vowed to repeat the activities at home.

Tracy Pate and Mamie Rush's class worked on Phonemic Awareness. Both classes demonstrated strategies parents could use to increase a child's ability to recognize rhyming words. Oral blending of letters was done to form words, and listening for certain letter sounds and the beginning and ending of words.

Kathrine Walker's kindergarten class rotated through literacy workshops emphasizing phonemic awareness.

Children and their parents worked with magnetic letters and chalkboards to gain strategies to further develop their awareness of the short vowel sound. In another group, children worked individually with the teacher in reinforcing beginning consonant sounds. The other group used technology to reinforce a variety of concepts taught in kindergarten, all of which are literacy-based.

Tracy Reynolds' first-grade students surfed the Internet the day before the lesson and printed pictures of various wild "cats" — bobcat, cheetah, tiger, jaguar, and a snow leopard. During the literacy lesson, the students used a Venn Diagram to compare and contrast a regular cat to the pictures of the wild cats. They did a follow up lesson that involved sentence structure.

First-grade students participated in an activity with their parents that focused on sentence structure.

Teachers in each of these classes presented the lesson and practiced with the students, then parents and students used scrambled words to make sentences.

Mable Wilson's special needs class participated in the reading of *Coco Can't Wait*. This story is about a little girl named Coco who wanted to visit her grandmother. After the story, the students packed a suitcase pretending to go to Grandma's. Each student packed a particular item.

As the students approached the suitcase they were expected to tell the name of the previous item packed along with their own. The items were labeled so the children could see in print what was going into the suitcase.

This activity reinforced short term memory, repetition, sequencing and gave print meaning to concrete objects. The last student read all the items that were in the suitcase and proceeded to add his own.

The boys and girls in Louise Anderson, Robert Thorne and Doris Wamble's classes enjoyed a morning of learning with several of their parents during the Literacy Lessons at Loyd program.

The teachers taught the students a phonics lesson on the sound /a/ (ai and ay). These second-graders took turns recalling words they already know, building new words around the vowels and writing their words on the chalkboard. At the conclusion of the activity each class formed several teams with parents included.

The teams had 15 minutes to create a new list of words with long vowel sounds, to write words on paper strips and to glue the strips together to create one long paper chain.

The teams worked hard. There was noise, movement, discussion and the chains grew longer and longer. Finally, the time was up and the teams measured their chains — one against the other. Yes, one was longer than the other.

However, everyone was a winner because everyone learned how to sound out and how to spell a long list of long /a/ words.

In the light of a successful day, the adventure at Loyd does not stop. Our goal was and is to expose parents to a multitude of Literacy strategies they can use while working with their children at home.

Community Oriented Policing

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Fort Benning Military Police will be conducting increased speed enforcement patrols in the following areas.

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Friday	Outgoing	9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

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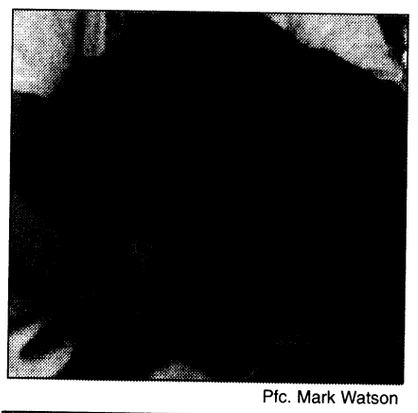

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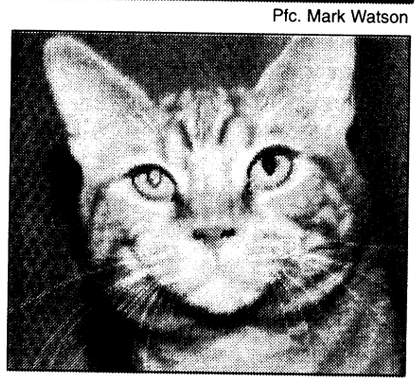

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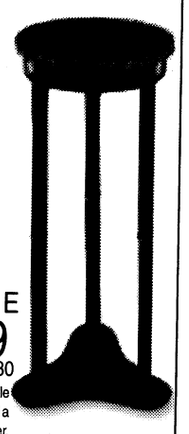

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Jesus offers spiritual road map for God's design

Chaplain (Maj.) T. Blake Bowers
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reflections

When planning a journey, one of the questions is "How do we get there?"

What direction do we take? We use some sort of map or navigating aid to help us reach our destination. As the journey begins we find we've lost our way.

The map may not be up to date. Someone just put in a new road. The geography in the area may be wrong or the map has an error. We end up lost.

In St. John 14:5 the disciple Thomas said to Jesus "Lord we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Spiritually speaking there are many lost people asking this same question.

Some are just going around in endless circles. Some have a map, yet the map is wrong. Some take the wrong road, and some just don't know the way.

Thomas wanted to know the way to where Christ was going. He and the other disciples wanted to be where Christ was present.

Jesus, speaking to Thomas and the other disciples around him said "I am the way, the truth and the life."

Talk about directness! No hesitation on the part of Jesus. Jesus spoke directly to who and what he was.

His answer was clear and concise.

Jesus was saying you want to get me, I am the way. Notice he didn't answer, "I know the way," or, "Go this way or that way." He made a direct statement.

As the way, Jesus is the road map for God's design for our life.

He becomes the bridge that helps us over our s to a better way of living. Go his way and you have clear direction. A road map already mapped out in perfection.

The disciples were also told "I am the truth."

For some, truth is relative. Others see truth as abstract. Still, others see truth as situational. In Jesus, truth is consistent. It stays the same. It does not change. It does not falter or waiver. The knowledge of his truth keeps you on the right way.

It helps you avoid traps, danger and adversity from the enemy. When you follow the way, truth is made plain and clear. The truth in Christ is clear as crystal.

The last piece of this great statement is "I am the life." Life does not just mean a mortal being with blood pumping through him, but a vitalized and alive spirit that enables one to conquer the obstacles, detours, hardships and distractions one may encounter while going Christ's way.

It is also the life that is yet to come — the eternalness of how one gets there from here. When we follow Christ the way, the truth on that way, then we have life to follow with Christ as the spirit leaves the mortal body and the heart ceases to beat. Life continues in the presence of Christ. We are not lost from Christ. Life in Christ always provides us a way to be in his presence.

John Tenney said, "Without the way there is no going, without the truth no knowing and without life, no living." If you're feeling lost in your life, if you feel you're going in circles and have no direction, if you seek purpose and meaning, seek out Christ to bring you out of your lostness.

Christ is how you get there (heaven) from here (earth).

chapel notes

Choir members needed — Anyone interested in singing can join The Infantry Center Chapel choir. Practice is at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Chapel Annex. Ability to read music is not required, though appreciated.

Rehearsals for Thanksgiving and Christmas begin soon.

Sunday School — The Fort Benning Sunday school meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sundays in White Elementary School. There are classes for students from age 3 to adults.

Marriage enrichment class — A marriage enrichment class will begin Nov. 5 during the Sunday school hour, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at White Elementary School. The class will be taught by Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop and will continue through Jan. 28. All couples and engaged people are invited to participate in the class. To register or for more information, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

Club Beyond meets — The junior high and middle school youth meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sundays at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings. For more information, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

Catholic women —The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m. Fridays at the Main Post Catholic Chapel.

For more information, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308.

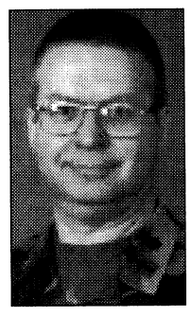
Infertility causes emotional roller coaster

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond c. Koop
Family Life Ministries Center

One out of six couples of childbearing age experience the heartache of infertility. Infertility is usually defined as the inability to conceive after attempting for a year.

Primary infertility refers to couples who have never been able to conceive.

Occasionally, the problem is not conception but the inability to bring the fetus to viability outside the womb due to miscarriage.Unfortunately the likelihood of pregnancy decreases with age. With more couples postponing childbearing to their late 20s and early 30s, fewer married women are becoming pregnant.



In addition, women who have conceived in the past may experience problems conceiving again.

This secondary infertility is just as emotionally painful to the couple attempting to conceive as it is for the couple who has never conceived.

Medical tests usually begin on the male first, since he is easier to test. Medical testing of women is more difficult and expensive.

As a general rule, in one-third of the cases, the problem is attributed to the male. In another third, the problem is attributed to the female.

In the last third, the problem is both male and female or unknown.

Modern medicine is increasingly helping infertile couples to conceive and bring healthy babies to term. The downside is that the process can be time consuming, the cost can be prohibitive and the emotions experienced can be overwhelming.

As a result, some couples elect to adopt or choose to live without children.

If you are experiencing the emotional roller coaster of infertility, free counseling and support are available. Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center, Building 2606, Soldiers' Plaza, at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101 Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

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Sunday Koran Study

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

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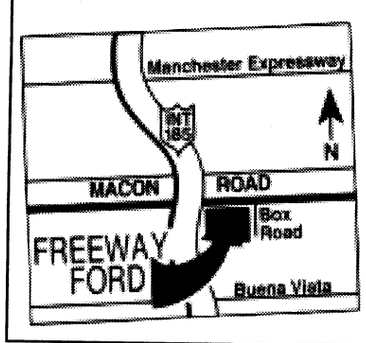

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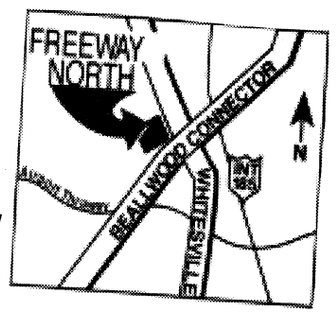

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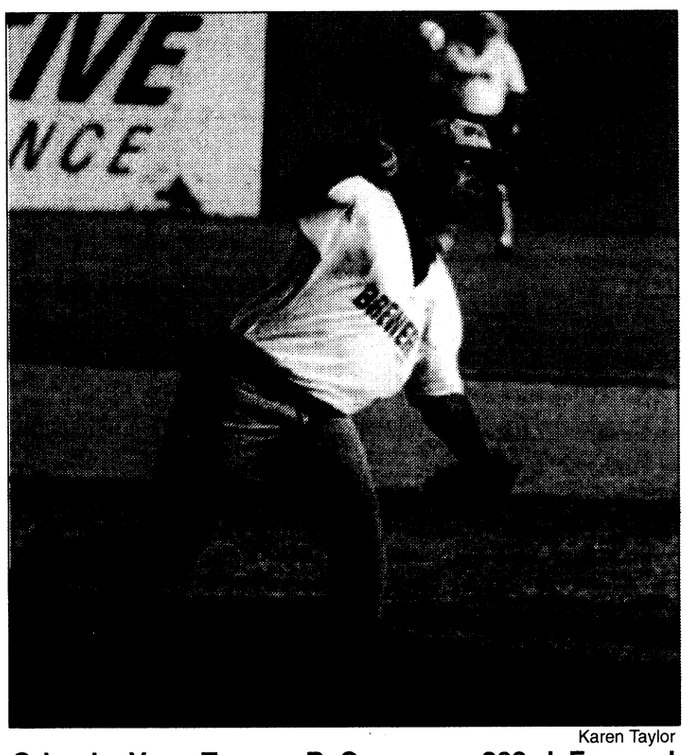
Brewers defeat No. 1 seeded team



Karen Taylor

Orlando Vega-Torres, B Company, 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade, guns the ball toward home in Sunday's game.

Baseball club earns come-from-behind win over Rockies

Karen Taylor
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The Brewers put the "fight" in fighting chance on Sunday as their battle was a long and strenuous one against the No. 1 seeded Rockies at Golden Park.

After a disastrous first inning left them in the hole by five, the Brewers slowly chipped away at the Rockies' lead to score the go-ahead run in the last inning for a 6-5 win.

"I reminded them that we've beat this team every time we've faced them (this season). (I told them) 'Now let's go out there and win inning by inning,'" said Brewers coach Ed Gawlik, 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment.

Brewers' pitcher Orlando Vega-Torres, B Company, 203rd Forward Support Bn., struggled to find his rhythm in the first inning and loaded the bases, which opened the flood gates for the Rockies' power hitters.

Brennen Knight came through on a 3-2 pitch with a grand slam to left center for a quick 4-0 lead.

The Rockies still had some rally left in them as they scored one more before inning's end for a formidable 5-0 lead.

Vega-Torres seemed to shrug off any frustration and his respectable recovery on the mound gave the Brewers a fighting chance by stifling the Rockies from crossing home plate again that game.

"I just had to slow down and do what I know I had to do — throw the ball and get my head in the game. And it worked out well," Vega-Torres said.

By slowing down his mechanics he regained control on the mound especially his change-up and the fastball.

"Orlando is one of those pitchers who takes time to get rolling," Gawlik said.

Although there were pitchers warming up in the bull pen during the first few innings, Gawlik decided against pulling Vega-Torres from the game.

"He started to come back. He did what he needed to do and renewed my confidence in him," Gawlik said. "When you have confidence in your guys you can leave them in after (the other team) scores five runs on you."

As Vega-Torres gained momentum, Rockies' pitcher Walter Rivera lost his edge in the final innings. Rivera, who challenged the Brewers' batters throughout the game and tallied seven strikeouts, allowed a single, three walks and two wild pitches in the last inning that scored the tying and winning runs.

Rick Johanningsmeir, C Co., 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., started off the last inning with a single, which continued his ability to make contact in key situations.

In their previous playoff game against the Rangers Oct. 18, Johanningsmeir hit a double for 2 RBIs, which started the Brewers first-inning scoring frenzy of six runs. The Brewers won 6-3.

Anthony Ferraioli, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt., started the inning with a double that set up the scoring opportunity.

Ferraioli, who has spent many games as the lead-off man for the Brewers, said he is comfortable in that spot in the lineup and

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YS offers free stay

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One lucky family will spend "Christmas in the Country," compliments of Fort Benning's Youth Services.

YS is giving away a weekend stay at the new Uchee Creek Campground chalets, and the winner's name will be drawn from the list of children registered for the YS winter basketball program.

Youth family members between the ages of 6 and 15 must be registered during the Oct. 30 through Nov. 9 sign-up period to be eligible for the drawing. The "Christmas in the Country" weekend will be Dec. 15-16.

"This will be a wonderful opportunity to get back to nature, watch the deer and other wildlife, enjoy the great country atmosphere and get into the good old-time Christmas spirit," said Linda Laine, director of Youth Services.

The drawing will be held Dec. 2 at the YS football game at the Doughboy Stadium prior to evening games. The winner will be notified Dec. 4.

Individuals registering for the basketball program after Nov. 9 will not be eligible to win. The winner must remain in the program for the entire season, the exceptions are medical emergency or PCS.

For more information, call 545-3070.

Gridiron battle



Yip Abbadakka

Red Devils' wide receiver Sean Reed moves the ball down field Saturday during a 13- to 15-year-old Youth Services football game. The Raiders and the Red Devils battled to a 0-0 standoff. The Raiders lead the season series with one win and two ties but are looking over their shoulders as the Red Devils close the gap.

API Outdoors recalls 54,000 faulty treestands, tree seats

Georgia Better Business Bureau

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and API Outdoors, a division of Outland Sports Inc., of Tallulah, La., is voluntarily recalling 54,000 treestands and tree seats used by hunters. The seats of these devices can collapse causing the occupant to fall.

CPSC and API Outdoors are not aware of any injuries or incidents involving these products. The recall is being conducted to prevent the possibility of injury.

The treestands included in the recall are: the ALUM-I-Loc, model number AL50, ALUM-I-Loc Original, Model number AL100, ALUM-I-Loc Magnum, model number AL100M, Pro-Lock Magnum, model number AL050P, and Pro-Lock Magnum, model number AL100MR. A yellow and black label with the product name and model number is located on the platform. The Bobcat Tree seat, model number AL910 is also part of the recall. The seats on both the stands and seats are covered with camouflage fabric.

Hunting supply stores and catalogs nationwide sold the products from January 1999 through August 2000.

Prices for the treestands were between $60 and $90 and the seats were priced between $30 and $40. People should stop using the recalled products and contact API Outdoors for a free repair. Call API Outdoors at (888) 530-6098 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. central time Monday through Friday.

Cherokees shut out Greenwaves 14-0; Spencer season ends soon

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

The Spencer Greenwaves defense was unable to stop the rushing of the Kendrick Cherokees and lost their homecoming game, 14-0 Oct. 20 in Memorial Stadium.

The Cherokees, a Columbus High School team, earned their fourth shutout of the season.

The Greenwaves have a record of 1-6.

The game started with a bang for the Cherokees, but after driving the ball 45 yards, the Greenwaves' defense stopped the drive.

Both coaches said that turnovers were keeping them from scoring from the opening drive on.

Receiving the ball again, the Cherokees surged down the field to the three yard line.

The Kendrick team got off to an early lead when the Cherokees' Kevin Williams took the ball off the snap and rushed in for the only score of the half.

The Greenwaves nearly scored with only seconds remaining in the half, but on a pass into the endzone wide receiver Answa Merine dropped the ball after it was tipped by a Cherokee defender.

"We missed a few key plays which could have been scoring opportunities," Oliver Davis, the

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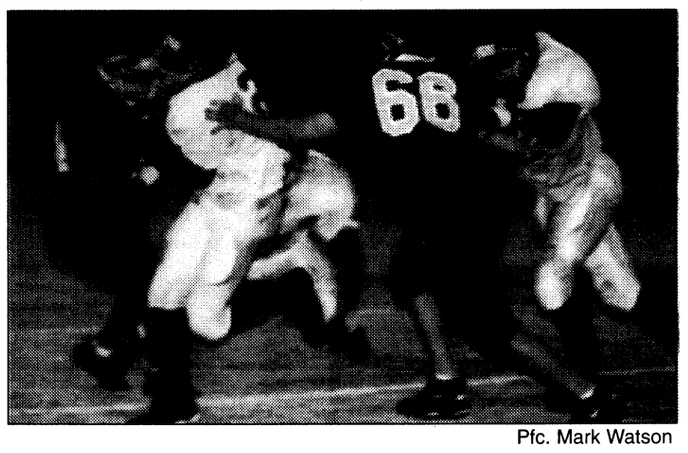


Pfc. Mark Watson

Spencer Greenwaves quarterback Jimmy Cobb breaks a tackle in the Oct. 20 game against the Kendrick Cherokees. The Greenwaves lost the game 14-0. They have only three games left in the season. Their next game is at 7 p.m. tonight in Memorial Stadium.

Family tradition found in pumpkin patch

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

outdoor corner

A friend of mine once lamented that the nomadic life of the military family makes it nearly impossible to carry on holiday family traditions. I disagree.

In some cases it may be a bit more challenging, but it can be a lot more fun. It's all in the attitude.

Take for instance our family's tradition of looking for the perfect pumpkins for Halloween. If we lived in one place and never relocated, we could visit the same pumpkin patch year after year after year. We adults call that tradition. Kids calls it repetition, and therefore boring.

So we go looking each year, not so much for the perfect pumpkin, but the perfect pumpkin experience.

And if all goes well, it really doesn't matter if the pumpkin's not so perfect after all.

What really matters are the sights and sounds and smells of autumn. The weather — preferably sunny and cool, the trees painted with fall colors, the sound of leaves crunching underfoot and the smell of fresh air.



Sunday afternoon we took the kids to Sasser, Ga., on Highway 520, south of Fort Benning, hoping the trip would be worth the hourlong drive. I'd read about Mark's Melon Patch in the *Ledger-Enquirer*, and since I hadn't heard of another, it seemed like a good place to start our search.

Mark started raising pumpkins and watermelons and sweetcorn when he was 17. Twenty-one years later he's still in love with farming, and it shows.

For the past 10 years he's been making a big to-do about pumpkins. He's carved a nice size niche out of his fields alongside Highway 82, and every September and October he opens his pumpkin farm to the public.

That in itself is nothing to get excited about — certainly nothing to drive an hour for. What makes it worth the trip are the hayrides and face painting and clowns and live bands and haunted trails that Mark throws in to make pumpkin shopping a truly memorable experience.

We did find some great pumpkins, but that seemed only a footnote to a day full of good fun and good food. All the entertainment was free, except for the hayride, which cost $1 per person. For a buck we experienced a real hayride, not the two-bale flat-bed truck variety. Some nice guy named Glenn (or Jim or Bob or something) pulled a hay wagon with his John Deere around several acres of pumpkin patch and cotton fields.

Along the way we got a gander of the Gourd family, a friendly bunch of scarecrows that stand sentry at the pumpkin patch to greet visitors and stave off unwanted critters like crows and coyotes.

We spent about four hours at Mark's Melon patch. While the kids waited in line to get their faces painted, I shopped for my fall decorations — hay bales, corn stalks, gourds, pumpkins and sunflowers. We polished off a bag of hot boiled peanuts and a sampling of homemade peanut brittle while we listened to a local southern gospel music band.



Bridgett Siter

Mckenzie (left) and Brittney Siter pick out a pumpkin for their family at Mark's Pumpkin Patch in Sasser, Ga.

Although Mark's Melon Patch is open year-round, this weekend is your last chance to get in on the fun. Except Monday night — did I mention Monday night?

Mark's opening his patch the night before Halloween for last-minute shoppers, and he offers an after-dark hayride amidst a bevy of lighted jack o' lanterns and tiki lights.

I recommend you bring your camera. Mark doesn't mind a bit if the kids play among the sunflowers or pumpkins, and there are so many incredible photo opportunities.

Archers compete in final post 3-D shoot of season

Donnie Kinard
Fort Benning Archery Club

The final 3D shoot for the 2000 season was held at the Fort Benning Archery Club Sept. 10.

This shoot was a little different from the previous shoots in that we offered a 15-target field point range and a five-target broadhead range. The object of this particular shoot was to help prepare bowhunters for the archery season that opened Sept. 16 in Georgia.

This shoot was an eye-opening experience for those archers who only break out their bows and practice a couple of weeks before bow season opens and then forget about it once gun season opens. I know a lot of bowhunters walked away questioning whether or not they truly had any business hunting with a bow at all.

All 20 targets on both ranges were set to portray realistic hunting encounters and archers were forced to make more complicated computations than usual during this shoot. In addition to the usual determination of range to the target, the bowhunters also had to contend with trees, scrub vegetation, sun in the eyes and other obstacles that partly obscured the targets.

Archers had to decide if the shot presented was one they might or might not take in a real hunting situation. Whether a shot was ethical or not was left entirely up to the archer. I shot at all the targets on both courses but I know that I wouldn't have taken several of the shots in a real hunting situation.

Hits on the 3D animal targets outside the outlined kill zone scored a big zero this time rather than the customary five points. Credit was not given for wounded animals. All that counted were 8s and 10s. A large number of marginal to mediocre shooters got a lesson in humility, but a good time was had by all.. We had a total of 31 shooters sign in and shoot. Many opted for the practice round with good reason because while the distances to the targets were relatively short, the placement of the targets made them deceptive — this was a tough shoot. The five competition classes and their first place winners this time were:

• Open Class (High tech, high speed, precision shooters): R.B. Smith

• Masters Class (Experienced, competitive bowhunters with pin sights): Narvie B. Nowling

• Novice Bowhunter Class (Less experienced shooters with pin sights): Shaun Darsey

• Traditional Class (Old-style longbow and recurve shooters, no sights): Donnie Kinard

• Broadhead Course Winner with a perfect score of 50: Dale Nettles

The 2000 3D Archery Season was a great success for the FBAC. We have grown in membership and range use has increased — just look at the condition of our practice targets! They are just about worn out and all need re-stuffing. Our 3D animals all need new center sections because they have been shot at so many times. We've had a shoot every month from January to September and we always had a good turn out.

Many thanks and congratulations to all of you who helped make our club and season a success. If you came to a shoot, you helped us. If you used the practice range, you helped us. If you took part in setting up or breaking down a shoot, you helped us. If you told someone about us or allowed us to post a flyer at your business or on your bulletin board, you helped us. Thank you.

Special thanks to Shooters of Columbus and Bass & Buck Warehouse. These two organizations have helped us with materials, merchandise and discounts on equipment not only this year but in the past as well. We at FBAC look forward to a continued and long lasting partnership with these two fine businesses.

I'd like to personally thank Kelly Mosher for her rock-solid support and participation in our club this year. Kelly was the acting treasurer, acting bookkeeper and food and condiment procurement officer for 1999 and most of 2000.

Additionally, the FBAC is a family affair it seems because Dewane Mosher did an outstanding job as acting club president this year. No matter what, Mosher was always there to ensure that the range was open and ready for operations. Without Mosher's leadership and dedication to the sport there may not have been a shoot for every month for the last nine months.

Frank Bue, Tim Lokker, Steve Skotzky and of course Cliff Hughes should all take a bow for their support and participation in our club as well.

For the continued success of our club, however, we need a strong, numerous, dedicated membership — please join in January.

For more information, call Dewane Mosher at 989-0156 or me at 569-6103.

Golfers link up for pairs tournament

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

Temperatures in the 80s greeted Fort Benning golfers and their guests Saturday for the shotgun start of the annual Member Guest Golf Tournament.

After paying the $150 entry fee, 25 teams enjoyed beautiful golfing weather during the free practice day Oct. 20, and the two days of tournament golf.

The entry fee, $75 per player, wasn't expensive because of the practice round and then two days of golf, Larry Cruise, Fort Benning's golf pro, said.

A round of golf at the club costs $20. At the end of Saturday's play the golfers were treated to a block party in font of the club that included free barbecue.

Prizes included gift certificates and sleeves of balls.

The tournament was divided into three flights and the winners received the following prizes:

The first place prize was a $100 gift certificate; second place a $75 gift certificate and third place a $50 gift certificate.

First flight winners were:

Mark Felderman and Vernon Kirton, first place with a score of 132.

Kenny Bell and Jinson Antoskow, second place with a score of 133.

Brad Arnold and Paul Leonard, third place with a score of 134.

Second flight winners were:

Steve Thiel and Chuck Strickland, first place with a score of 141.

Bob Greenfield and Dick Rebidue, second place with a score of 141.

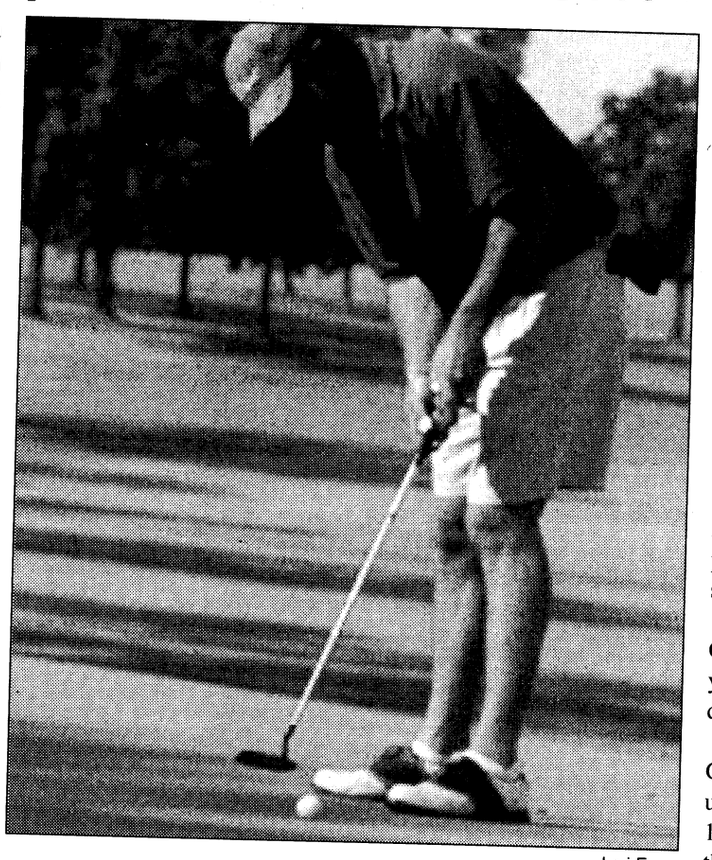
Fred Wadsworth and Don Russell, third place with a score of 146.

Third flight winners were:

Mike Burns and Arch Allen, first place with a score of 152.

Erik Henriksen and John Jackson, second place with a score of 156.

Lee Henderson and Randy Lewis, third place with a score of 157.



Lori Egan

Juan Bustamante sinks the last putt of the day Saturday in the Member-Guest Golf Tournament.

Cherokees: Win

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Greenwaves coach said. "The offensive lines needs to block a little better and I think we'll do better.

"We are running the ball very well but we keep turning it over. We need to focus and we can't force issues."

The third quarter began with neither team getting within scoring distance. Early in the third quarter, Greenwaves quarterback Jimmy Cobb went down with a twisted knee.

Back-up quarterback Cedrick Mason took to the field and played one series but couldn't start any magic.

Late in the third quarter the Cherokees' Calvin Push ran 30 yard before he was brought down.

Upset with the play, the Greenwaves were penalized for unsportsman like conduct. The 15-yard penalty took the ball to the 8 yard line.

Williams ran the ball for an easy score and his second of the evening and the final of the game giving the Cherokees a 14-0 lead.

The Greenwaves took the ball to within scoring position but were unable to score when the Cherokees intercepted the ball.

Then in the final four minutes of the game, the Cherokees held onto the ball running the clock out giving them the win.

The turnovers really hurt us, Jones said. With a fumble and two interceptions the Greenwaves continued to have troubles keeping control.

Their defense did slow the Cherokees, but unlike the players predicted, the defense didn't win the game for the Greenwaves.

"They have a strong defense," Davis said. "They are a very physical, hard-hitting team."

The Greenwaves have a record of 1-6 with only three games left in the season. Their next game will be played at 7:30 p.m. tonight in Memorial Stadium

Brewers: Earn No. 2 in playoffs

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doesn't feel pressure when he's the first to face a pitcher.

"There's more pressure on the third and fourth guys. You're the RBI guy, going home," he said. "If you don't get on, someone else will."

Ferraoili's nonchalant demeanor belies a hitter who takes his lead-off job seriously as "the guy to get things going."

Ferraoili set up No.3 hitter Johanningsmeir perfectly, who drove both Ferraoili and No.2 hitter Chris Folk, A Co., 2nd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., on with an error, home.

Johanningsmeir said he does feel the pressure as the No. 3 batter a because he knows what the job entails.

"My main purpose is to drive runs in," he said.

Johanningsmeir said to deal with the pressure he takes control in the box by stepping out after the pitcher is set and make him wait, distracting the pitcher and causing him to lose his focus.

Although he makes the pitcher wait for him, Johanningsmeir doesn't wait for the pitcher. He said he almost always swings at first pitch, a trait that many players don't follow.

The first-inning boom was followed by a scoring drought as no one scored until the eighth inning, when the Rangers managed to put two more on the board.

John Holmes, C Co., 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., pitched for the Brewers only giving up one run on a homerun by Brandon Woodham and five strikeouts in six innings pitched.

Steve Bielak, a family member, took over in the seventh, striking out two Rangers batters and Brad Larsen, B Co. 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., closed the game also with two strikeouts.

The Brewers, although seeded No. 2 in the playoffs behind the Rockies, now have an edge over them in the double-elimination tournament because after the Oct. 18 outing and Sunday night's nail-biting victory they remain undefeated.

sports brief

Bodybuilding contest — 17th annual Body Building Open Championship will take place at the Main NCO Club Nov. 18. All active-duty personnel, DoD civilians, retirees and family members, as well as guest are eligible to attend the event.

Award for overall competitor also will be awarded in both male and female categories.

Weigh-ins will take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Nov. 18 at the Main NCO Club. Awards will be presented to the top three in all classes, plus the top two in the 35 and over age group.

The registration fee is $35 and another $10 for crossover. Entry deadline is Nov. 3. Late entry fee will be an additional $5.

Registration sites are Santiago Fitness Center, Sand Hill and the Sports Office in room 221.

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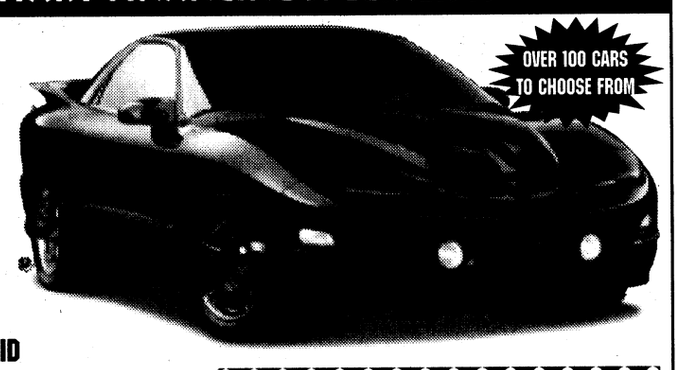

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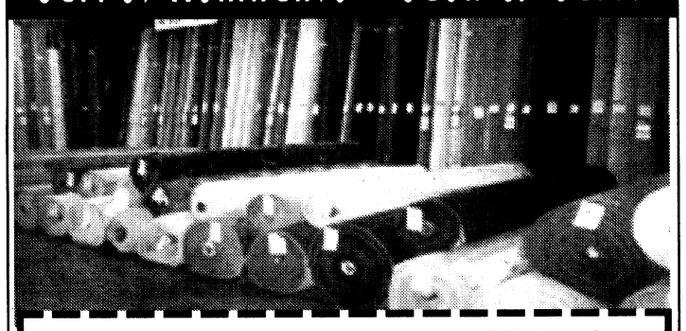

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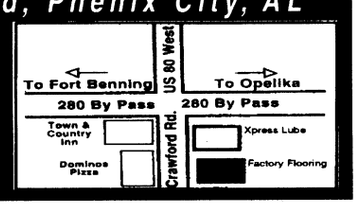

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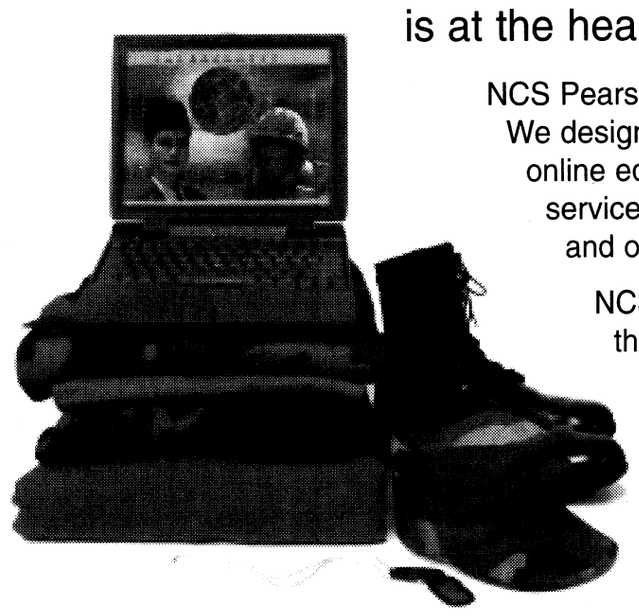

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Nice Little Girls Winter clothes 18 months - 2 .50 - $5.00 Call Rebecca 682-6401. (F3)

Classic Pooh rocking bassinet, $40.00, Graco toddler bed, white, $15.00, Graco pack-n-play, purple and green, used twice, $30.00, Cosco high chair, $10.00. 687-5385. (F3)

Graco entertainer exerciser, Duckin water spinning ball attached toys $30., Graco open top battery powered swing, 3 speed, $45. both VGC. 683-9994. (F3)

Baby playpen in good condition, will sell for $12, infant car seat made by Century Products Company, will sell for $15. 685-3237. (F3)

Furniture

Wooden coffee table with glass inserts $20.00, 687-5385. (F3)

King size waveless waterbed $200, solid wood dining table and chairs $100, call 682-4791. (F27)

Floral couch $150.00. Two green chairs $40.00 each. 561-9486. (F3)

Elegant Camelback sofa, carved legs $450. Ethan Allen solid oak storage style end tables with matching coffee table $275. 561-4844. (F3)

Couch and chair with floral design and coordinating swivel rocker, excellent condition. $250. 568-3243 after 6:00 P.M. (F3)

Dark cherry wood finished table & three chairs, like new, $100. White rocking chair w/blue cushions, great for baby's room, $35. Bedroom set headboard, frame, dresser w/mirror dark cherry wood finish, $200. 687-8710. (F3)

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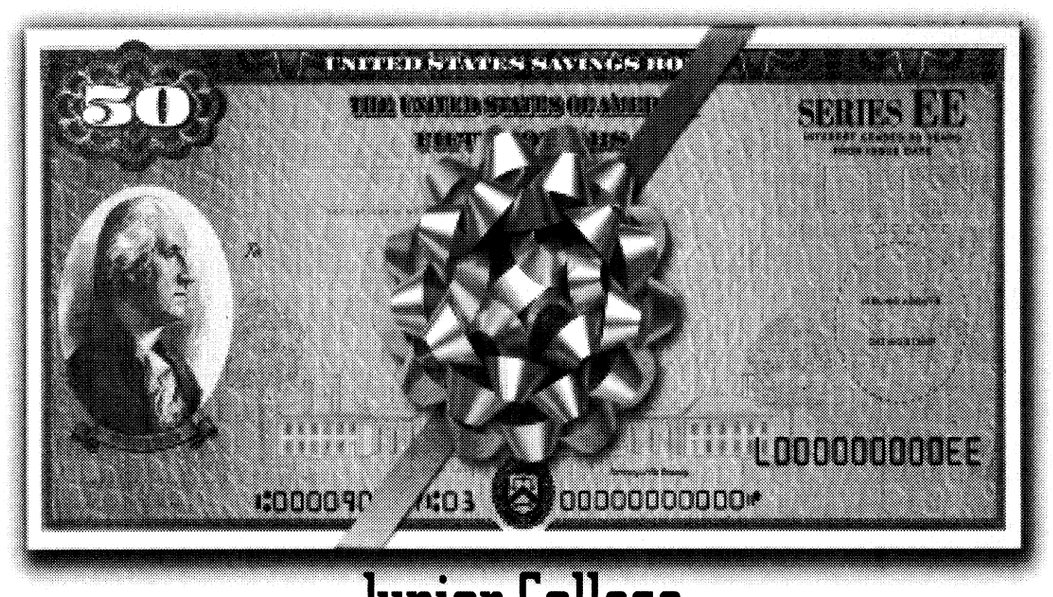

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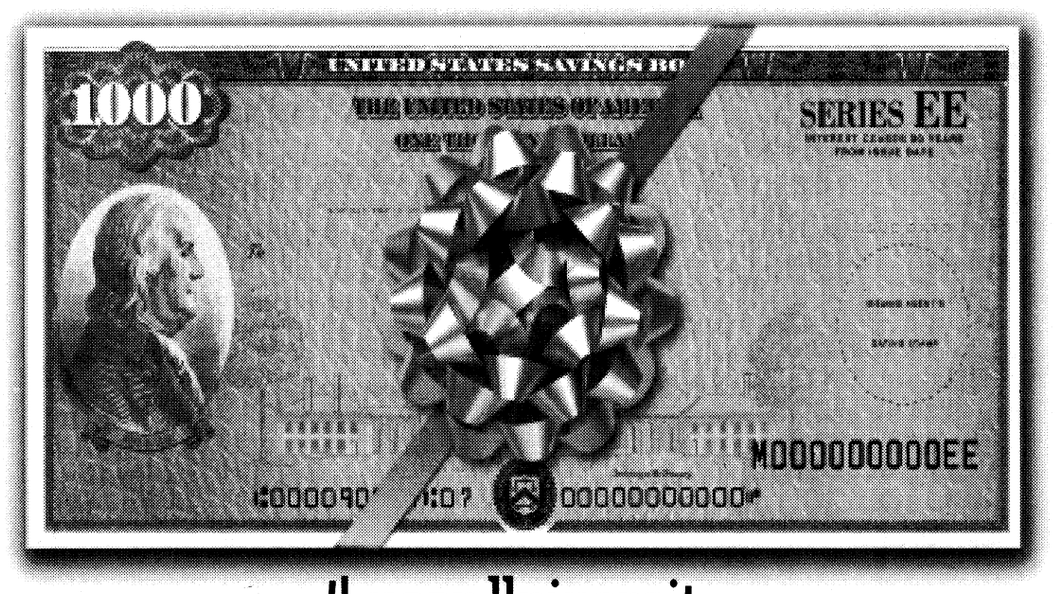

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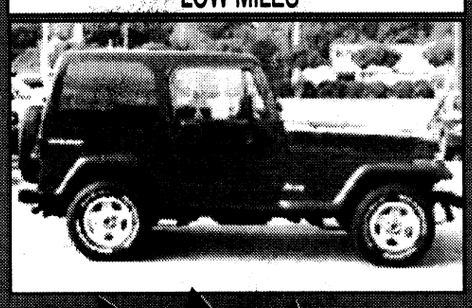

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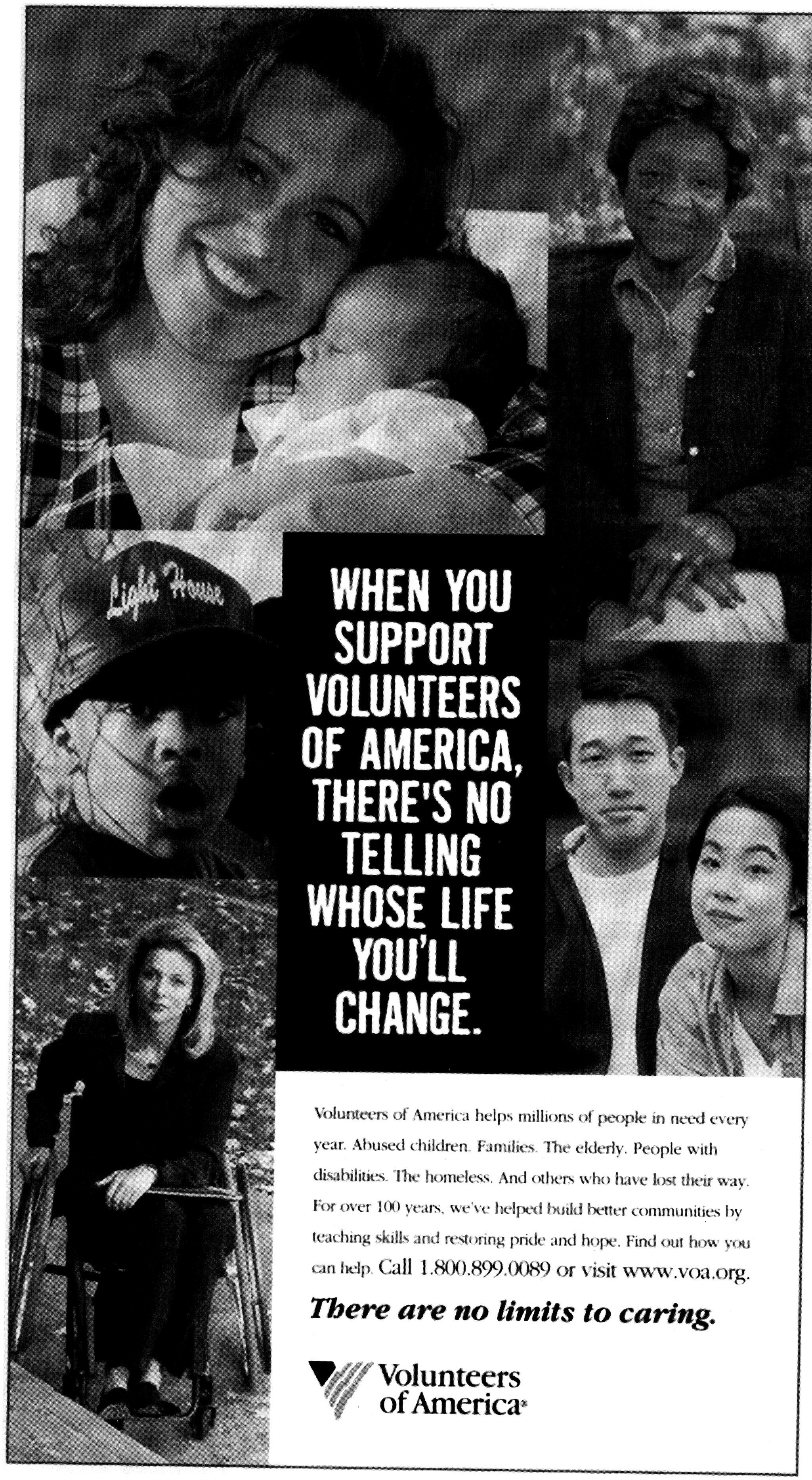

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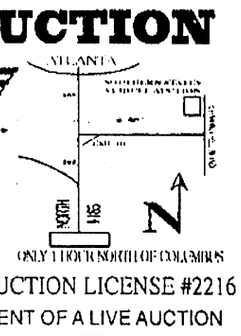

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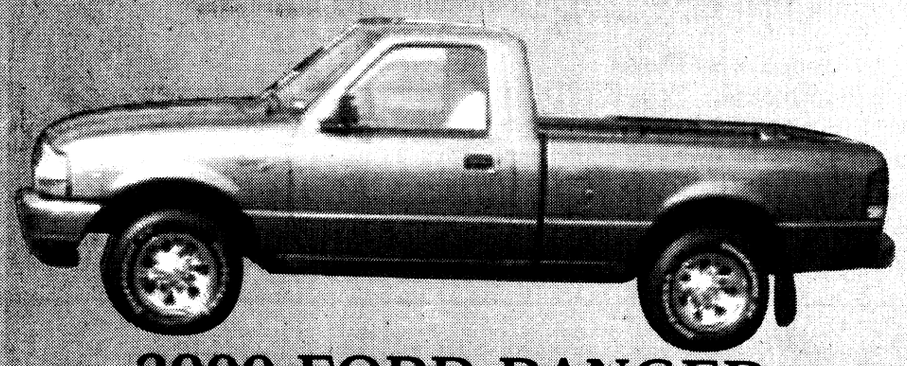

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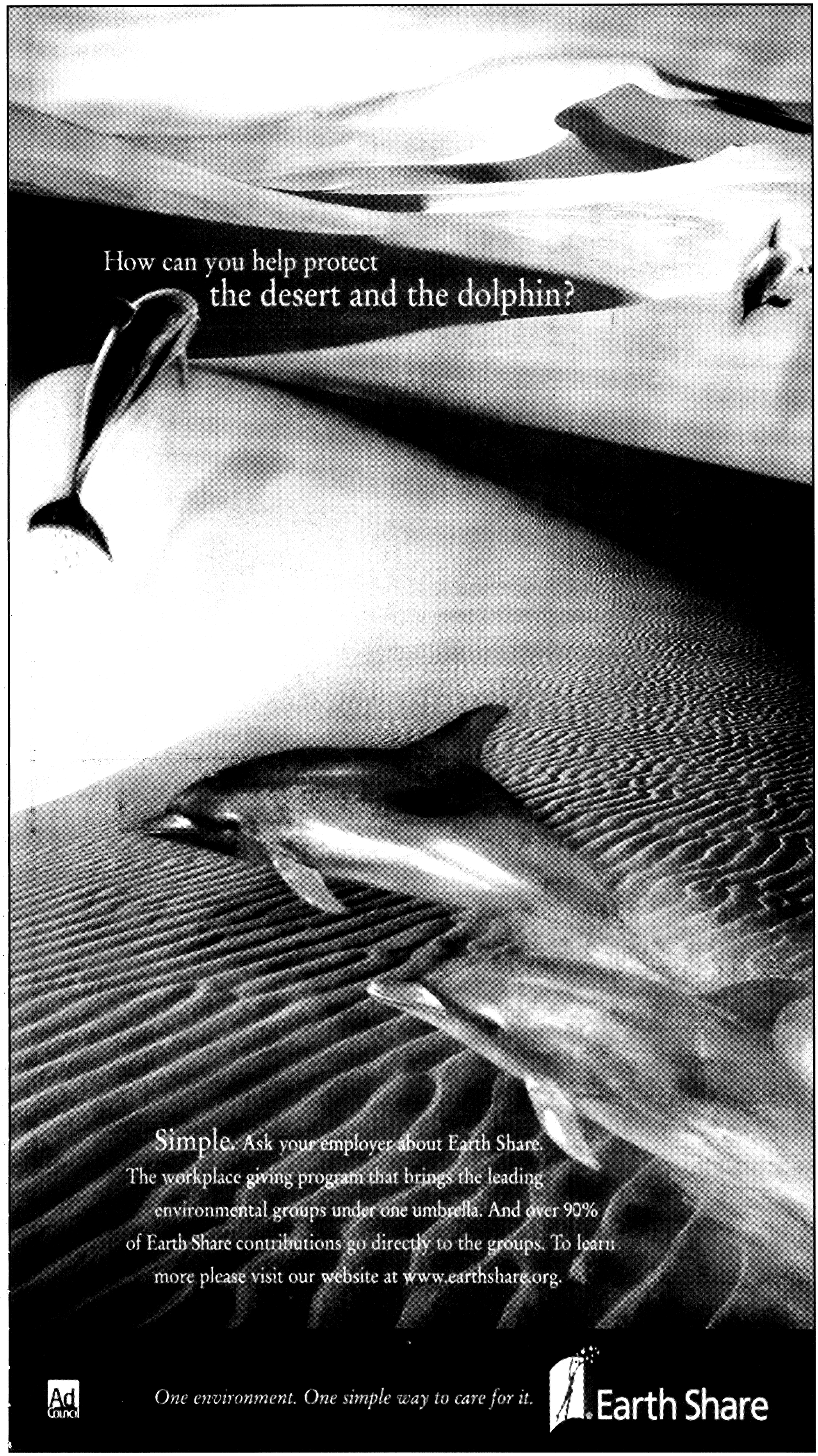
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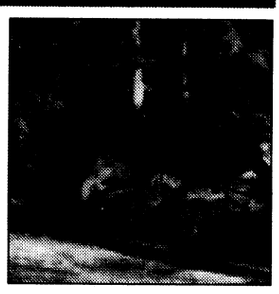

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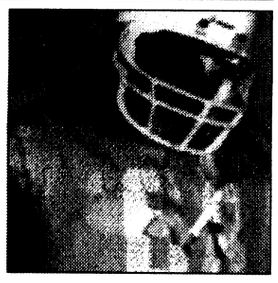

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New Infantry museum in works

Stored artifacts will be displayed in planned facility

Sally Shutt
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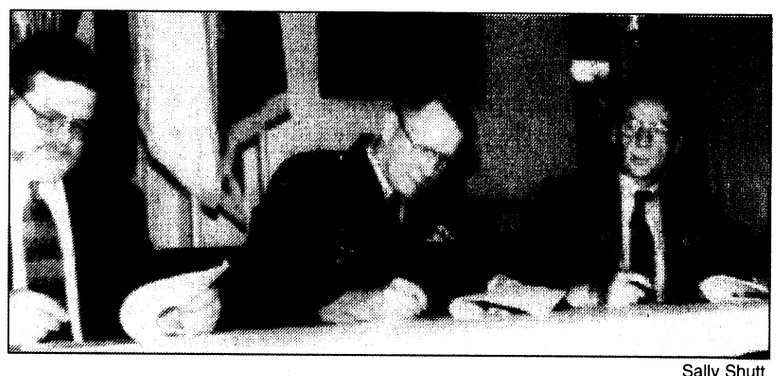
An official first step was taken Tuesday morning that could mean a new state-of-the-art home for the National Infantry Museum.

Representatives from Fort Benning, the U.S. Army Center for Military History and the National Infantry Association signed a memorandum of agreement clearing the first hurdle in a long-range proposal to construct a new facility supporters hope will accurately tell the story of the Infantry.

Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne; Judson Bennett, chief curator of the U.S. Army; and retired Maj. Gen. Jerry White, president of the National Infantry Association, signed the document giving the NIA, a private organization based in Columbus, the legal go-ahead to proceed with the project.

The next steps for the NIA will include hiring a museum consultant to design the facility, securing property adjacent to the post on which to build the structure and then raising the funds to complete the project.

"The memorandum of agreement is like a marriage. It's a contract between the parties to agree to get along and to make this thing work," Le Moyne said of the cooperative effort between the military and the NIA.



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Judson Bennett, Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne and Jerry White sign a memorandum of agreement to proceed with plans for a new National Infantry Museum.

White, a former commanding general at Fort Benning, said the journey toward a new museum actually started four years ago during a group brainstorming session about what it would take to attract more people to Columbus.

"After some discussion, we decided the 'it' was Fort Benning and

See **AGREEMENT,** A-4

Writer honors ITB Soldiers

WWII vet repeats basic training

Shannon S. Walsh
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Most Soldiers have a hard enough time with one round of basic training. Ralph "Doc" Widener conquered it twice.

Even more interesting is the fact that the second time around, Widener was 64 years old.

He originally completed basic training at Fort Benning in 1943. He was wounded in action after the D-Day invasion at Omaha Beach. He was an Infantryman in the 1st Infantry Division at the time.

Widener received a medical discharge from the Army as a sergeant in 1946.

He returned to Fort Benning in 1986 as a veteran and a journalist, planning to write an article for the *Dallas Times Herald*. After initially observing what the Soldiers were doing to prepare for the training, Widener felt he was up to the test.

He decided to go through basic training again with the company he was profiling, D

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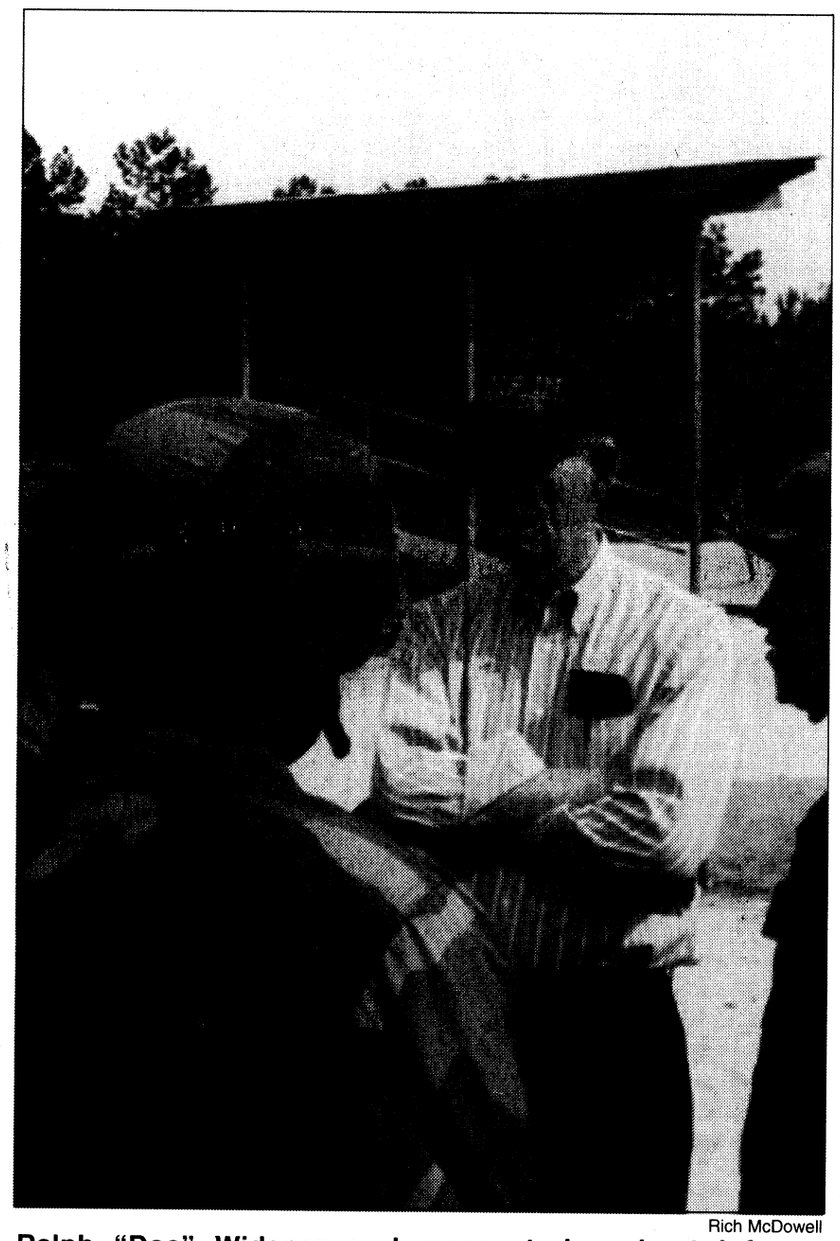

Rich McDowell

Ralph "Doc" Widener exchanges stories about Infantry training with Soldiers from C Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade.

Benning won't compete for ACOE

Fort Rucker to represent TRADOC

Sally Shutt
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A winning streak has ended at Fort Benning.

The post will not represent the Training and Doctrine Command in this year's Army Communities of Excellence competition, marking the first time in eight years the post has not won a title or the money that comes with it.

Fort Rucker, Ala., was selected as the TRADOC representative and will go on to compete at the All-Army ACOE competition for fiscal 2001.

Using sports as an analogy, Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander, said, "We know that eventually every winning streak is broken, but that doesn't mean the team is any worse at that point than it was in the preceding games."

Since 1993, Fort Benning has won close to $6.5 million from the ACOE program, which has been used to enhance the quality of life for Soldiers and their

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General visits Spencer High School

Hendrix says Rangers to get different beret

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Two weeks after the announcement by Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki that all Soldiers will wear black berets starting in June, Gen. John Hendrix, commander of Forces Command, said Rangers — who now wear the black cover — will still don distinctive headgear after the change next summer.

"Rangers will continue to have a distinctive beret, and they will have a voice in what color it is, Hendrix said.

"This new decision is not about decreasing the pride of the Rangers, but it is about increasing the pride and esprit of all Soldiers in the Army," Hendrix said.

Two students at Spencer High School asked Hendrix his views on the new beret policy last week when the four-star general visited the school.

"I think this is a good move. I have no problem with this at all. Most armies in the world wear berets. We are the exception," Hendrix said.

The general added he is one of the Rangers' biggest fans and supporters.

"They are the best we have. We know our Rangers are great Soldiers who take our most dangerous and difficult missions," said Hendrix, who wears a Ranger tab and served as a Ranger instructor for two years.

During the Oct. 26 visit, Hendrix, a former commanding general at Fort Benning, spoke to Junior ROTC cadets and other students about what it takes to be successful in life — whether in uniform or out.

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Sally Shutt

Gen. John Hendrix and Samantha Johnson, a junior at Spencer High School, compare targets after a one-on-one match.

Kindness isn't random

Sally Shutt
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commentary

The assignment seemed simple enough last Friday morning when I agreed to take it on. I was to write a commentary on "random acts of kindness" and talk about any instances where complete strangers helped me out or where I befriended someone I didn't know.

I thought about it all weekend, as we hustled around to soccer games, the commissary, PX and church. I could share about the time my accelerator cable disconnected on our van one morning and I coasted into a parking lot just off a school zone where a military police officer was working the crosswalk.

After all the students were safely inside the school, he used



duct tape to connect the cable and then followed me to the Firestone car care center on Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

You may be thinking big deal. He was just doing his job in getting a hazard off the road. That may be so.

But you can't say the same of the gentleman behind the counter that morning. He had a mechanic fix the problem and then didn't charge me anything. Maybe it was an easy problem to fix. I don't know now, and I certainly didn't know then. But I do know he fixed the problem for free. And he smiled.

Other examples came to mind as I thought about the topic. For example, last year *The Bayonet* and *Army Times* ran the story of a Soldier who found a purse in the parking lot of Martin Army Community Hospital and turned it in to the information desk. The owner was overjoyed to have her purse and the large sum of money inside it returned.

Still something bothered me about this idea of "random" kindness. Then it hit me. I had a problem with the whole concept — not the kindness aspect, but the randomness of the acts.

I believe kindness is not something that happens on a whim, nor is it always dependent on someone's emotions. Kindness is a conscious decision to behave in a certain manner.

It is not an inherited gene passed down from father to son, but it is a learned behavior parents model for their children, teachers show their students and leaders demonstrate to those who follow.

The recipe for kindness is quite simple, and it is spelled out in the Bible: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Treat others the way you want to be treated — whether you know them or not plays no part in the formula.

I'm sure the people who have shown me kindness during my lifetime didn't single me out from a mass of people to befriend.

I didn't pass their way on the one day of the week they decided to be kind. No, I like to think I crossed their paths on a day like any other in their lives, where kindness was the standard.

Poor sports ruin fun for everyone

Bridgett Siter
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commentary

I admit I'm guilty. Sometimes the kids' constant bickering gets on my last nerve, and I send them all to their rooms without trying to find out who the real culprit is.

And when that happens, they get this incredulous look in their eyes and their chests puff up with righteous indignation. Just when I think they're about to explode at my feet, they come to their senses and direct their anger at the one responsible for all the ruckus.

"Now look what you've done. Thanks to you we're all in trouble." And then they stomp off toward their rooms vowing never to play with him or her again.

Now I know how they feel. I'm feeling a bit like a petulant child myself right now, but I don't know who to point my



finger at. Whoever you are, thanks to you, we're all in trouble now.

I found a note on my door last week when I came home. It said we had to move our portable basketball goal to the back yard. Effective immediately it was no longer allowed on the curb. The subject again came up in Tuesday's Town Hall meeting.

Like myself, another frustrated parent wanted to know "why?"

Why do I have to put that goal out back where it will never be used?

Why, when we live on a court with no through traffic, does a basketball goal on the sidewalk present a safety hazard?

Why do we want to discourage those fun, wholesome neighborhood pick-up basketball games? I like what I see when I sit here at my computer and look out the window at five or 10 adolescents vying for control of the ball instead of roaming the neighborhood looking for action of another sort.

Well I knew the answer before I even asked the question. I'm sure you do too. Someone blew it for the rest of us.

Someone didn't make sure their goal was in a safe place — a place where its use didn't impede traffic or put someone's life in danger. Someone didn't enforce the rules and make sure their little Michael Jordans were in at curfew. So their neighbors called the MPs again and again and again to complain about the incessant noise.

And the rest, shall we say, is history.

The powers that be said, "Enough is enough. We're not going to take it anymore. You all put your toys away and go to your rooms. No more playing."

So whoever you are, as a result of your carelessness, I'm relearning a lesson I've tried to teach my children since birth — life's not always fair. The rest of us are paying for your negligence.

And I'm trying hard to be mature about it, but I really want to call you all kinds of nasty names like "stupid" and "idiot" and "imbecile," but I realize you may very well be bigger than me, and you have me at an advantage. Though I have no idea who you are, you may recognize me from that picture and do a little dribbling of your own.

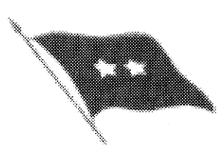
But I'm mad about it, you can be sure. And if I find out who you are, I'm never going to play with you again.

CG recognizes Native American month

In recognition of Native Americans, Alaskan Natives and our nation's ethnic and national diversity, the period of Nov. 1-30 has been proclaimed "National Native American Indian Heritage Month."

The theme for this year is "American Indians: The Nation Next Door."

All Americans, regardless of their heritage, have gained from Native Americans and their ancestors. Native Americans have served their country not only in every conflict since the Civil War, but also as artists, scholars and scientists.





They have made great contributions in agriculture, medicine, art and government.

Today Native Americans continue to contribute immensely in the pursuit of America's national goals and in the quest for freedom and opportunity. Their diversity throughout history serves as a model for all Americans.

November not only offers an increase in national awareness of the history and contributions of Native Americans, but it also offers Native Americans serving in the armed services an opportunity to celebrate and share their heritage.

I encourage all personnel on Fort Benning and the surrounding community to participate in this observance through the planned activities of units, staffs, directorates and other agencies.

— Maj. Gen. John M. Le Moyne
Commanding General

letter

The Soldier Show has come and gone. But, there are some valuable lessons to be learned for the next time.

Noise level and families:

Why was it so loud? I had several family members in my unit leave because it was just too loud for their children's ears. This also means it was too loud for the Soldiers.

And about the families — the drill sergeants spend many long hours away from their families and here is an event that some decided to share with their loved ones. But no — we have to segregate families from their drill sergeant husbands and fathers even when it was quite obvious there was plenty of room for them to sit together.

So, families are told to break up and then later they were allowed to sit together again — only to have those seats taken by late comers. Let's not forget our families next year.

Parking:

Trying to leave parking was frustrating. On one side the road was blocked by a government vehicle so we couldn't leave that way, and the only exit was blocked by a "traffic controller," who said we couldn't leave until all the Soldiers departed.

Waiting for 7,000 plus Soldiers to leave before we could exit defies the common sense test. We may want to consider a better departure plan.

Transportation:

Great job in getting so many Soldiers downtown but one of the police officers told me that it was against Georgia law to ride in a trailer.

I saw scores of Soldiers packed into "cattle trucks" violating that law; I'm sure glad there was no accident.

Army values:

Lastly, I was told this show emphasized values. Yes, it emphasized values, but were they the Army values? Having female Soldiers dressed in short, tight, form-fitting dresses while swaying their bodies to songs about "she's so hot" concerns me. This was not a show about the Army.

The post once again let Columbus see that we genuinely care about the Soldier, and Columbus opened its civic center up for us. That doesn't need any fixing, and all should be proud of that. I hope this letter makes the next show a better success.

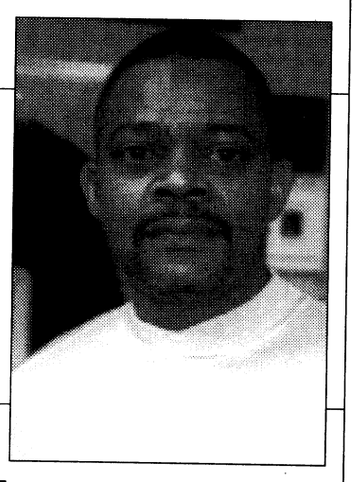
Name withheld upon request

VARIOUS VOICES

Can you recall a time you were the recipient of a random act of kindness?



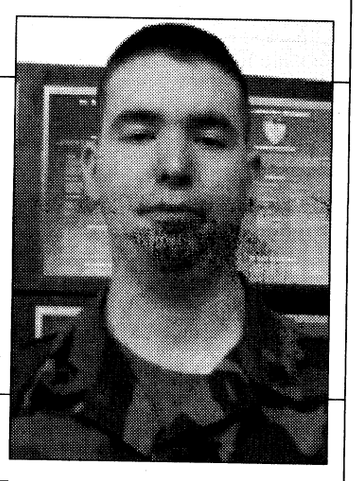
Sgt. Tamara Alfred, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade — "When my daughter was 16 months old, she opened the front door by herself. Someone down the street I had never met brought her home."



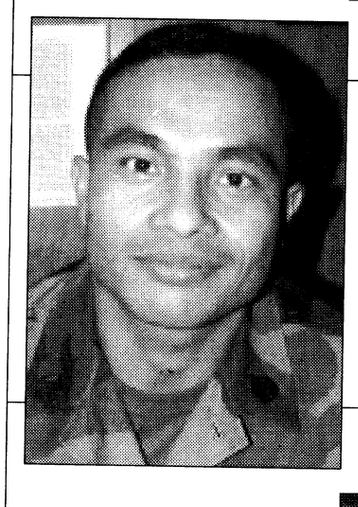
John Redding, Columbus — "Someone stopped to give me a ride when my car broke down by the side of the road back in 1984. I was surprised and relieved."



Carolyn Brooks, AAFES employee — "I left my checkbook at home once and found myself $5 short at the commissary. The lady in front of me insisted I take the money from her and she refused to let me pay her back."



Spc. Michael Rodriguez, B Company, 317th Engineer Battalion, 3rd Brigade — "I got a flat tire and a cop helped me out."



Staff Sgt. Ken Chanthakhot, U.S. Marine Corps representative — "My family was trying to come from a refugee camp in Thailand and someone we never met became our sponsor."



Eleanor Rohly, family member — "I walk with a cane. Sometimes strangers help me cross the street or open doors for me. A couple of weeks ago I fell at the hospital and two GIs helped me up."

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Community prepares to honor veterans

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It's the time of year when Soldiers and civilians alike take time to honor veterans. Veterans Day is Nov. 11, and there are a number of planned events leading up to and on that day.

At 8 a.m. Saturday the local chapter of the Gold Star Wives of America will erect the "Avenue of Flags" down Victory Drive. The flags will be put in place by members of The Retired Officers' Association and the Chattahoochee Valley Veteran's Council and will remain there for two weeks. For more information, call 327-2268.

"We hope people will stop and realize that all veterans should be honored in some way. They've given up a lot," said Wanda Funderburk, president, Chattahoochee Valley Chapter of the Gold Star Wives of America.

Also on Saturday there will be a pre-Veterans Day ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park on the corner of Lawyer's Lane and Buena Vista Road. Garrison commander Col. John Mitchell will be a guest speaker.

The event will be at 10:45 a.m. and is sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park committee and the Combined Communities of Southeast Columbus. For more information, call 687-5357.

At 11 a.m. Nov. 10, Phenix City and Columbus will join with Fort Benning to host the annual tri-community Veterans Day celebration at the Phenix City amphitheater, 508 Dillingham Street.

Retired Col. Mack Johnson will give the welcome and Col. Robert Hoidahl Jr., deputy assistant commandant, U.S. Army Infantry School, will participate in the comments, and 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment, will perform *I am the Infantry*. Call 545-9734 for more information.

On Veterans Day, there will be ceremonies at the National Infantry Museum.

At 9 a.m., 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, will host a ceremony that focuses on the 3rd Infantry Division in the Korean War.

The ceremony will begin at the tank destroyer memorial in front of the museum. Retired Col. Cecil French will be the guest speaker. Call 544-1312 with any questions.

The 555th Parachute Infantry Association will host a ceremony inside the National Infantry Museum at 11 a.m. The master of ceremonies will be retired Col. William Lundy and the guest speaker will be Master Sgt. Alan Gibson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment. The honor guard will be provided by 1st Bn. (Abn.), 507th Inf., 11th Inf. Regt. For more information, call 689-7408.

Writer: Recognizes new Infantry Soldiers

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Company, 6th Battalion, 1st Infantry Training Brigade.

"I wanted to see whether I could do the whole thing," Widener said. The battalion commander gave the go ahead and Widener started out from the beginning with the company.

"Some of the stuff was tough for me. The obstacle course was a burden and the temperature was sometimes up around 100 degrees," Widener said.

He spent the entire 13-week cycle with the company.

"I stayed in the same barracks, ate all my meals with them and did all my training with them. When they marched, I marched," Widener said.

Widener got his story, along with a plaque from the battalion commander for being the oldest civilian to go through basic training.

He wrote a book about his experience, called *This We Will Defend*. The commanding general at the time, Maj. Gen. Edwin Burba, said the book's portrayal of Infantry training was the best ever.

Widener developed close relationships with the Soldiers in the company. He sent a copy of his book to each one of them the Christmas after he met them at basic training.

"He had a much better feel for those kids and has kept in touch with a number of them over the years," said Al Garland, former editor of *Infantry Magazine*.

Widener has also kept in touch with his old company.

It's now C Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, and he returns there a few times each year to present an award that he created to the top member of each platoon.

He chose the name of World War II hero, 1st Lt. Audie Murphy for this award.

"He was the ultimate Soldier. He believed in doing everything to the best of his ability," Widener said. "I enjoy helping kids realize they can try to be like him."

Winners of this award are chosen by their peers. "I thought it would be a good idea for the Soldiers to decide who they thought did the best job," Widener said.

"The award is a motivational piece," said 1st Lt. Don Jamoles, C Co., 1st Bn., 19th Inf., executive officer. "His presence is an inspiration, especially when they hear about all that he's done."

"He's a great role model for a lot of young Soldiers," Garland said. "He wants to recognize these boys and at the same time make sure the entire company understands that Audie Murphy is the type of man to look up to."

The money and time that go into recognizing these Soldiers comes solely from Widener. He always tries to present the awards in person and, prior to a car accident last year, used to do a road march with the company.

The award winners each receive an engraved "Follow Me" statue of an Infantry Soldier, as well as a U.S. savings bond.

Widener still takes time to get to know the Soldiers here.

When he comes to present the awards, he talks to the entire company and they watch the movie *To Hell and Back*, based on Murphy's book.

He also takes the award recipients to the Four Winds Cafe in Cusseta for "Ranger" burgers.

"The Soldiers love the man because he talks to them and listens to them. He gets to know them well," said Rich McDowell, Public Affairs officer.

Widener estimates he's met more than 20,000 entering recruits at Fort Benning.

In addition to the appreciation of those at C Co., Widener has received recent recognition.

Last month he was awarded the Military Order of Saint Maurice by the National Infantry Association. This award recognizes individuals who have contributed significantly to the promotion of the Infantry in ways that stand out in the eyes of their seniors, subordinates, and peers.

Widener is not comfortable with the attention he's received and prefers to stay behind the scenes.

"It's nice that they wanted to do that for me but letting me come back to Fort Benning and spend time with the Soldiers, that's my reward," Widener said.

Widener taught history at the high school level for 30 years, followed by 10 years at the University of Texas at Arlington where he taught history and public speaking.

Widener, who will celebrate his 78th birthday Dec. 3, currently lives in Dallas, Texas.

"My internist tells me that I have the body of a healthy, 18-year-old athlete. Maybe I'll live to be a 100," Widener said.

Widener also uses that energy to actively work in his community. He's been a volunteer for the local police department for more than three years.

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Italian Memorial Day

The Italian liaison representative from Fort Rucker, Ala., will celebrate Italian Memorial Day at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Main Post Cemetery.

A wreath laying ceremony will be conducted memorializing the Italian soldiers who rest in the Fort Benning Cemetery.

These soldiers were prisoners of war who died in the U.S. during World War II. Lt. Col. Antonio Bettelli will conduct the service.

The public is invited.

Wreath-laying ceremony

A wreath laying ceremony to honor Henry Caro, the first commandant of NCO Academy will take place at 10 a.m. Monday at the Main Post Cemetery.

Native American Luncheon

The Equal Opportunity Office will sponsor a Native American Heritage Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 20 in the Officers' Club. For more information, call 545-6665.

St. Barbara's Ball

The St. Barbara's Ball will be 6 p.m. Nov. 18 at the Fort Benning Officers' Club. The cost to attend is $24.

For more information, call Capt. Andrew McClean at 544-2744.

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Agreement: Means new Infantry museum in works

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we started down this trail," White said.

In the last 18 months, the concept for a new Infantry museum took shape.

"We knew where we were headed, it was just a matter of getting all the parties — the Army, Fort Benning, the NIA and the community — in agreement about how it should unfold. That's why today is significant," White said. "The idea is no longer mushy; it is firm. After today, it will happen. We will stay the course."

As chief curator of the museum division of the Center for Military History, Bennett oversees 58 Army museum operations and is responsible for all historical property held by the Army. His signature was needed on the memorandum because the museum's historical property will remain in the possession of the Army after the new facility is constructed.

Partnerships between the military, different levels of government and private organizations are the wave of the future in military museums, Bennett said citing projects now underway at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., Fort Sill, Okla., and Fort Campbell, Ky.

Bennett spoke to those gathered on the museum's third floor to witness the memorandum's signing. He stressed the importance of preserving military history and the role museums play in the Army's mission.

"If you are a banker or a businessman and you don't learn the lessons from history, the mistakes you make result in a smaller bottom line. In the Army, history is far more important to us because we pay for our mistakes with people's lives. It is an awesome responsibility," Bennett said.

"Projects like this help us do two things — support Soldier and leader training and promote a closeness between the Army and the people the Army serves," Bennett said.

Preliminary proposals for the museum include interactive displays, classrooms and finding a new and compelling way to tell the story of the Infantry that will immerse the visitor into history, not just provide artifacts on display, Bennett said.

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> Chief curator of the U.S. Army

"In order to be effective we have to think about what kind of people our Soldiers are. They were raised with televisions and computers and had classrooms where teachers tried to make learning interesting to them. In a museum we have to do the same thing," Bennett said.

Bennett is currently working on a national Army museum in Washington, D.C.

The Infantry museum was housed in two World War II temporary buildings on Ingersoll Avenue from 1959 until 1977 when it moved into the former hospital, built in the 1920s, on Baltzell Avenue. In addition to constantly battling climate-control problems in the historic building, Frank Hanner, the museum's director, is only able to display about 20 percent of the museum's holdings.

Items in storage include a World War II glider, jeeps, a landing craft and numerous artifacts too large for the three-story building.

"This is the only way the museum will be allowed to grow and have the capability to display our larger artifacts. We have things that have never been seen because we have no where to put them," Hanner said. "Without a new building we will become stagnant here."

Hanner estimated the project will take about five years to reach fruition.

One proposed site for the new building is a wooded area adjacent to the post between South Lumpkin Road and fronting Benning Boulevard, said Col. John Mitchell, garrison commander.

Having the museum there rather than on Main Post would attract individuals who normally would not visit the installation, Mitchell said.

"We believe this will be a unique and exciting draw for people who may have never experienced military service. They may have only a secondhand knowledge of the military and the important role it has played in our country's history," Mitchell said.

The partnership the post has established with the Columbus community will be important not only for the local area, but the region as well, Mitchell said.

"Fort Benning and the Infantry stand to benefit from a new facility, and Columbus and the region stand to benefit by having a world-class center, one that may even include a convention area for reunions and a learning center for school groups," Mitchell said.

While supporters congratulated each other after the agreement's signing, they were quick to point out the real work lies ahead.

"Today formalizes the idea that if we build it, they will come," said Ben Williams, executive director of the National Infantry Foundation, an arm of the NIA, and a member of the steering committee for the project.

"I'm proud that we reached this milestone, but I realize we have a lot of work to make this a reality," Williams said.

Hendrix: Offers students advice on success

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"My visit was not so much about the Army, as much as it was about the kids and talking to them about making good healthy decisions in life," he said after the assembly.

"If we don't take the time to show them we care if they succeed or not, we deserve what we get."

In his comments to the students, Hendrix, 58, emphasized three key factors — respect for others, selfless service to the community and personal accountability for one's actions.

"Whether I say it right or not, I am here because you are important," Hendrix told the assembly of about 400 students, 231 of whom are enrolled in JROTC. "You are important because you are the future of the United States of America, and I want you to make the world a better place to live in."

When the general opened the floor to questions from the audience, the subject quickly turned to Army issues, including the military's "effectiveness today," the sinking of the USS Cole in Yemen and twice, the black beret.

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> **Gen. John Hendrix**
> Forces Command commander

"Our Army today is the best in the world, but it is not good enough. It is not large enough, it is not well-resourced enough, and it is not modernized enough," said Hendrix, who commands 85 percent of the Army's combat power, about 750,000 Soldiers.

In order to support missions in Bosnia and Kosovo, the FORSCOM commander said "we are having to dip into the Army National Guard and Reserve to a greater extent than we have ever had to do in peacetime."

The final question came from Sarah Berry, daughter of Chaplain (Maj.) Steven Berry, 75th Ranger Regiment. She asked the general if he thought allowing all Soldiers to wear the black beret would somehow take away from the Rangers' identity.

"My answer is resoundingly no. If the Rangers depend on their identification and their sense of self worth based only on the black beret, then we have some problems there. But I don't believe that is the case," Hendrix said.

Samantha Johnson, a junior, waited patiently after the assembly while Hendrix shook hands and posed for photographs in the school's media center.

Although the 16-year-old said she was nervous, Johnson didn't show it later on the air rifle range in the basement of the school's gym.

The 4-foot-9-inch daughter of Sally and Wayne Johnson, a retired Soldier, showed why she is the school's best sharpshooter after a friendly shoot-out with Hendrix, who has served 35 years in the Army.

"The range is like my home and I am very comfortable here," said Johnson, who plans to go into the Air Force.

Johnson's paper target would have earned the highest rating possible, expert, during an official competition, and Hendrix would have scored sharpshooter, the next highest category, said retired Lt. Col. Thomas Jones, senior military adviser at Spencer.

"She was unbelievable," Hendrix said after signing the two targets and presenting the mementos to Johnson, who plans to frame them.

Hendrix also passed out numerous commemorative coins to cadets during the visit, telling them what a good job they had done and how proud he was of their work.

Varsah Credle, 18, a company commander in the school's JROTC, and other members of the corps greeted Hendrix at the front entrance to the high school.

"We were really nervous and he helped us relax. He presented us with coins and told us it was for all of our hard work. He was really down to earth, had a good sense of humor and spoke to us like we were on the same level," Credle said.

"I'm very happy he chose to come to Spencer, and he left us with a positive message."

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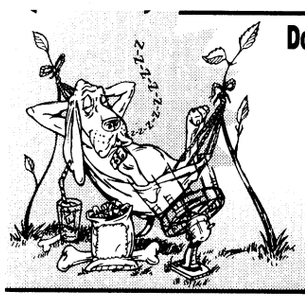
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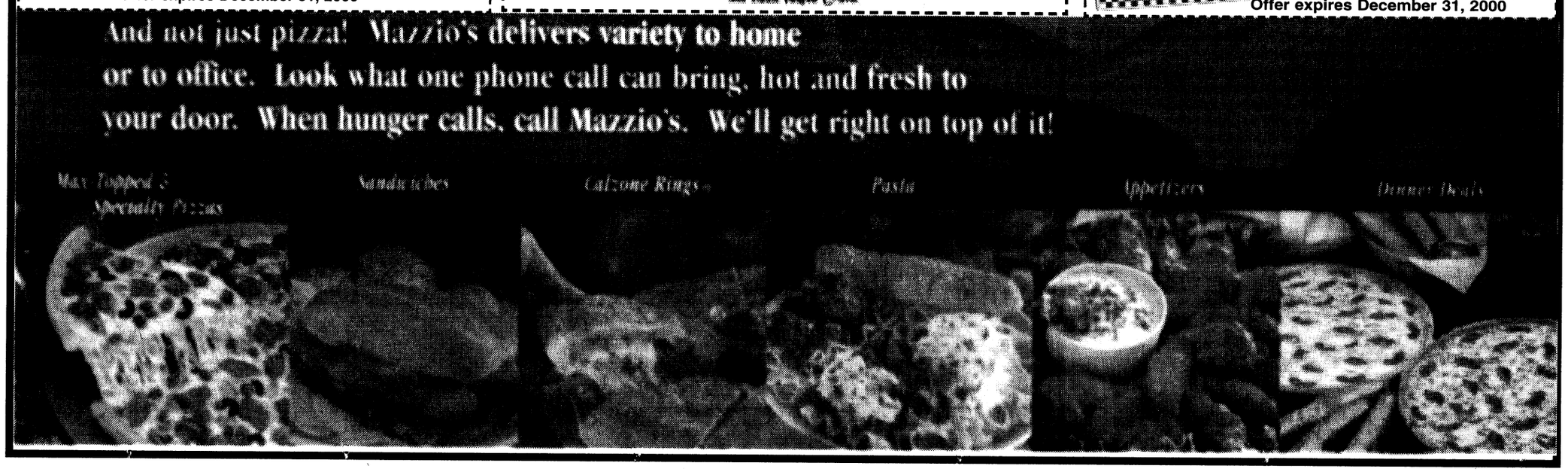

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Seminar helps spouses in future leadership roles

Shannon S. Walsh
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Spouses of future or current company commanders can receive guidance from those who have been in a leadership position before.

There will be a five-day leadership seminar, Monday through Nov. 10, that will address issues a company commander's spouse may expect to encounter.

"It provides them with information about themselves and others and allows them to become more effective if they choose to take a leadership role," said Mary Ellen Keen, president, leadership seminar.

The seminar has been in place since 1984. It's usually held four times a year and generally coincides with an incoming Infantry Captain Career Course class. Although the seminar is primarily focused toward ICCC spouses' needs, it is open to anyone who wishes to take it.

"I signed up for the seminar so I will know what to expect and know how to be a commander's wife," said Ginger Hampton. Her husband, Capt. Bill Hampton, is currently in the ICCC class.

Hampton said she is mainly taking the course to learn leadership skills so she can help out in family support groups.

Other issues the seminar focuses on include conflict, trauma, communication, group dynamics, stress management, family readiness, and values.

There are about 15 volunteers who facilitate the course and serve as mentors for the students. The volunteers have been trained and all have spouses at the company command level or higher.

There are also two panels, one of NCO wives and one of officer wives, who join the seminar so students can ask them questions.

The format is both large group lecture and small discussion groups.

Keen said the small groups can break from the planned format. "This gives the wives an opportunity to talk about anything they want."

Students have an opportunity to comment on the structure of the course at the end of the week.

"The evaluations we get from students are very important to us. We've made some major changes based upon what they're telling us," Keen said.

The seminar will be 9 a.m. through 12 p.m. in Building 75. Students must preregister. For those interested, late registration is possible. Call Keen at 685-2266.

ACOE: Selects Fort Rucker to represent TRADOC

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families, said Sara Hodges, chief, Quality Management Division, Directorate of Resource Management.

Eight TRADOC installations submitted application packets, but only one could be selected to represent each major command, a change from previous years, Hodges said.

Hodges and her quality management staff are anxious to read the feedback from the evaluators, which should highlight the post's strengths, weaknesses and areas for improvement.

"We will press on and continue to improve our processes," Hodges said.

Mitchell expressed confidence the post would make a comeback in future ACOE competitions.

"We remain committed to taking a systematic approach to focusing on our customers, improving our processes and responding to feedback," Mitchell said.

While the post is proud of its track record in the ACOE competition, Mitchell said, "It's just one tool we use to measure how we are doing. We understand that our commitment to quality is a journey, rather than a destination. That means we are always moving forward. It doesn't mean we will always have the same results in every measurement we take."

Although this was not Fort Benning's year in the ACOE competition, the post has been recognized in several areas on the national, state and local levels.

Mitchell cited the post's success in the environmental arena as an example. Fort Benning was named the best in the Army for electrical energy conservation, the state of Georgia applauded the post's water quality and the city presented four separate Keep Columbus Beautiful awards to the installation this year.

In the last two weeks, Fort Benning Schools and Stowers Elementary, in particular, have been in the news as the only school and system in the Department of Defense Education Activity to serve as home to the principal of the year, Glenn Hughes, and the teacher of the year, Millie Harris, during the same year.

"We can go down the line and measure ourselves at the local, state and national levels, and anyway you look at it you can see that Fort Benning is a great place to live and work," Mitchell said.

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Soldiers' training pays off, saves life

Karen Taylor
Bayonet Corespondent

A Soldier overturned his sport-utility vehicle on a gravel road near Ware Range in September. The Soldier was thrown from the vehicle and was found lying in the road.

What was crucial to his recovery was the expeditious actions of the two medics, Spc. Hubert Henson and Pfc. Donald Fertgus, from the Medical Support Platoon of the 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, who fielded the call.

"He was complaining of headache and spinal pain," Fertgus said.

Fertgus said he and Henson stayed focused; immediately put a C-Collar on the Soldier, and proceeded to put him on a backboard.

"I didn't feel anything, I was there to do my job," Fertgus said. "But afterwards I started thinking about it and I got a little emotional because of how the scene looked.

"He could have possibly had a severe spinal injury."

Capt. Don Patterson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., who witnessed the medics in action, described their performance as "awesome."

"It's a good feeling to know you've got capable medics," Patterson said.

"That Soldier is walking today because of those medics," he said. "That's when it really hits home."

Fortunately, the Medical Support Platoon doesn't see such a situation that often.

"Most of what we see are heat casualties," Patterson said.

Aside from the fact that Fort Benning had many 100-degree days this summer, Patterson said the reason for Fort Benning's high number of heat casualties is because Infantry training includes intense, outdoor training such as road marching and live fire exercises more than other TRADOC units.

If a Soldier was previously sick with the flu, and is still dehydrated or due to the intensity of the training a Soldier forgets to hydrate, that can lead to a heat casualty, Patterson said.

Heat casualties can turn to fatalities if it goes untreated and Patterson said there was one heat casualty in 1998 that resulted in a Soldier's death.

"If one Soldier dies, it's one Soldier too many," he said.

The medical support platoon's mission is to provide area and on-site medical coverage to the U.S. Army Infantry Center. Area coverage includes two medics and a front line ambulance with advanced lifesaving equipment such as defibrillator and oxygen, that covers a large area, like the Malone Complex. The medics also have three forms of communication, a two-way radio, cell phone and a hand-held radio.

"It keeps them mobile at all times," said Sgt. 1st Class Friedell Wilkes, Medical Support Platoon NCOIC.

Onsite, or point coverage, consists of one medic, who covers a specific training exercise and who is equipped with a medical aid bag and a hand-held radio.

Wilkes said his Medical Support Platoon is expected to increase from 15 medics to 32 because of the anticipated additional coverage they will have to provide on Fort Benning.

Fort Benning is divided into six sectors and currently the Medical Support Platoon along with the 690th Medical Co., 36th Engineer Group, provide coverage. Patterson said due to the 690th Medical Co.'s upcoming contingency missions, the medical support platoon of the 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., is due to take over medical duties in the near future to provide Fort Benning with appropriate training coverage.

"We will cover everything except Ranger School, because they have their own, (assets)" Patterson said.

Patterson said it could happen as early as the new fiscal year, which began in October, but could take place in January or even March of 2001.

"We've been ready to assume coverage," he said.

The 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., Medical Support Platoon doesn't do it alone, they are supported by the Fort Benning Emergency Medical Service and the 498th Co. (Air Ambulance), 36th Engineer Group, who will transport casualties to either Martin Army Community Hospital or Columbus Medical Center, for trauma patients.

"The key is communication;" said Mark Joyce, ambulance director for the Fort Benning Emergency Medical Service, "to have an unbroken line of communication from the field through the 911 center to us."

The 911 center is handled through the Military Police Activity, which instantly relays the message to the Fort Benning EMS and the 498th Co.

"911 is the lynch pin for medical care and all emergency care on post," Joyce said.

After receiving the call, a 498th Co. MEDEVAC helicopter will be airborne in 10 minutes or less and the Fort Benning EMS will arrive in five to seven minutes. The EMS and Air Ambulance crews are in constant communication with the medic, who relays critical information about a patient that alert crews to bring special equipment as well as patient updates en route. To coordinate such an operation, where seconds matter, the Fort Benning EMS and 498th Co., are an integral part of the medical support platoon's training.

"We couldn't be as successful as we are right now without seeing the real picture," Wilkes said.

During training exercises with EMS and the 498th Co., each step is timed from before arrival to after departure of the MEDEVAC helicopter or EMS ambulance from the sight.

The Fort Benning EMS also provides additional training for the medical support platoon by allowing medics to ride along in an ambulance as well as certifying and recertifying medics in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency medical training.



Karen Taylor

Pfc. Tanesha Kane (left) and Spc. Brian Grant secure a "victim" on a stretcher. The 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment's medical support platoon trains to have the victim secured in six minutes or less.

Officer candidates regain control of JMAC 'bomb'

2nd Lt. Nate Swindler
3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment

It was a warm and sunny autumn day at Naval Air Station Pensacola Saturday as 120 highly motivated officer candidates, 40 each from the Navy, Air Force and Army Officer Candidate Schools, battled for the coveted "bomb."

The "bomb" is a 82 mm, 25-pound inert round that stands as the trophy for the winner of the eight event, joint service challenge of physical prowess.

The winning team takes the trophy home and has it painted to their liking — then holds it for the next six months. When the Army team arrived in Pensacola Oct.27, the bomb was Navy blue and battleship gray, symbolic of their victory this spring at Maxwell Air Force Base.

In the span of little more than 15 minutes the Army team turned what looked like the agony of defeat into the thrill of victory, shocking the defending champion Navy OCS team and their partisan crowd.

The Army OCS candidates kept their emotions in check, turning in a spirited performance in front of more than 1000 spectators and local TV coverage.

The Army team started well with second place finishes in the 3-mile run and Super Physical Fitness Test, followed by a first in the Super PFT relay. The Super PFT consists of pull ups, sit ups, push ups and a 1.6 mile run, without rest between events, for both male and female candidates. The relay has one candidate doing each event, with a team for each gender. Officer Candidate Malida Ruiz won the female Super PFT for the Army by doing 13 pull-ups, 96 sit ups and 69 push ups before finishing her run. During the men's PFT relay, OC Chris Hammonds did 35 pull-ups to pace the victorious Army relay team.

"The key at JMAC is to always come in first or second," said Maj. Jose Boria, the operations officer for the OCS battalion. "Third place will kill you," he said.

> "We worked hard on matching speed and agility ... but it's all about teamwork."
>
> **Capt. Greg Glenn**
> C Company Commander

And that's just what happened coming out of volleyball. The Navy team was on the verge of what looked like a runaway victory after stunning both the Army and Air Force OCS teams with the volleyball victory to take a commanding lead after four events. "Volleyball is a traditional stronghold of the Air Force," Boria said. "We upset the USAF team for the first time at Maxwell Air Force Base in the Spring 2000 competition, but nobody expected the Navy to have such a strong team this fall," he said.

The Army moved one point closer, finishing ahead of the Navy in the 440-yard relay. But with two events to go the Army needed back-to-back victories in the stretcher carry and tug of war, then some help from the Air Force, if they were to pull out the victory.

"We traditionally win the stretcher carry, but you never know what the other services will have," said Capt. Greg Glenn, C Co. commander and the stretcher team's coach. "We worked hard on matching speed and agility ... but it's all about teamwork," Glenn said.

The Army team picked up critical time in the final transition then surged past the Navy for the event victory, setting the stage for a tug of war showdown.

"It's been a long time since the Navy has been beaten in the tug-of-war," said Maj. Bill Ramsey, 3rd Battalion executive officer. "I think it was the fall of '97."

In the Spring 2000 competition, the Army and Navy teams were tied going into the tug-of-war and the Navy won, taking home the bomb for the first time in over three years. Now the Army trailed by one point and needed a first round victory over the Navy, then to defeat the Air Force in the final pull, to guarantee a tie-breaker. The Benning team broke the hearts of the hometown favorites with a victory over the Navy in the first round. The rope was reset and the once-tested Army team went against a fresh Air Force team. The Soldiers' turned in a repeat performance with a quick victory over the Air Force to seal at least a tie in the overall competition, but their ultimate fate was determined in the last action of the day.

As the rope was aligned, the Army candidates quickly rallied behind the Air Force, knowing a victory over the Navy by their counterparts from Montgomery would be the coup d'etat, sending the bomb back to Fort Benning with the Army as the undisputed victor.

After an initial stalemate, the Air Force team steadily pulled the Navy over, ending a roller coaster turn of events for everyone involved.

"When Col. Ferriter talks to the candidates, he says never, never, never quit," said Glenn. "When Lt. Col Osborne is with them, he always talks about PMA — positive mental attitude. We saw them both in action here today."

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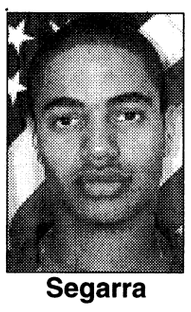
Pvt. Carlos Segarra
Oakland, Calif.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I was influenced by my grandmother and family. The prior service Soldiers in my family speak with a lot of pride about being in the military.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I think I was chosen because my drill sergeants noticed the time and effort I put forth to make sure my battle buddies were squared away.



Segarra

Staff Sgt. Garfield Lyons
Queens, N.Y.
A Co., 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I lead from the front.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? The satisfaction I receive from being a drill sergeant is seeing the young men transform from civilians to Soldiers.



Lyons

Pvt. Brandon Clifton
Newport News, Va.
B Company, 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I wanted to prove to myself that if I applied myself I can be the best. I felt the Army instills the discipline I need to be the best.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I worked hard and lived up to all the Army values.



Clifton

Staff Sgt. Christopher Diaz
Bronx, N.Y.
B Co., 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. Motivating Soldiers to accomplish the mission of "training to be a Soldier" by providing constant supervision.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Training Soldiers that I will see again in the future and observing how they progress in the Army as a Soldier.



Diaz

Pfc. Zane Schroyer
West Cajon Valley, Calif.
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion
Award: Ranger Support Soldier of the Cycle
What is the greatest challenge in supporting each Ranger class? Supporting the Ranger students in their need for communication with the Camp Darby tactical operations center.



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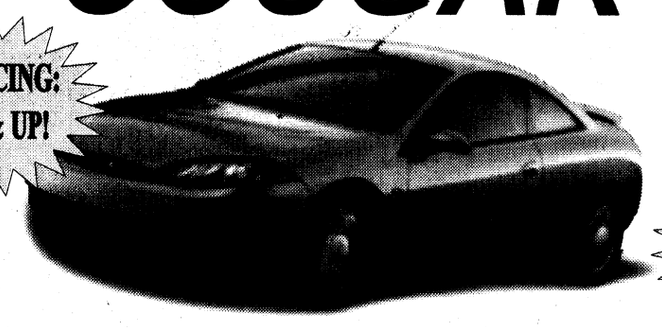

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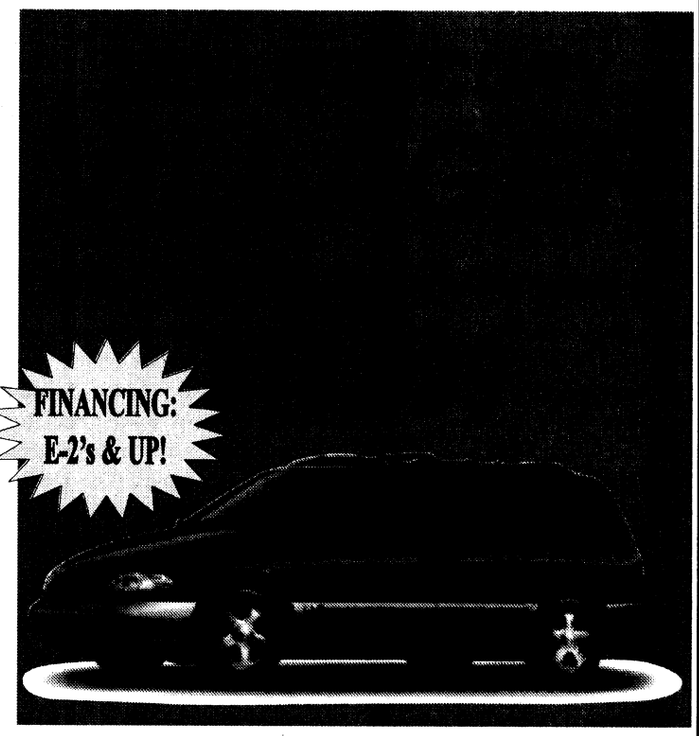

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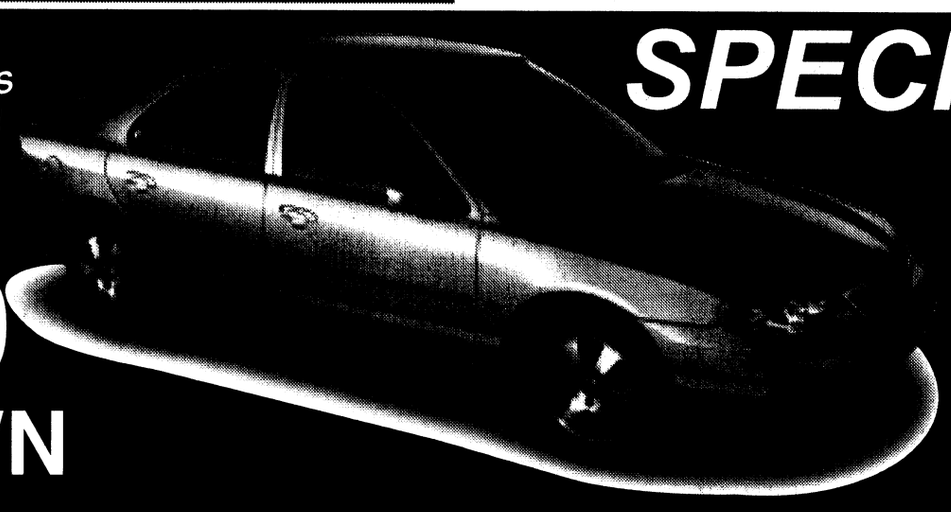

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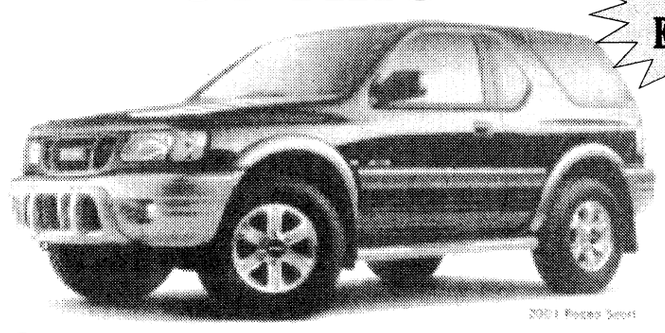

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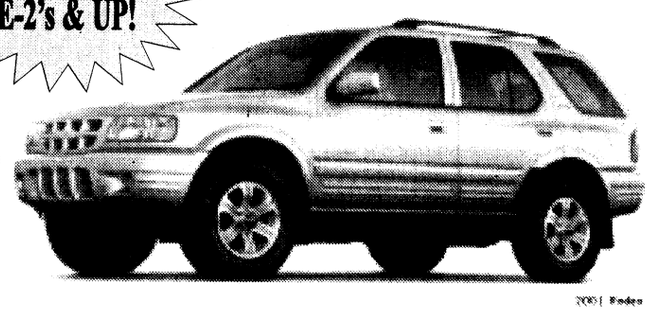

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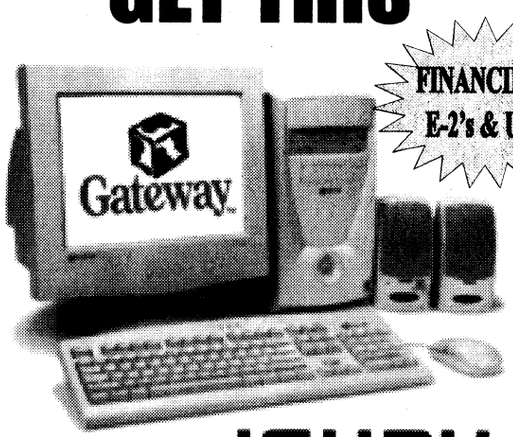

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Wilson students feed cycle of kindness

Children sacrifice Saturday to serve workers lunch

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Halloween was in the air, but a group of students from Wilson Elementary School had Christmas on their minds Saturday. They sacrificed their Saturday morning to help a local family "make it home" for the holidays.

Nearly 35 students from Wilson's Kids Care Club made and served lunch to a Habitat for Humanity crew in Phenix City, Ala. They met at the school at 9:30 a.m. to make sandwiches and pack chips, desserts and canned drinks before traveling to the construction site where lunch was served shortly after noon.

"This way the workers don't have to stop to go get something to eat," said 10-year-old Maneca Jackson, club president. "They're doing something nice for someone, so we're doing something nice for them."

The 50-man construction crew was working to complete Russell County's first Habitat for Humanity home, "something nice" for Bernice Upshaw and her three sons, who hope to be in their home before Christmas.

"At the rate they're going, they say we'll be in sometime in December," Upshaw said. "It's great what they're doing and what these kids are doing."

Many of the students gave up football games and cheerleading to participate in Saturday's event, the first Kids Care project for the 2000-2001 school year. Club coordinator Evelyn Montgomery, school counselor, said the students are learning an important lesson about giving.

"We could have done this on a weekday, and they would have missed a few classes, but that wouldn't have been a real sacrifice," she said. "They're learning that volunteering means giving your time, and sometimes that means sacrificing something that's important to you."

The students weren't the only ones sacrificing their Saturday to

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Students from Wilson Elementary School serve lunch to Habitat for Humanity workers Saturday.

Happy Halloween!



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Constance Youngblood, 15-month-old daughter of Tracey and Sgt. 1st Class Warren Youngblood, trick-or-treats in the comfort of her stroller.



Trick or treat!

Ghouls and goblins celebrate Halloween

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And they're off! At the stroke of 6 o'clock Tuesday evening screen doors all over Fort Benning slammed in unison as trick-or-treaters hit the trail like horses off the starting block.

But it was all business, no horsing around, for the hordes of ghouls and goblins who were serious about collecting candy.

"This is serious business," said 11-year-old Aubrey Coovrey, who wore running shoes under her princess costume. "You have to be polite, but you have to be fast if you want to get a lot of candy."

Fort Benning's hallowed holiday was a resounding success, said Sgt. 1st Class Brian Reinwald, Community Oriented Police platoon sergeant.

"We had an extremely large turn-out," Reinwald said. "We had no problems, no complaints from patrols or parents, and no injuries. It was a huge success."

Shannon Secules, a Davis Hill resident, said the number of trick-or-treaters in her neighborhood was significantly more than last year.

"We had at least twice as many kids come through, probably more than that. I bought tons of candy, and we ran out at 7:30," she said.

Secules said the numbers weren't the only thing growing.

"There were some mighty big creatures roaming our street," she laughed. "I guess they never outgrow their love for candy. I think I saw a Power Ranger with a 5 o'clock shadow."

Fort Benning families enjoyed a host of Halloween activities all week long, including Kelley Hill's 3rd Brigade, which sponsored a party, haunted house and hayride Oct. 28.

Library's scary story hour readies preschoolers for haunting evening

Patrons give children treats during parade

Shannon S. Walsh
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There weren't any ghosts or goblins but there was a variety of other costumed preschoolers at Sayers Memorial Library story hour Tuesday.

This weekly event had a special twist for Halloween. Children were invited to come decked out in their trick-or-treat finery.

The library story hour has been in place for a year and a half. Nancy Wahlstrom, public services librarian, has been in charge of the program since May.

"A lot of these kids are still at home and this gets them used to being around other kids," Wahlstrom said. "It also promotes reading."

Wahlstrom read *Bedtime Stories* by Lilian Moore and *Old Devil Wind* by Bill Martin Jr. to an audience of preschoolers and their parents.

Crafts were next as the children colored and pasted to make their own goody bags.

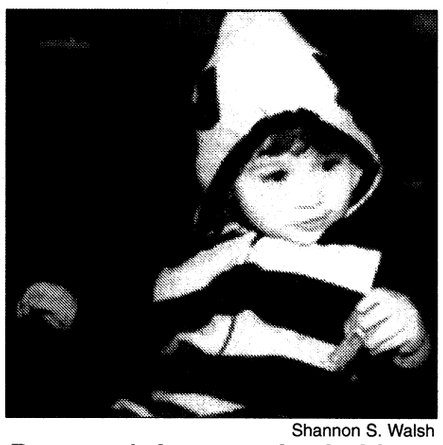
Library patrons studying at tables and working on computers became the audience for a Halloween parade.

The children went to each person for a trick or treat. The library provided small toys and candy for people to give the children to fill up their bags.

"I think it's great because it's just for the little ones," said Genea Rhodes. "Plus it's on post and it's safe."

Her 3-year-old twin boys, Joshua and Jeremiah, were costumed as firemen with bright yellow jackets and red helmets.

After the parade, there were homemade cupcakes and fruit punch to wrap up the event.



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Raymond Ingram Jr. holds a pumpkin whistle he was given during the holiday parade.

Wahlstrom also talked to the children about being safe while they're out trick-or-treating and about showing their parents any candy they bring home before they eat it.



Shannon S. Walsh
Deja Henry eats a cupcake after the story hour.

Students at McBride wrap up quarter

McBride Elementary School

The students, teachers, parents, and staff members are very proud of the projects and activities that they have been working on the first nine weeks of this school year.

The pre-K classes have been working on identifying same and different, one-to-one counting, and the importance of accepting the differences in people. They will use these skills to build on lessons that will be taught throughout the school year.

The kindergarten classes have focused on fire prevention, Columbus Day and creating Hispanic hats to honor the Hispanic students. In addition to learning about the Hispanic culture, the students have been discussing the Native Americans.

The kindergartners took a field trip with the first-grade students from McBride to Hamilton, Ga., to participate in the Indian Festival. They also had a Native American visitor come to McBride and teach them about the culture. The students and teachers were very eager to learn to dance like the Indians. Learning about the many cultures in our society is a very important topic to discuss so that the young children can learn to accept differences among people.

The first-graders have been having a lot of fun reading books about fire prevention, Christopher Columbus, and the skeletal system. The hallways near the first-grade classrooms are lined with models of the skeletal system that were created by the students.

To help celebrate Hispanic month, these students had a big fiesta with a lot of food and a lot of fun music.

The second-graders have been busy working on research projects about bats, studying the weather, and learning map skills. They used their map skills to chart Columbus's journey to America. This group has also been following the election process. All of the second-grade classes got together for a fiesta to celebrate the Spanish culture.

The third-graders have been researching various Web sites, creating documents using Microsoft Word, working on an animal unit, and starting a new computer program for reading called "Reading Counts." The third-graders are very excited about the new computerized reading program and are looking forward to reading, reading, reading.

In guidance classes the focus has been on drug awareness and how to have a safe and healthy body. The classes have also discussed the importance of accepting different cultures.

In art classes the students created god's eyes to bring the focus on the Hispanic culture. They have also been working on how to draw pictures that contain a fall theme.

The PE classes are learning the skills necessary to play football and are focusing on the importance of using teamwork when playing sports.

In music all of the grade levels have been busy learning Spanish songs and dances. The students are now practicing for the Christmas play.

The Outdoor Education program is focusing on thinking skills, interviewing techniques and research skills.

The PTO worked very hard these past nine weeks getting ready for the school's annual Fall Festival.

The festival was Oct. 23 and was a huge success. There were many fun activities from the cake walk, to the fortune teller, to the other many booths that got us all in to the fall spirit." Carla Jackson, the PTO vice-president, said, "We had a great turnout this year and thanks to all the people who helped us out."

The McBride teachers, students, parents, and staff are looking forward to a very successful second nine weeks.

Owl pellets topic for 'lunch and learn'

McBride Elementary School

Owl pellets were the topic of discussion Oct. 13 when the third-graders from McBride school and their parents were able do a very exciting lesson together and then enjoy each other's company for lunch.

Some were a little skeptical of the lesson but it turned out to be a great learning experience for all involved, one that is sure to be remembered for some time. The parents, students, and teachers worked side-by-side to dissect owl pellets.

What is an owl pellet? Well, Sheila Cruz was able to explain exactly what an owl pellet is. She said, "Owl pellets are like little fur balls that have the stuff in it that the owls do not need. They eat their prey whole and then spit the rest out. The owl pellets contain things like teeth, bones, feathers, skulls, and fur." She added, "I thought it was going to be really gross but it turned out to be really neat."

During the owl pellet activity, the participants made predictions as to what their pellets may contain, sorted the contents by using a chart, and made a graph of the bones and other various items found within the material.

"I was amazed to see how small the rodent's and other animal's bones were," said Steven Campbell. "It was pretty hard getting the fur out of the pellet without breaking it."

Some students were able to put the bones of the prey back together to create a complete skeletal system of the animal.

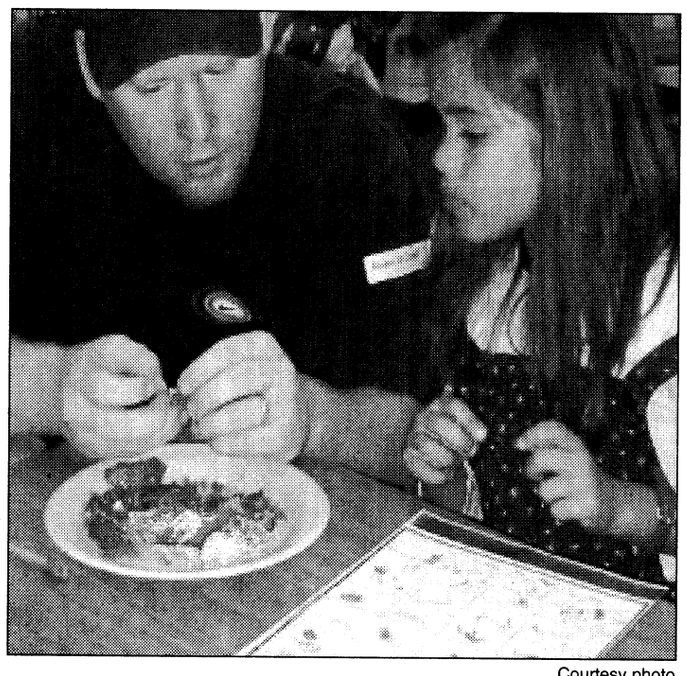
"The owl pellet activity was cool," said Morgan Gadd. "Gross to me is so awesome. I learned that there could be more than one skull in a pellet."

During the course of the unit, the students completed research projects on various animals using the Internet, wrote reports on animals using Microsoft Word, created model habitats for animals, and designed various types of food chains.

"It was exciting because I like touching bones and other disgusting things," said Cory Ray.

"The owl pellet lesson is an excellent culminating activity to the third-grade animal unit, which includes the food chain," said Patsy Hanner, a third-grade teacher. "And the teachers, students, and the parents really enjoyed the entire activity."

Nikki Cady, one of the parents involved, said, "I really appreciate everything that McBride does for us. I am glad that I had the opportunity to come in and learn side-by-side with my daughter, Chelsea."



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Jeremy Pratt and Kaitlyn Johnson try to decide what kind of bone they found in their owl pellet. The "lunch and learn" program gave both parents and students an opportunity to learn side-by-side.

Pets of the Week





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gardening tips

Jennifer White
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The cool season flowers have arrived. The most popular flowers for this time of year are in stock at all the local nurseries. And they are cheap.

Cool season annuals are plants that grow and flower during the cooler temperatures. The cooler temperatures conserve carbohydrates produced by the plant effectively generating more flowering and growth.

There is a wide range of popular cool season annuals available. Popular types to look for are pansies, snapdragons, alyssum and mums.

The forever favorite pansy comes in many colors. Pansies and violas are from the same plant family. Violas differ from pansies because of bloom size. Pansies have a larger bloom but the violas have a greater profusion of blooms. Both do well in south Georgia during the cooler months.

Snapdragons are popular as well. After blooming for a fall display they regenerate during the winter. Cool spring temperature will produce another showy display of color.

Alyssum is becoming more and more popular. It is an ideal border plant. Alyssum has a sweet fragrance giving it the "sweet alyssum" common name. This plant tolerates a light frost but withers with the onset of heat, which makes it ideal for the fall garden in Georgia.

The plants commonly referred to as mums, are descendent from the chrysanthemum family. Mums are very showy perennials. Their large flower heads make them good cut flowers. There is a wide range of colors available. Plant mums like any other perennial and have beautiful blooms every year.

An important tip concerning cool season annuals is to fertilize. Annuals need fertilization during the months they are most active. Correct fertilizing and watering make cool season annuals the focal point of the fall garden.

births

Boys

Grant Boyd Auer — born Sept. 7 to Laura and Capt. Charles Auer.

Nicholas Aaron Britt — born Sept. 17 to Dawn and Spc. Hosea Britt.

Jamiel Atillio Rocha-Alves — born Oct. 13 to Lavita and Sgt. 1st Class Joao Rocha-Alves.

Isaac Nathaniel Perez — born Oct. 17 to Maria and Pvt. Christopher Perez.

Steven Arthur Petit — born Oct. 18 to Anita and Maj. Kevin Petit.

Hunter Shaun Mauldin — born Oct. 18 to Kana and Capt. Nick Mauldin.

Ryan Douglas Metz — born Oct. 18 to Sandra and Capt. Aaron Metz.

Elijah Morton III — born Oct. 20 to Shelia and Sgt. Elijah Morton Jr.

Brandon Tyler Allen — born Oct. 20 to Annette and Staff Sgt. Torriano Allen.

Joshua Allen Brockbank — born Oct. 20 to Kristina and Capt. Roger Brockbank.

Mark Raul de Leon Sheran — born Oct. 23 to Sally Mary and Sgt. Raul Sheran.

Brandon Mark Carter — born Oct. 24 to Camille and Spc. Lawrence Carter.

Anthony Michael Lopez — born Oct. 24 to Linda and Spc. Rafael Lopez II.

Gage Austyn Strait — born Oct. 24 to Chandra and Staff Sgt. Brian Strait.

Girls

Tiara Deyana Allen — born Oct. 12 to Jacqueline and Sgt. Tracy Allen.

Laela Angelyc Quinones — born Oct. 12 to Clara and Sgt. Jose Quinones.

Nicole Helena Montano — born Oct. 14 to Cristina and Sgt. 1st Class Luis Montano.

Emily Elizabeth Spencer — born Oct. 14 to Stephanie and Pvt. Michael Spencer.

Alanna Marie Doyle — born Oct. 17 to Claudine and Capt. Sean Doyle.

Erin Cathryn Gorum — born Oct. 17 to Jennifer and Pfc. Joseph Gorum.

Harleigh Mikel Mize — born Oct. 18 to Shanna and Spc. Clifford Mize.

Christa Anja Smith — born Oct. 18 to Andrinette and Sgt. Christopher Smith.

Michaela Kay Collins — born Oct. 19 to LaVonne and Sgt. 1st Class Sean Collins.

Mia Camille Sedgwick — born Oct. 19 to Vivien and 2nd Lt. Michael Sedgwick.

Julia Louise Harbison — born Oct. 21 to Elizabeth and Maj. Robert Harbison.

Kila Renee Boswell — born Oct. 24 to Natalie and Spc. Donan Boswell.

Rodneydra Le'breea Smith — born Oct. 24 to Regena and Sgt. Rodneydra Smith.

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community notes

on post

DPW holiday notices — There will be no yard waste picked up in family housing Nov. 13. The next scheduled yard waste pickup will be on Nov. 20.

There will be no refuse or recycle pick-up Nov. 10. Family housing areas normally scheduled for pick-up on Fridays will be picked up on Nov. 13. Refuse and recycle collection in family housing for Monday through Thursday will be picked up as normally scheduled. For more information, call 545-4232.

All sections of the Self-Help (U-DO-IT) Center will be closed for Veterans Day on Nov. 10 and will reopen for business on Nov. 11 at 8:30 a.m. For more information, call Dr. William C. Shirley at 545-1121.

Road closure — Marne Road at the intersection of Marne Road and Luzon Drive in Kelley Hill will be closed from Thursday through Nov. 13 for work on the storm drain system. Signs will be posted diverting traffic around this intersection. For more in formation, call Regina Jackson at 545-2387.

off post

Salvation Army — The Salvation Army (a United Way Agency), located at 1718 2nd Avenue, is taking client Christmas applications today from 9 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 327-0275, ext. 14 or 15.

PROBE Fair — Approximately 45,000 Georgia high school students and their parents will explore the options of post-secondary education this fall at one of the many PROBE Fairs, including the Columbus Fair to be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Nov. 14 at Columbus State University's Woodruff Gym. For more information, call your local high school or Bill Smith, North Georgia College and State University, Admissions Center in Dahlonega, Ga., at (706) 864-1802.

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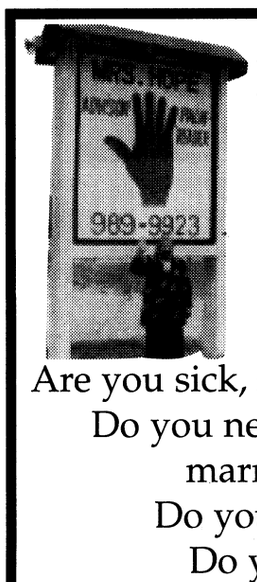

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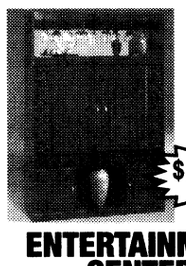
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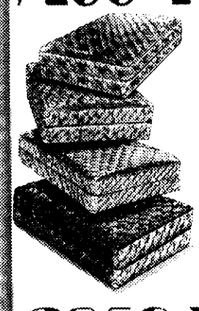
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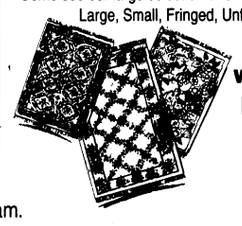
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'Rocktoberfest' rocks Reggie's

Music makes first fest fun for all ages

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Fort Benning residents looking for something different in entertainment didn't have to go far on Saturday.

The first "Rocktoberfest" was held in the parking lot of Reggie's Brewing Company from 3 to 8 p.m.

The outdoor event was geared toward single Soldiers and families.

Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers was one of the sponsors of the event. This year, Rocktoberfest replaced the previous annual "End of Summer Bash."

In the tradition of Octoberfest, German food like bratwurst and sauerkraut was available.

There were also hamburgers, soft pretzels and potato chips for people to enjoy.

The variety of beverages included beers from Reggie's new microbrewery, as well as soft drinks.

Tickets were sold for food and drinks and no item cost more than $3.

For the older crowd, the live music was a strong selling point. The three bands that performed were Dirty Work, Bedside Sock and Lithos.

Four Fort Benning Soldiers made their first public appearance as members of "Bedside Sock."

Sgt. John Kunze, Sgt. Daryl Harrell, Sgt. William Tomlin, and Staff Sgt. Jason Powell performed as the second act at Rocktoberfest.

The group did a number of cover songs and had fans in the audience cheering on their performance. All four Soldiers are with the Ranger Training Brigade.

"It's nice having the bands and music," said Sgt. Mistie Martin, CONUS Replacement Center, Harmony Church.

Martin was watching her 9-year-old daughter, Brittany, play on the Astro Jump.

The jump was just one of the events for children.

There was also free face painting and temporary BOSS logo tattoos.

The crowd was sparse early on in the day.

"People complain there aren't enough events on post but then don't participate in them when they happen," Martin said.

Sgt. Ronald Hurtado de Mendoza, 221st Military Intelligence Battalion, brought his family to the event and was looking forward to the ethnic theme.

"We've been in Germany before and went to Octoberfest there," Hurtado de Mendoza said.

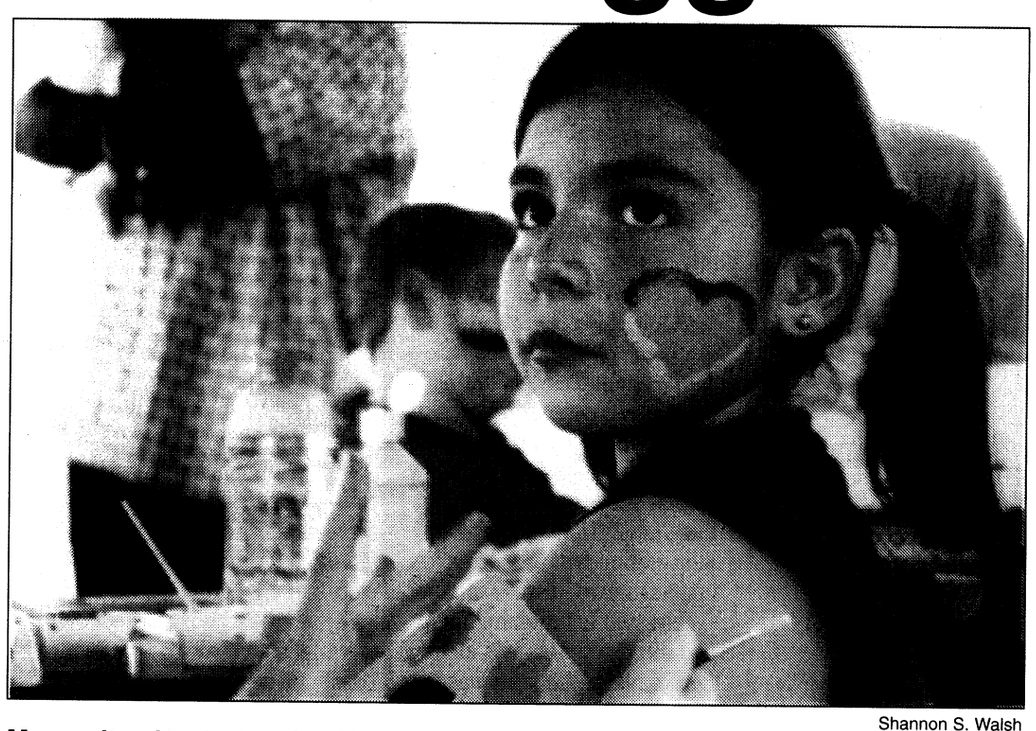
His 8-year-old daughter, Margarita, took advantage of the variety of face painting designs.

"This is great for the kids," said Margarita.

"The main thing is a lot of Soldiers appreciate events like this. It gets us out," said Sgt. Allen Prather, from Fort Drum, N.Y., who is attending BNCOC

"We decided to do something different this year," said Michelle Young, publicity assistant for the marketing division of the Directorate of Community Activities.

The event had a dual purpose, Young said.



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Margarita Hurtado de Mendoza, 8, has her face painted at the first "Rocktoberfest" Saturday. Nearly 300 people attended the event.

"It raised awareness for BOSS, and it was also fun for the whole community," Young said.

The goal of BOSS is to provide entertainment for single Soldiers on post.

"We want to give them something to do other than sitting in the barracks," said Sgt. Robert Brown, BOSS president.

BOSS also tries to provide awareness about the needs of these Soldiers.

"We don't want Soldiers to think there isn't anything to do at Fort Benning," Young said.

The Moral, Welfare and Recreation, Reggie's Brewing Co., Econo Lodge, B&B Beverage, and Georgia Crown also sponsored the event.

Upcoming BOSS events include a possible Valentine's Day event in conjunction with Fort Stewart as well as the third annual luau in May at Uchee Creek.

Students: Make sandwiches

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work on the project. Spcs. Calvin Sistrunk and Francisco Arias, from Headquarters Service Company, Basic Combat Training Brigade, Wilson's Partner in Education, helped transport the students from Fort Benning to Phenix City.

"We're just helping out, for the kids," Sistrunk said. "It's all about coming together and working as a team."

Montgomery said the student council raised funds to purchase food through the school store, where students can buy supplies like pencils and erasers throughout the year. They researched Habitat for Humanity on the Internet and contacted the Main Post Chapel to inquire about helping at a local site.

In the end, the project turned out to be a collaborative effort of various Fort Benning groups. When the students arrived at the construction site, they discovered the construction crew was made up of students and Soldiers from the U.S. Army School of the Americas, including a Wilson Elementary alumnus.

Lt. Col. Steve Boston, the school's battalion commander, attended Wilson from 1970 to 1972 when his father was stationed at Fort Benning.

"That was such a long time ago," Boston laughed. "But it's neat to see these students helping out. Part of our goal at the U.S. Army School of the Americas is to expose our students to American culture and show them that we're about more than the Army on Fort Benning. We're here to serve the community."

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The Fort Benning military police will be conducting special speed enforcement patrols in the following areas on the dates and locations listed below.

Monday	Davis Hill	1:30 to 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Benning Boulevard	9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Ingersoll Avenue	2 to 3:30 p.m.
Thursday	Wold Avenue	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Friday	Craig Drive	11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

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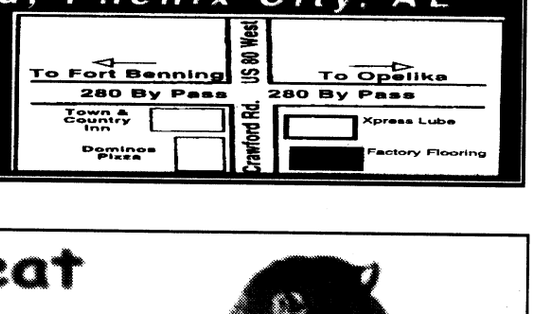

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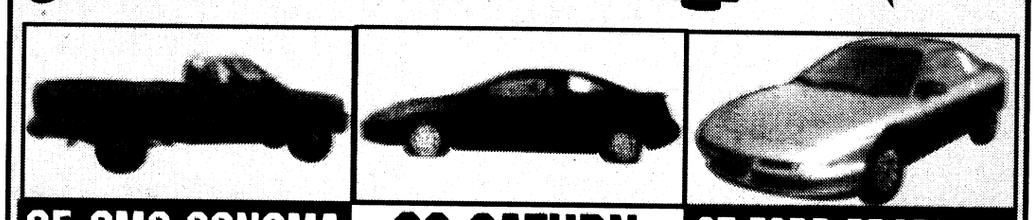

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God wants our words to be positive

reflections

Chaplain (Capt.) Christian Biscotti
1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment

Most likely growing up, your mother said to you more than once, "If you don't have anything nice to say, don't say it at all." Wow! What wisdom mothers have!

The world would be a better place if we practiced this one truth. How many times have you said something bad about someone else when they weren't around? Or how many times have you ripped someone apart with your mouth, using your words like daggers in their back?

Growing up, when I was hurting kids with my words, sometimes in defense they would say, "Sticks and stones may break my bones, but names (words) will never hurt me." And then they would walk away with their face downcast to the ground, their eyes swelling up with tears and their heart broken into a million pieces.

I realized quickly that words are much more harmful than sticks and stones. Our words can bless people or destroy people. And unfortunately, most often we curse the people around us instead of blessing them, we stab them in the back and then smile when we see them face to face.

This is what we call hypocrisy, and it is destructive and wrong.

Now that we are all grown ups, you would think this sort of stuff would stop. But it doesn't. It is what we call gossip and slander. And wonderful people are hurt by it everyday. I take responsibility also, and despise that characteristic in myself when I catch myself saying something hurtful about another, especially knowing that each person was created in God's image and they bear God's own fingerprint. Each person God made is absolutely priceless. It doesn't matter how we rationalize gossip and slander, it is wrong, it is damaging, it is hurtful and it is very ungodly.

The Bible has more than 100 scriptures that deal with gossip and slander. Let's take a look at just a few of them:

Proverbs 18:21 "Death and life are in the power of the tongue ... ."

Proverbs 16:27 "A worthless man digs up evil, while his words are as a scorching fire."

Proverbs 16:28 "A perverse man spreads strife, and a slanderer separates intimate friends."

James 3:6, 9-10 "And the tongue is a fire, the very world of iniquity; the tongue is set on fire by hell ... with it we bless our Lord and Father; and with it we curse men, who have been made in the likeness of God; from the same mouth come both blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be this way."

Ephesians 4:29 "Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, that it may give grace to those who hear."

In life, we have only two choices of what type of person we want to be. We can be a "plus" or a "negative" person. A "negative" person is someone who is always taking away from someone else.

They subtract from people, rob them of their dignity, self respect and character. But a "plus" person is someone who adds to people by saying good things about them.

"Plus" people are great to be around for they spark morale and lift people's spirits and literally "create" a positive atmosphere. We all need to be "plus" people! It is so easy to hate and be negative, for that is part of our sinful nature.

But as we make Jesus Christ the center of our life, he changes our nature and makes us like himself. God wants to use our mouths to build people up, to bless them, to breathe new life into them. Don't you love it when someone says something nice about you? It brings life to your soul. Proverbs 15:30 says, "Good news (words) puts fat on the bones." Are you putting fat on people's bones with nutritious, life giving words, or are you cutting their flesh away with sharp, negative words? Just know that one day, scripture says, you will have to give an account to God on judgment day for every word you have ever said.

I hope we all pass the test, for if we don't God's word to us won't be positive.

Start now; practice being a plus person. Say good things about the people around you, and just watch what happens. Your "good" and "positive" words will literally change not only the atmosphere around you, but the people themselves. Words have great power — let us use them for the good of others.

chapel notes

Choir members needed — Anyone interested in singing can join The Infantry Center Chapel choir. Practice is at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Chapel Annex. Ability to read music is not required, though appreciated.

Rehearsals for Thanksgiving and Christmas begin soon.

Marriage enrichment class — A marriage enrichment class will begin Sunday, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at White Elementary School. The class will be taught by Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop and will continue through Jan. 28. All couples and engaged people are invited to participate in the class. To register or for more information, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715.

Club Beyond meets — The junior high and middle school youth meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sundays at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The senior high group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings. For more information, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

Support group offers help for couples

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Family Life Ministries Center

Current divorce estimates imply that half or more of all first marriages will end in divorce. Despite these estimates, couples continue to marry with the expectation that their marriage is going to last.

The emotional turmoil of divorce rips the insides of each partner apart. Dreams are shattered. Hope is lost. Faith is destroyed. Self-esteem is devastated.

Often the divorcing couple struggles to keep anger, resentment, bitterness and even hatred from consuming them. Sadness, guilt and loneliness often intrude upon the couple.



Divorce affects people more than the death of a loved one. Like death, divorce is a grieving process. And grieving can lead to healing.

Scripture informs us that God hates divorce (Malachi 2:16). Jesus told his disciples that men should not separate what God has joined together (Matthew 19:6).

Clearly, divorce is not God's design, but often the consequences of hearts being turned to stone (Matthew 19:8).

If your heart is growing cold and hard, and you are contemplating divorce, help is available to you.

Take the time now to work through the issues that you are facing.

If you have gone through a divorce, and are struggling with its aftermath, help is also available to you.

The Fort Benning Divorce Care support group meets every Tuesday, between noon and 1 p.m. at the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center, 2606 Dixie Road.

To register, call the CFLMC at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101 Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

DENOMINATIONAL AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS

Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

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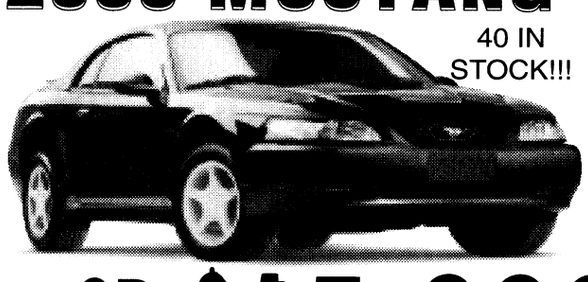

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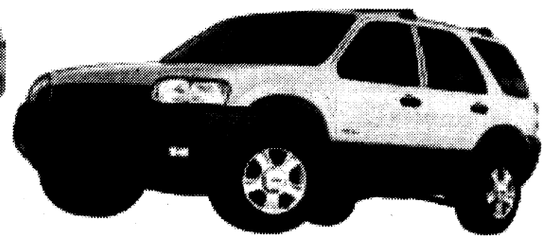

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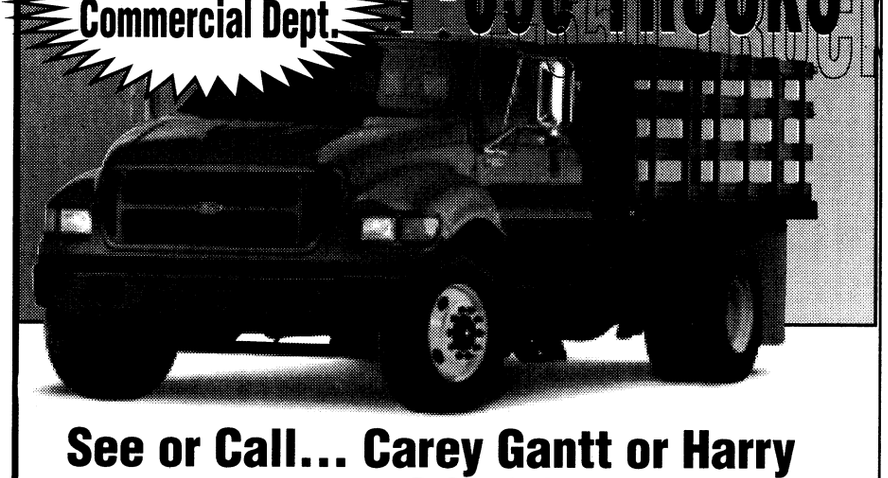

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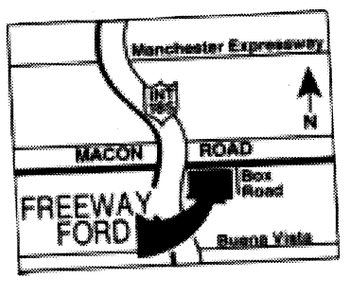

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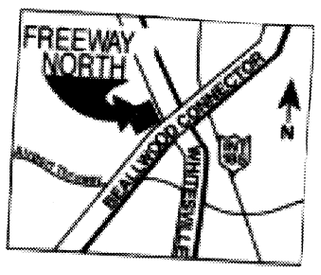

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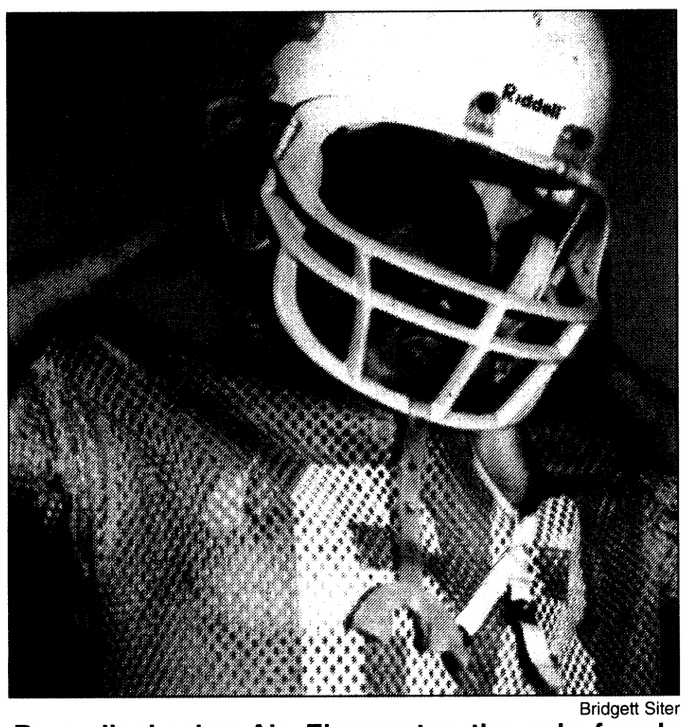
SPORTS

Fort Benning girl tackles YS football



Bridgett Siter

Rams linebacker Ala Elsempeter, the sole female playing Youth Services football, takes a break during a team practice.

Female player packs a punch on the gridiron

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

She's a real beauty in the making. With long chestnut-colored hair and just the hint of dimples, she promises to knock 'em dead some day. For now she's content to knock the wind out of them.

At 9-years-old, Ala Elsempeter is the embodiment of a giggling third-grader, a bundle of energy and a smidgen of shyness, all packaged in a petite frame. But don't be fooled. She packs a wallop on the football field.

As a linebacker for the Rams, Elsempeter is the only girl playing football in the Fort Benning Youth Services Fall football program. It's a distinction she figures she'll have to get used to. After all, she plans on being the first female to make the NFL.

"Yeah, I want to be a superstar and be on TV and in the newspapers all the time," said Elsempeter, with a conviction that belies her whisper-soft voice. "Maybe for the Dolphins if I practice enough."

At an age when most girls are collecting Barbies and Beanie Babies, Elsempeter's collecting football cards of her favorite athletes, like Troy Aikman and Emmitt Smith. She said she's been watching the Dolphins and the Packers since she was 2 years old. Elsempeter's parents, Rachel and Donnie, have always encouraged their daughter's love for the game, though Rachel admits they tried to steer Ala toward the sideline.

"I wanted her to be a cheerleader, but she's been begging to play for years," Rachel said. "So finally we decided to let her do it. Now we tell her she can be anything she wants to be."

And she wants to be the best. So much so that she's willing to face a 14-year-old on the gridiron to hone her skills — she practices regularly with her brother, Antonio Collazo.

Elsempeter said tackling a teen makes facing the opposition a lot less daunting. Her coach agrees.

"She's not intimidated," said Rams head coach Roland Sydney. "I watched her during the two-week train up before season, and I noticed she wasn't timid at all.

"I knew when I saw her on my roster that there was one player I didn't have to worry about. She knows how to play like a boy."

Sydney said he's experimented with Elsempeter in various positions, including quarterback, but by the third game of the season, she'd found her niche.

"She found her spot as a linebacker. She's good at hitting," he said.

Teammate Patrick Thomas said he was initially surprised to learn he'd be playing side-by-side with a girl, but his surprise soon gave way to respect.

"She's good, she's a good sport, and she's tough," Thomas said. "She keeps up with the guys and plays a good game."

So what does Elsempeter plan to do during the "off season?"

"Well, I've been thinking I might like to try basketball," she said.

Losses end Brewers' season

Karen Taylor
Bayonet correspondent

The Brewers did not heed their wake-up call after a devastating 14-2 loss to the Braves Oct. 26 at Golden Park. Undefeated until that game, the Brewers had only one chance left in the double-elimination, Chattahoochee Men's Fall Baseball League playoffs and they used it against the Rockies Sunday afternoon, losing 10-3.

Their loss against the Rockies was their first to this team in four meetings and marked the highest number of runs scored on them during the season. The Brewers' record against the Rockies was 3-0 before this past loss, 8-1 over the summer and their loss against the Rockies Sunday was by the largest margin in the both the summer and fall seasons.

What does this prove? Anything can happen in baseball.

"That's always frustrating," said Jacob Stimson, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Brewers catcher for the Oct. 26 game against the Braves.

"A couple of bad plays, a couple of good hits and we're down a lot of runs in the first inning," he said.

See **BREWERS**, C-2

Youth Services football



Yip Abbadakka

In Fort Benning 6- to 8-year-old flag football action, the Broncos attempt a reverse against the 49ers. The 49ers tenacious defense stopped for a short gain and derailed the Broncos en route to a 23-0 victory.

Hunter offers tips for deer rut

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Bayonet correspondent

During the past six years I have been collecting data and observing the whitetail deer during its most vulnerable time — the rut.

This is not based on scientific data but firsthand experience and observation.

Clues to the prerut appear when the younger bucks moving with the does instinctively start to scrape in previously used areas. The does try to separate themselves from the yearlings, and the larger bucks venture out cautiously. Within a week of Oct. 15, all velvet will be shed and the bucks will begin to rub.

Scientific studies show that most rubbing activity takes place at night in the bucks' core areas. Increasing their rubs, the bucks will start to re-mark their boundaries and select the trees and scent posts they will use during the rut. This sudden change in pattern further develops the prerut and takes place in Georgia around Nov. 1.

There are several theories on what exactly spurs the rut: moon phase, season, weather (temperature) or a combination

See **RUTTING**, C-2

Youth Services brings NASCAR to life on Fort Benning

Bridgett Siter
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Fort Benning's Youth Services members are anteing up a buck here and there to go a few rounds with the likes of Richard Petty, Jeff Gordon and Mark Martin. The YS center recently added a 16 feet by 24 feet NASCAR race track to its list of activities available to members and their families.

For $1 each, members spend five minutes behind the wheel of a micro-reality NASCAR, with one catch — the "wheel" is actually a remote control unit perched at a vantage point several feet above the track.

Drivers — as many as six at a time — select miniature versions of their favorite driver's NASCARs and compete against anybody else with spare change and a few minutes to kill.

"It's fun, and it's not too expensive if you just play occasionally," said 11-year-old Carrie Fitzwater, who likes to challenge her older brother. "He usually wins, but I'm getting better. It's a lot harder than it looks."

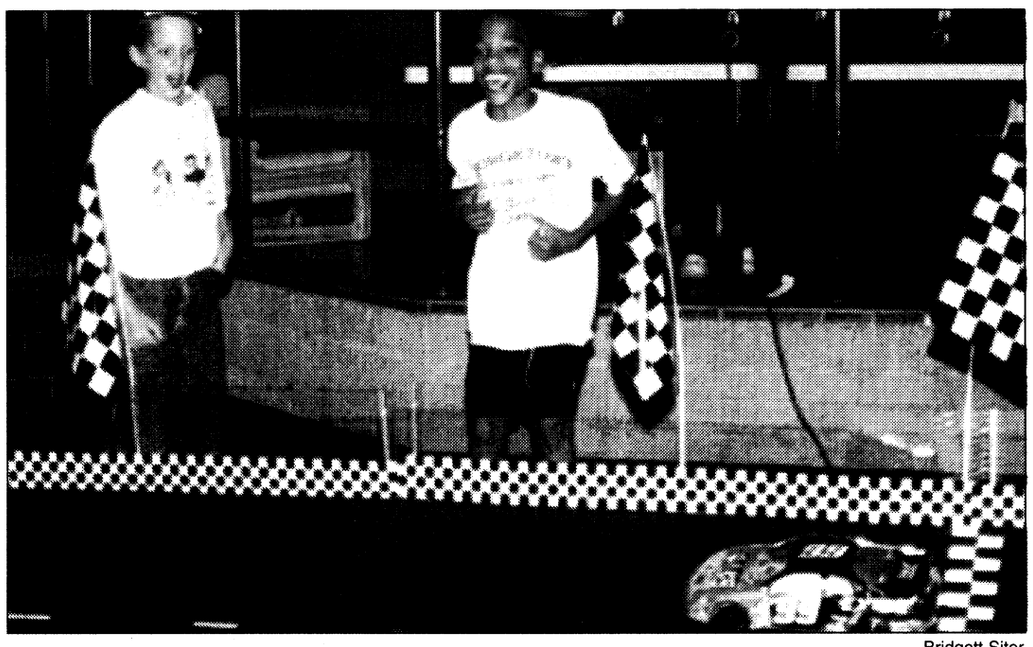
The track, cars and rechargeable battery packs were purchased at a cost of $25,000 with funds received from Training and Doctrine Command's Bold Grant, which awards money for projects deemed "bold and innovative," said Debbi Addison, a plans officer with Fort Benning's Directorate of Community Activities.

In 1998 Fort Benning's YS submitted a proposal to purchase and install the track to generate funds for the installation. The proposal included a detailed plan to show a return in the investment and a video and brochure from the manufacturer, Namanny Sports and Entertainment in Atlantic, Iowa.

"It's definitely a bold idea," said Linda Laine, YS director. "I was truly shocked when it was approved. I was even more shocked when it arrived. It is huge."

Laine said it took YS employees about five hours to assemble the track, "like a jigsaw puzzle," but the results are worth the effort.

"The kids are in love with it, and they're better at it then we grown-ups are," Laine said. "We're real proud of it and glad to see them enjoying it."



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Randall Miller and Randolph Washington root for their favorite NASCAR vehicles at Youth Services Center.

Nearby trail offers peace, solitude

Karen Taylor
Bayonet© correspondent

outdoor corner

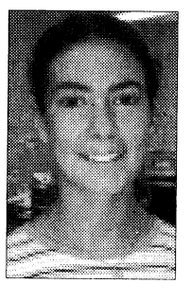
Take a hike. Adhering to one of my mother's favorite figurative expressions, I did.

I took a hike along the Wolfden Loop of the Pine Mountain Trail.

Wolfden Loop is a 6.7 mile trail that winds through a thick forest. The dense canopy mostly blocks the view of the sky, creating an underworld of fragrant flora.

I started at the trailhead by the TV tower parking area off of Georgia Highway 85W, and my senses immediately opened to the aroma of mulch and flowers.

My dog couldn't keep his nose off the ground. The thicket lured him to a variety of plant life, thick branches hosting mushrooms; and dew-covered leaves. Occasionally he picked up a scent of something tasty, but not-so-natural, and I had to make him relinquish the abandoned camper snack.



Dogs are allowed throughout the Pine Mountain Trail system and FDR State park, as they are allowed in all Georgia State Parks, with one catch, they must remain on the leash.

The trail ran next to a stream that flowed into three small waterfalls along the way. Not every waterfall announced its presence with a thunderous gushing as expected. Only after I faced the falls did I hear the sonorous flow of water. The forest's density seemed to strangely mute it.

The stream conveniently provided water for my dog, who couldn't resist submerging himself in a pool of water underneath the falls. Each of the three waterfalls provide a wading pool that people can swim in, according to the Pine Mountain Trail literature.

As the trail moved away from the stream for a while, I could faintly hear the stream's burbling, but the acoustics eventually kept it out of earshot.

This is probably the most colorful time of year to go hiking on the Pine Mountain Trail, with the forest's canopy exploding in an array of oranges and reds. When I stopped to look around, I could hear the leaves dropping throughout the forest.

There wasn't much traffic on the trail, I only passed two groups of hikers along the route.

The Wolfden Loop trail only had two steep sections and a few rocky sections, where I was glad I decided to wear a light pair of hiking boots rather than running shoes to trek it. This hike provided a welcomed change of pace, and scenery, for me, as I'm always on the lookout for new ways to make exercising interesting.

Wolfden Loop is one of six trail choices in the Pine Mountain Trail system, each of different lengths ranging from the Mountain Creek Nature Trail of 3.2 miles to the Big Poplar Loop of 7.8 miles.

When planning a hike, make sure to estimate stopping time to take in the sights, smells and sounds nature has to offer. This pace equals about one mile of trail every 30 minutes.

There are also camping sites within FDR State Park, which is open all year round. Reservations for camping are advised during the Fall and Spring, which are the busiest times of the year and can be made by calling (800) 864-7275.

To get to Pine Mountain Trail, take Interstate 185 north to Exit 11, turn right on 80 toward Macon and get off on the next exit to 27 north.

Turn right onto Highway 190, which leads right into Pine Mountain. The FDR Park office is on the right, where trail maps and information are available.

There are two entrances to Wolfdon Loop, the TV tower parking area or a parking area on mile 18 on Highway 190.

A $2 parking fee is required for all trails. For more information on FDR State Park or other state parks in Georgia, call the Georgia Department of Natural Resources at (404) 656-3530 or log on to www.gastateparks.org.

Rutting: Makes deer hunting season action-filled

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of all. The most noticeable observation is the deer waiting for the acorns to drop. The does will congregate around the oaks and the bucks will leave their calling card — the scrape; almost always around an oak tree.

The scrape is significant because it is one place deer will frequent during the rut. The bucks have several scrapes in their area in an attempt to find the highest concentration of does. As the rut nears, the bucks will narrow their scrapes to a few select primary scrapes in doe-saturated areas.

A good primary scrape in Georgia and Alabama will normally be located at higher elevation under a pin or water oak. The key to a good tree is that the branches will be three and a half to five feet off the ground. Often the buck will gently break the branch, leaving it hanging pointing down to the scrape.

Once they have broken the branch they will strip the leaves, salivate, then rub their eye scent gland on it. Then, using their hooves they will scrape and paw the ground beneath the branch, until bare. Finally they will urinate and defecate in the two to four foot diameter circle. This is done to let all the bucks and does know this is his scrape. The does will urinate here as well, especially when in heat, letting the buck know she is ready. Often this is where the scuffles take place, when another buck tries to take over one of his buddy's scrapes or steal his does.

In some areas there are not enough trees to scrape under. In this scenario the deer will chase each other until mating is complete. In the past six years the acorns have started to drop as early as Oct. 10 and as late as Nov. 10. This depends on the weather and season related to frost. In a nutshell, the pin oaks coincide with the prerut and the rut coincides with the drop of white, red and post oak acorns. Normally, in most years the pin and water oaks will start to drop around Oct. 15.

Between the last week of October and the first week of November all the acorns begin to drop. This spurs the rut into full swing. In past years it's between Nov. 3 and 8. If you are fortunate enough to be in the woods during this time you will be amazed at the deer activity. During the rut I have seen as many as 50 deer in one sitting.

This is one time during the season you can be as successful on the ground as in the stand. This is also one of the most dangerous times and normally when most shooting accidents occur (the first three weeks of rifle season). Be careful and wear all 500 square inches of hunter orange.

In hopes of seeing a monster buck, many hunters use a variety of calls and scents.

One scent that works is Tinks 69 doe in estrus. I have taken no less than 30 bucks in several regions with this particular scent. But it must be used during the proper time. If you use this during the prerut or too early the deer will turn nose and run. If you follow the instructions on the bottle I guarantee success.

Whatever the time of year there is one consideration you must never forget, the deer's sense of smell. I have had deer wind me as far as 200 meters away. The bucks will normally try and wind their scrape 50 meters or more before tending it. Most scrapes will be on lightly vegetated ridgelines and hilltops. I prefer to position myself within 100 yards of the scrape down wind, at least 30 feet up in my climbing stand where I can easily see the scrape. Prior to getting in my stand I place Tinks 69 according to the instructions around the base of my stand.

For bow hunting the rut, try some of Fort Benning's excellent bow only areas, since the deer migrate toward these areas due to less pressure. The Alabama side is also awesome at the start of the Georgia rifle season with the prerut in full swing. This is also a good place to get away from the crowds of rifle hunters. Without a doubt Fort Benning and the surrounding areas offer some of the finest deer hunting in the U.S. I will be at JRTC for the rut, but if you can find the time to be in the woods around Sunday you will have some awesome hunting during the rut.

Brewers: Finish season with back-to-back losses

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The Brewers finished the first inning against the Braves in the hole by 9, which included a three-run homer hit by Joey Jones. The Braves' lead increased to 13-0 by the end of the third inning.

"It seemed like we just weren't really there as a team," Stimson said.

In addition to uncharacteristic fielding errors, the Brewers bats went dry.

Although there were a few changes in the lineup, "the lineup doesn't matter if guys aren't hitting," said Brewers coach Ed Gawlik, 3rd Bn. (OCS), 11th Inf. Regt.

The game was finally called after five innings (10-run rule) with a score of 14-2 and all the dumfounded Brewers could do was to try to put this performance behind them.

The game against the Rockies on Sunday started with promise. The Rockies took an early lead 1-0 at the top of the third then the Brewers bounced back on a solo homerun by pitcher Orlando Vega-Torres, B Company 203rd Forward Support Bn., at the bottom of the third to tie it up 1-1.

But fielding errors cost the Brewers after a lead-off double and a missed fly ball allowed a run come in and Rockies took the lead again by one, 2-1, in the fourth.

The Brewers pulled it together in the bottom of the fourth and Chris Folk, A Co. 2nd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., countered with a double and went to third on a wild pitch. Rick Johanningsmeir, C Co., 1st Bn. 19th Inf. Regt., walked and while Korey Brown, B Co., 1st Bn. 11th Inf. Regt., was at bat, drew the throw to first that went past the first basemen and Folk came home to tie it up again, 2-2.

The Rockies took off with the lead for good in the fifth inning scoring three more for a 5-2 lead.

The Brewers tried to battle back scoring one more, to make it 5-3, but were unable to put any more runs on the board.

The Rockies lengthened their lead to 7-3 in the sixth and then 10-3 in the seventh after a three-run homer by Brannon Kuykendall.

The Brewers' season was over.

Vega-Torres pitched a solid game for the Brewers with five strikeouts, but was relieved two batters in to the seventh inning by Robert Carlisle, 1st Bn. (Airborne), 507th Inf., 11th Inf. Regt.

Despite the three-run home run hit off of him, Carlisle got the job done, striking out two and forcing a pop out to end the inning.

"It's a team thing, if we don't do our jobs we all lose together," Vega-Torres said.

Gawlik said the Brewers had few errors all season but racked up about nine errors in two games. "They were costly errors," he said.

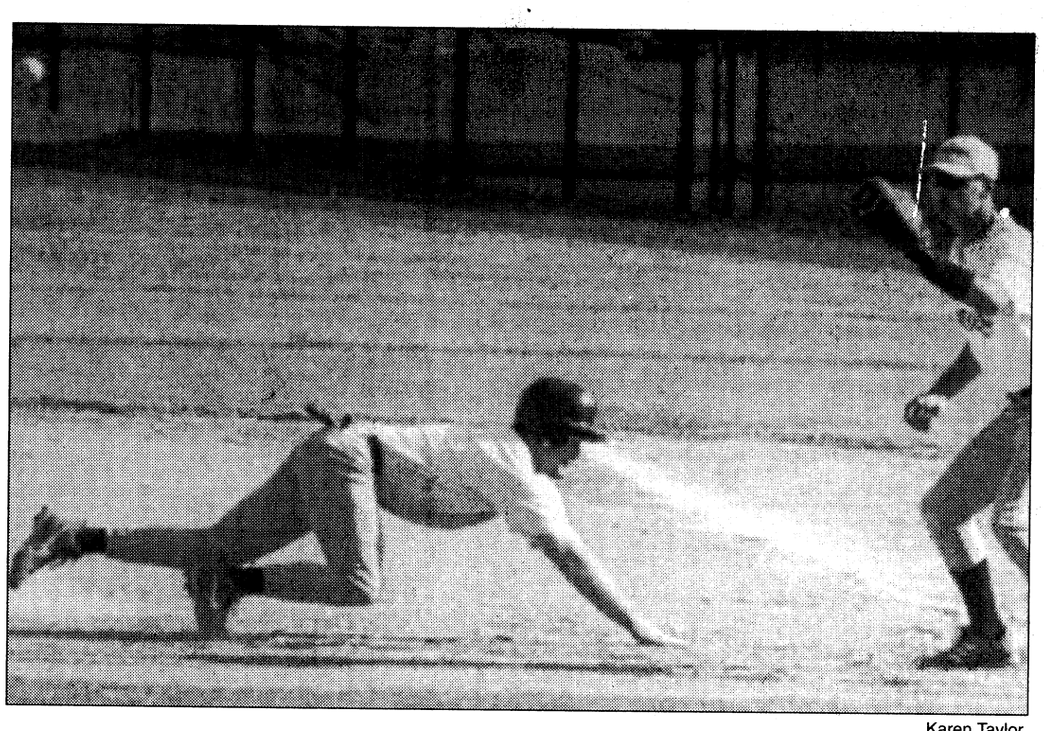
"When they make errors, they lose their mental edge and they didn't bounce back," Gawlik said.

"Mental errors take you out of ball games," said Anthony Ferraioli, 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.

Ferraioli, Brewers shortstop, said the players were putting more pressure on themselves to perform because it was the playoffs, which then caused a great deal of frustration when errors were made or a player didn't get a hit.

"That's disheartening. When you know you're better than that," Ferraioli said. "Today we gave up on ourselves.

"It's a heartbreaker to lose to a team that we've beaten three times before," he said.



Karen Taylor

Brewers first baseman Brad Larsen, B Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, tries to pick off a Rockies runner.

Ferraioli acknowledged the Rockies for playing solid baseball and Walter Rivera's excellent game pitched with six strikeouts.

Gawlik commended the players in a post-game pep talk on a great season and reminded them that these last two losses were nothing to hang their heads about.

"Overall it was a great season with a lot of close games," he said. "There was some good competition."

"The season was great. It was an awesome opportunity to play," Ferraioli said.

The Brewers ended their season with a 11-5 record.

Gawlik looks to the 2001 summer season where he will have one team playing in the Columbus league and another team playing in the National Baseball Congress, which includes games against the Navy, Air Force and Marines.

For more information about the Soldier's Baseball Association, call Gawlik at 545-2734 or 685-4903.

sports briefs

Scuba meeting —The local Columbus chapter of the HammerHeads, an international scuba diving organization, will host a course meeting at 7 p.m. tonight.

The course is being offered by Joshua Blair, in conjunction with the Professional Association of Diving Instructors.

The meeting will be held at Blair's house, at 6420 Malibu Drive in Columbus with a potluck dinner.

The plight of aquatic ecosystems and the efforts being made to protect them will be discusses. All local divers, or potential divers, are encouraged to attend this complimentary course.

The HammerHeads are a group of scuba diving enthusiasts who get together to explore their local waters and are sponsored in part by the Diving Equipment and Marketing Association.

There are more than 79 HammerHead chapters worldwide that organize a variety of fun event and activities including monthly group dives, theme parties, contests and prizes.

For more information on the meeting or the HammerHeads, call Columbus Head Hammer Joe Cacciatore at 571-9222 or e-mail him at scubaprojoe@aol.com.

Steeplechase — There will be a steeplechase Sunday at Callaway Gardens. Volunteers are needed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers will receive uniforms, lunch and infield tickets for immediate family members.

For more information, call 324-6252.

Bodybuilding contest — 17th annual Body Building Open Championship will take place at the Main NCO Club Nov. 18. All active-duty personnel, DoD civilians, retirees and family members, as well as guest are eligible to attend the event.

Weigh-ins will take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Nov. 18 at the Main NCO Club.

Prejudging will begin with the women at noon, followed by the men at 12:30 at the cost of $2 per person for spectators and final at 7:30 p.m. at a cost of $5.

For more information, call Carol Gearheart at 544-9595.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for winter basketball.

For more information about how to become a coach, call Youth Services at 545-3070.

YS soccer



Sally Shutt

Panthers' No. 3, Javontae Washington, battles Marc Hill, left, and Deshun Jefferies of the Tigers in 4- to 5-year-old action Saturday.

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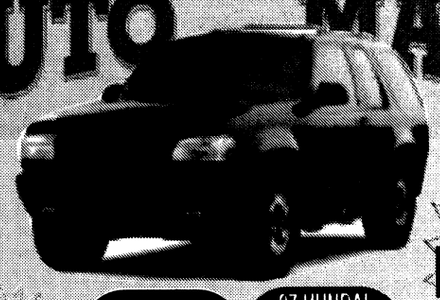

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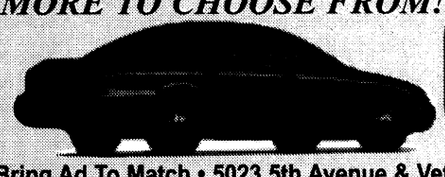

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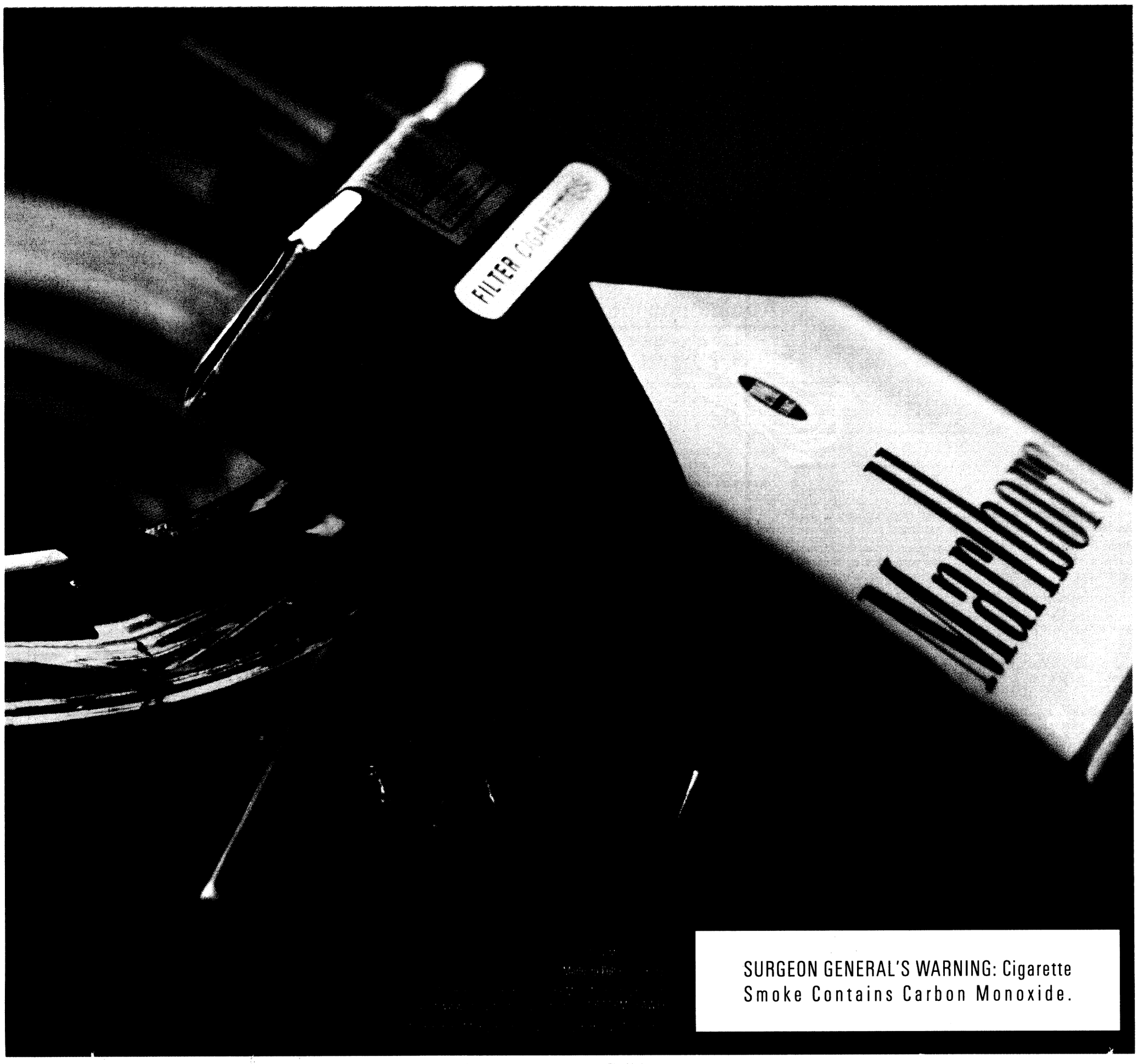

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Nice Little Girls Winter clothes 18 months - 2 .50 - $5.00 Call Rebecca 682-6401. (F3)

High chair, baby rocker with toys, little tykes washer and tool bench. 687-4939. (F10)

Classic Pooh rocking bassinet, $40., Graco toddler bed, white, $15., Graco pack-n-play, purple and green, used twice, $30., Cosco high chair, $10. 687-5385. (F3)

5 in 1 sports games for kids, baby room mirror, baby balloon wall decorations, little tykes desk $45, fisher price race track. 689-2219. (F17)

Graco entertainer exerciser, Duckin water spinning ball attached toys $30., Graco open top battery powered swing, 3 speed, $45. both VGC. 683-9994. (F3)

Baby playpen in good condition, will sell for $12, infant car seat made by Century Products Company, will sell for $15. 685-3237. (F3)

Carl's Bargain Barn. New and used baby and household furniture. Hwy 80, Phenix City. 291-7600. (P10)

Little Tykes Princess $50., Boys oak trundle bed $65. 682-6637. (F10)

Furniture

Wooden coffee table with glass inserts $20. 687-5385. (F3)

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Elegant Camelback sofa, carved legs $450. Ethan Allen solid oak storage style end tables with matching coffee table $275. 561-4844. (F3)

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Dark cherry wood finished table & three chairs, like new, $100. White rocking chair w/blue cushions, great for baby's room, $35. Bedroom set headboard, frame, dresser w/mirror dark cherry wood finish, $200. 687-8710. (F3)

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Miscellaneous

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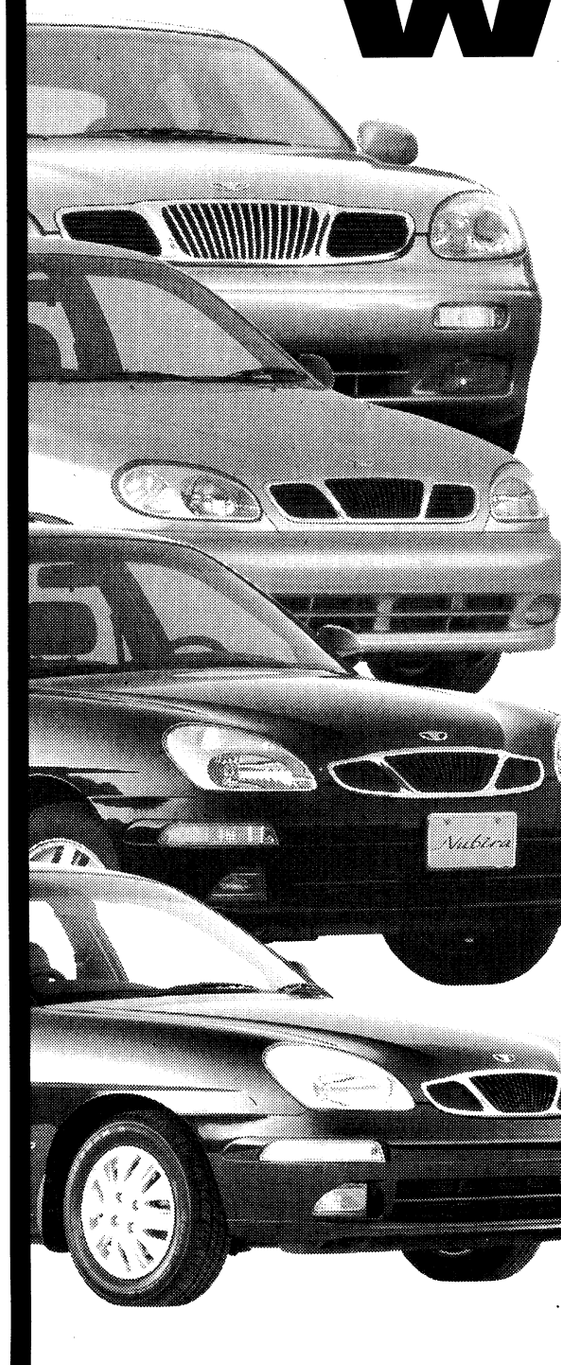

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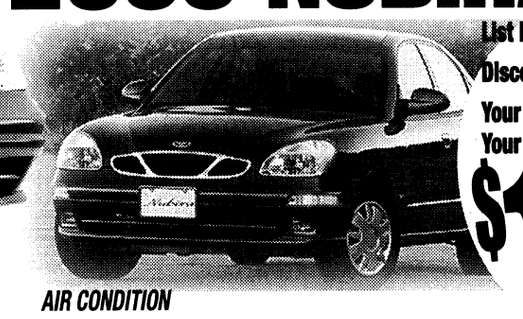

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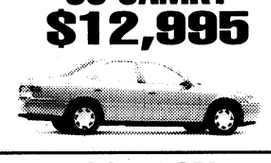
99 ACCENT $6995 	98 ELANTRA $6995 	2000 ACCENT $8995 	97 TIBURON $6995 	2000 ELANTRA $9995 	98 CAMRY $12,995 	97 GR CHEROKEE $12,995 
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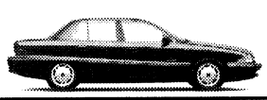
96 BERETTA $5995 	96 GRAND AM $6495 	97 SKYLARK $6995 	97 TAURUS GL $7995 	98 MIRAGE $7995 	98 MALIBU $9995 	98 GR CARAVAN $13,995 Sport 
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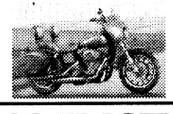
94 ELANTRA GLS $3995 	96 THUNDERBIRD $6995 	99 HARLEY SPORTSTER $7995 	99 ESCORT $8995 	2000 ESTEEM $9995 	96 CARAVAN $8995 	97 RODEO $12,995
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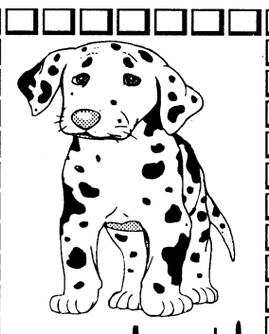

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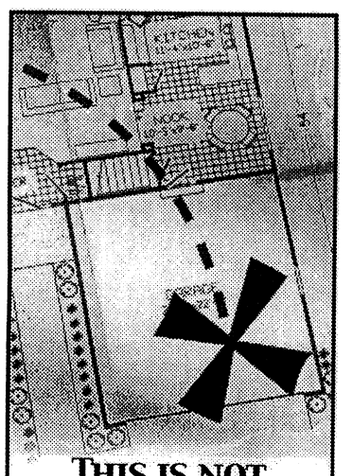

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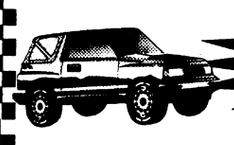

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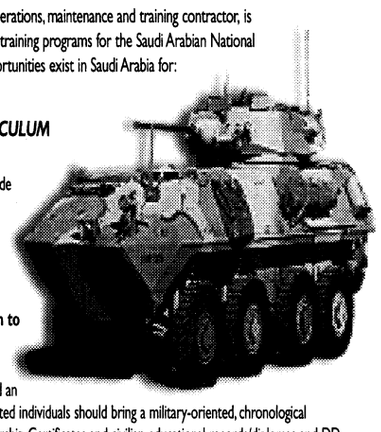

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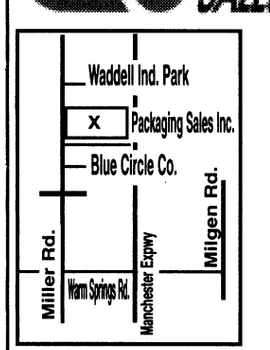

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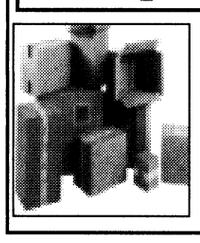

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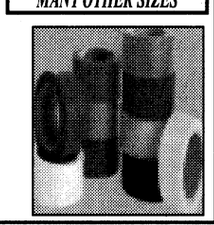

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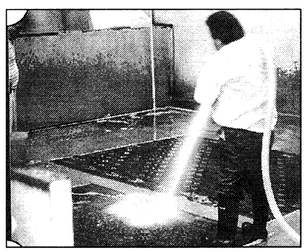



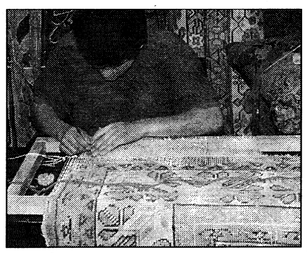

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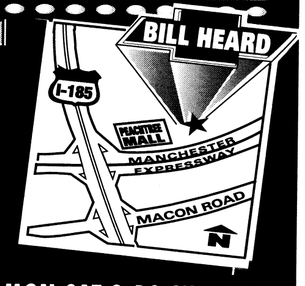

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Area gears up for protest



Sally Shutt

Sgt. Barbara McWilliams, 2145th Garrison Support Reserve Unit, directs a driver at the force protection checkpoint near the post's welcome center Tuesday morning.

Officials say to avoid Benning Blvd.

Sally Shutt
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The U.S. Army School of the Americas protest started a few days early this year.

An Oregon man was apprehended and charged with criminal trespass and criminal mischief after he simulated hanging himself from the Custer Road overpass along I-185 Tuesday morning. He was also barred from entering Fort Benning property for five years.

"I think it is unfortunate he selected this means to express his protest because he placed a lot of people in jeopardy," said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, Law Enforcement Division, Military Police Activity. "With the exercise of rights comes responsibility. He ignored the responsibility piece."

Drivers who saw the man hanging from the bridge reacted safely, and Kelley said, "We are fortunate someone didn't have an accident or a heart attack as a result of this man's irresponsibility."

The incident was a precursor to demonstrations scheduled Saturday and Sunday by members of SOA Watch. The anti-USARSA group will conduct its 11th annual vigil at the post's main entrance on Benning Boulevard.

Officials are expecting more than 10,000 protesters from across the country to converge on Columbus, filling hotel rooms and restaurants in the local area.

The protesters are expected to remain on the Columbus side of the gate until Sunday morning when they are scheduled to walk in a procession onto the federal installation.

Military police are expecting the protest to remain nonviolent as in years past.

"We think this will be

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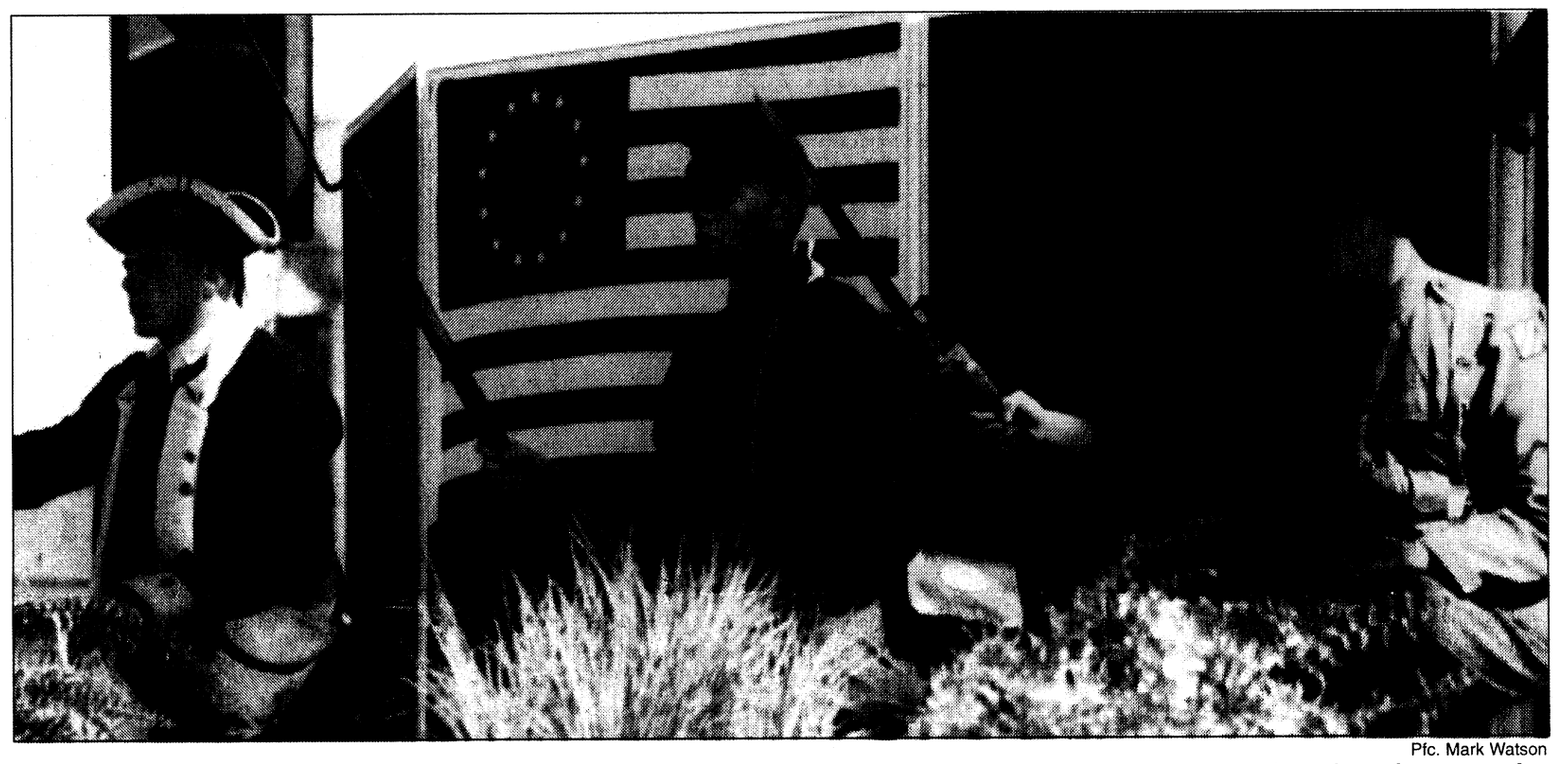

Pfc. Mark Watson

Soldiers with 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry Regiment, perform "I am the Infantry" during the tricommunity Veterans Day ceremony Nov. 10 at the Phenix City Amphitheater.

Community remembers veterans during tribute

Speakers honor country's freedom fighters

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Fort Benning, Columbus and Phenix City merged as one Nov. 10 at the Phenix City Amphitheater to honor American veterans.

The cities joined in the observance of Veterans Day — an annual tribute to all American veterans whose service to the nation has kept our country free.

"You are not forgotten," Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne said of the millions of veterans remembered on the holiday. "We always think of you.

"They stand the watch. They man the ramparts of freedom for you and me. They uphold the values that ... make America wonderful."

Another speaker at the ceremony agreed.

"Just saying thank you doesn't say enough," Phenix City mayor Peggy Martin said, thanking the more than 25 million veterans who are still alive. "You, as veterans who so willingly served, we owe you so much. Not once out of the year ... but everyday."

Another speaker said we need to help the veterans as much as possible.

"There are 25.5 million living veterans, which is less than 10 percent of (the country's) population," said retired Col. Mac Johnson, an adviser in Vietnam and the ceremony's guest speaker. "That is a small number to shoulder the price of freedom."

Johnson said being a Soldier or a member of any other service is an honorable position.

Even though people don't always

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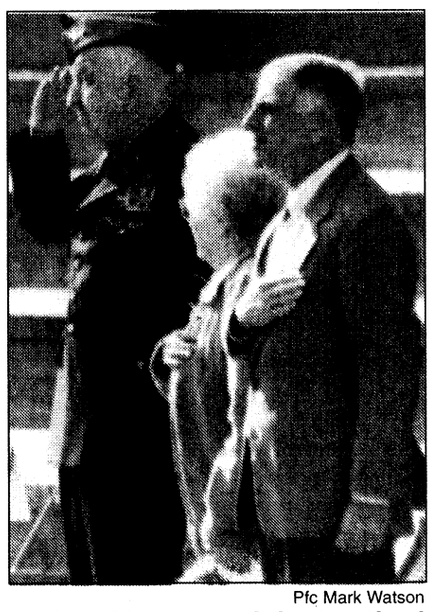

Pfc Mark Watson

Medal of Honor recipient, retired Col. Robert Nett (left), his wife, Frances, and Columbus city manager Carmen Cavazza, render honors during the national anthem.

Assistant commandant settles into job

Shannon S. Walsh
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Col. David Rodriguez, deputy commanding general and assistant commandant, U.S. Army Infantry School, has settled into his new position at Fort Benning and is focused on the task at hand.

"I hope to continue the great standards the Infantry School has set and to continue building Infantry leaders and Infantrymen for the future," Rodriguez said.

In his role as deputy commanding general, Rodriguez will serve as the assistant to the chief of the Infantry, Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne. He will also assist Le Moyne in the supervision of the Dismounted Battlespace Battle Lab and the TRADOC System Managers for the Soldier, Bradley and Antitank Missile systems.

As the assistant commandant, Rodriguez will oversee the operation of the five brigades that make up the USAIS and also assist Le Moyne in the supervision of the School of Americas.

As for challenges of this position, he said it can be difficult to keep up with the evolving world outside of Fort Benning.

"It's a challenge to keep pace with the rapidly changing conditions around us," Rodriguez said. "To do all of that quickly so that we're leaders instead of followers is an awesome responsibility."

Rodriguez has had previous Infantry experience working with Mechanized, Ranger, Airborne and Air Assault units.

He and his family were last stationed at Fort Benning more than 10 years ago. His last position held here was commanding officer, B Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, from July 1986 to June 1987.

Rodriguez was the executive officer, 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, N.C., during Operations Desert Shield and Storm, Saudi Arabia from April 1990 to March 1992.

Rodriguez graduated from the U.S. Naval War College, Newport, R.I., in 1997, with a master's degree in strategic studies and national security affairs.

Prior to coming here, Rodriguez was assistant chief of staff, XVIII Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg.

He said this was one of the most demanding jobs of his career. He was responsible for the operations and training of more than 80,000 Soldiers with a worldwide contingency mission.

Rodriguez said he and his wife, Ginny, and their four children have all adjusted well to being back on post.

"It's the home of the Infantry, it's a great post, the surrounding communities are great and we're happy to be here," he said.

In October Rodriguez replaced Brig. Gen. Paul Eaton who is now with the Initial Brigade Combat Team as the deputy commanding general for transformation in Fort Lewis, Wash.

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Military families stay on go

Sally Shutt
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commentary



Where are you going? It's a question I have heard practically all my life, from my teen years as I darted out the door on the way to tennis practice or the mall, to later years as a member of a military family awaiting orders for a new assignment.

High school was pretty hectic, and my father never failed to ask, "Where are you going?" (I'm convinced he asked even when he knew my destination.)

I'd answer, and he would shake his head.

"You are the 'goingest' person I've ever seen."

It was foreshadowing the day I would marry a military man and start moving every two to three years.

Military Family Week starts Monday, and I can't think of a better time than Thanksgiving to celebrate some of my favorite people.

While I am indeed thankful for my extended family — many of whom will join us here this year to feast on turkey — I am also grateful for my surrogate family, the Army community.

Only fellow military families can truly understand our "on the go" lifestyle.

The transient nature of our military subculture has resulted in some unique characteristics our equally active civilian counterparts don't always share.

I know civilian families are busy with jobs, school, volunteer work and extracurricular activities. Packed calendars abound everywhere these days.

But, in the 13 years I've been a part of an Army family, I've noticed a few distinctive traits among my military neighbors.

Whether coming or going, the military knows how to say welcome and goodbye, and I don't just mean formal Hails and Farewells.

I'm talking about greeting new neighbors and telling those leaving how much they will be missed.

Military families hit the ground running when they move. They don't put off doing something until later, and that includes making friends.

I've been in the front yard with the moving truck and had neighbors come over and introduce themselves and offer their help.

Military families turn wherever they are stationed into home, and those they are stationed with into family. They move into a community and quickly learn what it has to offer. Not willing to sit around and eventually visit the region, they are out and about seeing the sights and offering their services to area agencies, not just those on post.

This weekend I attended a dedication ceremony for a Habitat for Humanity house. Volunteers from the Main Post Catholic Chapel and other Fort Benning units devoted their weekends to build a home for a family in Columbus.

That's just one of numerous stories I've covered of Soldiers and their families reaching out to others. In the last year I've met volunteers on post ranging in age from 14 to 80, and I feel honored to be a part of a community that truly values selfless service.

Last year my daughters attended a school in Muscogee County. My oldest soon realized she was one of only two Army brats in her class. She learned to avoid acronyms, like PT and PCS, but more importantly she learned that while she was like the other kids in her class in many ways, she was a part of something different — a military family.

Because her father is willing to serve his country, there will continue to be times when he will miss holidays due to deployments or TDY. She and her sister understand orders will arrive, and we will move regardless of how settled we feel.

My girls are now in school on post and have available the best support group around — other military kids who know the deal.

As we pause next week to give thanks for our blessings, remember not only the Soldiers who serve our country, but the family members who serve as well. They are the "goingest" people I know.

American Indians worthy of recognition

Col. Mitch Poodry
Dismounted Battlespace Battle Lab

commentary



The U.S. Army has designated November as Native American Awareness Month in recognition of the contributions made by Native Americans.

Comprising only 1 percent of the U.S. population, Native Americans certainly are not one of the more active or predominant minority groups in the country. However, they have always been active participants when it comes to supporting this nation's armed forces.

The purpose of this article is to increase the readers' awareness and general education toward Native Americans and to tie it to our relationship with military service.

To illustrate this point, take this test. If you were asked, "When did Native Americans officially become U.S. citizens?" What would be your answer? In 1776, with the Declaration of Independence? In 1863, with Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation? In 1912 when Arizona and New Mexico became the last contiguous states admitted to the Union?

The typical American citizen, in my view, tends to group Native Americans as being all the same. This is just not the case. Each tribe is its own entity with its own laws, customs, religions and traditions.

There are more than 500 recognized tribes within the United States' borders. A Cheyenne is as different from a Seneca as a Frenchman is from an Englishman.

Native Americans have fought on the side of the U.S. since before there was a United States and have fought in every conflict since. In this nation's war for independence, the Iroquois nation played a vital role. Not only did Benjamin Franklin use the Iroquois Confederacy's laws as the basis for drafting the Constitution, but the loyalties of the various tribes highlight my earlier point that each tribe is its own governing body.

For example, Mohawks and Senecas, two of the six tribes of the Iroquois Confederacy, fought on opposite sides. Mohawks sided with the British and Senecas fought on the side of the colonists.

Even during the War Between the States, tribes came from as far away as the Oklahoma Territory in semi-organized brigades to fight, with units again ending up on opposite sides.

During the first major conflict off American soil, the Spanish American War, Native Americans were in the ranks. During the First World War more than 17,000 volunteered. This was nearly 25 percent of the adult male Indian population at the time.

WWII saw an equally impressive response. Navajos won acclaim in the South Pacific as Marine Corps' "Code Talkers," speaking in their native tongue over the radios and totally confusing the Japanese who were trying to decipher the messages.

The Army used Comanche native speakers in Europe but on a much smaller scale. A Pima Indian named Ira Hayes was one of the Marines who helped raise the flag on Mount Surubachi on Iwo Jima.

Perhaps the period with the most notoriety for Native Americans is the period of the taming of the American west, generally in the 1870s-1890s.

During this period, the US Army and Plains tribes were fighting each other from the Rio Grande to Canada. This period is highlighted by such historical events as the Battle of the Greasy Grass (what the Sioux and Northern Cheyenne call the Little Bighorn and what history books refer to as Custer's Last Stand), Chief Joseph's and the Nez Perce's epic 1,500 mile flight through the Rocky Mountains, and the chase and eventual capture of Geronimo.

Although the U.S. Army had used American Indians throughout its history as scouts, that practice was especially useful in the West where vast distances and the maneuverability of most of the confrontational tribes significantly challenged the cavalry and infantry units.

In fact, more than 20 Indian scouts received Medals of Honor for their actions against "hostiles" in the western campaigns.

It also, unfortunately, involved the betrayal of certain tribes that were allies to the Army. A classic example was the use of Apaches to catch an Apache.

Gen. Nelson Miles relieved Gen. George Crook in April 1886 in the Arizona Territory. Like Crook, Miles continued to use Chiricahua Apaches as scouts to eventually track down Geronimo and 20 other warriors and their families after they had eluded more than 5,000 Soldiers for more than five months. Geronimo's small band surrendered to Miles in August 1886. They were arrested, put on a train and sent to a prison at Fort Marion, Fla.

The 60 Apache scouts that were employed by the U.S. Army were also arrested, treated as criminals and also sent to Florida. Crook protested this action but got no response and the betrayed scouts spent 26 years as prisoners of war.

My last observation would be one of education and general awareness of Native American history. Native Americans, and specifically the various tribes, have their own view of history. It is usually much different than what is depicted in most school history books or depicted by Hollywood movies, if it is told at all.

To help put it in another context, the Native American population was around 5 million at the time the first whites arrived from Europe. By 1890, their numbers were about 250,000. During that same time period, the white population had gone from zero to 75 million.

Our history books normally don't tell that side of the story. Native Americans today continue to embrace their rich heritage and are willing to share that history with their fellow citizens.

And speaking of citizens, the answer to the earlier test question on when did American Indians become recognized as American citizens was in 1924.

That was six years after the end of World War I, which was yet another war in which Native Americans served as members of the U.S. armed forces but were not yet citizens of the country they had lived in all their lives.

Editor's note: *The Fort Benning Equal Opportunity Office is sponsoring a Native American Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Monday at the Officers' Club.*

Dr. Patricia Wickman will be the guest speaker, there will be traditional American Indian Dancing and Buffalo meat sampling.

This year's theme is: "American Indians: The Nation Next Door."

The cost is $6.50 and tickets can be purchased from your Equal Opportunity advisor or call the Fort Benning EO Office at 545-6665.

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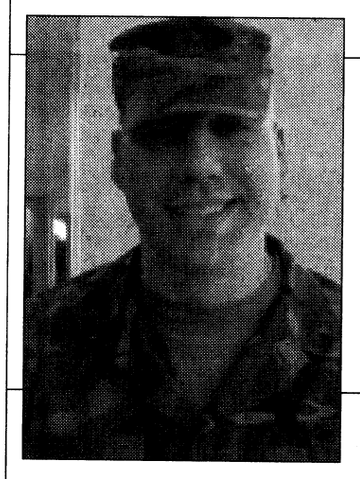
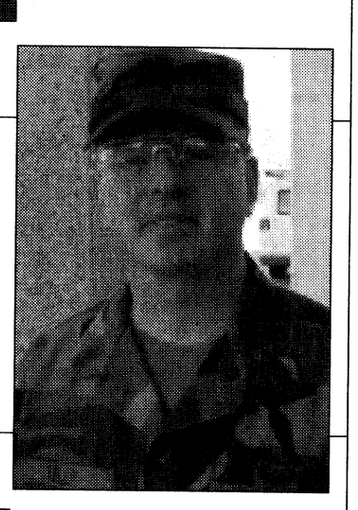


Sgt. William O'Neal, 209th Military Police Detachment — "We take it a day at a time. I keep my wife informed and make sure she knows what's going on at all times."



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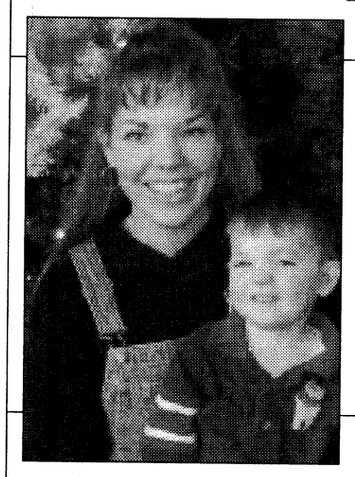
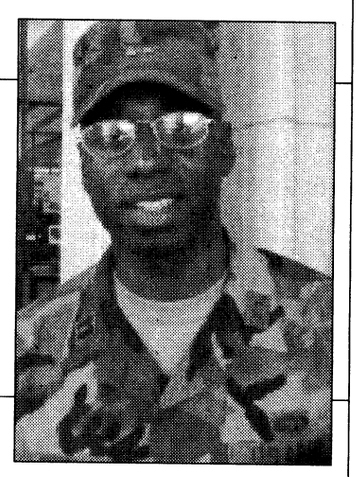


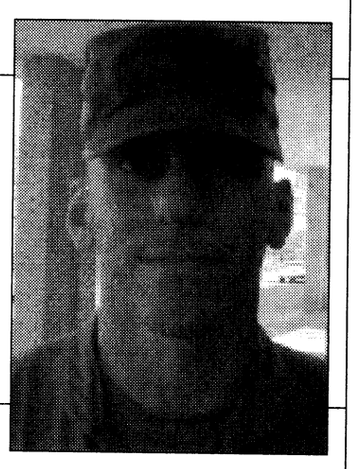
Kellie Grant and Hunter, family members — "Use all the resources available in the community, and don't feel like you're on your own. Support is out there. Keep the lines of communication open."



Capt. Tim White, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade — "We spend time together and do a lot of stress-relieving activities. Every Friday the whole family goes out together, and we take a short trip once a month."



Sharon Jackson, family member — "I just take it day to day. I try to stay positive and do a lot of praying."



Sgt. Osvaldo Gonzalez, 498th Medical Company (Air Ambulance), 36th Engineer Group — "Keep communication going daily so you'll know what's going on ahead of time. "

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letters

Protesters intent questioned

Recent published statements by members of the SOA-Watch organization have caused me serious concern regarding the sincerity of true purpose, intent and integrity of their organization. One can only conclude from their statements they have a broader purpose than simply wanting to close the U.S. Army School of the Americas.

The groups' continuing attacks on the new institute, before its doors even open, demonstrate unwillingness to afford the school a chance with its efforts to enhance their human rights program curriculum.

A critical aspect of bringing the Latin American soldiers to the school is to expose the students to the moral and ethical standards of the U.S. Army and the seven Army core values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage. Admonishment of this educational approach is tantamount to admonishment of the principles of the U.S. Army and its Soldiers. I will take the liberty to remind everyone that these are the same U.S. Soldiers who are willing to make the ultimate sacrifice so that SOA-Watch protesters have the freedom to demonstrate.

When individual protesters write about members of the SOA Watch for whom they are proud because of "their outstanding courage of going to prison for trying to get the message across...," law-abiding citizens should be appalled. Repeated disregard of the laws of the land will never produce heroes.

Yes, Charles Liteky, a Medal of Honor recipient, deserved his medal. He put his life on the line during the Vietnam War. Unfortunately, his actions since then have only served to tarnish the medal and what it represents. It appears when viewing pictures of those who "got caught" for their federal crime that they are proud they are among the chosen ones. The truth of the matter is that incarceration is anything but an honorable occurrence. It is less so when it occurs due to acts committed, as Mr. Liteky stated at his sentencing hearing, to aid the "legitimate revolution of the poor." Christ was not taken prisoner and crucified because he was going out "to aid in the success of a violent uprising." He said, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and render to God the things that are his."

Father Roy Bougeois' statement that the school teaches students how to commit atrocities in their homelands is very simply without foundation. To imply that Noriega, who attended the school as a lieutenant, learned to be a drug-running dictator from USARSA is absurd. What USARSA does do is promote peace with emphasis on international security cooperation, the rule of law, human rights, international peacekeeping and disaster response.

The exposure that Latin American students and their families have to those Americans in Columbus and Fort Benning, who treat them with love and respect, does far more to promote human rights than any protest. If trespassing protesters of the school had taken the time to visit the school, witness the educational process and observe U.S. Army core values instilled in the students, they could have left with a newfound understanding of the school and its mission. The recent transformation of Latin America from communist insurgencies to democracies has been dramatic, although still fragile. The role USARSA plays in vitalizing these democracies has never been more important. Their mission is the stuff that produces heroes.

E. Ann Stumpf Clem
Fort Benning

Death changes opinion of Army

It is amazing how a person's life can change in a matter of minutes. It is amazing how one incident can change your views forever. It is amazing how everything a person has come to believe and the views they thought they would have for life are suddenly changed and replaced with new and sometimes opposite ones faster than their life was given to them. All this just from one instance. (In my case it was) a death in the family, but not just of anyone, but that of a military man.

I know what this is like, I know how it feels and I know how a military death can change a person. I lost my brother, Spc. Michael James (Hogue) McNeill on May 12, 2000. This incident has changed my feelings about the military and military life, forever.

I remember the day my brother got hurt very clearly. It was May 5, 2000. I returned home from school to see my father walking out the door with a suitcase in one hand and a plane ticket confirmation in the other. I was informed that my brother had been struck by a car, going full speed, while he was crossing a street on foot with two of his Army buddies. He was not expected to make it through the night. My father left immediately. That is where it all began. From the minute my father and brother's wife arrived, they were treated like royalty. The Army was right there by their side, no matter what they needed. The Army provided them with a place to stay, transportation and what was needed most of all — a shoulder to cry on.

Before this point, I never thought of military people as being compassionate and caring. But as I came to learn as things went on, they are more caring, understanding and compassionate than most civilian people.

A week passed, and suddenly, on May 12, 2000, my brother breathed his last breath. He had passed away. At this point, I thought that the Army would no longer be helpful or cooperative with my family. I figured they would think that since my brother had passed away, that there was no more use in trying to please anyone. I figured they would try to save money any way they could. But, as I later learned, this was not the case at all. They helped my family return home and made them as comfortable as possible right up until the end. I would have thought that the military would think about nothing other than their own wants and needs, but once again, they proved me wrong. Apparently, they put my brother on full retirement with total disability before he died so that his beautiful wife and their soon expected child would be taken care of. This touched me deeply.

The thing that touched me the most was my brother's funeral itself. The military paid for almost all of the expenses and helped a great deal with the planning of the services. The day of the funeral is imbedded so deeply in my heart. It was May 19, 2000 to be exact. Everyone gathered at the funeral home to pay their last respects to my brother. Michael's body was soon being loaded into the hearse and proceeded, followed by many cars, to the Lakeview Cemetery.

As I followed the hearse, we entered the cemetery to see a lone man, in uniform, holding a bugle under his arm. With great discipline and ceremony, he saluted the hearse as it went by and turned, with the hearse, 180 degrees as it proceeded to the burial site.

At the burial site, the preacher said a few more words, and a silence fell all about. After the passage of a few moments, seven Soldiers in uniform with rifles shouldered came marching in perfect synchronization and stopped a short distance away. They raised their rifles and each of them fired three shots into the air with the sound of each shot piercing my heart, bringing out all the love and respect that was felt for my brother. Once again, silence fell about. Then off in the distance was heard a beautiful noise, rolling off the end of the young man's bugle. Each note slowly tearing away at me, making it easier to let go. Each note bringing the remembrance of my brother and how he served his country, his family, his God.

Intense is the only word to describe those few minutes of pain, remembrance and love that came with the playing of Taps. The playing stopped. Then the six Soldiers, unarmed, came marching in unison without a single misstep up to my brother's casket. Perfectionists, they were, folding the flag ever so carefully that had once lain upon my brother's casket, making sure not so much as a thread ever touched the ground. A single Soldier marched up to my brother's wife, Jenna, and placed the flag upon her lap, presenting it to her on behalf of the president of the United States, and with great reverence and respect, he stood in a final salute to her. But then, something very unusual happened. As with Jenna, a single Soldier approached my brother's mother and my father and presented them with flags also, ones that were already neatly folded and placed in fine wooden boxes, decorated with the United States Seal and containing all of Michael's ribbons. These did not come from the government's money. These came from the pockets of the men who served with my brother in his battalion. Knowing of Mike's beginnings and the strange turns his life had taken wherein he had two families, containing eight sisters, all of whom he loved dearly, they had raised the money to purchase these for his parents. This showed me that the military is one big family. In the military, whether you like the people you are around or not, you do everything in your power to protect one another and their loved ones.

What an honor I found this to be, to have been a part of Michael's life, someone who had served his country so diligently.

This event has changed my life and touched my heart forever. I have grown a deep love for the military and those who are a part of it. I realized that they are there to help me. The military is one big family that I may hope some day to be a part of. I hope to one day walk in Michael's footsteps, my father's only son, on a path also taken by Mike's father and his father before him. My respect and admiration for the military has grown immensely.

I want to say thanks to all of the people who have helped me, protected me and loved me enough to go to war for me, and a special thanks to the men who have helped my brother's memory live on. This is for you.

Krista Kelly McNeill
Johnson City, Ill.

Post recognizes military families

Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program wants to remind everyone that Military Family Week is celebrated during the Thanksgiving holiday period. We take this time to express our appreciation for the dedication and sacrifices that are made by service members and their families in our community.

In the daily press of activities, which characterize our modern lives, we often overlook opportunities to express our appreciation to those who make a special contribution. To amend that oversight, we take this special opportunity to salute all military families.

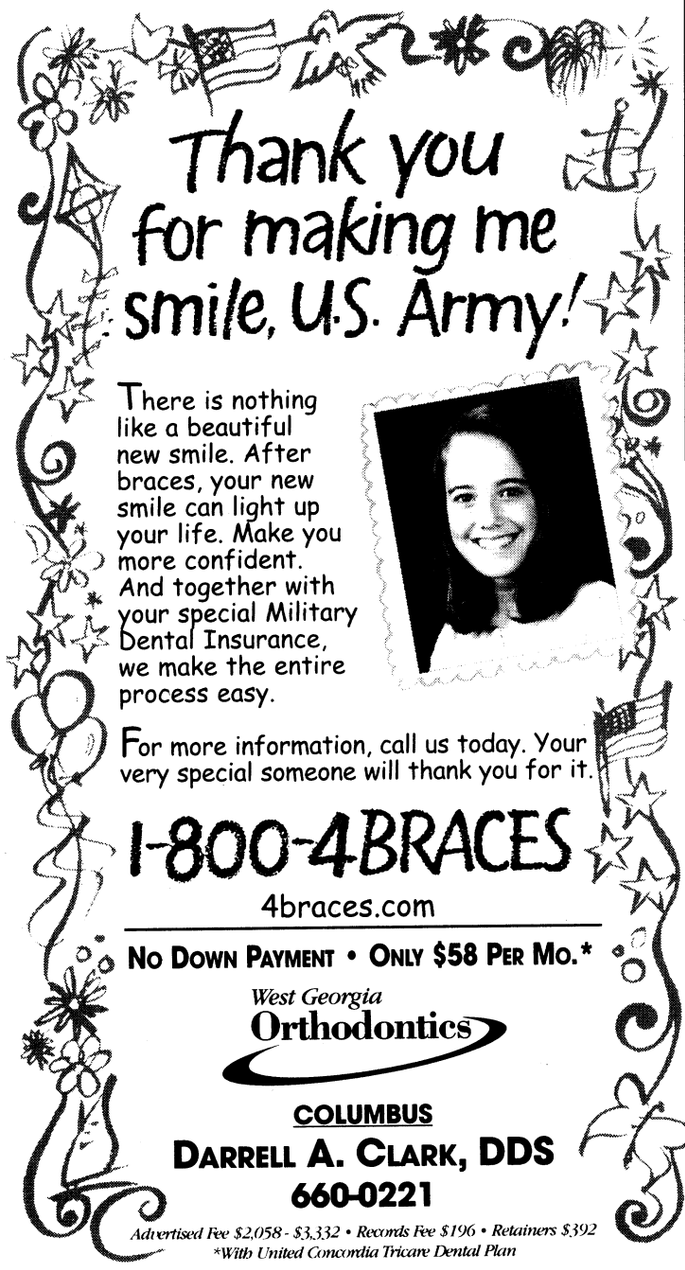
Military families, who live in our community — both on post and off — are separated from their own hometowns and friends. They are also frequently separated from each other because of military duties.

We, as civilians, should value and commend every Soldier's contribution and celebrate during this week. To show our appreciation, the ACS Family Advocacy Program will have a display set up at Building 2624 Monday with educational materials for active duty Soldiers, spouses and children.

For more information on Military Family Week, call 545-3344.

Rebecca S. Welch
Family Advocacy Program







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Army offers free online courses

Army renews SmartForce contract

Joe Burlas
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Active-duty and reserve Soldiers, and Department of the Army civilians can continue to take free online information technology courses thanks to a recently renewed contract between the Army and SmartForce, a commercial computer-based training company.

Since the Army first started offering the service in 1998, the course catalog has grown to offer training on more than 1,100 technical subjects.

"Rather than send people away from their jobs to half a dozen places for training, why not save time and money by having them sign up for online courses," said Lt. Col. Tom Loper, the program's project manager. "We opted to offer this education to both the civilian and Soldier workforce. In an increasingly technology-based Army, these classes not only make students smarter at their jobs but give them more marketable skills for future jobs — inside or out of the military."

The program is offered on the Web at www.armycbt.army.mil. The classes range from how to use word-processor, database and spreadsheet programs for beginner through advanced users to 70 certification-preparation courses for systems administrators and computer programmers.

While all the classes are free for registered users, the program does not offer actual certifications. Arrangements for certification testing and associated testing fees — often costing several hundred dollars — must be made through commercial venders.

Links to those venders are posted on the Army CBT Web page.

Additionally, many of the offered courses may qualify for college credit. Loper recommended those interested in getting college credit for SmartForce classes check with their local Army Education Services office to determine which qualify and what costs may be involved through a college or university.

Currently, the instruction is primarily text-based with some graphics and photos. SmartForce plans to offer streaming video for instructor lectures in the future when available bandwidth is large enough, Loper said. Online mentoring service is also offered on a limited basis.

To date, 70,000-plus registered Army users have used the SmartForce instruction.

To register or view the course catalog, visit the Army CBT web site.

Registration must be made on a computer tied into an Army wide-area network using a military domain address.

However, once the registration is complete, students may log on with a student number and password at home, a local library or on any other computer connected to the Internet.

Fort Benning hosts education conference

USARSA sponsors conference

Lt. Col. George Ruff
U.S. Army School of the Americas

The U.S. Army School of the Americas and Fort Benning hosted the eighth Training and Military Education Conference at Ridgway Hall from Nov. 13-16. Fort Benning has hosted the biennial conference as part of the Conference of American Armies since 1986.

Representatives of 20 countries met and discussed a number of issues that impact the training and education of militaries throughout the Western Hemisphere. The principle theme for the conference was "The American Armies in the Framework of International Relations and International Law in the 21st century."

Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, commander of Fort Benning said, "The Training and Military Education Conference directly impacts military professionalism in the hemisphere.

"It improves the interoperability between all our nations, while increasing dialogue and cooperation between civil and military institutions. This is a core element of our defense and security cooperation within the Americas."

The four-day conference was conducted with simultaneous language translations in English, Spanish and Portuguese to accommodate all participants.

Maj. Gen. Alfred Valenzuela, commander of U.S. Army South echoed his comments. "The issues being discussed here are very much the key issues facing the militaries of the hemisphere. These topics will be further discussed at the Conference of American Armies at its next session.

"Fort Benning and the School of the Americas have done a great job of providing an excellent forum for cooperation and the interchange of ideas that will be critical in the 21st century."

A number of participants expressed their gratitude for the outstanding support shown by the School of the Americas for the Conference over the years.

This is the final Training and Military Education Conference that will be hosted by the School.

The School of the Americas will close Dec. 15 following more than 50 years of service. More than 60,000 students from the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean have graduated from the school. A new school, the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, opens Jan. 17 at the former site of the School of the Americas.

The new institute will offer courses to civilian as well as military students and allow for an expanded curriculum.

courts-martial

Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

At a general court-martial on June 8, Staff Sgt. John H. Stebbins, E Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, was convicted of rape of a child on diverse occasions and forcible sodomy.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of private, to be confined for 30 years, to pay a fine of $75,000, to be further confined for a period of five years if the fine is not paid and to be discharged from the service with a dishonorable discharge.

At a general court-martial on June 22, Pvt. Anthony Dominguez, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, was convicted of one count of conspiracy to wrongfully distribute and to wrongfully introduce cocaine with intent to distribute and one count of wrongful introduction of a controlled substance with intent to distribute.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of private, to forfeit all pay and allowances, confinement for eight months and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge.

At a general court-martial July 5, Pvt. Adam K. Hetrick, D Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, was convicted of absence without leave, larceny of a motor vehicle and larceny of property more than $100. He was sentenced to forfeit $600 pay per month for three months, to be confined for 30 days and to be discharged from the service with a bad conduct discharge.

At a general court-martial July 6, Pvt. Michael P. Ivey, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 6th Ranger Training Brigade, was convicted of unlawful entry of a government building, with intent to commit larceny and stealing U.S. currency, of a value of more than $500.

He was sentenced to pay a fine to the U.S. government in the amount of $500, to be confined for a period of 90 days and to be discharged from the service with a bad-conduct discharge.

At a general court-martial on July 7, Sgt. Gerardo Rodriguez, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, was convicted of rape on diverse occasions, forcible sodomy and indecent acts upon the body of a female under the age of 16 years.

He was sentenced to be reduced to the grade of private, to forfeit all pay and allowances, to be confined for a period of 53 years and to be discharged from the service with a dishonorable discharge.

At a general court-martial Aug. 15, Pvt. Travis L. Rodick, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, 11th Infantry Regiment was convicted of conspiracy to commit forgery and larceny, larceny of U.S. currency under $100, two counts of larceny of personal checks and U.S. currency more than $100, obtaining services through false representation, three counts of forgery and absence without leave terminated by apprehension.

He was sentenced to forfeit all pay and allowances, to be confined for 18 months and to be discharged from the service with a dishonorable discharge.

around post

NCO, Soldier of the Year Ceremony

The NCO and Soldier of the Year Ceremony is 8 a.m. Monday at the Officers' Club.

Native American luncheon

Fort Benning Equal Opportunity Office is sponsoring a Native American Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Monday at the Officers' Club.

Dr. Patricia Wickman will be the guest speaker.

There will be traditional American Indian dancing and buffalo meat sampling.

This year's theme is: "American Indians: The Nation Next Door."

The cost is $6.50 and tickets can be purchased from your Equal Opportunity advisor or call the Fort Benning EO Office at 545-6665.

St. Barbara's Ball

The St. Barbara's Ball will be 6 p.m. Saturday at the Fort Benning Officers' Club. The cost to attend is $24.

For more information, call Capt. Andrew McClean at 544-2744.

Green to Gold

There are several Green to Gold briefings for interested Soldiers scheduled for Dec. 7, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22 and April 26.

For more information, call Capt. Irvin Pete at Columbus State University at 568-2449.

Army Education Center

The Army Education Center, Building 2602, now closes at 1 p.m. on the last Wednesday afternoon of each month for administrative purposes.

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Scholarship available

The Maj. Gen. James Ursano AER Undergraduate Scholarship application for children of active-duty and retired personnel is available on the Army Emergency Relief Web site at www.aerhq.org.

Children of active-duty Soldiers who died while on active-duty are also eligible for the scholarship.

The deadline for submission for years 2001-2002 is March 1.

For more information, call Al Deane, AER officer, at 545-2536, 545-4043 or 545-7517.

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Post honors first enlisted commandant

Fort Benning pays tribute to legacy

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Family, friends and Soldiers from across Fort Benning gathered for a ceremony at the Main Post Cemetery to honor a man who left a legacy on Fort Benning.

During a wreath-laying ceremony Nov. 6 at the cemetery, Command Sgt. Maj. Henry Caro, the first enlisted commandant of the Fort Benning NCO Academy, was remembered.

Caro was selected to be the first enlisted commandant of the school in December 1974, when the position was traditionally seated by officers.

"It's an honor after all these years," Caro's widow, Frankie Caro, said about the ceremony.

He was an outstanding Soldier who did so many things before he was 40, she said.

Caro's life was cut short when he died in a parachuting accident Nov. 6, 1976, in Fort Stewart, Ga.

"After all these years people still remember the special way he led his troops and the impact he had on their lives," Caro's daughter, Lisa Martin said about her dad.

The impact he had on Soldiers' lives still shows today as the commandant of the NCO Academy is still an enlisted Soldier.

"It is a very rewarding position," Command Sgt. Maj. George Monk, commandant of the NCOA, said. "There are not very many command sergeants major who have the opportunity to be a commandant."

Monk credits his position to the Caro, who he called a phenomenal NCO.

Caro served for more than 20 years in the Army, including assignments with the 101st Airborne Division in Fort Campbell, Ky., 82nd Airborne Division in Fort Bragg, N.C., and 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, in Fort Stewart.

He served three tours of duty in Vietnam, twice as an advisor and the other with N Company, 75th Ranger Infantry, 173rd Airborne Brigade.

Caro was awarded the Legion of Merit, five Bronze Stars with V device for valor and two Purple Hearts.

He also earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge and Ranger Tab.

"He strived for excellence, and he cared about his men," said Rita Steinbook about her father. "He really was a Soldier's Soldier."



Pfc. Mark Watson

Command Sgt. Maj. George Monk, commandant of Fort Benning's NCO Academy, and Frankie Caro place a wreath at Command Sgt. Maj. Henry Caro's grave Nov. 6 at the Main Post Cemetery.

Fort Benning hosts Retiree Appreciation Days

Shannon S. Walsh
Special to the Bayonet©

Fort Benning's Retirement Services Office hosted approximately 400 veterans and their family members for the 18th annual Retiree Appreciation Days Nov. 2-3. Retirees came from Georgia, Florida and Alabama. All branches of the service were invited.

After a morning of activities that included breakfast with trainees, a Basic Training Company graduation of 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry, and a luncheon at the Officer Club Regimental Room, the retirees listened to guest speaker Gary Smith, Department of the Army Retirement Services officer.

Smith got laughs from the audience by using lighthearted cartoons to address serious concerns of retirees like healthcare, pay issues, survivor benefits and base closures.

The main theme of Smith's message was the Retirement Services Office is working to make things better and change is on the way.

He had good news about benefit checks. Retirees will see a 3.5 percent cost of living increase in their January checks. Last year's increase was 2.4 percent. Smith discussed how retirees, especially those over 65, have been disappointed by a lack of benefits.

"As life went down the line and things changed, some of the things we thought were going to be there weren't," Smith said.

He discussed how "space available" health care has become a major problem. Since 1995, the number of retirees have greatly outweighed the number of active-duty military members. Currently there are about 480,000 active-duty military and about 675,000 retirees.

Smith also recommended that the audience use the direct deposit system to receive their checks.

"It's more efficient and it's quicker to fix pay problems," he said. About 85 percent of veteran retirees currently use this system.

Retired Col. Bill Alonzo of Montgomery, Ala., was most interested in hearing about healthcare and proposed changes to the current Tricare plan. He said he enjoyed the event and was encouraged by what Smith had to say.

"I think it's great because we seldom get recognition today for our services and sacrifices," Alonzo said. "This event does that."

Smith encouraged retirees to go out and volunteer in their communities.

"Those who stay active and involved stay healthy and much more in tune," he said. "We want all of you to say the Army is taking care of me. It's not a life for everybody but most of us would say it was a good life and really mean it."

There was also a County and Health Fair at the club for the audience to attend after Smith spoke. Local agencies were there to update retirees with the latest information concerning their benefits.

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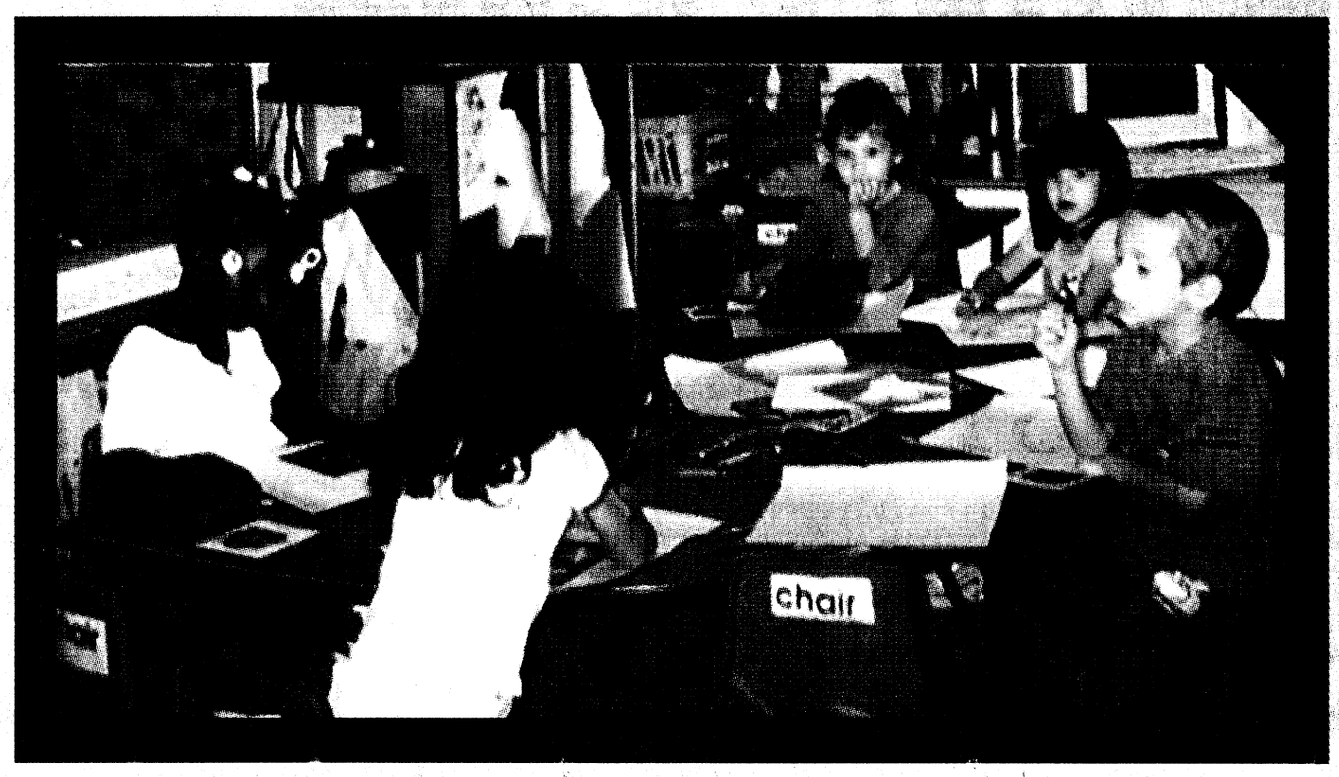

WW II artifacts find home at museum

Family donates uniform to museum

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More than 3,000 American Soldiers of Japanese ancestry served with the 100th Infantry Battalion during World War II. For the most part, they were pulled from their original units and reassigned, ostensibly for their own protection, at a time when many Americans questioned their loyalty to the Allies.

Like the others, 2nd Lt. Cloudy Gray Conner fought for the opportunity to serve his country. He was initially denied a commission with the U.S. Army after graduating from Clemson College in 1937. But it wasn't the color of his skin that threatened his dream of a career as an officer — it was his height and weight.

Standing just over 5 feet, with a 26-inch waist, Conner did not meet the Army's size requirements. He received a waiver at the onset of World War II, when the need for Soldiers outweighed Army regulations, and was commissioned with the one battalion where small stature was more the rule than the exception — the 100th Infantry Battalion.

Known as the "Purple Heart Battalion," it was one of the most decorated units in the Army. But Conner's uniform was bare, no Purple Heart or National Defense Medal, when it was delivered to his mother's home after he was killed by sniper fire at Cassino, Italy, in February 1944.

It hung in the attic of the Conner family home in Cartersville, S.C., for more than 50 years, until his cousin donated it to Fort Benning's National Infantry Museum Nov. 9. Now the uniform will be displayed, along with the medals Conner was awarded posthumously, with the 100th Infantry Battalion exhibit on the third floor of the museum.



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Gerald Conner and Frank Hanner, National Infantry Museum director, look at the meal ticket found in 2nd Lt. Cloudy Gray Conner's uniform. The lieutenant was killed in action in Italy during World War II.

Cloudy Gray Conner, known as C.G. to his family, got his unusual name from a character in a book his mother read. That's about all his 12-year-old cousin, Gerald Conner, knew about him in 1944.

"We had the same grandmother, and so we were in the same generation, so to speak, but there was 16 years difference in our ages," said Gerald. "He was the first born in his family. I was the last one born in mine, so I never really knew him very well."

Gerald is one of only two remaining family members from that generation, and even now, half a century later, he wants to know more about his cousin.

Last year he traveled from his Newnan, Ga., home to attend the dedication of the 100th Infantry Battalion monument on Sacrifice Field. He met Soldiers who fought alongside C.G. and learned the details surrounding his death.

Gerald documented all his findings and included them in a scrapbook with his cousin's pictures and military records. He included the book with his donation to the museum.

"In my mind, this is where it belongs," Gerald said. "It's the kind of thing you can't put a price on, and it should be here where everyone can benefit from it."

Frank Hanner, the museum's director, said Conner's research and documentation increased the historical value of the donation.

"He did an incredible job gathering information. A uniform is a wonderful piece to have, but it's the Soldier who wore the uniform and his story that makes history come alive," Hanner said. "The men who fought for that freedom will be forgotten if we're not careful to preserve the tangible pieces of history that tell their story.

Mementos bring history to life

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The director of Fort Benning's National Infantry Museum believes a picture is worth a thousand words.

When Hope Miller traveled from her home in Peachtree City, Ga., to Fort Benning Nov. 9, she brought along various mementos of her husband's 27-year military career. The .45 caliber pistol, binoculars and SS ceremonial sword were impressive, but it was the photographs that caught Frank Hanner's eye.

"The pictures of him wearing the holster and carrying the binoculars document the artifacts to a Soldier and a unit," Hanner said. "The pictures and documentation bring the artifacts to life. They're a testament to his loyalty and service to our country."

A picture, a uniform, an artifact of any kind — Hanner stresses the importance of preserving the mementos of the past for the children of the future.

"Material reminders of the past speak volumes for someone who doesn't want to read a book, or someone who thinks history is boring," Hanner said. "Children who don't like to study history discover that it comes alive when they look at pictures or artifacts from World War II or Vietnam or any other event they've only read about in school."

With that in mind, Hanner is very careful to document every detail about items donated to the museum. Uniforms and medals and weaponry make wonderful contributions, he said, but personal letters and photographs are priceless.

"The historical value of any piece goes up if it has provenance — who wore it, where and when, what happened to the Soldier... And a photograph accompanying the piece tells the real story."

Hanner said his office fields calls on a daily basis from people interested in donating items, and he always encourages contributors to schedule an appointment and bring as much information about the article as possible. He said worn areas and signs of age do not decrease the historical and educational value of a piece.

"It's the worn collar or the moth-eaten pants that give a piece historical character. They speak of its age and authenticity," he said. "All too often people don't know what they've got, and they throw it away or it ends up in a yard sale."

That's exactly what Miller feared would be the fate of her husband's military collection.

"I asked him to write everything he knew about them before he died, and last year I gathered it all together," Miller said. "I said before I depart this planet I'm going to make sure these are in a museum where they belong, so future generations can learn from his experience."

"Now the young Soldiers who visit the Infantry Museum will realize that skin color or height didn't matter to the men of the 100th Battalion. They fought for something bigger than the hatred and prejudices that brought them together."

Soldier collects historical military paraphernalia

Collection dates back to 1900

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BDUs and Dress Blues and PTs, jungle boots and jump boots, Army manuals, duffel bags, kevlar and berets, weaponry, badges, medals and citations — like most Soldiers, Capt. Mark Turner's accumulation of military gear threatens to take over the whole house.

But unlike most, his collection didn't start when he enlisted 12 years ago. It started sometime around the turn of the century, with the Boxer Rebellion in Peking, China. His collection spans 75 years of military history, starting with America's involvement in Peking in 1900 and ending with Vietnam.

Turner, a company commander for the 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, began collecting more than 20 years ago as a child when his interest in military memorabilia was sparked by stories of his ancestors, who served in every branch of the military. His lineage on his father's side traces back to the War of 1812, his mother's side back to the Revolutionary War.

"We've had somebody serving in the military in almost every war since the revolution. I guess it's genetic," he said. "I've always been interested in all things military, and I always knew I'd join the Army myself."

Turner joined the Army on his 17th birthday, and for nearly 10 years, he stored his collection at his parents' home. It wasn't until he moved to Fort Benning in 1997 that he began displaying his entire collection.

"Displaying them is important to me. They have to be seen to be appreciated," said Turner, who calls himself "just a temporary caretaker for these historical artifacts.

"It would be a shame to hide them away in an attic. We have to be able to see these kinds of artifacts if they're to teach us about our country's heritage."

The collection, which includes hundreds of pieces of headgear and medals, nearly 400 uniforms and thousands of photos, books, documents and diaries, covers every inch of his Columbus home. Vintage photographs line the walls, footlockers store countless artifacts until they can be preserved for display, and three closets have been sacrificed for the cause.

"My wife's a good woman. She tolerates it," laughed Turner, and his bride of six months agrees.

"There's no room for my shoes, and I have to keep some of my clothes in storage, but when I married him, I married the whole person," Barbara Turner said. "He's definitely doing what he loves. His collecting is a career that combines his love of military and history."

Though his collection is insured, and valued at more than the home that houses it, Turner said his desire to collect has never been swayed by the market value of a piece.

"Their stories outweigh any value a dealer or collector might put on them," he said. "The history behind each piece intrigues me more than the piece itself."

And Turner knows the story behind 90 percent of his collection. He's spent countless hours researching. At first he used rudimentary methods, searching newspaper archives and telephone books when he found a name or serial number on a piece. The Internet has modernized the process, but Turner said he constantly discovers new avenues of information.

"Every day there's something new in the whole research process. It's like a big jigsaw puzzle, never complete, but always offering new details about the big picture," he said.

Sometimes just the right puzzle piece falls into place and Turner gets to meet and interview the veteran or a family member of the veteran who originally owned a piece in his collection.

"I guess I've spent about half my life in a library. I'm a research fanatic," he said. "I'm not satisfied having a piece without knowing all about it. Meeting the veteran who owned it is like meeting a celebrity to me, and they're always glad to know someone from my generation still cares about what they went through."



Pfc. Mark Watson

Capt. Mark Turner displays part of his collection in his home.

Turner's acquired the majority of his collection from antique stores, flea markets and estate sales. He said venues like eBay have made collecting much more difficult than when he began.

"The foundation of my collection was laid long before the Internet came along. It's made it nearly impossible to purchase pieces at an affordable price," he said. "And the growing demand has created a huge market for fraud. There's a lot of fakes out there. You have to know what you're doing."

Hard pressed to select a singular favorite, Turner pointed out several "jewels" among his trove of treasure — a Moro tribesman's spear brought to America by a Soldier who fought in the Philippine Insurrection; one of only two known original photographs of the Memphis Belle, Margaret Polk; personal correspondence and medical records of President Harry Truman's physician, Maj. Gen. Wallace Graham; and the personal effects of Frederic E. Davison, the third African-American to be promoted to brigadier general.

But it's the memorabilia Turner inherited from his own ancestors that he cherishes the most. His living room mantel is a shrine to his grandfathers, one of whom served as an MP during World War II, the other a pilot who flew 31 combat missions over Europe.

Turner plans to eventually expand his collection, turning his energies to more recent conflicts, like Grenada and Desert Storm. But in the meantime, he continues to search for the most elusive artifacts of all — the ones that belonged to his great-great-grandfather who fought in Pickett's Charge in 1863.

"He was one of the few in his company who could read and write, so he kept detailed records. It kills me that I can't find those records or his uniform or personal effects," Turner said.

"I hope someone somewhere is taking good care of it and enjoying it, because that's what's really important."

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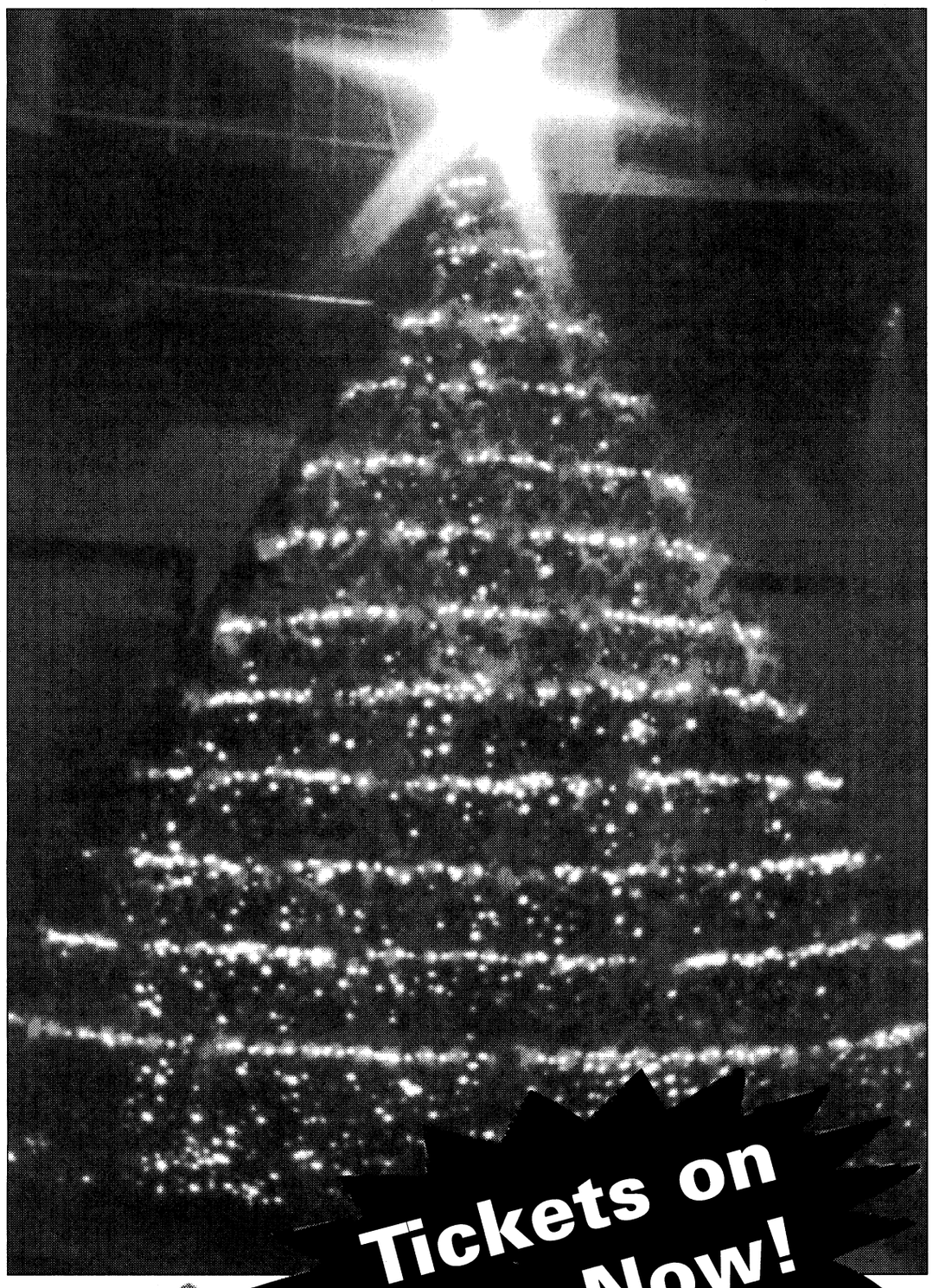

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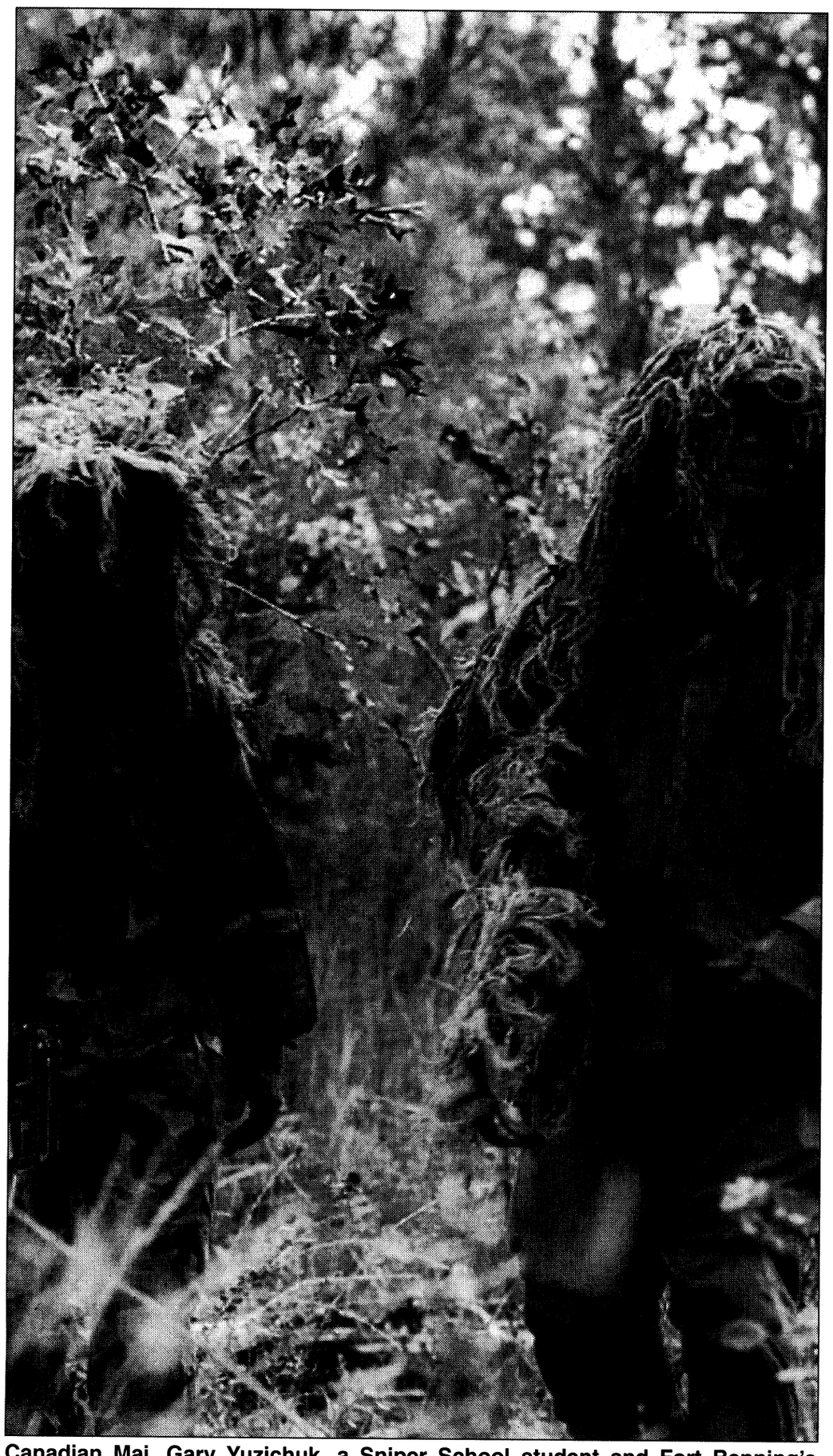
Soldiers take shot at Sniper School



Canadian Maj. Gary Yuzichuk, a Sniper School student and Fort Benning's Canadian liaison, along with his spotter, Pfc. Jason Ripp, also a student, move toward a sniper hide during the live-fire stalk. The hide will allow them to fire at a target or to collect intelligence on the enemy without being spotted and compromising their mission.

Students learn tools of trade during course

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Well behind enemy lines, two Soldiers creep though the woods inching their way to a concealed position that allows them to observe enemy movement and fire without being detected.

After avoiding the enemy patrols, the Soldiers are in their "hide," a concealed position that allows them to work without being spotted. They radio information to the command post and find out the mission has changed.

Instead of gathering intelligence, they must eliminate a target.

The men make final preparations, ranging targets and clearing loopholes to fire through.

The men make a final range check on the target. It is an 800 meter shot.

The shooter settles his sights and squeezes the trigger.

As the bullet travels to its target, the spotter watches the supersonic wake of the round streak through the air and hit the target.

The sniper, who is responsible for the long-range shooting, and his spotter, who carries a back-up rifle and helps the sniper, fulfill their mission: one shot, one kill.

A sniper's purpose is to reduce targets at long range using precision fire and to collect and report battlefield data.

Although fictional, the Soldiers who graduate from the U.S. Army Sniper School are trained for such a scenario.

The new snipers began their fifth and final week of training Monday with the field training exercise.

Another requirement was a live-fire stalk where the snipers were required to move into a shooting position while under surveillance and shoot at a silhouette target.



Photos by Pfc. Mark Watson

Canadian Maj. Gary Yuzichuk, along with his spotter, Pfc. Jason Ripp, scope a target from underneath their ghillie suits.

Although it may sound simple, the sharp eyes of the sniper instructors know what to look for and where the shooting positions are located.

The snipers train to high standards, Staff Sgt. Arturo Prieto, a Sniper School instructor, said. But in the end it is worth it.

"Once they go back to their units, they are quality snipers," he said. "These guys are well trained."

The students said the school was a great learning tool.

"There is so much more a sniper can do, than a typical Infantryman," Pfc. Martin Perez, a student in the school from A Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, said. "When people think of a sniper, normally they think of an expert marksman, but we learn better ground tactics and learn better patience."

Another sniper student said the school was challenging and that upon completion, he would have more control of his training.

"I enjoy working alone and (ever since I came in) I wanted to do this," Sgt. Terrance Johnson said. "It is something different from regular day-to-day and it is more challenging." Johnson who is part of the Initial Brigade Combat Team, traveled from Fort Lewis, Wash., to receive instruction at the school.

"Now I will be able to do my own training and I will be able to shoot more (often) than others."

To learn the skills needed to successfully complete a sniper's mission the students received classes on survival, tracking, escape and evasion and counter tracking. The classes teach the future snipers how to be self-sufficient and survive in a hostile environment without support.

Along with the live-fire stalk, the students were required to move to the McKenna Military Operations in Urban Terrain site as part of the training exercise. During their movement, the snipers avoided opposing forces by using stealth learned at the school. The students set up security and received a counter-sniper mission.

The training ended with the "final shot," an exercise that require the snipers to use all the materials from the course. Everything from their slow deliberate movements to the camouflage technique, and their knowledge of the terrain to the snipers' main missions.

The intense courses and the high standards weeded out nearly three quarters of the class.

Of the more than 25 students who began the course, only nine Soldiers remained in the sniper school class.

11th Infantry Regiment leaders tour Gettysburg

2nd Lt. Roman Skaskiw
11th Infantry Regiment

On the afternoon of Oct. 20, the skies above Green Manor Turf Farm in Gettysburg, Pa., were astir with MC1-1C parachutes, as select personnel from the 11th Infantry Regiment jumped into Strikehold Drop Zone to tour the historic Gettysburg battleground.

The highlight of the three-day trip was a guided tour by retired Col. Thomas Vossler that included visits to Seminary Ridge, Devil's Den, and Little Round Top.

The four-hour tour focused on division and corp level maneuvers and was "just enough to whet your appetite without making you nauseous," said Maj. Francis Burns, the 11th Infantry Regiment's operations officer.

Capt. Mark Turner, from D Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, whose ancestors participated on the Confederate side of Pickett's Charge, led a very detailed tour of that failed maneuver.

"You learn more when you're actually on the ground," said Capt. Michael Belton, the Airborne School's E Company commander.

"History comes alive from this perspective, and you can see the challenges that each Soldier, north or south, had to face," he said.

"Until you've actually walked the ground and looked at the terrain as closely as they did, you can read all you want about the battle, but you won't fully understand it," said Capt. Richard Crowther, B Company, 3rd Battalion, 11th Inf. Regt.

The indepth historic study the trip provided was only a portion of its intended goal.

"The Gettysburg staff ride allowed (11th Inf. Regt.'s leaders) to study the battlefield and reflect on the seriousness of our profession," said Col. Michael Ferriter, the regiment's commander.

"It was a low-cost and high-payoff leader development program, and a great team-building event.

"It's important to show the Army's junior leaders that you can work hard and have fun at the same time," he said, noting the importance of such events with regard to the retention of talented young officers.

The bulk of the attendees were first sergeants and company commanders from the 11th Infantry Regiment's five battalions — 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry; 1st Bn. (Infantry Officer Career Course), 2nd Bn. (Infantry Officer Basic Course), 3rd Bn. (Officer Candidate School), and the CONUS Replacement Center. Because of the vast differences in each battalion's program of instruction, company commanders from different battalions don't get many chances to interact. The visit provided an opportunity for them learn more about their peers and sister battalions.

"It's always nice to take a step back from our busy training schedules and enjoy the camaraderie, which is really what makes the Army special," said 1st Lt. Michael Troxell.

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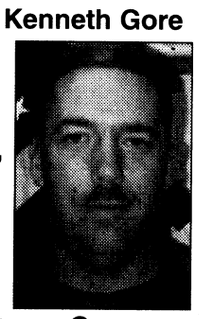

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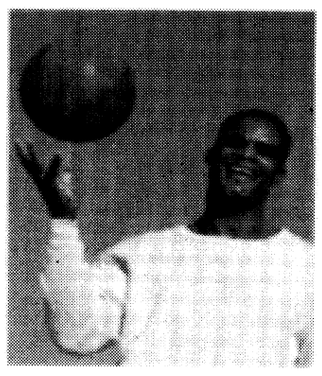
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle

Define your leadership style. I utilize all of the Army leadership styles.

What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Seeing the young civilians come in for the college money and mentoring them into caring Soldiers who are proud to serve their country.

You don't pay tax on a Roth IRA



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3rd Brigade remembers veterans with ceremony

Marne Soldiers honor Korean War troops

Shannon S. Walsh
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Veterans of the "forgotten war" were the focus of 3rd Brigade's Veterans Day ceremony Saturday in front of the National Infantry Museum.

Brigade commander, Col. Anthony Cucolo III, said that although the Korean War received little recognition, it typified what military personnel will do for their country.

"It was selfless sacrifices, in distant places, in unexpected times, and in the name of freedom," he said. "But it was forgotten or ignored by our fellow Americans.

"We're here to honor all veterans," he said, "but especially those from our division."

During the Korean War, 11 Soldiers from the 3rd Infantry Division were awarded the Medal of Honor for heroism.

These men and their fellow Soldiers were remembered in the ceremony, which began in front of the Tank Destroyer Memorial and concluded at the 3rd Infantry Division Memorial.

Cucolo and the guest speaker, retired Col. Cecil French, placed two wreaths in front of the division monument.

French was there along with more than 10 fellow members of Outpost 60, the local chapter of the national Society of the 3rd Infantry Division.

His tie to the division came in 1950 when he was assigned to Heavy Tank Company, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division.

French personalized the war for those gathered outside the museum by recounting the efforts and reading the citation of Korean War Medal of Honor winner Cpl. Charles Gilliland.

"I wanted to talk about what happened to a real hero," French said. He, too, was involved in that action.

French said that the Medal of Honor recipients and other Soldiers who fought in the Korean War have often been overlooked and should receive as much recognition as those who fought in World War II and other wars.

"We want to remember them like we'd like to be remembered," French said.

After the speakers' remarks, there was a roll call for recently deceased Outpost 60 members and 3rd Brigade Soldiers.

Retired Master Sgt. Edward Bunn of Outpost 60 was recognized. Bunn passed away this past year. He was French's platoon sergeant at the time Gilliland was awarded the Medal of Honor.

Sgt. Joseph Eckstam's name was also called. He was killed last month in a motorcycle accident. Eckstam was a member of 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment.

Soldiers from B Company, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, made up the honor guard and firing squad at the ceremony.

The audience paying tribute outside the Infantry Museum was a mix of Soldiers, family members and local veterans.

"This is the best way we can honor what these people did," said retired Sgt. 1st Class Clarence Kelley.

Cucolo said the Soldiers were proud to be a part of the event.

"You might think of this as extra duty to be standing in uniform on your day off," he told the audience. "That's not the case. These Soldiers practiced and were excited about this ceremony."

First Sgt. Cornelius Barlow, B Co., 2nd Bn., 69th Armor Regt., said he was happy with how motivated his Soldiers were to participate.

"They were fired up to be involved in something of this caliber," Barlow said. "That's what I like to see in young Soldiers."

"You really get a link to the past," said Capt. Jeffrey Ugino, HHC, 3rd Bde. "When you see the veterans and realize everything they sacrificed, it really puts your own job in perspective."

"We hope the veterans present today will look at us with confidence, that we will pass on their legacy," Cucolo said.

Protest: Closes Benning Blvd. Sunday during crossover

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another peaceful 'non-event' like previous ones," Kelley said.

Columbus City police will be responsible for controlling the crowd outside the gate, and Fort Benning officials have been in close contact with the department in preparing for this year's event, said Col. GT Myers, the installation's provost marshal.

Federal law and Fort Benning regulations prohibit partisan, political demonstrations on the installation.

Myers said he can't predict how many will choose to break the law and come on post.

Military and DoD police officers will apprehend violators, and personnel from the Staff Judge Advocate will handle the processing of their legal paperwork.

"It's hard to say how many will be processed, but the post has made arrangements for the proper apprehension and handling of these folks," Myers said.

"We will have medical personnel standing by, and there will be water, shelter and food (MREs) available because we have no idea how long they will be detained," Myers said.

Last year, 3,168 people crossed the line, with all but 65 volunteering to walk back or ride buses off the installation once they were met by police. Those who refused to leave were processed for judicial action.

"It is our intention to work with the U.S. Attorney to prosecute everyone who violates the law whether it is their first time or not," said Col. Richard Gordon, Fort Benning's Staff Judge Advocate.

A federal magistrate has agreed to be on hand Sunday in the event some protesters refuse to identify themselves.

"They will be taken to the Fort Benning courtroom and appear before the federal magistrate who can charge them with contempt," he said.

People who live and work on Fort Benning have been driving through force protection checkpoints all week. Even those on foot or bicycles are being stopped for identification checks. Signs have been posted on the Riverwalk reminding cyclists and walkers to carry their ID if they wish to return to post. City buses are being boarded and each individual's ID checked.

The force protection checkpoints started last weekend and to date they have netted a drug bust and caught individuals trying to enter post who were already barred from the installation for reasons including shoplifting and driving while impaired, Myers said.

There are a number of events on post this weekend, including a ball, farewell dinner and body-building competition, which will bring additional traffic onto post.

"I would ask anyone coming from off post to remember to factor the checkpoints into their travel time," Myers said.

He encourages people who can avoid the area around the stone gate to do so Saturday and Sunday, although he hopes to allow traffic to continue on Benning Boulevard. Once the protesters begin crossing the line, that may change.

About 30 MPs from the 2145th Garrison Support Reserve Unit are here to help with the mission, as well as military police from the 3rd Brigade.

In addition to the extra strain on manpower at the Directorate of Public Safety and others, there is a financial burden the post has to bear to preserve the integrity of the Fort Benning installation, Myers said.

Gordon agreed.

"This is a very expensive operation for Fort Benning. It cost the post in excess of $50,000 last year in terms of overtime and garbage being cleaned up all along the roads that the protesters left," Gordon said.

A bill was sent to leaders of SOA Watch last year itemizing the Fort Benning expenses, which taxpayers eventually paid.

"The bill was for the overtime we had to pay our DoD officers, medical personnel and bus drivers, and for the cleanup. The letter was just ignored," Gordon said.

This year one added expense has been the widening of Dixie Road, a main artery off I-185 into post. A gravel checkpoint lane was added Tuesday morning by the Directorate of Public Works for vehicles without decals.

"That is a real choke point, and we identified it as a problem last year and finally got the funding to do it," Kelley said.

But, he added, it is not a direct result of the protest, rather a force protection move that was needed regardless.

Once the protests end Sunday, residents and employees will see fewer checkpoints, but they will not disappear completely.

"We are prepared to take the checkpoint operations as far as necessary past Sunday, but we hope we won't have to," Myers said.

The post is still under Threatcon Alpha, so the military police will continue random checkpoints for the foreseeable future.

"We are intent on providing the same level of law enforcement support to the Fort Benning community as we always have," Myers said.

Ceremony: Honors vets

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join to fight in a war, "I don't know any more honorable profession than to willingly sacrifice yourself for the freedom of others," he said.

He added, veterans are who paid the price for freedom and must not be forgotten.

Several wives of fallen service members were on hand to pay tribute to their husbands and other veterans.

"It is important to have Veterans Day," Wanda Funderburk, of the Gold Star Wives club, said. "Each veteran has done a tremendous amount to keep freedom."

Another club member, Dorothy Putnam, whose husband died in Vietnam, echoed her words and said, "There would be no freedom if there were no veterans," driving home the fact that freedom isn't free.

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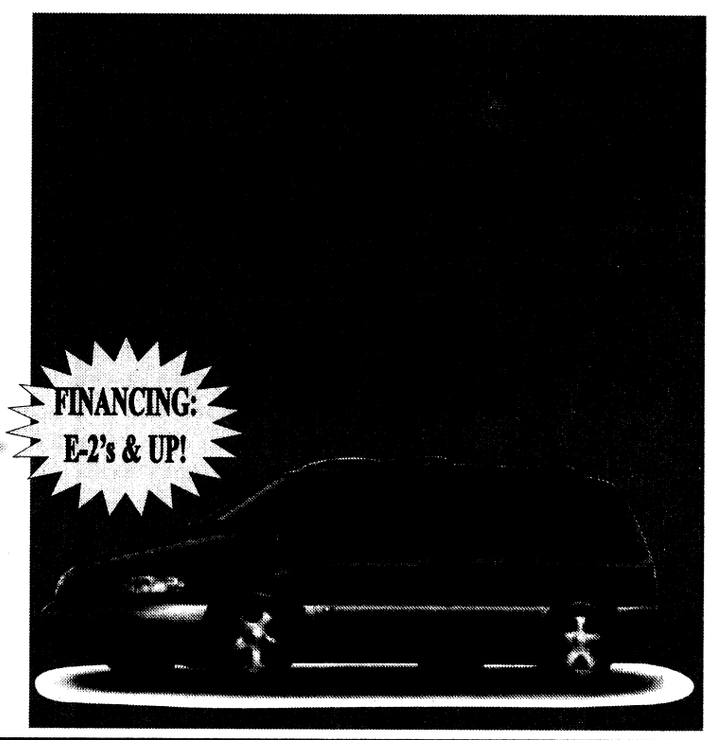

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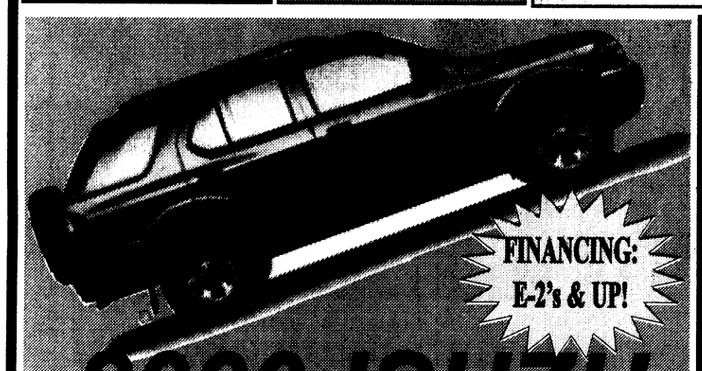

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Hospital to enforce new system

Martin Army will close records system

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The practice of patients carrying their own health records to all their medical appointments, even those off post, will end this winter at Martin Army Community Hospital.

In February the hospital will start a closed records system, similar to those in civilian medical centers and doctors' offices. Military treatment facilities across the Department of Defense are under a mandate to do the same.

Carolyn Bradley, Patient Affairs liaison, expects to receive phone calls from individuals upset over the change since some patients are accustomed to keeping their records themselves, taking them from appointment to appointment.

"Some of them are of the opinion their records belong to them and not the Army," she said. "But, I think, when they realize why we are doing this they will understand."

The move is the result of a DoD Inspector General study of doctor workloads, which looked at medical records to document patient visits.

"They found many records were unavailable to be screened because patients were hand carrying them everywhere," said Maj. Joseph Graham, chief, Patient Administration Division, MACH.

The IG's report included a plea to the DoD's Health Affairs to gain control of their medical records.

"The medical record is the cornerstone for documenting appropriate medical care and for legal and administrative proceedings. Therefore, the outpatient medical record must be available and maintained in the hospital," Graham said.

The civilian sector maintains close guard of its records, allowing patients to receive only copies of requested files. Likewise, Martin Army plans to maintain the originals in-house and provide patients with copies upon request.

"They (records) are the doctors' documentation and belong to them. They are the basis for medical, legal and continuity of care issues," Graham said.

The closed medical records system will minimize the loss of documents, therefore, providing doctors with a better medical history on the patient, Graham said.

Physicians depend on the patient record, especially when they are not the first physician to see an individual who has a recurring problem, said Col. Karl Kerchief, deputy commander, Clinical Services.

"It is so much easier to make patient care decisions when I can tell from the medical record what another physician was thinking, and what the patient told the physician previously. Also, I can document the changes that have happened over time, and note any increase, decrease or change of a process," Kerchief said.

"If I don't have the medical record, I can only guess by what the patient tells me, or by the ordered tests or medications, what another physician might have been considering," he said.

The hospital currently maintains 80,000 outpatient and 15,000 inpatient records. An action team including doctors, health care administrators, appointment and file clerks

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Post repairs sewer lines

Shannon S. Walsh
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There's been a lot of digging going on at Fort Benning.

The Directorate of Public Works is updating the infrastructure of sewer lines on post a little at a time. The DPW's chief of the Construction Inspection Branch, Richard Chancey, said the lines desperately needed to be fixed.

The old sewer lines were originally connected by jointed pipes, which over time, deteriorated, in some cases, to the point there was no longer a pipe in the ground at all, merely a hole where the pipe used to be.

"The lines were old and root-bound. They were infiltrated with ground water (which reduces their capacity to carry away the sewage) and easily blocked up," Chancey said.

The new sewer line is a solid piece of plastic pipe which is being inserted through the entire section of the current sewer system being treated. These new lines will be less vulnerable to problems such as blockages or breaches that release sewage.

"We're excited about it," Chancey said. "It cuts down on a tremendous amount of maintenance."

Col. Keith Stelzer, director of Public Works, added, "These repairs are paramount in protecting Fort Benning's environment from contaminants released from this aged sewage distribution system."

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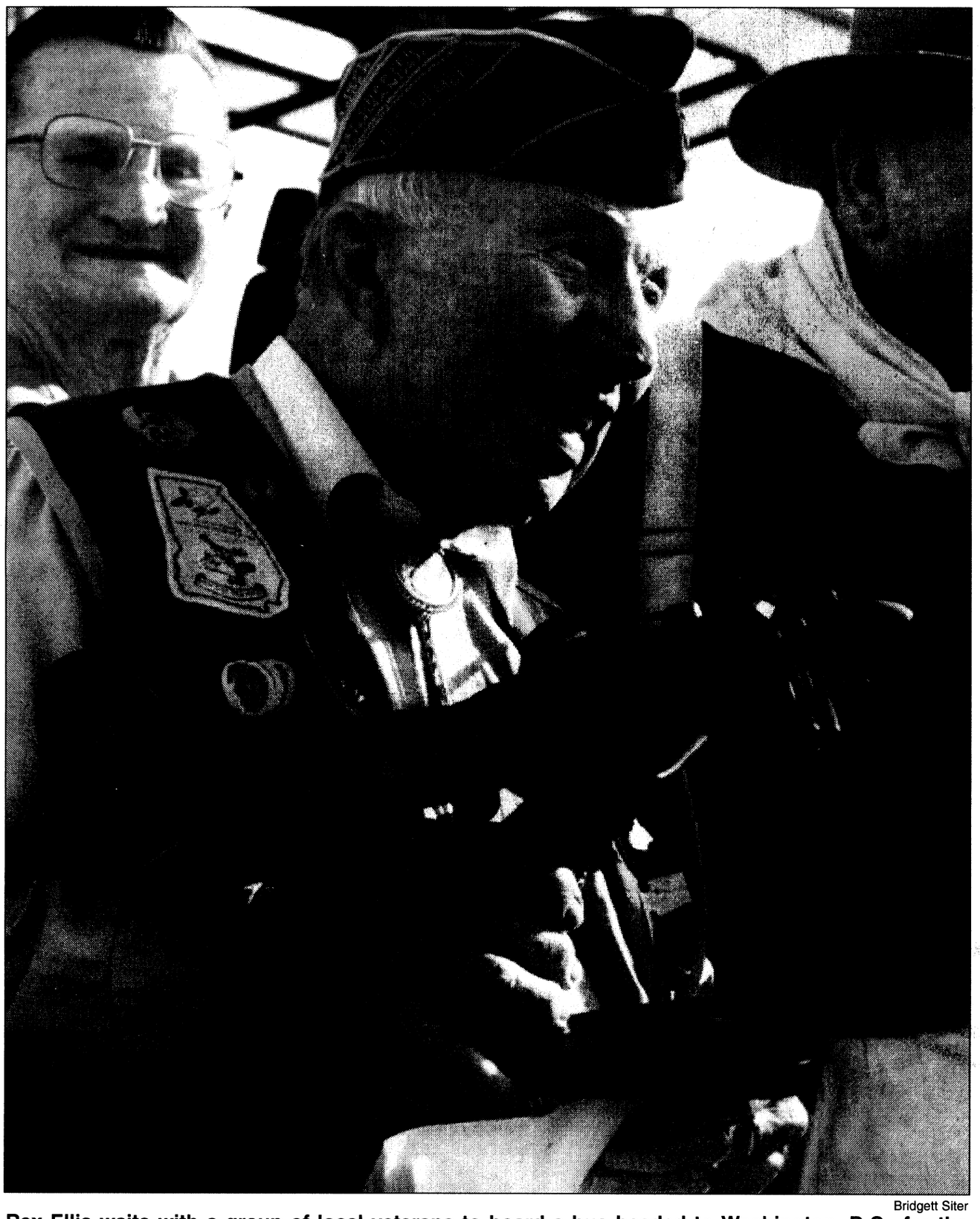
Area vets go to Washington



Bridgett Siter

Rex Ellis waits with a group of local veterans to board a bus headed to Washington, D.C., for the World War II Veterans Memorial groundbreaking Nov. 10. Ellis is holding a model of the B-17 he piloted during the war.

Memorial will honor WWII heroes

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More than 1,000 World War II veterans die each day in America. They're called "the greatest generation," and they've displayed the same mettle that earned them that title in their determination to leave a lasting reminder of their sacrifice.

Nearly five years ago, World War II veterans across America launched an all out initiative to erect a national monument honoring the 16 million men and women who served during the war and the 134 million Americans who supported their effort. A groundbreaking ceremony for the $100 million tribute took place Saturday on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

"Our numbers are dwindling. It could take four years to see it completed, and I might not be around that long," said 78-year-old Jim Rhodes, who spearheaded the local campaign to help fund the memorial. "At least I can be there to see the groundbreaking."

Rhodes left for Washington, D.C. last Friday with 40 local WWII veterans and their wives. The Columbus-based insurance company, Aflac, Inc., funded $7,000 for a chartered bus and lodging expenses.

Columbus mayor Bobby Peters and Aflac representatives met with the veterans Nov. 9 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 665 in Columbus. Peters presented the group with a check from the city for $5,126 — $1 for each surviving World

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Sally Shutt

Elisha Dowse shows off her bedroom in her new home.

Area family receives new home

Soldiers assist Habitat for Humanity

Sally Shutt
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At age 4, Elisha Dowse sat quietly in her living room watching as people streamed through her new home.

When asked to show her own room, the shy preschooler's face glowed and she quickly ran and jumped on the bed.

Words aren't needed when a smile can speak volumes.

And smiles, along with a few tears, were in abundance at the Dowse home.

Richelle Dowse, Elisha's mother, is among Habitat for Humanity's newest homeowners, and Saturday she had a chance to thank the men and women who helped make her dream come true during a dedication ceremony in the front yard of the house on Fourth Avenue.

After first thanking God, Dowse recognized the volunteers who spent every weekend since Sept. 4 building the three-bedroom house, including members of Fort Benning's Main Post Catholic Chapel.

The USAA Foundation, out of San Antonio, Texas, sponsored the project. For the last three years, the company has helped build homes in military towns across the country.

"It's my house — somewhere for my kids to grow up in other than an apartment. They can play outside in their own yard, and no one can tell them to get off the grass," Dowse said while sitting in her living room surrounded by family and friends.

Dowse's son, Tony, a third-grader at St. Mary's Magnet School, offered tours of his room.

"It's great. It has a lot more space," he said.

"Richelle's smile was worth a million dollars, and to know she is going to be here raising her kids is so rewarding," said Nilsa Rodriguez, a congregation member. Rodriguez provided meals for the workers on several occasions, and her husband, Chief Warrant Officer Felix Rodriguez, worked on the construction.

Dowse works at Winn-Dixie on Veterans Parkway and as a carrier for the *Columbus Ledger-Enquirer*. In addition, she put in 500 sweat equity hours on the project, which is required for all Habitat homeowners.

Her mortgage payment will be $220 a month for 20 years, said Carl Hopp, executive director of the Columbus Area Habitat for Humanity Inc.

"That's a lot lower that the $770 the average three-bedroom

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Hospital: Prepares to close medical records system

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helped develop the hospital's new process.

The computerized Composite Health Care System will play a key role. All records have bar codes, which will be scanned when they are removed from the file rooms at the assigned primary care clinic or outpatient medical records room. They will be charged out to the doctor requesting the records, a change from the past when they were assigned to a clinic. The move will help in tracking down records. Couriers will deliver the records to the appropriate clinics prior to patients' appointments. When doctors finish with the records, they will place the folders in containers to be returned to the file rooms.

Only in cases where patients have more than one appointment a day will they be allowed to carry their file to the next doctor. To do that, patients will be required to sign out the records agreeing to turn them over to the personnel in the next clinic.

"We don't have enough money — and we can't charge patients — to get the administrative support to mimic the civilian sector in this regard. But, we can get close to it," Graham said.

Patients can request copies of the records, but the original forms will remain in the hospital, even when a patient is referred off post, he said.

Graham wants to get the word out so patients will be prepared for the change. Posters will go up and personnel are being briefed on the new procedures.

Veterans: Take part in WWII groundbreaking ceremony

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War II veteran in Columbus. Aflac presented each participant with a bag of travel-size toiletries and a tiny stuffed replica of the company's icon, a duck, which elicited a chuckle from 80-year-old Grady Bates.

"They said I flunked ducking," laughed the recipient of four Purple Hearts, referring to wounds he received in World War II and Korea.

Grady wore his cavalry uniform, complete with cowboy hat, spurs and saber, just as he wore from 1936 to 1946 when he served with the 6th Cavalry Division. He shared humorous anecdotes about serving with Patton and Eisenhower, but became solemn when he talked about the memorial.

"Thank God. We felt forgotten," he said, shaking his head. "This is extremely important to us. It took a long time, but that's probably our fault. We didn't push it. I'll be so proud to be there."

President Clinton and former senator and presidential candidate Bob Dole, a veteran of World War II, greeted the Columbus veterans and thousands of others who were present at the groundbreaking of the memorial, which will occupy 7.4 acres between the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial.

Construction will begin in the spring, and officials project the dedication will take place on Memorial Day, 2003.

Plans for the memorial include 56 pillars and two large pools surrounding a sunken plaza and fountains. Visitors will enter through 41-foot-tall arches and view a wall of gold stars, representing Soldiers killed in the war.

"For some, inevitably, this will be a place to mourn," said Dole, during his address at the groundbreaking ceremony. "For millions of others this will be a place to learn and reflect and draw inspiration."

It was indeed a place of reflection for 80-year-old Rex Ellis, a former Air Force bomber pilot, who called the event a "momentous occasion, worth every minute" of the 17-hour drive.

"All in all, it was an outstanding ceremony. It's probably the last and largest assembly of World War II veterans like this," said Ellis, who estimated 20,000 veterans and family members were present.

"It was a very moving experience, seeing that many of us together, and getting to recount our stories with each other. It revolved around patriotism and remembering those gone on before who didn't get the hero's recognition they deserved. It was beautiful."

DPW: Rebuilds sewage infrastructure in family housing

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This ongoing project started about seven or eight years ago and is largely being funded as money becomes available from the Family Housing Division.

Chancey said efforts were first focused on areas that had the greatest history of sewer problems, like McGraw Manor and Custer Terrace.

Since then, the digging has moved throughout the post on an "as-needed" basis.

Each area has been funded as a stand-alone project. Chancey estimated that a good portion of the work at Fort Benning's housing has been completed.

"We've got much of the post's housing areas in a pretty good situation," he said. "We're in much better shape than we have been."

Stelzer said a lot of the work has been done on the lateral lines to individual homes, and some short sections of the sewer mains have been slip-lined (the term used for this type of repair) as well. The rest of the distribution system still awaits funding.

In order to connect houses to this new sewer system, contractors have had to dig in front of individual homes to reconnect their service lines.

Consequently, some grassy front lawns and flower beds have been dug up in the process.

Norton Court resident Holly Hill said she's had to deal with red mud on her sidewalk being tracked into her house after the work was completed in her yard.

"I've been extremely frustrated," Hill said. "I didn't know who to speak with to come and take care of the mess in front of my house."

"When you have construction, there's going to be a mess. We've tried to do the best we can," Chancey said.

The contractor has been required to restore the construction sites to their prior condition. This restoration was delayed this summer, however, because of the water restrictions.

"Replanting sod without proper watering is expensive and futile," Stelzer said.

Chancey said he appreciates the residents frustrations in having to live around ditches and sometimes mud.

"There is never a good time to do this kind of work," Chancey said. "However, the end results will be a more trouble-free sewer system."

Habitat: Provides home, back yard for children to enjoy

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apartment rents for in Georgia," he said.

As with all Habitat homeowners, Hopp presented Dowse with a Bible, calling it a tool for life and a guidebook.

"Richelle understands what Christian love is all about because she is helping other homeowners get their sweat equity in," Hopp said.

Homeowners usually receive their keys during the dedication ceremonies, but Dowse had already closed on the house a week earlier.

Hopp set the ceremony for Veterans Day, as a tribute to the service members who worked on the project.

"Then I found out that Richelle was an Army brat, and I thought how appropriate," he said.

Dowse's father, Richard, retired as a command sergeant major.

"My husband served for 28 and a half years and to see the military community come together for her was fantastic," said Carolyn McDonald, Dowse's mother. "It was really a blessing."

Chaplain (Maj.) Donald Blickhan worked hand in hand with members of his congregation.

"I remember when this was just a concrete slab," he said. "What a joy it is to see materials become not just a house, but a home."

The priest said the congregation considered it a privilege to work on the project.

"It did far more for us in terms of building up the spirit of our community," he said.

For more information on Habitat for Humanity, call 653-6003.

births

Boys

Benjamin Wayne Stobbe — born Oct. 26 to Elizabeth and Capt. Patrick Stobbe.

Ryan Charles Evans — born Oct. 27 to Capt. Genise Evans.

Anthony Joseph Gill — born Oct. 27 to Phyllis and 1st Lt. Scott Gill.

Alejandro Andres Larregui — born Oct. 30 to Valerie and Spc. Samuel Larregui.

Xavier Deshaun Moore — born Nov. 1 to Modonna and Staff Sgt. Clarence Moore.

Justin Ray Crouch — born Nov. 2 to Kristie and Staff Sgt. Brian Crouch.

Payton Austin DeLoach — born Nov. 2 to Jennifer and Spc. Robert DeLoach.

Girls

Kaitlin J'Acie Carter — born Oct. 25 to Bridget and Spc. Walter Carter.

Vaneza Cecilia Desrosier — born Oct. 26 to Zulema and Maj. Thomas Desrosier.

Kendrah Lillian Butler — born Oct. 26 to Amy and Pvt. Jamey Butler.

McKenzye Lynn Davis — born Oct. 26 to Bridget and Spc. Bobby Davis Jr.

Ruth Elizabeth Wing — born Oct. 28 to Spc. Jamie and Seth Wing.

Melanie Jane Bernacki — born Oct. 29 to Rebecca and Spc. Dennis Bernacki.

Sarahann Dawn Murphy — born Oct. 30 to Amy and Sgt. Douglas Murphy.

Amy Lindsey Davis — born Oct. 31 to Lindsey and Spc. Joshua Davis.

Destiny Megan Osborne — born Nov. 2 to Laura and Spc. Jeremiah Osborne.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

community notes

on post

Santa costume rentals — Youth Services has Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus, elf and clown costumes for rent during the holiday season.

Suits are available to individuals, units and directorates and can be reserved by calling 545-3070.

Make your plans early, supplies are limited.

Spouse orientation briefing — The newcomer and spouse orientation briefing is today at the Family Unit Network Center, Building 359. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the briefing at 8:45.

Child care is available.

Call Tot Town reservations at 689-8698.

For more information, call 545-4485.

Advance medical directives — There will be an Advance Medical Directives class on *Choosing How We Die* at 3 p.m. Nov. 20 in the Family Practice Conference Room at Martin Army Community Hospital.

Questions will be answered and legal assistance provided. For more information, call 544-3066 or 544-3067.

ACAP — There will be a briefing about marketing a second career from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Nov. 29 In Classroom 30. The briefing is professionally presented free of charge to soldiers and others retiring or separating from military or civilian service and gives an excellent overview of the job search process.

For additional information, contact ACAP at 545-2308 or 545-2309.

COPS CORNER

Community Oriented Policing

Fort Benning Military Police will be conducting increased speed enforcement patrols in the following areas.

Monday	Derrickson	3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Kessler	11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Arrowhead	11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Thursday	1st Div. and Zuckerman	5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Friday	1st Cav. and Doane	11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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Martin Army Community Hospital

Please feel free to call for more information:
Dr. John Gay - (561) 781-6435
Tracy Thompson - (706) 685-9555

Soldiers, Wilson make Fall Festival easy as PIE

Fall festival raises $2000 for school programs

Staff Sgt. K. Allen Whiteacre
Basic Combat Training Brigade

Headquarters Service Company and 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment of the Basic Combat Training Brigade continued and improved their partnership with Wilson Elementary School by providing a presence and support at the school's fall festival.

Partners In Education is a county-wide program to enhance the quality of education for students.

It establishes dynamic partnerships between individual schools and area organizations.

"BCTB did all the coordination for military units to support the school," said 1st Sgt. Agnes Bennett-Green.

Support included the Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicle as well as the Military Police Working Dog demonstration.

"The children said they wanted a tank and a truck out there, and were very excited when we made it happen," she said. "It was a team effort with units from around post.

"The support from the Soldiers was incredible," said Bennett-Green.

"They didn't have to be out there after the festival was set up, but all of them stayed to spend time with the children."

The brigade's participation in the fall festival was a tremendous success. The school was able to raise more than $2,000.

That money will be used to support programs at Wilson Elementary School like the technology program, after-school clubs and support teachers in projects for their classes.

The partnership benefits the school with more than just a contact in the military.

"The partnership gives teachers another adult to help in the classroom as a role model," said Phyllis Parker, Wilson Elementary School principal.

"We are planning to have Soldiers provide one-on-one, or small group get togethers, for mentoring and reading."

The brigade also supports the school by providing certificates for jobs well done.

The partnership is not a one-way partnership. As the Partners In Education resource guide says "Handshakes, not handouts."

"Soldiers get to really be involved in the community in which they serve," said Bennett.

"It is a mutual advantage," said Margaret Koger, the school's coordinator for the partnership.

"The children get a role model, and the Soldiers have been enthusiastic about working with the children. The Soldiers enjoy the children."

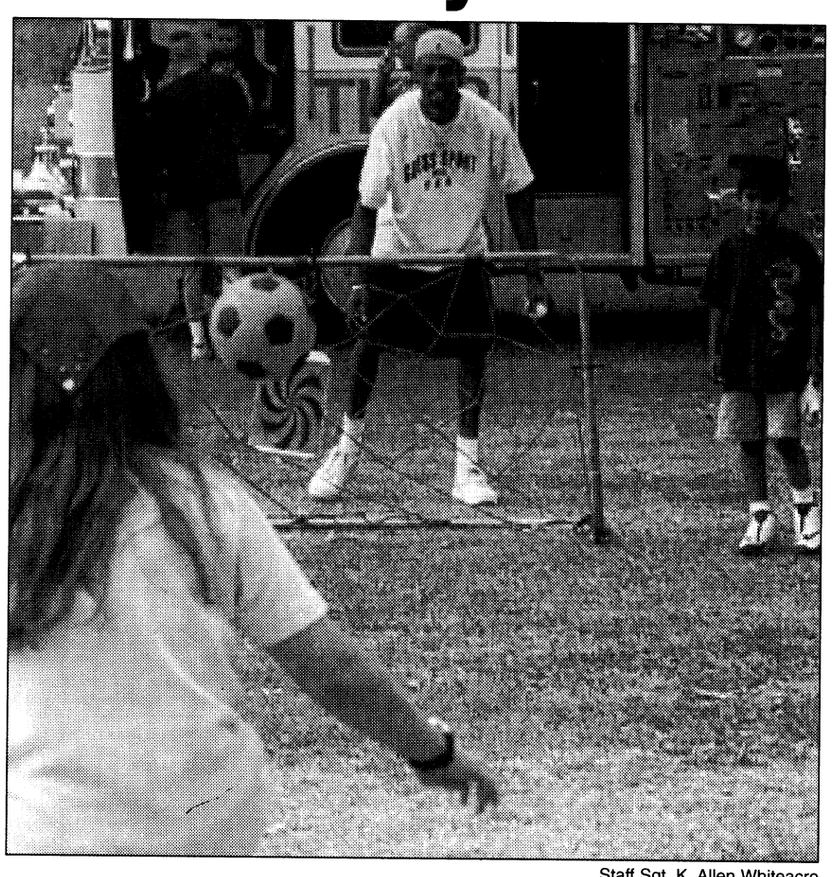
The partnership is designed to be a robust interaction. Some of the future events planned by the school and BCTB include building a confidence course to improve the children's self esteem.

"The student representatives are touring the Army confidence courses to see what obstacles will best fit our needs," said Koger.

The partnership in education is a year round venture.

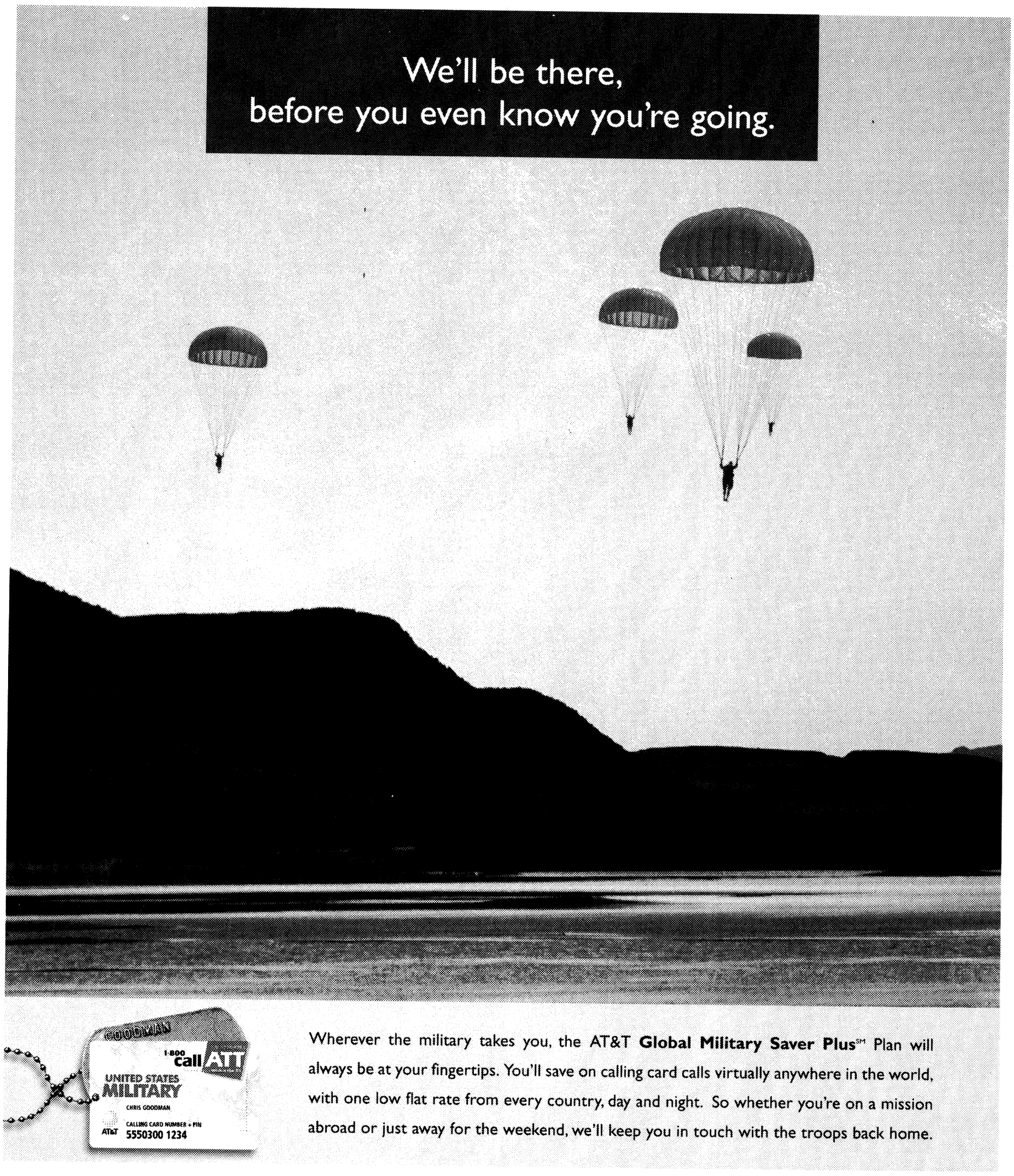
The fall festival was one more opportunity for the brigade to spend time with the students at the school.

For more information on how to participate in Partners in Education, call 327-1566.



Staff Sgt. K. Allen Whiteacre

Sgt. James Henry, BCTB, supports Wilson Elementary School's fall festival, Nov. 4, by working at one of the activity stands.



Rockin' Robbie not clowning around with drugs

White Elementary School

Richard Thomas' fourth grade class had a very interesting visitor. This special visitor appealed to students and teacher because of his unique qualities.

You could easily picture this person as a counselor, police officer, or even a member of the clergy.

Not only did he entertain, but he gave us important information about being drug free.

Clowns are suppose to entertain us, but this is one clown that students took seriously. He told about how proud he was to be at Fort Benning and the important role the parents play as Soldiers.

He talked about the importance of staying drug free.

Rockin' Robbie's visit provided a great opportunity for a student writing activity as evidenced by these excerpts:

Rockin' Robbie was right about a drug free life. It's not worth living a life if you do drugs. When I grow up, I don't want to do drugs. You have to know how to say no to drugs and some examples are: no way; I don't want to do those; that's a bad idea.

Kyrsten Shoemaker

I have seven people in the Army. They are all in my family. My step-dad, my step-mom, my step-sister, my two grandparents and my two cousins are all in the Army. I'm proud of all of them.

I'm also proud to say that only two people out of my whole, entire family smoke. They also don't drink. I love my family.

They're all very nice people. My mom gets on to me if I do wrong. She just wants me to have a good life and I thank her for that. I love her very much.

Daichalle Stokes

Rockin' Robbie talked about being drug free. People who take them will affect their own lives.

Smoking could cause many problems to your lungs. The names of the two known lung diseases are cancer and emphysema.

Raymond Romasewski

Rockin' Robbie was happy about our parents because he said our parents help us in America.

He was happy because we are drug free.

Zachary Gladney

Being drug free is very important. Some people, and kids, do them to look cool. It is not the right thing to do or the cool thing to do.

It can give you lung cancer or even kill you.

Kassi O'Neill

Rockin' Robbie visited us and talked to us about drugs. He said our parents give us our freedom. He said the Army gives us freedom.

He said our parents are great, trustworthy people.

That is the truth. I know how wonderful parents can be.

Hannah Courtney

PTO celebrates teachers

White Elementary School

The Parent Teacher Organization of White Elementary School sponsored several special events during American Education Week, which is Nov. 13-17, to honor the faculty and staff.

Drawings were held each morning for various door prizes, including gift certificates.

A luncheon was also part of the week's events. Parents. provided the food as well as cafeteria and classroom supervision so all the faculty and staff could eat at the same time.

Native American Luncheon

Monday 11:30 at the Officers' Club

THE GUEST SPEAKER IS DR. PATRICIA WICKMAN

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 545-6665

Fifth-graders use nature to make masks

White Elementary School

The students in Judy Little's fifth-grade class at White Elementary School were excited about the opportunity to create fall masks with a little help from classroom parents.

Kim White, a parent, coordinated the activity, and the students collected an array of natural items to adorn the masks. The items came from a variety of places, such as their own back yards and the playground at school.

Items used included colored leaves, nuts, acorns, various kinds of berries, dried corn and cornhusks, dried beans, and peas.

The students used their creativity to arrange the items decoratively on a variety of masks that were precut by White.

The students used hot glue guns to help hold the masks together, as well as school and tacky glue.

Kathy Burns and Paula Sando, also parents, were kind enough to help with the glueing process.

Burns and Sando also made sure each child had everything positioned just right for his or her one-of-a-kind mask.

"It was a lot of fun," said Casey Shutt, 10-years-old. "Each person's mask looked different, even though we all had the same things to decorate them with. I'm going to put mine in my room."

What a fun activity for both parents and students.



Judy Little

Students from Judy Little's fifth grade class at White Elementary School model their fall masks, created with materials collected from nature.







Moral compass helps decide right from wrong

Chaplain (Maj.) Kenneth Yates
1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

reflections

In the Old Testament book of Judges, the author ends the book by saying "Everyone did what was right in his own eyes." In describing the times in which he lived, the author tells us how people in Israel decided what was morally right and wrong. Each person was his own moral compass. Each individual determined what was right for himself.

Without a doubt, this way of determining moral behavior would be seen by many today as a perfectly logical choice. We often hear that there are no moral absolutes, that what might be right for one person may not be right for another. As a result, moral thinking and behavior become an individual exercise. This way of thinking is also seen as providing an individual with true freedom in the moral realm. With this freedom, one can experience true happiness in life.

The author of Judges, however, comes to a different conclusion. When each individual decides for himself what is right and wrong the result is misery, not happiness. The book of Judges records a time in Israel's history when the nation and individuals experienced many hardships. The author also reminds us that it was a time when "everyone did what was right in his own eyes." For him, there is a direct correlation between these two facts.

In the New Testament, the apostle Paul agrees with the author of Judges. In the book of Romans, he deals with the idea of moral freedom. The one who does what is right "in his own eyes" is not really free at all. In fact, such a person is in a type of moral slavery. He is enslaved to the "lusts" of his "heart," and his own sin nature (Romans 1:24; 6:17).

According to Paul and the book of Romans, doing what is right in "one's own eyes" is not the wise path to take when deciding between right and wrong. While it may sound good and seem to offer freedom and happiness, it really results in bondage and misery.

If we cannot rely on ourselves to be our own moral compass, where do we go to find direction in this area? Some seem to live by the rule that the majority determines what is right and wrong. We all know, however, that the crowd is often wrong. Instead of looking at ourselves or others for this direction there is another option. That option is that there is a "moral lawgiver" who has told us how to live. In my opinion, this is the wise option.

God has told us what is right and wrong in the Bible. Countless men and women through the ages have found moral truth there. In it, one finds that eternal life is given to anyone who believes in Jesus Christ for it. Once one receives this wonderful gift, the Bible then tells the believer how to live. It is by following its teachings that one finds true freedom and happiness. One is then free to serve God (Romans 6:22).

Jesus himself taught these truths. In his Sermon on the Mount he said that everyone who hears his word and acts upon it is wise. Later in his ministry he said that anyone who followed him would not walk in darkness but in light. At the end of his earthly life he told Pilate that he came to this world to "bear witness to the truth."

We live in a world that oftentimes tells us that there are no absolute moral truths. It is tempting to simply do what is "right in our own eyes." There is, however, a better moral compass. God's word will always steer us in the right direction.

chapel notes

Pianist needed — The Custer Terrace Chapel is seeking applications for a pianist for the Sunday morning worship services and other special services.

For more information, call 545-4960

Handbell Choir — The Handbell Choir at the Infantry Center Chapel begins its practice soon. The choir is for older teens and adults. For more information on how to join, call 545-2050

Chattahoochee Valley Intercessory Prayer Group — The Infantry Center Chapel will host the November meeting of the Chattahoochee Valley Intercessory Prayer Group at 9 a.m. Saturday in the chapel annex. The prayer group is a non-denominational group of Christians who come together on a regular basis to pray for the spiritual life and special needs of the area. All interested people are welcome.

For more information, call 571-8909

Evening of praise and worship — The Custer Terrace Chapel will sponsor an evening of praise and worship at 7 p.m. tonight. The program will include praise, worship and drama.

Musical service — There will be Thanksgiving services at 9: 30 and 11 a.m. Nov. 19 in the Infantry Center Chapel.

The all musical services will consist of congregational singing, special choir music and vocal specials.

Rid yourself of 'stinking thinking'

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Family Life Ministries Center

Enough is enough. I've had it with those who want to call sinful behavior good and good behavior repressive and stifling.

I'm tired of hearing public relation experts explain away the indecent, immoral and criminal behavior of their client as a peccadillo. Let's stop ignoring it, excusing it and rationalizing it. Let's be honest with ourselves and each other. Let's call sin for what it is — sin.

Mistakes, errors and faults have negative consequences to us and to others. Denying, defending, excusing, rationalizing and justifying our wrongs lull us into complacency and fail to reform us.



The ungodly want to squeeze you into their mold. The unrighteous want to deceive you with their corrupt reasoning. Their thinking is futile, their understanding is darkened, their minds are ignorant and their spiritual compass is defective. They seek to take you captive by their hollow and misleading views that depend upon human tradition and the base principles of this world.

Rather than conforming to those who have no spiritual values, be transformed by the renewing of your minds.

The apostle Paul put it this way, "Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy — think about such things" (Philippians 4:8). Set your minds on higher things, rather than the base things of this world.

If we are going to stop the stinking thinking, we will have to be honest with ourselves and with each other.

By being honest, we will obtain a true picture of us, and the truth will allow us to become free. If you want to rid yourself of stinking thinking, counseling is available. Call the Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Catholic

9 a.m. Thursday, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Mass of Thanksgiving

Protestant

11 a.m.Sunday, Custer Terrace chapel, Worship and dinner. 10 a.m. Thursday, Infantry Center Chapel Thanksgiving service. 10 a.m. Thursday, Sightseeing Road Chapel

Ecumenical

11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Kelley Hill Chapel, Thanksgiving service. 10 a.m. Thursday, Soldiers' Chapel, Thanksgiving service.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101 Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
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7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

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Sunday Torah Study

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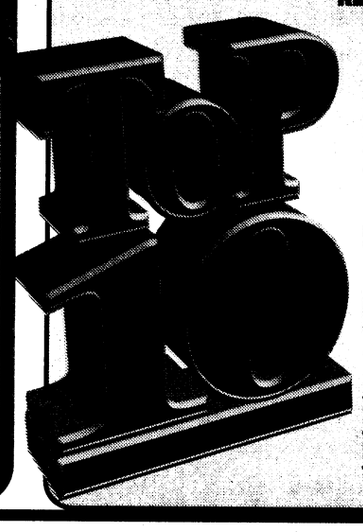

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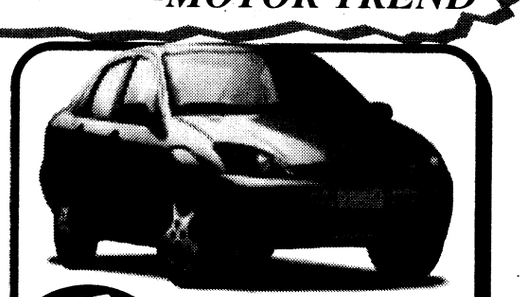

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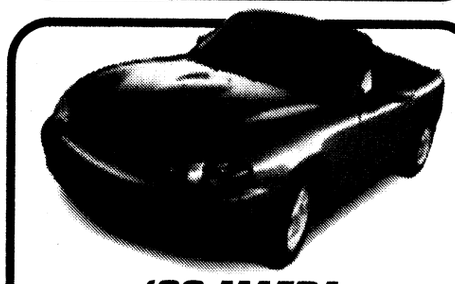

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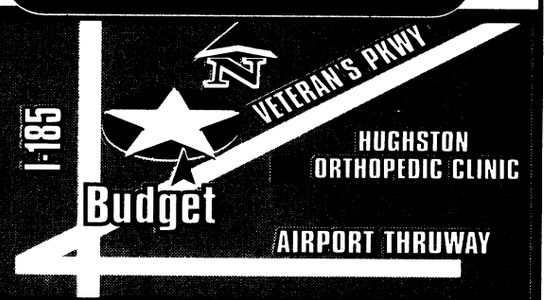

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Friday, Nov. 17, 2000

SPORTS

Officer excels at soccer championship



Courtesy photo

1st Lt. Heather Andrews, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group, breaks free from the defenders during the round-robin tournament.

Local lieutenant leads ladies team to victory

Spc. William A. Graves
Bayonet staff

A Fort Benning lieutenant recently helped bring new meaning to the Army song when the Army's women soccer team "went rolling along" over the competition at the All-Forces Women's Soccer Championship held Sept. 9-16 at Fort Eustis, Va.

The only player from Fort Benning, 1st Lt. Heather M. Andrews, executive officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group, helped propel her team to victory with solid defense and outstanding leadership, said Capt. Kyle F. Jette, commander, HHC, 36th Engineer Group.

The Soldiers won the round-robin tournament with a five win, zero loss, and one tie (to Air Force) record. The team, whose assistant coach is Master Sgt. MacDonald Williams, 14th Field Hospital, played Marines, sailors and airmen two times each. (MacDonald was unavailable for comment at press time due to a Fort Polk deployment.)

Despite playing defense, Andrews contributed to the scoring with three assists.

"It was a great experience," Andrews said. "I'm excited about winning and proud to have represented the Army and Fort Benning. I owe a lot of credit to my unit, which was extremely supportive and gave me five weeks off to compete."

The native of Billerica, Mass., competed on last year's team, which lost to Air Force. The starting right fullback made the All-Star Team.

"This year we were very confident, and we expected to win because we had 50 percent of the team that competed last year returning," Andrews said. "It was not much of a surprise to win, especially with the vengeance factor to beat Air Force."

Still, she said the competition was stronger than her collegiate days when she played for and graduated from Bucknell University (Pa.) in 1997. Navy presented the fiercest challenge for Army.

One of the memorable moments came when she corner kicked the ball to her friend and former Fort Benning player Spc. Sheri Dabis who proceeded to score a goal. Dabis is stationed in Korea, but the two keep in touch.

"Besides the great competition, the biggest highlight (of the championship) was the camaraderie of the girls," said the 25-year old. "We had privates to

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Soldier strives for Ironman status

Spc. William A. Graves
Bayonet staff

Crossing the finish line after consecutively swimming 2.4 miles, biking 112 miles and running 26.2 miles may be unfathomable to most, but it was just another challenge met for one Fort Benning officer.



Brown

Capt. Todd Brown, a career course student at the U.S. Army Infantry School, completed the Florida Ironman Triathlon in Clermont Oct. 21 in 11 hours, 14 minutes. The 26-year-old Asheville, N.C., native finished eighth in his age group and 79th in a field which had more than 1,000 entrants.

"I don't feel any different," Brown said. "The challenge was there, and I had the opportunity, so I trained eight weeks and went down there and knocked it out."

He said he was thankful the school was very helpful and gave him a four-day pass to compete.

"It was a great race and a lot of fun," the West Point graduate said. "I encourage people who are serious about testing the limits of their athletic endurance to try it. It's not something that can't be done. All it takes is some dedication and time to train consistently."

However, the race did come with challenges. Temperatures reached a humid 87 degrees and the Clermont hills were not ant hills.

"I'm not a great swimmer, and I had just picked up biking last winter," Brown said.

Like his previous four

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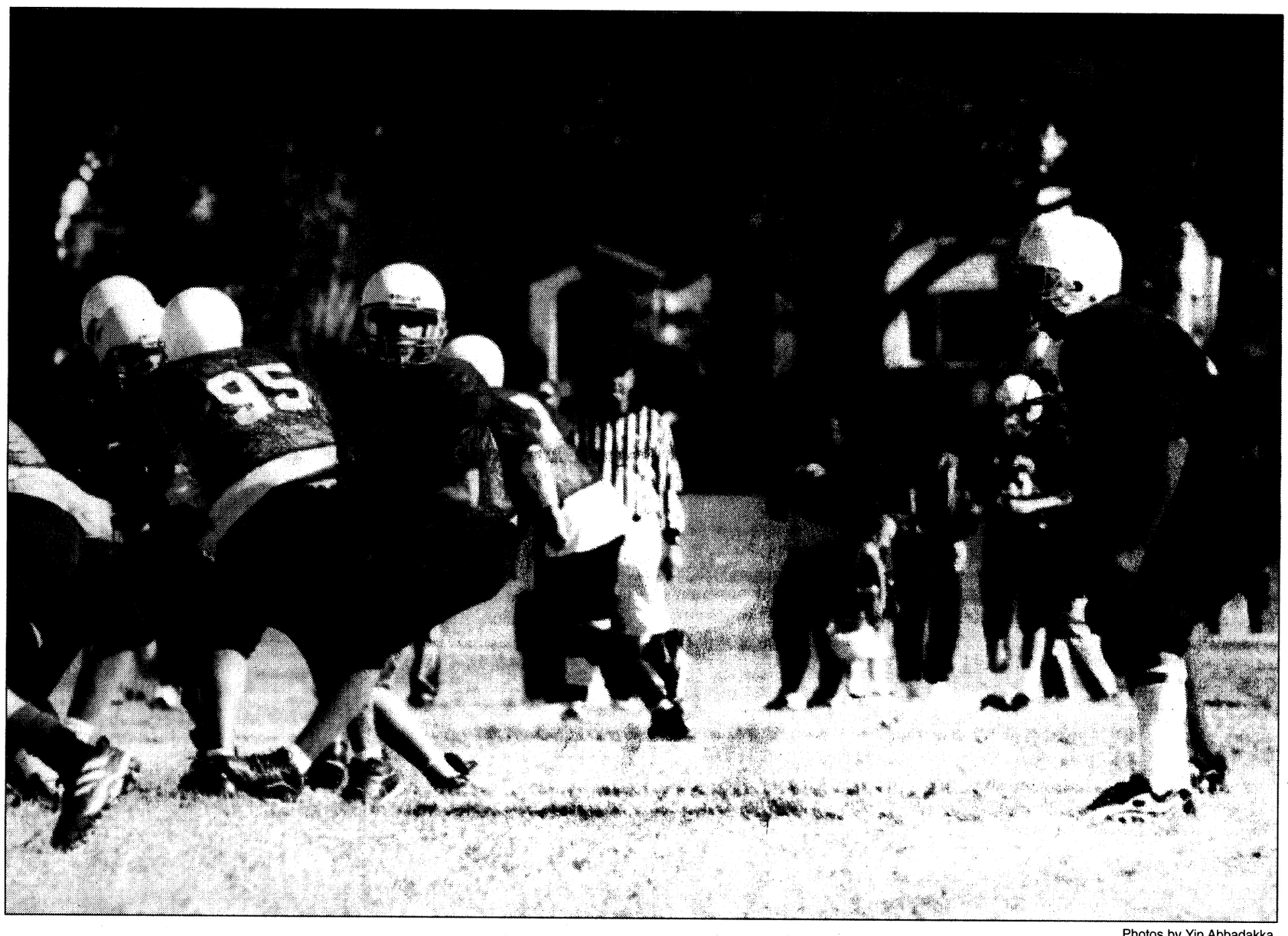
Youth services sports



Photos by Yip Abbadakka



In the above photo, Quarterback Matthew Larson, of the 13- to 15-year-old Red Devils, attempts to spark his offense Saturday at Blue Field. The Red Devils fought hard all game but fell short 8-6 against the undefeated Raiders.

In the photo on the left, Red Devil cheerleaders (left to right) Kellie Doherty, Hope Phillips, Lauren Haga and Amber Hanson support their 13- to 15-year-old Red Devil football team Saturday at Blue Field.
Youth Services offers a variety of activities including football, cheerleading, soccer, basketball and dance. Youths who are younger than 15 years old may participate in the variety of youth services sporting activities.
For more information on the activities, call Youth Services at 545-3070.

AMU Olympians set to meet President Clinton, Army chiefs

Local shooters to visit D.C. Nov. 27

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

The nine U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Olympians will be traveling to the nation's capital Nov. 27 to 29 to meet with the commander in chief and Pentagon officials.

USAMU Olympic shooters Maj. Michael E. Anti, Capt. Glenn A. Dubis, Sgts. 1st Class Lance D. Dement, James T. Graves, Daryl L. Szarenski and Thomas A. Tamas, Staff Sgt. Kenneth A. Johnson and his wife, Olympic Gold Medalist Nancy Johnson, Sgt. Jason A. Parker, Spc. William H.

Keever and USAMU International Rifle Coach William E. Krilling, an Olympic shooting official and juror, will take part in Operation Laurel Wreath, an opportunity for the Soldier-athletes to be recognized by the senior Army leadership.

The Olympians will arrive in Washington, D.C., Nov. 27 and will be staying with the other members of the U.S. Olympic Team at the Marriott Wardman hotel. That evening they are scheduled to be honored by Community and Family Support Center Commander Brig. Gen. Antonio Taguba at a pizza party at Generous George's in Alexandria.

The next day, the USAMU group will join other military Olympians at the Pentagon to meet with Army Secretary Louis Caldera, Army Vice Chief of Staff Gen. John M. Keane and Sergeant Major of the Army Jack L. Tilley.

Afterward, they are scheduled to meet with Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen.

After lunch and a tour of the Pentagon, the Olympians will visit Army Times Publishing Company.

The U.S. Olympic Committee is planning a reception for the Olympians that night.

Nov. 29, the shooters will join the other Olympic athletes at the White House where a meeting with President Clinton is scheduled.

Hunter offers acronym for successful hunt

Donnie Kinard
Fort Benning Archery Club

Bowhunters need to remember the acronym ARCHER: accuracy, respect, compassion, humility, equipment and responsibility.

Accuracy: A real cornerstone to success in the field is accuracy.

Hunters not only have to hit the animal but also be able to hit the animal in the kill zone cleanly, rapidly and humanely. Accuracy is not three out of five arrows, or even five out of five arrows in a pie plate from 15 yards. Accuracy is one arrow and one arrow only in the universally accepted "kill zone" on a 3D target animal at an unknown distance with the sun in the eyes, sweat pouring down the face, amidst buzzing and biting bugs, while shooting buddies are good-naturedly ribbing" and distracting the hunter.

Accuracy can only be achieved through practice.

And I mean the kind of practice which goes far beyond pulling your bow two weeks before opening day and flinging a few arrows at the proverbial pie plate. If you hunt from a tree stand, remember to practice at different heights too — seated and standing. Range is affected by shot angle and hunter elevation.

Respect: Hunters must have respect for the animal they're hunting.

Hunters must have respect for the state laws and regulations. Hunters must never take more game than is permitted and take the game legally and observe the rules of fair chase as defined by the state.

Hunters must have respect for other hunters. Avoid spoiling another's hunt and infringing on areas already occupied. Do not bother another hunter's property or hunt from his stand without permission. Observe bag limits so that other hunters will have the same opportunities, if not this season, then in the next.

Do not poach. If I were to shoot an animal and ask my buddy to claim it on his game tag, I have not only poached, but I have just attempted to involve my "buddy" in conspiracy. It is legally, morally and ethically wrong to take more game than is permitted. Bag limits are established to benefit all hunters as well as effectively manage the herds.

Respect the nonhunting public. These days, hunting is not exactly a politically correct activity. I personally despise seeing a dead deer tied down to the hood of a truck with its tongue hanging out and blood everywhere. If this is distasteful to me, image the opinion of the nonhunter. Cover the deer with a tarp. Make sure it is down in the bed of your truck or out of sight. Don't dress your deer in your yard. Let's respect our neighbors who may be sensitive to this.

Respect the land where you hunt. Don't litter. Bury or pack out the remains of the field-dressed game. Do not trespass on another's land. Get permission to track an animal onto someone else's property.

Compassion: Have compassion for the animal when hunting. Pass on the shot if a clear kill zone isn't possible. Don't take marginal or questionable shots. While hunting with archery equipment, any shot opportunity other than a broadside or slightly quartering away broadside shot is questionable. If you take the shot from above and the broadhead misses, embeds in or rolls off the spine it could very likely miss anything immediately vital and then off goes a wounded animal to suffer in anguish for no good reason.

Also, have compassion for your spouse and family. Let someone know where you are going, how long you expect to be there, when you expect to return, and who you are going with.

Humility: See the animal not only as a target, but as a living creature with great freedom. I take the life if I can, with regret as well as joy, and with the sure knowledge that nature's way of fang and claw or exposure and starvation are a far crueler fate than I bestow. Return from the hunt, even if empty-handed, refreshed in mind and spirit, knowing yourself a little better and with a better appreciation of God's creative genius.

Equipment: Have the right equipment to do the job. Maintain it and keep it prepared to do the job. Make sure your broadheads are sharp and that your arrows are flying true. Make sure your sights are set and locked. Wax your bow string regularly. Practice with your hunting equipment regularly during hunting season to stay fit, sharp and confident. If you hunt from a tree stand, use a safety strap. Carry a flashlight in the late afternoon so you can track your animal. Carry water.

Keep a first aid kit with you. And have some sort of communication — a cell phone, a flare, or whistle to let others know where you are if you need help.

Responsibility: Be a responsible bow hunter. Don't hunt under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Attend the hunter safety course whether you are required to or not. Wear orange during the gun season and don't draw on or shoot at an unknown target. Have permission to hunt on private property. The responsible, mannerly thing to do is safeguard his property and abide by the conditions placed on you. If you are successful in the hunt share your success with your host. Remember ARCHER when you hunt.

Soldier: Earns position on All Armed Forces team

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captains playing who were everything from vets to Apache pilots.

"Our personalities and backgrounds meshed really well though. It was good to learn about so many aspects of Army life."

The blonde, blue-eyed player said everyone on the eclectic and diverse team enjoyed the break from the regular Army routine. The players did do physical training, however, and had three practice sessions per day.

She said the only disappointment of the championship was the sparse crowds who came out to watch.

"I wish more people were as interested in soccer as much as I am," Andrews said. "I hope it continues to grow and more players will come out next year so it will be better publicized."

She said soccer has excited her since she was 3.

"I grew up on it," Andrews said.

She and her mother, Joanne, and brother, Terry, watched her father, Christopher, play often. Christopher is from England, and he encouraged her to start playing when she was nine.

"My father is extremely passionate about soccer," she said. "He would always listen to his favorite team (Manchester United) on the short-wave radio. I guess his love of the game rubbed off on me."

When not playing soccer for her local team, Andrews, who scored 357 on her latest PT test, said she enjoys playing and watching all types of sports, spending time with her fiancee, and listening to music by Dave Matthews and Creed.

The lieutenant, who will be promoted Dec. 1, will leave active duty and begin her reserve commitment in May. Her current goals are: to play for the All Armed Forces Team in February, to get married in September, and obtain a position as a project management engineer in the Atlanta area.

Jette who has known Andrews for two years, said the unit is happy for her.

"While we did miss her while she was gone, we are all proud of First Lieutenant Andrew's accomplishments and that she represented the Army and our unit so well," Jette said.

He said Andrews' dedication and outstanding leadership skills helped her excel at the championship.

"We all work late hours here," Jette said. "When I (go home and relax), she goes home and puts on her soccer cleats and practices for an hour or two. She has incredible energy."

He said everyone will miss Andrews when she leaves.

"She's a fantastic officer, and it will be a big loss for all of us," Jette said. "She is just as good an XO as she is a soccer player."

The mark Andrews left on the team undoubtedly will help it "keep rolling along" next year, he said.

Ironman: Finishes eighth in age group for first race

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regular triathlons he stayed focused and conquered both. This was his first Ironman, which is longer.

"My wife, Kris, was very supportive," the slender 6-footer said. "She encouraged me to train and gave me good advice for the swim. She is a good swimmer, and I learned a great deal from her."

Brown said he stayed relaxed and kept reminding himself the swim would eventually end. During the bike ride, he drank chicken broth, ate power bars and potato chips for sodium replenishment, and drank lots of water to stay energized.

The marathon was Brown's strong suit. He finished with his age group's third fastest time in 3 hours, 46 minutes.

He found motivating factors that helped him finish the race.

Brown fed off the enthusiasm of the crowd of 10,000 people on the street who cheered for the participants, he said.

The Ironman also talked with other racers and played "cat-and-mouse" games with them to pass the time.

Another key motivator was his former platoon sergeant, Sgt. 1st Class George E. Gurrola, now stationed in Germany.

He e-mailed Brown in June and wrote he had done an Ironman.

"Knowing he had done something I hadn't done was a good motivator for me to meet the challenge," Brown said.

Another motivator was the way he puts things into perspective, said Brown's classmate, 1st Lt. Allen D. Leth, who has known him for five years.

"His funny sense of humor probably helped a lot during the race, especially having to run a marathon after the bike and swim," he said.

Leth said Brown is well liked among his classmates.

"He is a definite leader in the class," he said. "He's in charge of our PT group." (Brown scored more than 400 on the extended scale.)

Leth said Brown is laid back and does not come across as very intense.

"He holds himself to a very high standard," Leth said. "He is extremely motivated and pushes himself in everything he does. I think the Ironman shows he has a lot of guts as well."

Brown was very dedicated during his Ironman training, spending hours practicing daily, Leth said.

Brown has always been physically fit and interested in other sports. While at Fort Lewis, Wash., he climbed Mount Rainier.

Brown said he will use what he learned at the Ironman to lead his Soldiers.

"I learned a lot about physical fitness and physical therapy," the Ironman said. "I'll be able to help push my Soldiers because I know what the body can take and how to recuperate it when they beat it up."

Brown hopes to excel in more Ironmans in the future, but he said he realizes it will be tough to balance training with his job at his next duty station.

"For now, I'm taking it one day at a time because I don't know where I am going to get stationed," he said.

He is sure of one thing. Wherever he goes and whatever challenges he faces, no mountain will be too high for him to climb.

sports briefs

Bodybuilding contest — 17th annual Body Building Open Championship will take place at the Main NCO Club Sunday. All active-duty personnel, DoD civilians, retirees and family members, as well as guest are eligible to attend the event.

The competition categories for men are: light weight (up to 160 pounds), middle weight (161-185 pounds), and heavy weight (186 pounds and above).

Women's categories are: light weight (up to 125 pounds), and heavy weight (126 pounds and above).

Additional categories include: Mr. and Ms. Fort Benning (restricted to Fort Benning military and family member) and male masters (35 and above).

Awards for overall competitor also will be awarded in both male and female categories.

Weigh-ins will take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Nov. 18 at the Main NCO Club.

Prejudging will begin with the women at noon, followed by the men at 12:30 at the cost of $2 per person for spectators and final at 7:30 p.m. at a cost of $5.

Awards will be presented to the top three in all classes, plus the top two in the 35 and over age group.

The registration fee is $35 and another $10 for crossover. Entry deadline is Nov. 3. Late entry fee will be an additional $5.

Registration sites are Santiago Fitness Center, Sand Hill and the Sports Office in Room 221.

Contestants must supply their own music on a cassette tape. Music must be no more than 90 seconds in length and must start at the beginning of the tape with no other music on the tape.

For more information, call Carol Gearheart at 544-9595.

Fun Run — There will be a fun run at 10 a.m. Sunday at Flatrock Park. No entry fee is required.

For more information, call 544-3409 or 682-8560.

Race — There will be a 5k race supporting the Kiwanis Club of Phenix City Sunday.

Registration for the race begins at 7:30 a.m. Sunday at the Phenix City Amphitheater.

The cost of the race is $15 for pre-registered runners and $17 the day of the race.

For more information, call Keith Wright at 297-9749.

YS Basketball — Youth Services will conduct a NYSCA Basketball Certification clinic at 9 a.m. Nov. 18 in Building 1056. Anyone interested in coaching Youth Services basketball must be NYSCA certified. YS will also host a basketball fundamental camp. It is open to children ages 6 to 9 years old.

There is no cost for the camp; you must be a YS member.

There are limited spaces. Come by YS to sign up between Nov. 13-24, Building 1056.

For more information, call 545-3070.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for winter basketball.

For more information about how to become a coach for any of the YS sporting activities, call Youth Services at 545-3070 or 545-3540 or stop by Youth Services, Building 1056.

AMU seeks shooters — The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit is looking for a few good shooters who are interested in competing in pistol competitions in the summer of 2001.

No previous shooting experience is required.

Soldiers in the rank of sergeant first class and below with less than 15 years service who obtain approval from their commanders can travel to Fort Benning in May at the expense of the Marksmanship Unit to participate in the initial training. The Soldiers are trained in advanced marksmanship skills.

Interested Soldiers can call Gibbs at 545-7022 or 545-3893 or DSN 835-7022.

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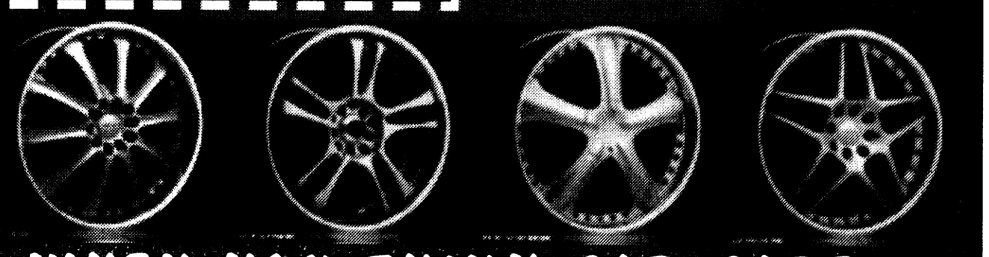

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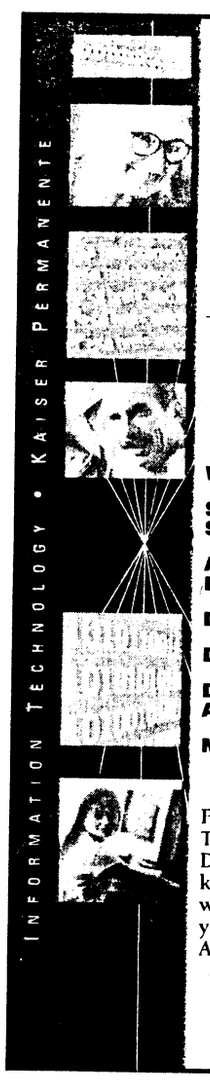

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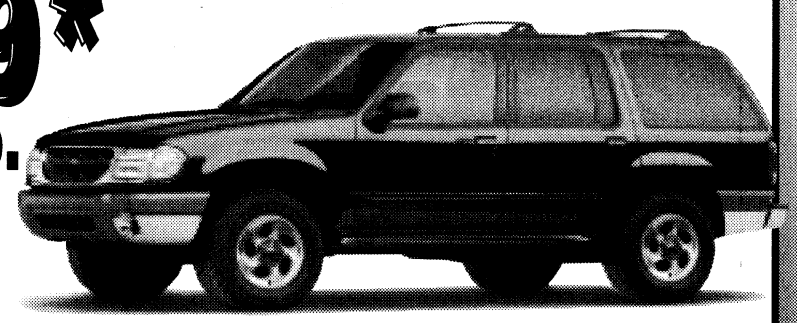

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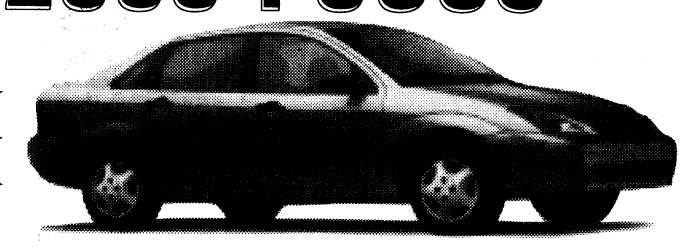

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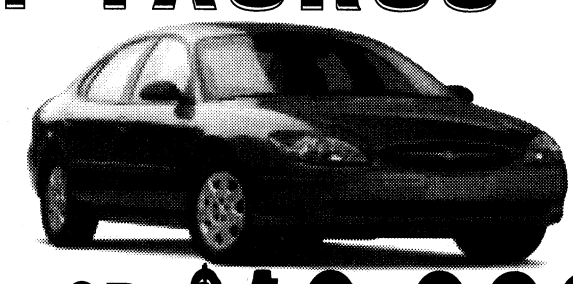

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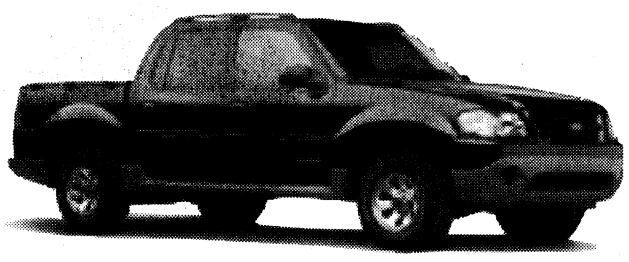

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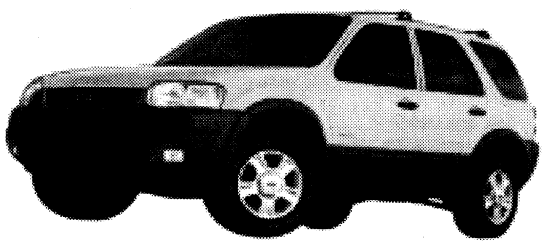

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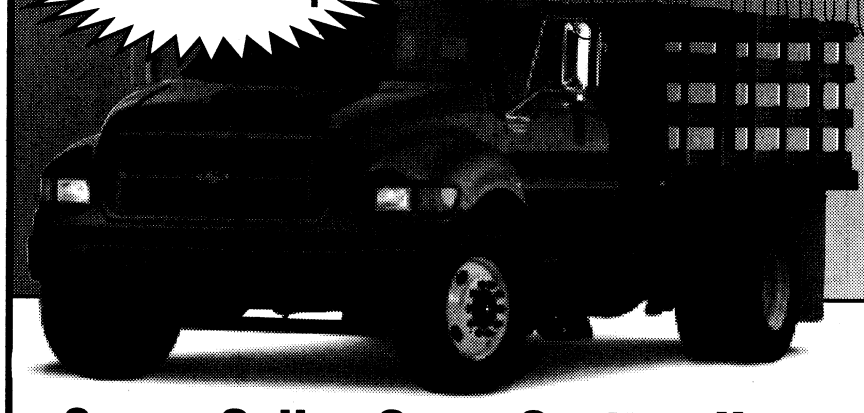

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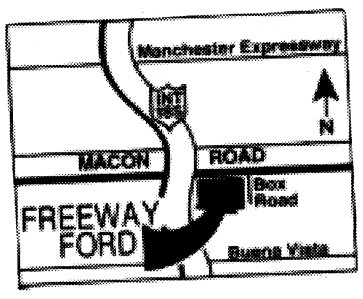

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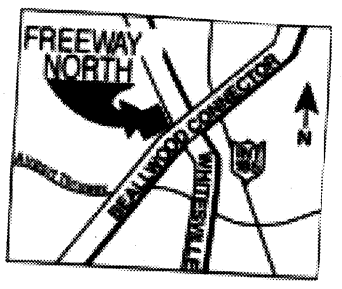

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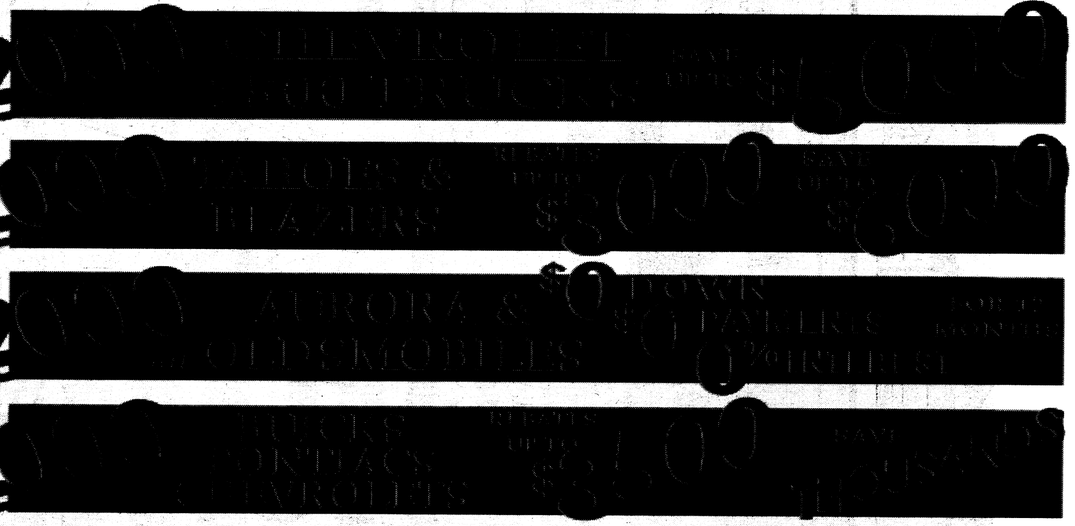

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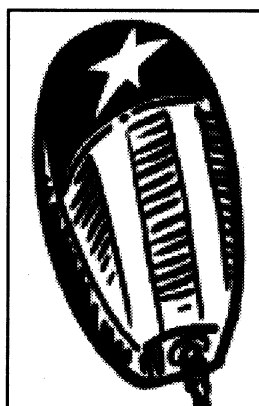

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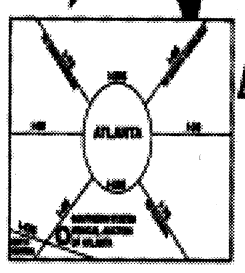

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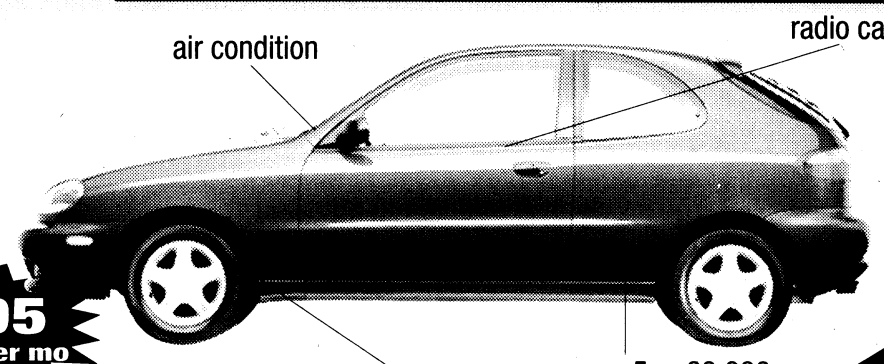

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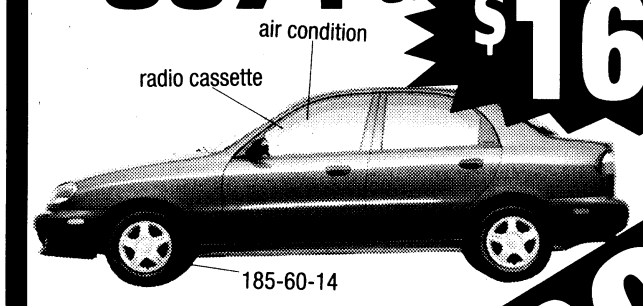

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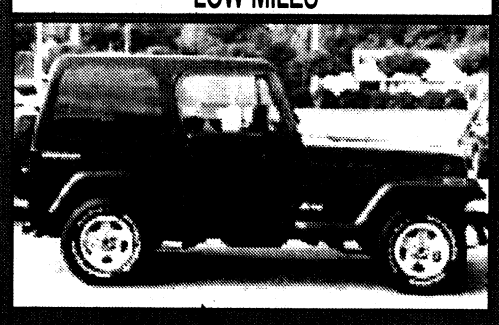

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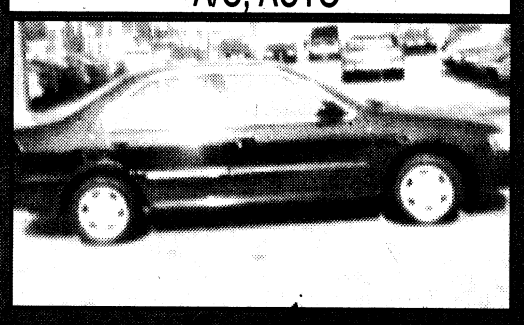



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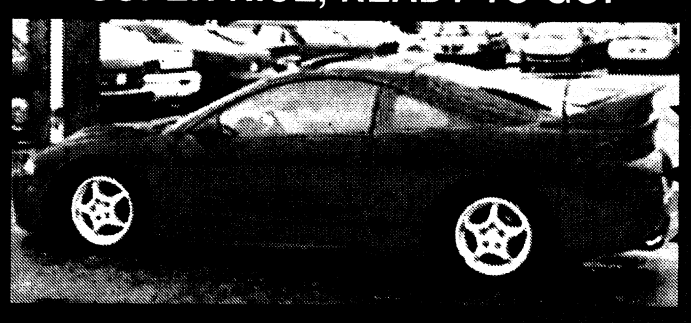

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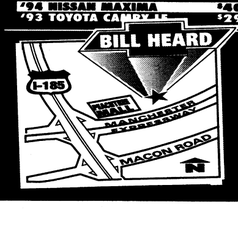

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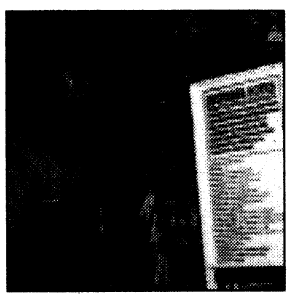

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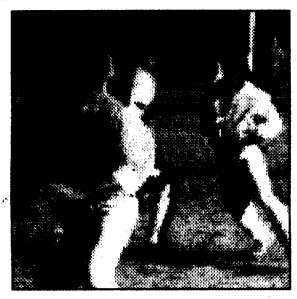

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Army chooses new vehicle

General Motors gets contract for 19-ton vehicle

Sally Shutt
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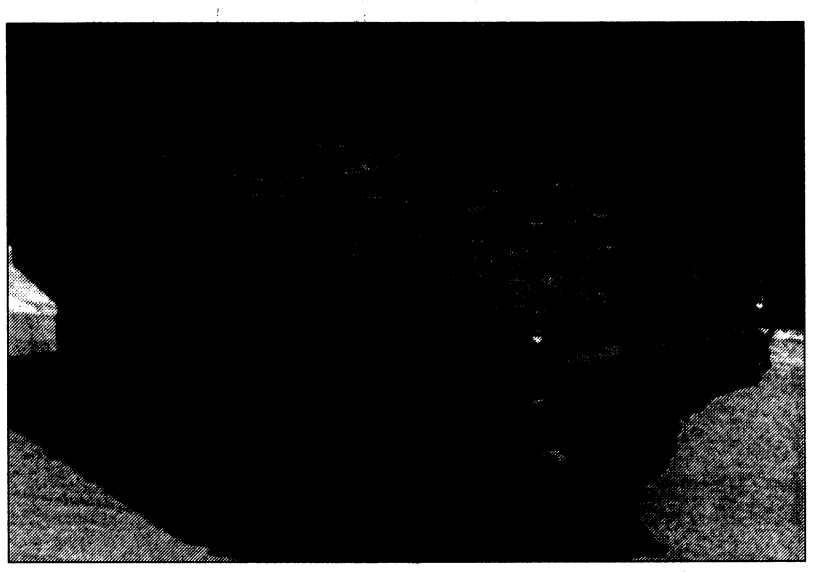
The Army has decided on a new Interim Armored Vehicle to carry its Soldiers to the battlefields of the future.

Officials announced Nov. 17 that a contract had been awarded to General Dynamics and General Motors Corporations to build the Light Armored Vehicle III, a 19-ton wheeled vehicle that will be deployable by C-130 aircraft and combat capable upon arrival in any contingency area.

The vehicle is part of the Army's Transformation to become quicker and more mobile.



Courtesy photo

The Light Armored Vehicle III will carry Soldiers into battle. The first models are expected by fiscal 2002.

The first LAV IIIs are expected to be delivered to the Interim Brigade Combat Teams at Fort Lewis, Wash., in the third quarter of fiscal 2002. The majority of the production will take place in four locations, including Anniston, Ala.

"We are happy there has been a selection. We look forward to working with the LAV, and we think it is going to be an excellent vehicle," said Col. Jim Stone, director of Combat Developments.

"This is a significant milestone, and clearly it will allow the BCTs to move forward rapidly as they posture themselves to meet their initial operational capability date."

Army officials estimate the first brigade will be equipped by the second quarter of fiscal 2003.

Stone pointed out the LAV III has several characteristics important for the Infantry, the first being that the vehicle will carry a full nine-man squad.

"One of the early decisions we wrestled with more than a year ago when we started doing the initial work on the Transformation was the mobility requirements for the BCTs. We had to determine how we were going to overcome the tactical mobility challenges associated with

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Horns herald holidays



Spc. William A. Graves

Trombone players Spc. Brad Wilhite, right, and Staff Sgt. John Stradley of the Infantry Center Band practice for Tuesday's concert.

Infantry Band to perform holiday concert

Musicians plan free concert Tuesday

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The sounds of the holidays will fill the Three Arts Theatre in Columbus when the Infantry Center Band performs a free concert Tuesday at 7 p.m.

The public is invited to the performance by the 40-member concert band. The Three Arts Theatre is at 1020 Talbotton Road.

The 75-minute program will include something for everyone, said Staff Sgt. Robert Grundy, who plays the bass clarinet.

Traditional Christmas selections will be featured along with arrangements by Mannheim Steamroller, which will spotlight the eight-member percussion and synthesizer sections. The band will also perform a selection for Hanukkah.

Santa will make an appearance, and the audience will be treated to the telling of *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*.

Grundy has been performing in Christmas concerts for almost 24 years, since his days as a junior high student in band class.

"It's the music of the season that really gets me into the holiday spirit," Grundy said.

The concert is offered to the community through the support of the Salvation Army, the *Columbus Ledger-Enquirer* and WRBL-TV. Theresa Whitaker, news anchor for WRBL, will serve as the master of ceremonies.

The Salvation Army will be

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New fiber network to cost $18.2 million

Project set to update infrastructure

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Fort Benning and Lucent Technologies officials broke ground Tuesday on a nearly two and a half year, $18.2 million project that will update the post's information infrastructure.

Construction will begin Jan. 10 and will improve the quality and speed of the data network systems.

"Right now we're really happy when we can push 10 megabytes on our existing fiber backbone," Paul Yates, director of Information Management, said. "What the I3A will give us is the ability to harness a truly continuous network, one that has been engineered from the ground up."

The new system, once completed, will be the most modern network in the Army.

"This new system will increase Fort Benning's information technology backbone," Col. Jose Torres, garrison commander, said. "Once in place, it will provide band width, which allows state-of-the-art speeds which only can be imagined at this time. Everywhere I have been, the size of the 'pipe' (how much information can be transmitted at one time) has always hindered the commanders' electronic data exchange. This is the system commanders dream of."

Much of the networks' cable is currently strung on power and telephone poles throughout post. Part of the project includes placing new cable in a safer location: underground.

"They currently have aerial copper cables, and we are taking all that down and putting it all under ground for survivability and safety," said Brenda Earley, the program manager for the Digital Switched Systems Modernization Program of Lucent Technologies. "We're putting in a lot of new duct work because it's old, and a lot of it has collapsed.

"We're making sure that

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Army teaches tolerance

Maria Taylor
Fort Bragg Public Affairs Office

commentary

I think I am finding my way out of a box, and I'm pretty sure the Army has had something to do with it.

I'm talking about finding my way out of a long-held type of prejudice that I call the "mirror syndrome": the finely tuned art of associating mostly with people who are pretty much like me. Those who share my beliefs, opinions, values, likes, dislikes, and the list goes on.

Don't misunderstand — I'm not the "bubble girl." But I think the syndrome may have started with my growing up in a beautiful but sleepy little rural community in a neighboring state (go Big Orange!). I lived in the same place for the first 26 years of my life. It didn't help either that I belonged to a religious denomination that can foster an atmosphere of following the rules and distancing oneself from those who don't.

But part of growing up — I just turned 30-something but I think I'm only now beginning to grow up — is realizing that regardless of family or past surroundings, I made the choice to have as friends people who were like me and to shut everybody else out.

It even extended to many of the jobs I held because in a small-town setting, I could still choose to work around people who shared my "culture."

Fortunately, when I came into the Army culture a couple of years ago, the box got pried open — busted, actually. You see, foreign languages have always come pretty easily for me, but Army lingo and culture is a different story.

So in order to survive and thrive in "outer Siberia" (it felt like that for the first nine months!), I had to depend on my "teachers" — the Soldiers and civilians who not only drilled me on acronyms and rank structure but taught me about Army life as well — and with a big dose of humor.

And those folks were and continue to be people who come from a wide variety of walks of life. Some of them don't share my beliefs or values, likes or dislikes. But it's their differences that have taught me volumes and enriched my life beyond what I ever could have imagined.

Maybe most people my age have learned this already, but it's a smart thing to have people in your life who are different from you. The friends I've made by being in Army public affairs over the last two and a half years have, by their differences, caused me to see some blind spots — that is, see myself for what I really am and do something about it!

They have taught me to look at situations from different angles, and that to do so isn't a threat to my own values or beliefs. Sometimes, they've been challenged and changed for the better. And even if others don't share my opinions, I'm reminded that at some point in life, we can and do share some good "gut" laughs, temptations, disappointment and maybe most of all, the desire to be loved.

Finally, my Army comrades have helped me learn to enjoy people for what they bring to the table instead of dissing them because they are not what I think they should be. And that's the glue of teamwork, too — laying aside personal differences to accomplish a goal.

You can spend your life getting by on the crumbs of hanging with people who are like you or you can feast at the banquet table of an eclectic but pretty neat bunch of human beings. I'm glad the Army gave me the feast.

How does your garden grow?

Bridgett Siter
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commentary

Friendship is like a garden. It can be a tiny patch of flowers planted on a narrow path or a great big kaleidoscope of color that flows as far as the eye can see. It's up to the gardener to decide just how much time and energy to invest.

Personally I like a variety of colors, all kinds of flowers in every size and shape. It takes a lot of work, but the results are worth it.

Fort Benning is a lot like that flower garden. We welcome everyone who enters our gates with the spirit of friendship. We're a great big garden with all shapes and colors and sizes, and our roots reach far and wide. When the seasons pass, we uproot ourselves and move on, but we always leave behind seeds of friendship right where we planted them.



Last spring a group of students and faculty and family members from Faith Middle School planted a garden of their own and last week they gathered to dedicate it to a special friend.

Tierra Sparks was only 17 when she was murdered. She was in the spring of her life — a life full of sunshine and promises and possibilities. She died in the spring of the year, when the flowers were blooming, the trees were budding and her garden was overflowing with color. Her life was cut short when she was brutally murdered by someone she called friend.

Tierra's sudden death was a reminder of the fragility of life, the fact that we're promised no tomorrows here on earth.

It reminded us of the importance of friendship and love, the need to slow down and enjoy our garden, hug our children, call our friends ...

Tierra's father, Willie Sparks, is one of our own at Fort Benning.

He's the electronics technician for Fort Benning Schools, and therefore a member of the family.

That's why the folks at Faith decided to dedicate their garden to Tierra. They called it a living memorial.

"It's a reminder that we should show love every day," said Cindy Givens, Faith's media specialist.

I couldn't have said it any better than that. Show love every day.

It doesn't have to be a grand gesture, like the garden.

It can be a phone call or a cup of coffee, a smile, a common courtesy or a kind word to a stranger, who's really just a friend we haven't met yet.

Faith's garden has gone through a season already.

Most of the flowers have died. They're slowly being replaced by evergreens and perennials that'll blossom year after year.

I like the symbolism.

Remember true spirit behind holidays

Sally Shutt
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commentary

You can always count on a child to make you think and really question why we do the things we do.

Those moments of quiet reflection often start with a child's question and the expectation that you — as a parent, teacher or certified adult — have all the answers.

So we do our best to answer their questions. But, take it from a veteran of many question-and-answer sessions, it's better to think before you speak. While a quick and flippant answer may quiet them down for a while, you may have missed an opportunity to teach your child an important lesson — and remember one yourself.

The week before Thanksgiving, my 7-year-old and I hurried into a store. She stopped suddenly and looked at the bright and colorful Christmas decorations. I waited for her to comment on how pretty they looked.

Instead, she turned to me and asked, "Why do they put up their Christmas stuff before we've even had Thanksgiving? Where are the Thanksgiving decorations?"

"That's a good question," I told her, remembering the importance of positive reinforcement and taking a second to shake off a cynical response. Then I answered, "A lot of people have already started their Christmas shopping, and this will help get them in the mood as they look for special gifts for people."



OK, I know it wasn't a real winner, but she accepted it, and we moved on. Later I wished I had taken the time to tell her that it doesn't matter what the merchants do, we set our own timetable and manner in which to celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Then Thanksgiving Day, the newspaper arrived loaded with store flyers for the after-Thanksgiving sales, and I knew the battle was on to keep my children's focus on the true meaning of Christmas and not the commercial come-ons competing for their attention.

The next day when I sat down with my husband and "calendared" the rest of the month, I had to remind myself that children aren't the only ones tempted to lose sight of why we celebrate Christmas. Busyness can distract just as easily as tinsel and toys.

Christmas is a time to celebrate the gift of Jesus Christ, and I hope to keep my family's focus on that gift, not on the ones wrapped in shiny paper.

I know there will be shopping lists and trips to the mall, but one way we can remember the spirit of the holidays is to think of others — take the focus off ourselves and put it on helping make someone else's Christmas special.

Fort Benning offers several opportunities for the community to do just that through the work of Santa's Castle and the Army Community Service's Food Locker and Holiday Turkey Program.

Santa's Castle is taking donations of new toys and monetary gifts to purchase items for children of Soldiers. Volunteers are also needed to assist parents who will be looking for the right gifts for their children.

Units submit applications for families to receive the assistance, and Soldiers and their spouses are given appointments to visit the castle. Toy selection appointments have already started and will continue through the middle of December.

Last year the program helped 1,302 children in 541 families.

For more information, call Santa's Castle at 685-4422.

The Army Community Service Food Locker conducts a Holiday Turkey Program each year.

At Thanksgiving, ACS distributed 525 turkeys to the major subordinate commands to give to their Soldiers, privates to staff sergeants, who had families to feed over the holiday. At Christmas, another 525 birds will be delivered.

The turkeys were purchased with funds from the ACS Support Fund, which receives donations from individuals, chapels, and organizations such as the Enlisted Wives' Club and Officers' Wives' Club.

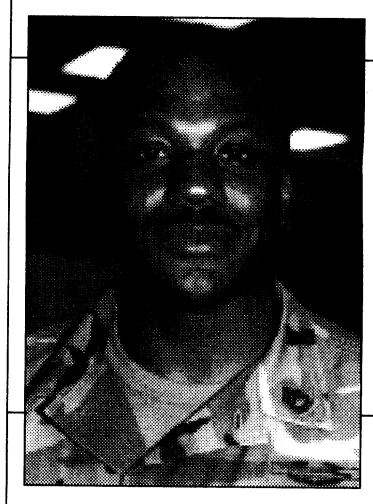
Nonperishable items are also needed for the food locker and donations are taken Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Building 2629.

Items needed include canned goods, rice, cooking oil, diapers, baby wipes, pancake mix, syrup, sugar, condiments and spices.

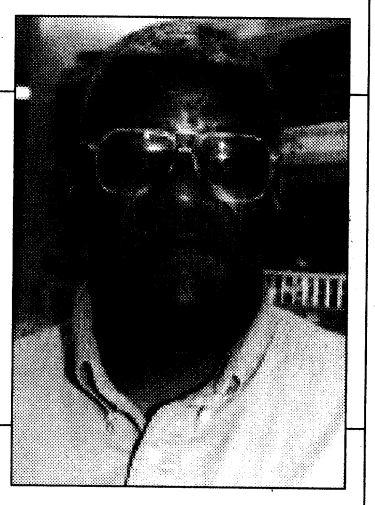
For more information, call ACS at 545-3530.

VARIOUS VOICES

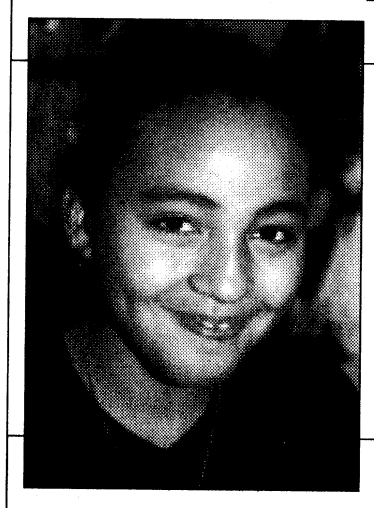
How has the Army expanded and diversified your circle of friends?



Sgt. 1st Class Elbert Booker, instructor, NCO Academy — "I've met all kinds of people traveling from post to post. It's expanded my horizons. I've learned about different cultures firsthand."



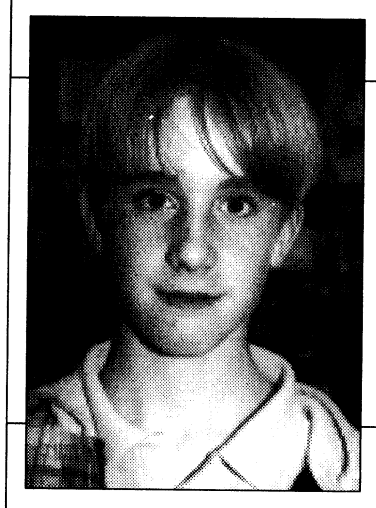
Retired Master Sgt. Fred Pearson, Sylacauga, Ala. — "I had the opportunity to meet a lot of people during my career. I dare say I have friends all over the United States."



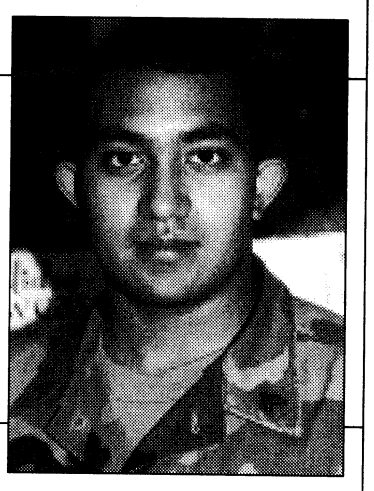
Anita Jackson, family member — "I have a lot more friends since my dad joined the Army. Army kids are a lot nicer too."



Sgt. 1st Class Dianne Bond, U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion, Indianapolis — "I've been recruiting for 20 years. People I recruited 20 years ago are now bringing their children to see me. I think I know everybody in the community."



Chris Kruise, family member — "I have more friends from the Army. Normal kids tend to treat you like you're nothing special. Army kids have more respect for people."



Sgt. Demarco Tapia, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment — "I've learned that race is never an issue — everybody is equal. That makes for a comfortable workplace."

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Rangers remember Soldier as quiet professional

Sergeant shot at local club during fight

Spc. William A. Graves
Bayonet staff

The 75th Ranger Regiment held a memorial service for one of its own Wednesday morning at the Ranger Memorial.

Fellow Soldiers remembered Staff Sgt. Jeff Lyda, who had extensive service in the 2nd Ranger Battalion and Regimental Headquarters. He arrived at Fort Benning in 1997.

"His years in the regiment will be remembered by the quiet, professional way he always accomplished the mission and cared for his fellow Rangers and our veterans," said Maj. Marcus F. De Oliveira, regimental personnel officer.

The 33-year-old Lyda was the regimental public affairs NCOIC. He used his position to help touch the lives of many Soldiers in the regiment, and his coworkers will miss him immensely, said Capt. Todd Bearden, public affairs officer for the regiment.

"He had been here over a year when I took this assignment," Bearden said. "He helped me get to know the regiment and its Soldiers. I was able to call on him for anything, and he would always accomplish the mission. He was my go-to guy."

The Ranger enjoyed in-line speedskating in his spare time. He helped coach the GT Speed skating team in Columbus with Yamill Collazo, librarian at the U.S. Army School of the Americas.

"There is going to be a big void in our club now, especially with our 15- to 18-year-old skaters," Collazo said. "He was consistent — like a rock, always there for them. He really touched their lives."

In May, Lyda competed in a Professional In-line Racing event which had entrants from 13 countries.

"He was very competitive and hard working," Collazo said. "He had a real passion for the sport."

Lyda was shot to death at a local Columbus club Saturday morning.

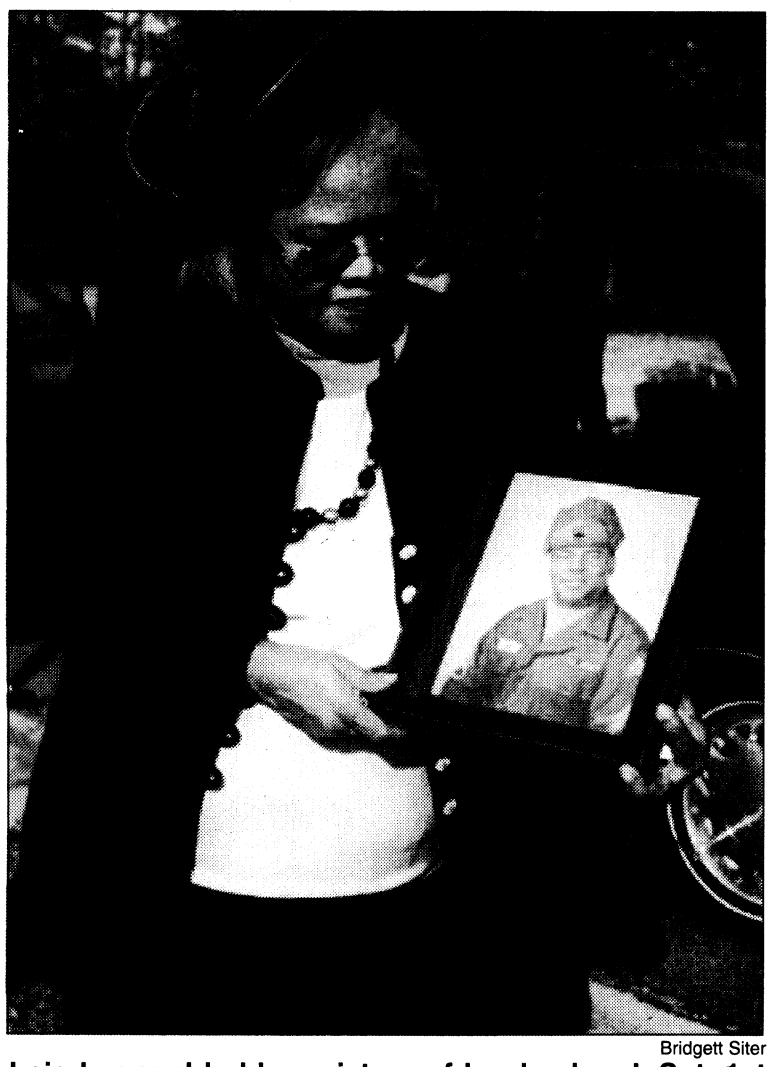
Columbus Police arrested Ricky Clark, 48, and charged him with murder, possession of a firearm during commission of a crime and carrying a deadly weapon at a public gathering.

Clark pleaded not guilty to the charges at a hearing Monday, yet he admitted to shooting Lyda. Columbus Recorder's Court Judge Michael Cielinski ordered him held without bond on the murder charge.

Funeral services for Lyda will be today at 1 p.m. in Pickens, S.C., at Dillard Funeral Home.

Lyda is survived by his wife Heather, daughters Samantha and Taylor, his mother, Kathryn G. Keith, and father, James V. Lyda.

Fort Mitchell cemetery receives Medal of Honor recipient



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Lois Leonard holds a picture of her husband, Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Leonard, who was reinterred at Fort Mitchell.

Purple Heart association helps with cost

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When years of neglect and vandalism forced the city of Birmingham, Ala., to close the Shadow Lawn Cemetery, Lois Leonard wanted to move her husband's body "somewhere it would be treated with the dignity he deserved."

The cost of such a venture was prohibitive, until a family friend contacted Bobby Randle, the senior vice commander for the State of Alabama's Military Order of the Purple Heart.

"They made it happen for me," the 68-year-old widow said. "I'm so thankful. The Lord has given me the desire of my heart. Now we can drive up here and visit any time we want."

On Tuesday, nearly 20 family members, including grandchildren and great-grandchildren, made the drive to the Fort Mitchell National Cemetery, where members of the Military Order of the Purple Heart conducted reinterment services for Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Leonard, who was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart and the Congressional Medal of Honor in 1967.

Leonard was 37 years old, a veteran of the Korean War, with nearly 20 years of active duty, when he volunteered for duty in Vietnam.

"He was a drill sergeant at Fort Leonard Wood, and they were sending the boys over there right out of boot camp, with no experience," Lois said. "My husband worried about that. He said he needed to help. It was just something he had to do."

Leonard was a platoon sergeant with B Company, 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry Division in Vietnam. On Feb. 28, 1967, his platoon was attacked by a large enemy force near Suoi Da. Although he sustained minor injuries in the first assault, Leonard rallied his Soldiers and organized a defensive perimeter. While dragging a wounded Soldier to safety, Leonard's left hand was shattered by a sniper's bullet,

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> Widow of Sgt. 1st Class Matthew Leonard

but he refused medical attention and continued fighting.

During the assault, the platoon's machine gun malfunctioned and the gunner was wounded, exposing the entire platoon to gunfire. Leonard charged the enemy and destroyed the gun crew, despite being hit several times by gun fire. He propped himself against a tree and continued to engage the enemy until he succumbed to his wounds.

More than 30 years after his death, Leonard's widow takes some comfort in the words of her own grandmother.

"When I was just a child, she told me, 'Lois, some had to die so the rest of us could live free.' My husband was one of those who died for us," she said.

Members of the Military Order of the Purple Heart honored their fallen comrade during Tuesday's ceremony.

"He was vibrant. He got things done that others couldn't do. He led by example and instilled a sense of pride and responsibility in his Soldiers," said Hal Meeker, who served with Leonard at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. "He was a credit to the U.S. Army and his country. I was privileged to work with him, to know him and to call him friend."

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BIO 105-325	ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES	M/TH	5	Staff	12:00 - 12:50
BIO 123-332	GENERAL BIOLOGY I	T/TH	6	Staff	5:30 - 8:15
BIO 124-331	GENERAL BIOLOGY II	M/W	6	Staff	5:30 - 8:15
CIS 200-332	COMPUTER CONCEPTS	T/TH	5	Alles	6:00 - 8:15
CRJ 103-332	CRIMINAL PROCEDURES	T/TH	5	Arrington	6:00 - 8:15
CRJ 104-331	JUVENILE DELINQUENCY	M/W	5	Beach	6:00 - 8:15
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ENG 101-331	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	M/W	5	Hull	6:00 - 8:15
ENG 102-333	ENGLISH COMPOSITION II	M/W	5	Hull	8:20 - 10:35
ENG 201-331	WESTERN WORLD LIT. I	M/W	5	Staff	6:00 - 8:15
HIS 102-334	WORLD CIVILIZATION II	T/TH	5	Kaufman	8:20 - 10:35
HIS 121-332	AMERICAN HISTORY I	T/TH	5	Kaufman	6:00 - 8:15
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MAT 099-332	LSS MATH II	T/TH	5	Lumbard	8:20 - 10:35
MAT 109-331	COLLEGE ALBEBRA	M/W	5	Lumbard	6:00 - 8:15
MAT 200-334	STATISTICS	T/TH	5	Lumbard	6:00 - 8:15
MUS 194-333	MUSIC APPRECIATION I	M/W	5	Bouldin	8:20 - 10:35
PED 155-334	BEGIN. STEP AEROBICS	T/TH	2	Lee	8:20-9:05
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SPA 102-334	SPANISH II	T/TH	5	Bouldin	8:20 - 10:35
WEL 154-332	WELLENSS	M/W	3	Lawson	6:00 - 7:15

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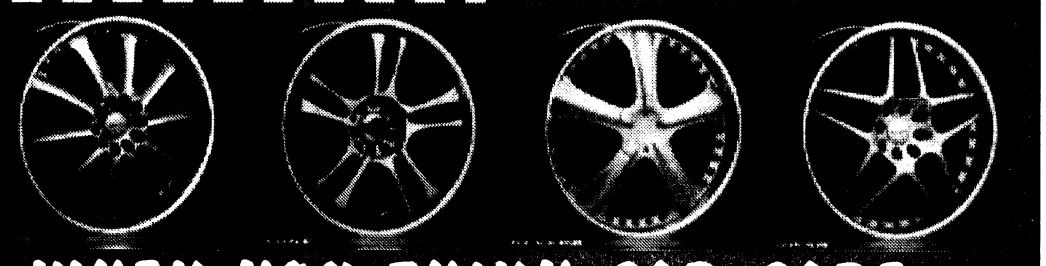

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Campaign combats accidents

'Loaded 45' focus is safer roadways

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This time of year means holiday trips and celebrations. It can also mean tragedies on the roadways.

The "Loaded 45" safety campaign at Fort Benning is one of the Directorate of Public Safety's ways of combating driving accidents.

The 45 days from Nov. 19 through Jan. 2 are the most dangerous time of the year for car accidents, said Regis Beighley, safety manager, DPS.

During this time, military police will step up their annual patrol efforts to remove impaired and dangerous drivers from the post roadways.

Last year from Dec. 10 through Jan. 1, there were 98 arrests and seven accidents related to drunk driving in the tricommunities of Columbus, Phenix City and Fort Benning.

Although the number of alcohol-related driving fatalities during the holiday season is at an all-time low, impaired driving is still a leading cause of death for people under age 30, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Military police will be on the lookout for unsafe and intoxicated drivers on the roadways they cover.

"If we catch them, we take them off the road and that helps everybody," Beighley said.

The MPs and local authorities will be watching for impaired drivers, both military and civilian.

"Our common purpose is to protect innocent drivers from people who recklessly drink and drive," said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, Law Enforcement Division, Military Police Activity.

This includes people from off post. From October 1999 through September 2000, 64 percent of those stopped for drunk driving were civilians not affiliated with the military.

As a part of the Loaded 45 campaign, vehicle safety checkpoints will continue on post.

The MPs will be checking for proper identification, updated car registration and insurance, and looking for things like seatbelt use, carseats for children, functioning turn signals and automobile lights.

MPs will also be watching for basic signs that can indicate when a driver is unsafe behind the wheel. These include weaving, straddling the center line of a roadway, driving unusually slow, stopping abruptly, turning with a wide radius, and driving with the headlights off.

These signs can indicate that a driver has been drinking and is dangerous behind the wheel, Kelley said. "The more a person drinks, the more his response time slows down, and the greater the likelihood of an accident."

If the military police suspect a motorist of driving under the influence of alcohol (due to indicators like the odor of alcohol on breath and difficulty standing) they will conduct a field sobriety test. If the driver fails this, he will be taken into custody and given a breathalyzer test to check for blood alcohol level.

The minimum level for Georgia is .08 milligrams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood.

A person convicted of drunk driving is subject to lose his driver's license for up to one year. Repeat offenders may spend time in jail.

Kelley said in addition to the many dangers of drunk driving, motorists should keep other complications in mind.

"There are hidden costs involved, like the cost of your insurance going up, the cost of traffic school, and the cost of someone having to drive you around for a year," he said.

For those who are out celebrating over the next few weeks, Kelley had simple advice.

"If you're going to drink, don't drive. Before you go out, decide who the designated driver will be."

Fort Benning's Safety Cab is an option for those who have been drinking and are stuck with no safe way home.

The cab will travel to destinations both on and off post. The number to call for a free ride is 660-6069.

Post names 'instructors of year'

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Outstanding military instruction techniques and subject matter expertise has set three Fort Benning Soldiers apart as Instructors of the Year while teaching at the U.S. Army Infantry School.

Capt. Brian Vile, C Company, 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment; Sgt. 1st Class William Walker, 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment; and Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Czernia, A Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, Ranger Training Brigade; were each selected as Instructor of the Year in the categories of officer, senior and junior enlisted Soldier.

Recognizing outstanding instructors is important because they are the backbone of the U.S. Army Infantry School, said Elaine Livingston, chief, Staff Education and Training Division, Directorate of Operations and Training.

"They are the ones who teach all the students, influence the Soldiers, and maintain the standards," she said.

Each of the candidates were nominated by their peers and supervisors.

Vile is a Senior Platoon Trainer in C Co., 2nd Bn., 11th Inf. Regt. (IOBC). In this role, every 16 weeks he is responsible for training a brigade's worth of Infantry platoon leaders in technical and tactical skills. He said this duty is challenging and exciting.

"Every student I graduate will subsequently command 30 to 40 Infantrymen and will be responsible for both their lives and well-being," Vile said.

He does not take his role as an instructor lightly. "A failure on my part would be a failure to all Soldiers who would have to work for or serve with (my students).

"It's a great opportunity to be able to contribute to the professionalism and war-fighting ability of both the Infantry and the U.S. Army," he said.

The award winner on the senior enlisted level, Sgt. 1st Class Walker, has been an instructor at the Bradley Master Gunner Course since 1998. Presently he teaches the organizational maintenance of the M-242 25 mm gun.

Walker said he enjoys sharing his field experience with students. "Having done the job myself, I can tell them what it's really going to be like.

"I'm very grateful to have been selected. It's a way for me to see a measurable result of the quality of instruction I've given."

The junior enlisted winner, Czernia, is an instructor at the 4th RTB. His task is to teach his students all aspects of their tactical missions. He said being an instructor is rewarding, but difficult. "It is a thankless job with new challenges to face every day.

"I hope that what I teach them will make them better leaders both back at their home unit and in combat," Czernia said.

Training instructor Staff Sgt. Alan Simmons, Staff Education and Training Division, DOT, said these men displayed a strong command of the skills they were taught in the Instructor Training Course.

"The main thing we teach is for them to relax and be a subject matter expert. If they follow the format we teach, it will give them confidence as teachers and make them better instructors," Simmons said.

The men will each receive an Army Commendation Medal. They will also be presented with gifts from the Chattahoochee Valley Chapter of The Retired Officers Association, the Association of the U.S. Army, the Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Ranger Joe's.

The ceremony will be held on Thursday from 10 to 11 a.m., in Classroom 6, Infantry Hall.

Award winners are eligible to compete for Instructor of the Year at TRADOC level.

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Cooks learn to carve, shave ice sculptures

Soldiers trade pots, pans for chisels, saws

Pfc. Mark Watson
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Pvt. Melinda Andrews traded in her cooking knives and potato peeler for a chainsaw and chisels.

Andrews, along with other cooks from each of the post's dining facilities, took their turn at sculpting blocks of ice into crosses, boats and flower vases Nov. 21.

The blocks of ice were not ones people commonly buy at grocery stores to put in ice chests, large 300-pound slabs that needed to be carried by forklifts.

Many of the ice sculptors were learning the art for the first time and used chainsaws, chisels and other hand tools to cut, carve, scrape and shave 60 blocks into icy sculptures.

"I have never done this before," Andrews, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade, said. "Normally we just cook and do rations. I am having fun trying to learn this."

Another newcomer to the art of ice sculpting said learning how to carve the ice has its benefits.

"Ice carving is really nice to know and it is a nice hobby," said Sgt. 1st Class Juan Rodriguez, a cook learning the trade.

People of all sculpting abilities were on hand to carve the ice, Rodriguez, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, said.

"There are people out here who are really good ... and are making works of art," he said. "Stone, marble and ice can all be works of art, and that is why we're here," he said.

The "works of art," were displayed in dining facilities on Thanksgiving.

> "It is time consuming but it pays off. We are doing this for the Soldiers. It gives them something to look forward to when they are away from their home and family during the holidays."
>
> **Sgt. 1st Class Evicka Johnson**
> Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group

"We wanted to do something different for Thanksgiving," Andrews said.

The sculptings will help make the dining facilities more festive, Andrews added.

The day of ice sculpting also gave the cooks the opportunity to learn a new art.

"This is fun," Sgt. 1st Class Evicka Johnson, said. "Everyone is really impressed with their work.

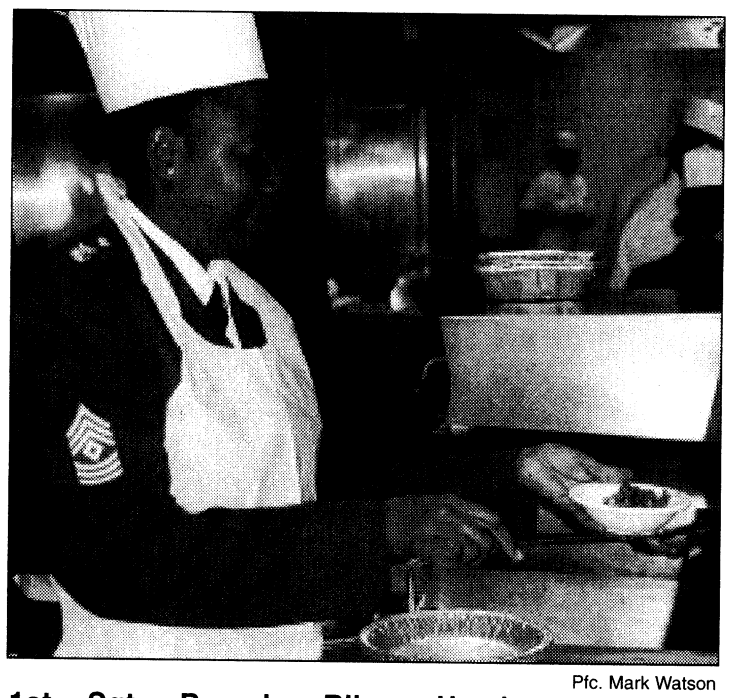
"It is time consuming but it pays off," said Johnson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group. "We are doing this for the Soldiers. It gives them something to look forward to when they are away from their home and family during the holidays."

The cooks also carved several sculptures for the two dining facilities that will remain open on Christmas.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Pvt. Melinda Andrews, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade, sculpts a cross out of ice.



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1st Sgt. Beverly Riley, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 36th Engineer Group serves greens during the Thanksgiving feast.

Engineers enjoy Thanksgiving feast

Soldiers kick off festivities before holiday

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Soldiers of the 36th Engineer Group got an early start on Thanksgiving by sharing their meal the day before the traditional holiday at the Warrior Inn Dining Facility.

The Soldiers feasted on turkey, ham, roast, dressing, yams, shrimp, cranberry sauce and an assortment of pies in the dining facility that was decorated to mark the occasion.

"We chose to have the meal (Nov. 22) so the Soldiers would have a chance to spend time with one another," said Staff Sgt. Sharron Fentress-Bussey, the administration NCOIC for the 36th Engineer Group. "This way they can be with their families for Thanksgiving."

The food and the decorations brought out the best in the dining facility, Spc. Jason Lanier, 63rd Engineer Company, said.

"I really like the decorations," Lanier said. "It is pretty lively in here. The decorations really make the place better. It's not mom's cooking, but overall the food is good," Lanier said.

Several Soldiers brought along family to the feast.

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> **Spc. Jason Lanier**
> 63rd Engineer Company

"This gave me a chance to eat with my son," Sgt. Darrell Westbrook, 63rd Engineer Company, said. "It is his first time in the dining facility."

Although most of the Soldiers were miles from home, Westbrook said the cooks did a good job at providing home cooking and atmosphere.

"There are probably some Soldiers who will be alone. The dining facility makes up for that aloneness," he said.

However far Soldiers may be from their homes, they still have one another to rely on.

"The meal is very nice, and it allows Soldiers to spend time with their military families too," Staff Sgt. Luzmila George, 63rd Engineer Company, said. "It is a great meal and the decorations are very nice. All the work (setting up the meal and decorations) really paid off."

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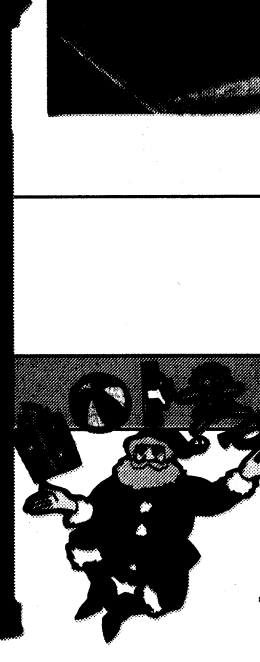

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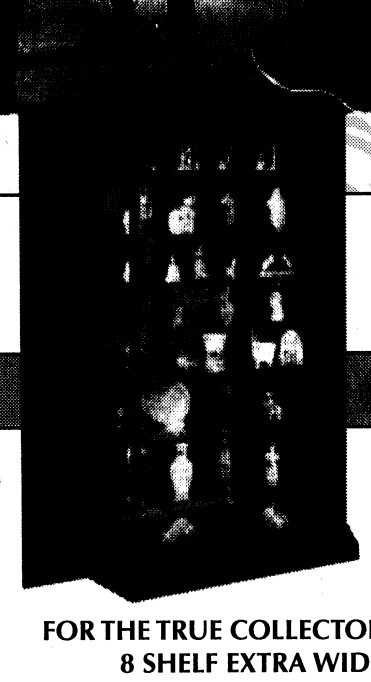

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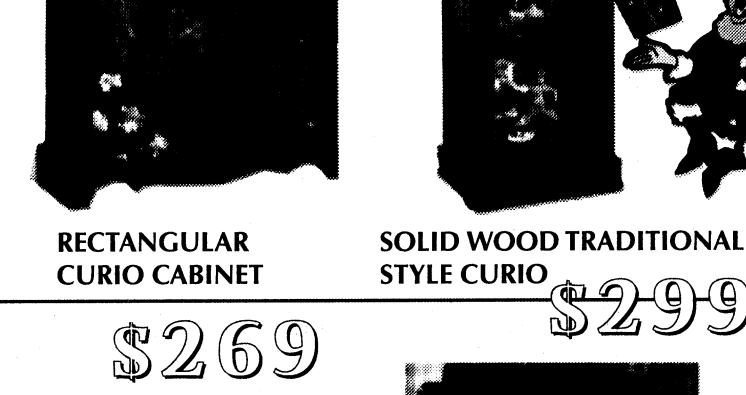

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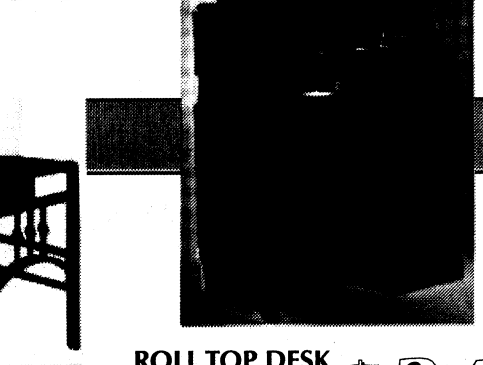

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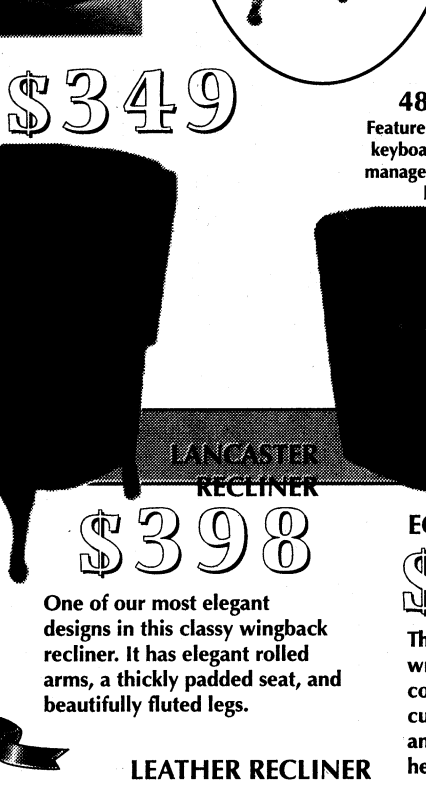

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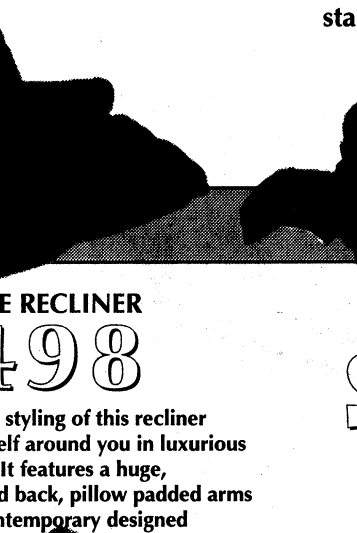

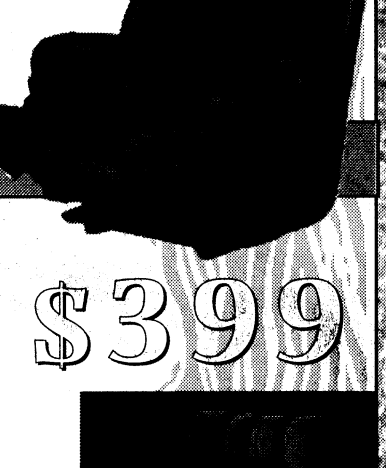

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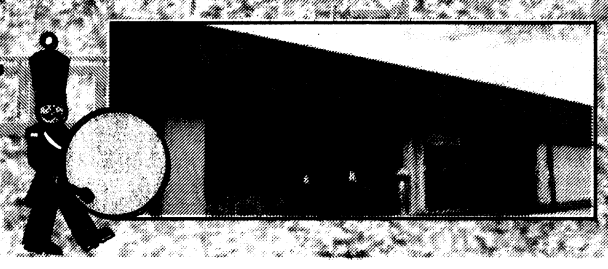

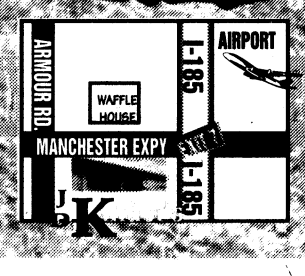

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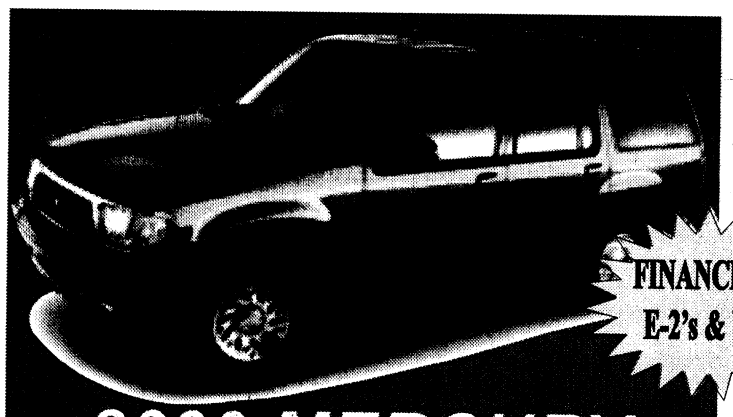

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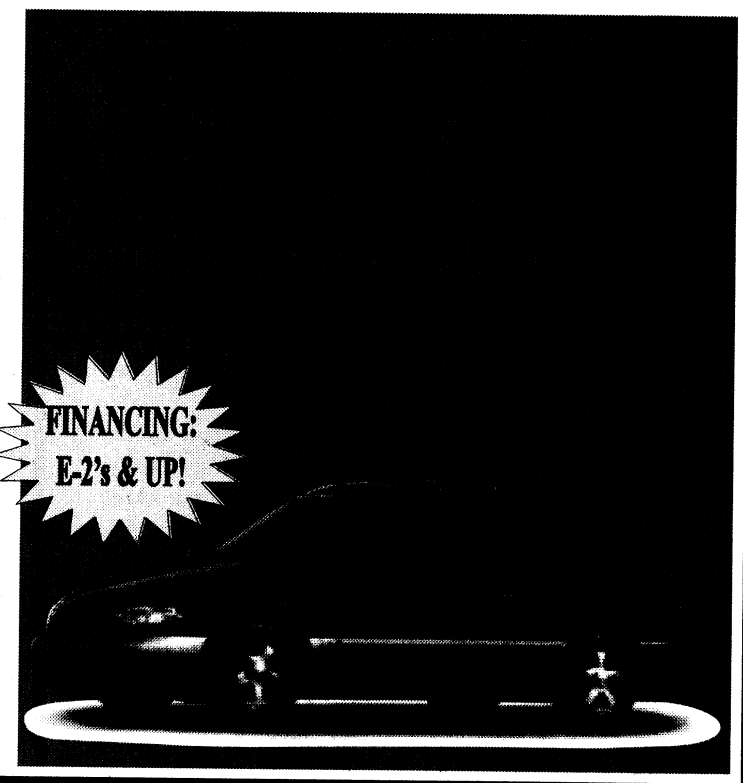

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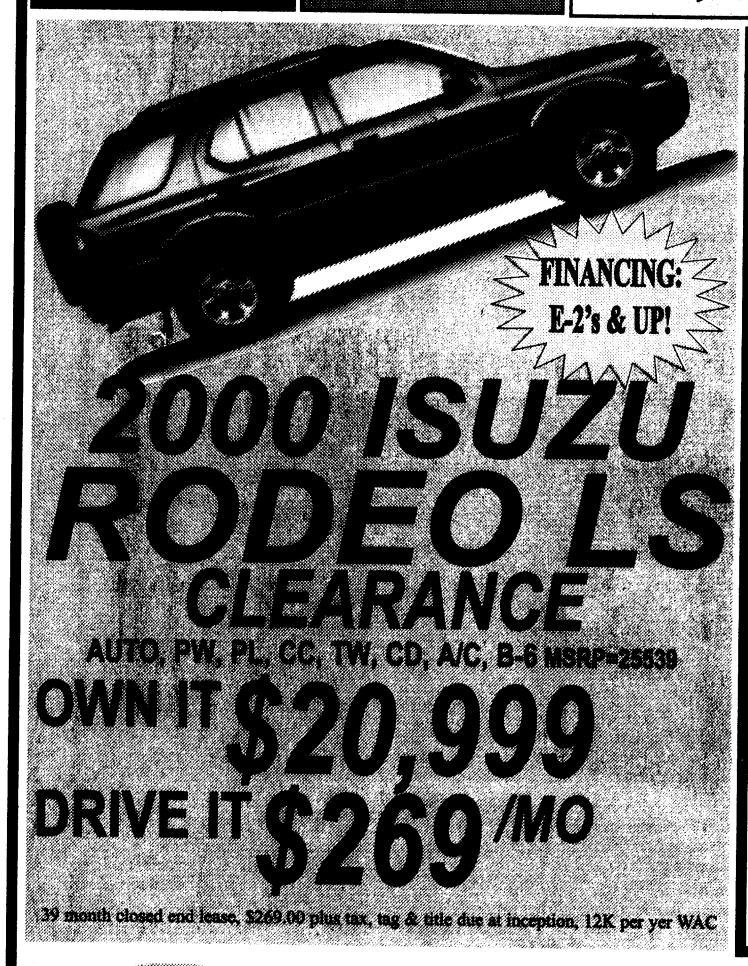

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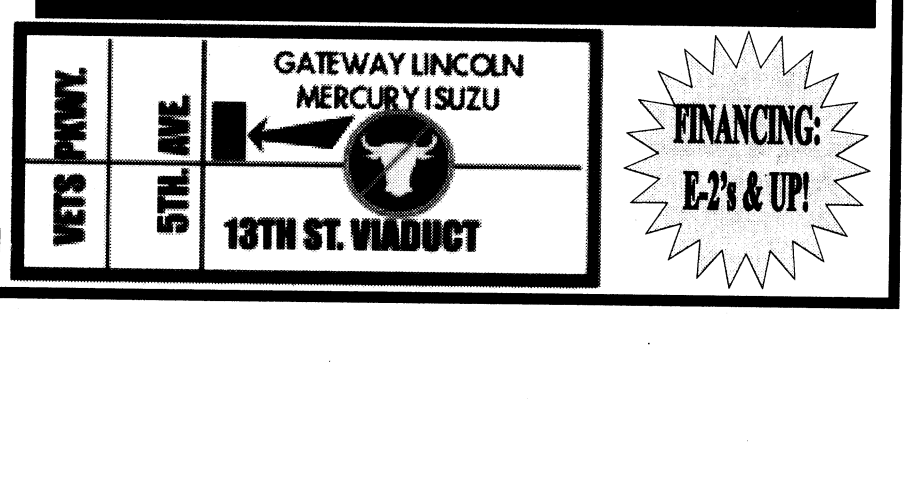


FINANCING: E-2's & UP!

Firefighter talks protester down

Lawbreaker spends time with FBI

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

For the third time in less than two weeks a U.S. Army School of the Americas protester was apprehended after breaking federal law and post regulations Wednesday and was escorted to the U.S. federal magistrate judge by FBI agents.

Two SOA-Watch protesters were apprehended by military police after hanging a banner from the water tower across from Infantry Hall.

Elements of the Fire Department, Department of Defense police, military police and an EMS crew were on hand because of the inherent danger of the protesters' actions, Col. GT Myers, provost marshal, said.

Using climbing ropes to hang the banner, the protesters were suspended from the tower approximately 75-80 feet from the ground.

Firefighter Rick Pagels with the Fort Benning Fire Department used his previous training as a crisis negotiator to talk 25-year-old Liz Guy down off the rope.

"I kept talking to her about the risk involved in a "pick off" operation," Pagels said. "She kept climbing higher every time the ladder got closer. I told her what action would be taken if she continued to resist." A "pick off" involves running ropes off the tower and then transferring the person to another rope, Pagels said. "She kept climbing higher, she was adamant about not coming down. But the other protester told her to come down when he heard what the options were."

Military police were on the ground to take Guy into custody. A few minutes later, the other protester, Josh Raisler-Cohn, 23, used the ladder to come down too. Both of them were charged with criminal trespass, resisting arrest and unlawful assembly, said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, Law Enforcement Division, Directorate of Public Safety.

Myers said the protesters actions were foolhardy.

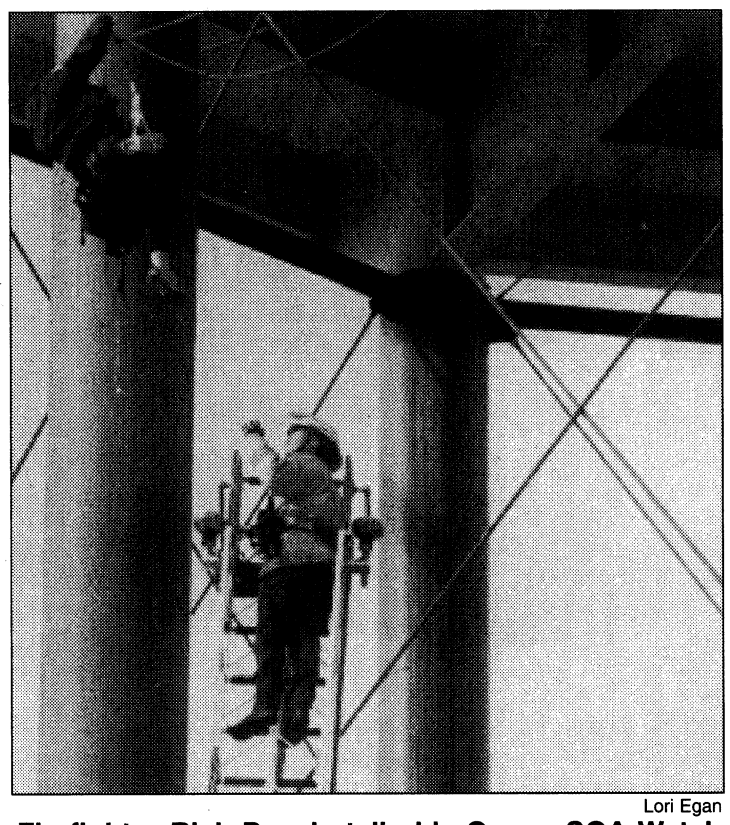
"This was potentially a very violent form of protest," Myers said. "These people are putting lives at risk ... theirs, the firefighter who talked them down, the passersby."

Myers stressed that in addition to the dangerous nature of this type of activity, the protesters are breaking the law. Title 18 of the U.S. Code prohibits partisan, political activity on federal installations.

"Acts like this, as well as the annual 'Cross the Line' march break the law and pose a threat to our 225-year history of a nonpolitical military," Myers said. "That's an essential ingredient to our way of life. Challenges, like this, will be dealt with every single time — safely, quickly and firmly."

Military police also reminded those who work and live at Fort Benning to report any suspicious activities, noting that at least a dozen people must have seen the pair climbing up the water tower.

Call 545-5222 to report any suspicious activity.



Lori Egan

Firefighter Rick Pagels tells Liz Guy, a SOA-Watch protester, how a "pick off" procedure works.

Vehicle: Features armor protection

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the light Infantry," Stone said.

"We were very happy with the light Infantry organization and wanted to keep the squad intact and not break it up. The overriding consideration was we wanted to be able to deliver a squad to the right place on the battlefield.

"For a long time we have been challenged with how to move the infantry around on the battlefield fast enough," Stone said.

Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, chief of infantry, and officials at Fort Benning made one of the key performance parameters for the vehicle that it had to be able to carry a nine-man squad, not including the crew.

"The job of the vehicle is not to fight as a combat vehicle in the sense of a Bradley," Stone said. "This is not a vehicle that is designed to fight other vehicles routinely, as a Bradley does or as a tank does. Clearly the lethality component of the BCT is the Infantry squad and platoon."

Calling the brigade combat team "Infantry-centric," Stone said, "It's not built around the platform. It's not built around our ability to go out and fight armored vehicles while mounted. It's built on our ability to get Infantrymen where we think they are going to need to be."

The Army's newest vehicle is not designed to replace existing heavier models.

"You can't replace Bradleys or tanks with LAVs. That is not the intent here. What we are replacing are leather personnel carriers, walking," Stone said.

For the Soldier, it will mean he will be transported closer to the objective.

"He should be fresh and able to fight. This helps carry some of his load so he doesn't have to carry all that stuff.

"This is his mobile transportation, resupply and evacuation vehicle. It does all those kinds of things for him," Stone said.

Other performance characteristics highlighted by Army officials include the vehicle's survivability. It features 14.5 mm all-around armor protection and can mount a remote weapons station with a .50-caliber machine gun.

The contract is for a family of LAVs — the Infantry Carrier Vehicle, including eight additional configurations, and the Mobile Gun System.

The other configurations of the carrier vehicle include a Mortar Carrier, Reconnaissance Vehicle, Medical Evacuation Vehicle, Anti-Tank Guided Missile Vehicle, Fire Support Vehicle, Engineer Support Vehicle, Command and Control Vehicle, and the Nuclear, Biological and Chemical Reconnaissance Vehicle.

General Motors has already produced two earlier generations of LAVs for the U.S. Marine Corps and various foreign militaries, including Canada, Saudi Arabia and Australia.

Since October 1999 when Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki announced plans to transform the Army, there has been a lot of involvement by Fort Benning units and directorates in developing the requirements for a new vehicle, Stone said.

For example, the 29th Infantry Regiment conducted numerous tests on vehicle models, while the Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate was instrumental in developing the tactics, techniques and procedures for training on the vehicles.

"There has been a tremendous team effort across Fort Benning in making important contributions to the BCTs," Stone said.

Because of their expertise in training Infantrymen on the Bradley Fighting Vehicle, some NCOs from the 29th Inf. Regt. participated in the evaluation of several vehicle candidates. Other Soldiers and NCOs have expertise in machine guns, mortars and anti-armor weapons, "all of which were included in the evaluation phase," said Col. Carter Ham, commander of the 29th Inf. Regt.

"We were proud to have had the opportunity to help those charged with making the selection by rendering objective assessments of each candidate vehicle's performance."

Now that the selection has been made, Ham said, the Army can move forward in figuring out the best way to train the Infantrymen whose units will be equipped with the LAV III.

"It's an exciting challenge. For us old guys, it's almost like when our Army first chose the Bradley and, like then, the 29th Infantry Regiment is ready to lead the way as we train Soldiers for the interim force," Ham said.

The LAV III will contribute greatly to the Army's Transformation, Ham said.

"It's fast, deployable and, most importantly, can carry a complete Infantry squad. It'll be a great LAV that will enable our Infantry units to deploy rapidly anywhere in the world and win when they get there," Ham said.

Band: Performs Christmas concert

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accepting donations of nonperishable foods and new toys at the door, said Capt. Mark Harwell, commanding officer of the Salvation Army of the Chattahoochee Valley.

Last year the Salvation Army helped 968 families in the area, and this year the organization hopes to assist close to 1,000 families, including 2,100 children.

This is the first time the Salvation Army has offered a holiday concert.

"This is truly a first and very exciting for us. We hope folks will come out and add the concert to their list of holiday experiences," Harwell said.

The band will perform at several community events during December, including tonight's tree lighting on the 14th Street Pedestrian Bridge and the Bi-City Christmas Parade Dec. 9 at 10 a.m.

But, the concert marks a first for the band as well — a full holiday performance off post.

"This is the first time we have tried something like this downtown, and we hope it will be a success so we will be able to do something like this again," said Staff Sgt. Robert Jones, the band's operations NCOIC.

For more information on the concert and for free tickets, call 545-5313. Tickets will also be available at the door.

The Night of Lights kicks off tonight at 6 p.m. The band will perform during the festivities on the bridge. After the tree lighting, the public is invited to walk along the Phenix City Riverwalk and enjoy the holiday light displays.

The Stowers Elementary School Choir, under the direction of music teacher Lorri Blanchard, will also perform at the Phenix City Amphitheater during the celebration. About 70 third-, fourth- and fifth-graders will sing secular songs, Christmas carols and Hanukkah music.

Network: To improve communication

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any connectivity point will have two different routes. (Should one route be cut,) the data network will stay up because of the redundancy and survivability we've built into the design."

The duct work is also expanding so new manholes are needed as well, Earley said.

The new underground work will link Main Post, Kelley Hill, Sand Hill, and Harmony Church together with secure high speed access.

"This is the fiberoptic backbone for Fort Benning," Yates said. "The cable used now is 15-20 years old. This will be the most modern network in the Army, and the program allows for modernization."

This is an added bonus, Yates said.

Should technology advance during the time before the project is completed, workers can add the updated system giving Fort Benning the latest technology has to offer.

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Program keeps spouses stationed together

Policy helps families remain as one household

Michele Hammonds
Army News Service

> "The program works to keep dual military together. We have moved three times together."
> **Staff Sgt. Sherrilynne Cherry**
> Fort Bragg, N.C.

WASHINGTON — Some dual-military spouses endure long separations throughout the year because of work assignments, but not if the Married Army Couples Program has anything to do with it.

The program aims at keeping dual-military families together when possible, said Donny Dennis, military personnel specialist, of the Officer Distribution Management and Mobilization Branch, who handles the officer MACP program. He said the program is designed to provide a way service couples are considered for assignment together to establish a joint household while fulfilling the mission of the Army.

To date there are 5,071 officers who are currently enrolled in the program. About 80 percent (4,100) are officers serving in Army-approved joint domicile assignments. Approximately, "one third move yearly," said Dennis.

There are 21,922 enlisted Soldiers enrolled in the program. Of that number 17,377 enlisted troops are serving in joint domicile assignments.

Sgt. 1st Class Tim and Staff Sgt. Lee Donahue know first-hand the benefits of the program. That is why the Donahues, who met and married in 1994 while they were stationed in Germany, chose to enroll in the program.

"It's a great program," Lee said. "We are grateful the program has allowed us to be together."

However Lee said she doesn't take the good fortune she and her husband have found for granted.

"When you marry another military member with the same MOS (military occupational specialty) you have to be realistic and cognizant that it will be difficult if you are the same rank," said Lee who expects to be promoted sometime next year. "It's hard because we can't be in each other's rating change meaning we can't work for each other or rate each other."

The couple who are both Army broadcasters by trade have managed to be stationed together except for a short time in Korea when Tim took another job offer in Camp Casey, Korea — 30 to 45 miles away while Lee stayed in Seoul, Korea, 18 out of the 24 months the couple was there.

"It was a great job, and we made the decision that he would live up there," Lee said. "We saw each other on holidays and weekends."

Now the couple is stationed at Fort Meade, Md. Lee works for the Army Public Affairs Center and Tim works at the Defense Information Center.

Normally the Donahues are accustomed to working straight through the holiday season, providing Christmas radio programming for the troops. But with the expected arrival of their unborn child due next month they plan to enjoy being together.

"This Christmas we are having the baby, and we will be off work," Lee said.

Like the Donahues, Chief Warrant Officer Aundrey and Staff Sgt. Sherrilynne Cherry also enrolled in the program after they met in Germany and married shortly afterwards in 1991.

"Right before we got married our commander counseled us about the program," said Sherrilynne, whose husband was enlisted at the time.

After the Cherrys enrolled in the MACP, Sherrilynne's assignment orders for Fort Lewis were deleted and she rejoined her husband at Fort Carson a couple months later.

"The program works to keep dual military together," Sherrilynne said. "We have moved three times together."

The Cherrys now stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C., said they don't want to be separated because they have two daughters, Jasmine, 5, and Jada, 2, who are enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program.

"Our branch managers worked together to make sure we received good assignments at the same place," said Sherrilynne, who is a military journalist and her husband is in the artillery field. "It is hard caring for the girls when my husband is gone (temporary)."

Maj. Craig Green, understands about being separated from his spouse, Capt. Michelle Green, who is away attending graduate school. He is assigned to the Chief Management Support Branch, Office of Personnel Management Division.

The Greens enrolled in MACP after they married in 1991. They wanted to make sure they could be stationed together.

"We PCSd (permanent change of station) here to Washington and hopefully this summer we want to go to Hawaii," Craig said.

Officers and enlisted wanting to enroll in MACP need to submit an application (DA Form 4187- Personnel Actions) along with a copy of his or her marriage certificate through the Personnel Administration Center to the servicing Military Personnel Division Personnel Service Battalion. The Soldier's servicing MPD/PSB will enter the Soldier spouse's information into the Standard Installation/Division Personnel System to enroll the Soldier in the MACP.

The spouse information must be entered on both Soldiers for enrollment in the program.

For more information about MACP, officers can call Dennis at DSN 221-5191 or (703) 325-5191.

Enlisted Soldiers can call Shirley Hodge at Plans Procedures and Operations Branch at DSN 221-2738 or (703) 325-2738.

around post

Instructor of the Year ceremony

The Instructor of the Year Awards Ceremony will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday in Classroom 6 of Infantry Hall with Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne presiding over the ceremony.

MLK planning meetings

Weekly planning meetings for the Martin Luther King Day celebration are at the post Equal Opportunity Office, Building 2509, each Thursday from 1:30 until 2:30 p.m.

Major subordinate commands are requested to send a representative to the meetings.

For more information on the Martin Luther King Day celebration, call the EOO at 545-6665.

Green to Gold

There are several Green to Gold briefings for interested Soldiers scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22 and April 26.

For more information, call Capt. Irvin Pete at Columbus State University at 568-2449.

New copier at technical library

The Donovan Technical Library has a new copier.Copies cost 15 cents each. Bring the exact change, because the copier doesn't make change.

The Donovan Technical Library, located in Infantry Hall, is open Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 7:50 p.m, and Saturday and Sunday, from 12 p.m. to 7:50 p.m.

11th Inf. Regt. re-enlistment office relocates

The 11th Infantry Regiment reenlistment office has relocated.

The office has moved from Building 76 to Building 2759, next to 11th Infantry Regiment headquarters on Sightseeing Road.

For more information, call 545-5006 or 545-4336.

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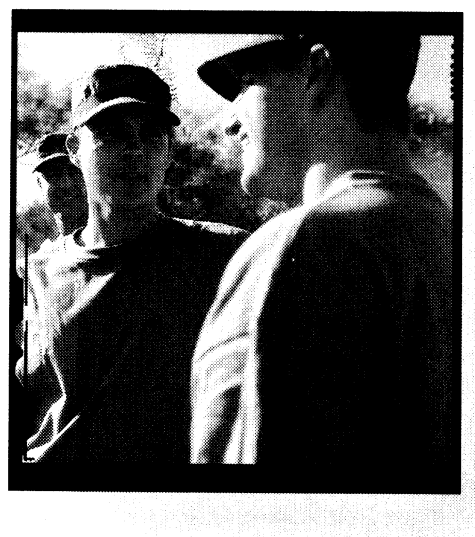

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Faith opens way for Soldier of the Year

Thoughts of leaving Army turn to award

Pfc. Chris Bray
29th Infantry Regiment

An awards ceremony recognizing the NCO and Soldier of the Year at the 29th Infantry Regiment provided an unusually clear window onto the strong core of values that drive the modern Army.

Spc. Nicholas Kolowich, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Inf. Regt., had been planning to escape an environment in which he had struggled with trouble and discouragement.

"Until the middle of this year," Kolowich said, "I was thinking about getting out."

But the faith and diligence of a single NCO, Kolowich said, opened a different path for him. Sgt. Travis Johnson, C Co., 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., was the first team leader who convinced the young Soldier that he could excel. As Kolowich's new team leader, Thompson said, he immediately made it clear that whatever was in the past was in the past; when he saw that Kolowich was capable of taking leadership, and could be relied on to successfully complete whatever mission he was given, he knew that his Soldier could be mentored to lasting success.


Kolowich

"It just took a little motivation and direction," Thompson said. "No Soldier is ever marginal. If you're a high-standard leader, you're going to have high-standard Soldiers."

With Thompson's leadership, Kolowich quickly earned the Expert Infantry Badge, Airborne Badge, three Army Achievement Medals, and two Army Commendation Medals. Kolowich, who was named Regiment Soldier of the Year and Post Soldier of the Year the same week, now has a new goal: He wants nothing less than to become Sergeant Major of the Army.

"You can overcome anything," he insisted. "You can make it better."

Also reflecting the values of today's Army was 29th Regiment NCO of the Year, Staff Sgt. John Spencer, D Co., 2nd Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., who teaches officers and fellow NCOs at the Mortar Leaders Course.

For Spencer, the challenge of competing for the award suited his fiercely competitive nature — much like his work as an instructor. "It keeps you on your toes," he said of his day-to-day work, "not only to understand it, but to make somebody else understand it."

Speaking at the regiment ceremony last Tuesday, retired Command Sgt. Maj. Frank Plass, the regiment's honorary command sergeant major, said the role Spencer and his colleagues play is a reflection of the ever-greater importance of the NCO. "In my day, it was officers on the podium," Plass said.

To Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, post commander, the recognition of the regiment's finest Soldiers demonstrated why today's Army is "a lot better" than the organization he joined in 1964. "It's the human touch," Le Moyne said. "The self-discipline, the maturity, the dedication to making yourself better. And also, quite frankly, the teamwork."

The increasingly common recognition of exceptional Soldiers, Le Moyne believes, has roots in the Army's efforts to rebuild after the difficult years of the Vietnam War. Showing Soldiers that extra effort is appreciated and rewarded reinforces an Armywide appreciation of the value of taking leadership, the post commander said.

That example, said Col. Carter Ham, commander, 29th Inf. Regt., can sustain Soldiers who, like Kolowich, experience doubts about military service. "There are hardly any Soldiers who don't ever question what they're doing," Ham said. "We all wrestle with that."

The point, Ham said, is that leaders who take time with their Soldiers can turn those doubts around, and lead the way to excellence. Ham described Spencer, the regiment's NCO of the Year, as "a good leader and a good man," for example, and named him as an example for Kolowich to look to as he decided what course his Army career would take. Leaders like Spencer "take the time to teach and coach and mentor," Ham said, and make all the difference in the commitment and excellence of the men and women who serve.

Not only the winners of the 29th Regiment's top awards reflected the Army's values. Sgt. Mikita Edwards, HHC, 29th Inf. Regt., was named as runner-up for the title of Regiment NCO of the Year during Tuesday's awards luncheon. A few minutes later, Edwards quietly returned to doing her job, tearing down the P.A. system that had been used for the ceremony. "She has the attitude that she can basically do about anything," said 1st Sgt. Roosevelt Vickers, HHC, 29th Inf. Regt.

That kind of example, Ham said, is worth remembering. An Army that recognizes excellence and encourages leadership may make special awards to a few exceptional Soldiers, but their example will always reflect the professionalism of the colleagues who work alongside them; recognizing individual excellence leads to greater teamwork and organizational strength. That's a lesson that Soldiers continue to take to heart, said Command Sgt. Maj. Joe Bradley, 29th Inf. Regt.

"The next generation of Soldiers and leaders is counting on our mentorship, leadership, and professional expertise," Bradley said.

"They're valuable to us all. We need to put our arms around them and prepare them for leadership," he said.

Department of the Army employee earns wings

Civilian endures three-week Airborne training

Sally Shutt
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David Nelson tried to blend in with the other Airborne students at jump school, but that was a little hard to do for the 38-year-old Department of the Army civilian.

His uniform was the first giveaway. Rather than saying "US Army," Nelson's read "DA Civilian." It bore no rank insignia, so his classmates weren't sure what to call him. The A in his roster number, A289, identified him as the equivalent to an officer, which prompted numerous questions from his fellow jump students. There is no designation for civilians.

"I tried to fly under the radar by cutting my hair and staying low key so as not to attract special attention from the cadre. But within four hours during in-processing, most everyone knew I was different in some way," Nelson, the deputy director of Project Manager, Soldier at Fort Belvoir, Va., said.

Nelson explained to those who questioned him about why he wanted to be Airborne that part of his job is to develop individual equipment for Soldiers, some of which is used on parachute jumps. His classmates gladly offered their opinions on which pieces of clothing and equipment they didn't like.

Nelson graduated from Airborne School Oct. 12 after completing the three-week course and making five parachute jumps. His boss, Lt. Col. Steve Pinter, jumped with him on the final jump and pinned on the civilian's jump wings.

"Graduation was the emotional climax to the three-week course. The training feels kind of private and out of the spotlight, the graduation ceremony brings it back into the spotlight," Nelson said.

He now plans to jump every few months with a new piece of equipment "to establish an experience base to better understand the capabilities of our equipment," he said.

It was Nelson's idea to earn his jump wings, and he had to receive a special waiver to do so.

"First and foremost, more and more command acquisition positions are becoming best qualified military or civilian. The Product Manager-Soldier Equipment is coded as a jump slot. I aspire to be selected for that job in a few years, but civilians would be hard pressed to qualify if not Airborne certified," Nelson said.

In the last decade only four civilians have been given permission to attend the school, said Maj. Kevin Petit, operations officer, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry.

The other three waivers were granted to a journalist and two DA civilians who worked for the Soldier, Biological Chemical Command in Natick, Mass.

Nelson called Petit and asked what it would take for him to be allowed to attend the school.

Petit told him the final decision would come from the commanding general and only after he had made an official request, completed the required forms, a physical and been granted an age waiver. The age cutoff for jump school is 36.

Nelson's request was granted, and Petit met him in person three weeks prior to the start of class.

"He had a goatee and was wearing several earrings. He also had a ponytail down his back," recalled Petit, who explained the grooming standards required in the course.

"He got the same treatment any paratrooper gets," Petit said.

Nelson's ponytail was one of the casualties of the training. He kept it in his rental car the entire three weeks.

"I rub my peach fuzz head as a reminder that failure is not an option I willingly accept," he wrote in an e-mail to friends and colleagues after ground week.

Nelson plans to hang the ponytail on his wall beside his Airborne certificate, he said.

"I'm really getting used to the short hair, and my wife bought a pair of electric clippers, so I think I'll keep it short for awhile. There is something to be said for towel drying your head," he said.

When he had the chance, Nelson wrote in detail to his friends, coworkers and family about his experiences, and the messages are a unique look at Army training.

In one he compared military formations to synchronized swimming in the Olympics.

"Military formations are quite a bizarre science. Only a Soldier who was taught how to do it from day one probably really understands the logic behind them.

"We do 'roll call' in roster number order by squad, then we shuffle the deck so we are in order of height just prior to the march. The formation snakes around in such a fashion as to always be oriented the same way regardless of how many turns it takes to get there. It's like some kind of synchronized ant colony," Nelson wrote.

"Fortunately I have been able to pick up many of the tricks so as not to be the dork ant who isn't receiving the telepathy signals from the queen ant. I'm sad to say I actually have to concentrate while walking. I quit doing that when I was in elementary school," he added.

Some of the instructors referred to Nelson as "Old Man" or "Grandpa" when he was slow to get on his feet during training, he said.

"They seemed pleased that I made it and held my own," Nelson said.

As for other civilians who may consider earning their wings, Nelson said, "I would prefer other civilians not pursue Airborne School if their only reason to do it is for the experience or as a 'greening' opportunity. It should be reserved for mission-related civilian jobs in order not to demean the specialness of it," he said.



Charles L. Butler

David Nelson stands ready to make a jump. Nelson is only the fourth civilian in the last decade to earn wings.

Long range surveillance Soldiers travel to Korea

Rangers teach recon skills in 33-day course

Capt. Anthony Turpin
4th Ranger Training Battalion

D Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, recently conducted the first Mobile Training Team mission in support of the 2nd Infantry Division at Camp Hovey, Korea.

The team, made up of 18 Long Range Surveillance Leaders Course instructors, trained and advised 37 students from the 2nd Infantry Division Long Range Surveillance Detachment, 1st Bn., 503rd Infantry Regiment, 1st Bn., 506th Inf. Regt., 1st Bn., 9th Inf. Regt., and Joint Security Area.

The 33-day course curriculum included an Army physical fitness test, combat water survival test, and instruction and testing in land navigation, high frequency and tactical satellite communications, vehicle and equipment identification, intelligence, operational techniques, tactics.

The also received instructions on procedures, and planning area operations.

The MTT culminated in a seven-day graded field training exercise, which included helicopter insertions, movement, surveillance, reconnaissance, helicopter extractions, and debriefings.

A key player in the success of the MTT and the LRSLC Instructor of the Cycle was Sgt. 1st Class Joseph Hughes.

He led all advanced party preparation and coordination, worked directly with the division intelligence officer in developing mission planning folders, and was the primary instructor for several blocks of training.

Hughes planned and executed the planning exercise, situational training exercise, and field training exercise.

The 2nd Inf. Div. commanding general and former Fort Benning deputy commanding general, Maj. Gen. Russel L. Honore, was the guest speaker at the graduation ceremony for 26 MTT students. In his address, he made it clear why the MTT was critical to the LRS mission in Korea.

"Graduating from this course reaffirms your commitment to warfighting and your warfighting skills. You will be able to pass the lessons you've learned on to other Soldiers for the rest of the time you're in the Army ... and because of your skills, we will be more effective and less of our people will be killed or injured on the battlefield because of the goodness of what you bring to the fight," Honore said. "You will be the silent hand of victory in this division."

Honore presented awards for the highest APFT score on the extended scale, achieved by Staff Sgt. Martin Angulo, and for the highest combined written and practical exercise score in land navigation, achieved by Staff Sgt. James Salyers.

Salyers was also selected the honor graduate for achieving the highest overall academic average and success in graded positions during the FTX. Both Soldiers were from LRSD, 2nd Inf. Div.

"If it had not been for the RTB in allowing Delta Company to come here and conduct this training, we would not have had this great opportunity," said Maj. Jay Dainty, the executive officer of 2nd Brigade, 2nd Inf Div. "It was the best training that LRS has had in a year."

Dainty, along with Col. William Odom, 2nd Brigade commander, are already working on next year's MTT.

Other LRSLC training missions this quarter included deployments to the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, La., in support of the Joint Contingency Force Advanced Warfighter Experiment and to Kosovo in support of E Co., 51st Infantry and Task Force Falcon during peacekeeping operations in the Multinational Brigade East sector.

Future training missions include a train-the-trainer MTT for the 173rd Airborne Brigade in Vicenza, Italy.

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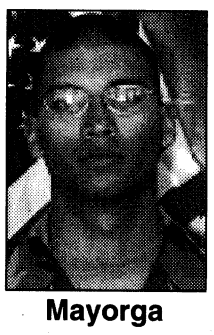

Mayorga

Pfc. Ramiro Mayorga
Miami, Fla.
D Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? The fact that this country has the best concept to live upon: freedom.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen for the effort that I displayed throughout the cycle.
What are your future goals? I want to join the Special Forces as a combat medic.



Johnson

Staff Sgt. Darryl Johnson
Augusta, Ga.
D Co., 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I use a combination of styles. Soldiers come from different walks of life, no two are the same.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from being a drill sergeant by seeing the finished product: seeing a kid transformed into a Soldier.
What are your future goals? I plan on getting a college degree, retiring and starting my own business as a real-estate investor.

Overseas vehicles need certificate of title

Army News Service

Soldiers and civilian employees who want to ship their vehicles overseas must now bring to the port a certificate of title.

If the vehicle is leased or has a lien, customers must also present a lien-release letter, according to Military Traffic Management Command officials.

Vehicle registration cards will no longer be sufficient when privately-owned vehicles are brought to the port or Vehicle Processing Center, MTMC officials said.

The documentation requirements are being enforced at VPCs in order to comply with U.S. Customs Service regulations and the Anti-Car Theft Act of 1992.

The new MTMC policy became effective Oct. 1. Personnel shipping vehicles overseas must now present an original certificate of title or a certified copy of the title. MTMC will no longer ship POVs to locations outside the continental U.S. without the title and, if applicable, a lienholder release letter.

The lienholder's release letter must be on the third party's letterhead paper, and contain a complete description of the vehicle, and the lienholder's telephone number.

The shipper must also present a certified copy of the title.

Vehicle Processing Centers have been instructed to hold POVs for no more than 30 days while the Soldier or civilian employee secures the release from the lienholder.

These holding procedures will remain in effect until Dec. 31. Thereafter, Vehicle Processing Centers will reject all POVs without the required letter of authorization from the lien-holder.

Service members will be responsible for disposition instructions and transportation charges associated with the return of POVs not authorized for shipment. Soldiers who are not able to obtain a lien-holder release letter are advised to contact their base legal office for assistance.

Shippers are encouraged to review the instructions in the MTMC pamphlet, "Shipping Your POV," which is available at personal property shipping offices or on the Web at http://144.101.37.133/property/gpov/POVnotice.htm.

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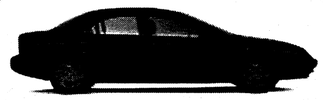

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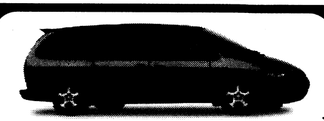

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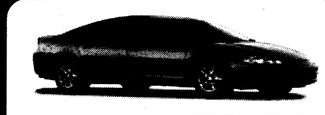

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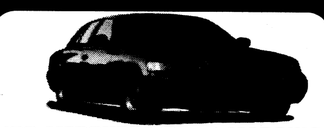

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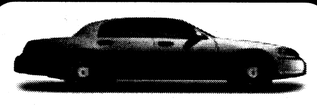

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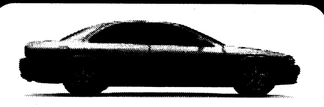

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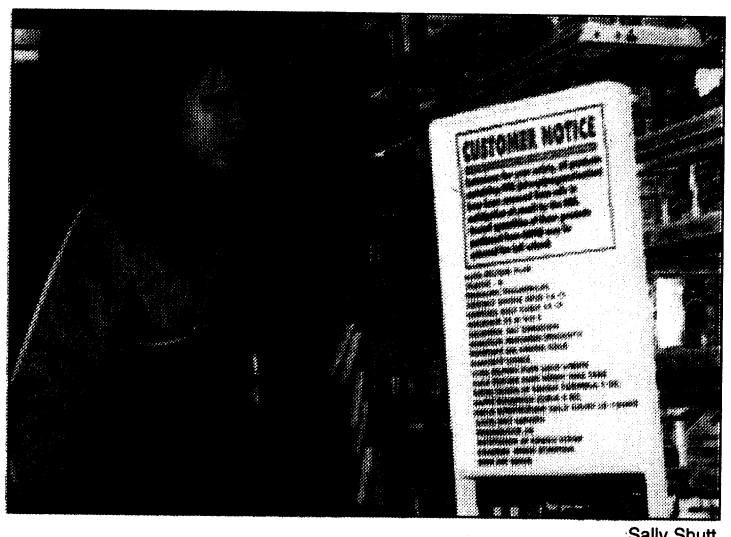

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Peggy Horen reads notice regarding refund.

AAFES, MACH, commissary remove medicine with PPA

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The flu season is here, but cold and cough sufferers may find some of their favorite decongestants have been removed from store shelves.

The Food and Drug Administration issued a health alert Nov. 6 on the risk of hemorrhagic stroke associated with the use of products containing phenylpropanolamine, better known as PPA, an ingredient used in many over-the-counter and prescription cough and cold medicines to relieve stuffy nose or sinus congestion. It is also used in some weight-control products to reduce appetite.

The FDA warning stated that "although the risk of hemorrhagic stroke is very low, even with phenylpropanolamine use, the conditions for which these products are used do not appear to warrant an increased risk of this serious event from using the drug."

Consumers are encouraged to read the labels on products they may be using and to stop taking those containing PPA. They may consult their pharmacists or health care providers for alternative over-the-counter and prescription products.

The move is the result of a study conducted by scientists at Yale University School of Medicine that found a link between PPA and bleeding into the brain. The study showed the risk of stroke was found primarily in women; but, men may also be at risk, the FDA reported.

Both AAFES and the Defense Commissary Agency have removed the over-the-counter products from their store shelves.

Signs are posted in the commissary and Main Mall Post Exchange informing shoppers they may return any unused products containing PPA for a full refund.

Two days after the warning was issued, the DeCA announced that it was removing

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Post to light tree Dec. 12

Holiday tradition continues

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Holiday lights will glow at Fort Benning and Santa Claus will make a special appearance to hear the Christmas wishes of post children Dec. 12.

The annual holiday Christmas tree lighting ceremony is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m., at the Field of Four Chaplains. This tradition has been going on for more than 20 years.

"All members of the community are invited to join in as we formally kick off the holiday season," said garrison chaplain Lt. Col. Daniel Taylor.

The event will pay tribute to both Christian and Jewish faiths. A large menorah will also be lit to celebrate the eight days of Hanukkah. A large-scale nativity scene will be another featured attraction at the field.

Taylor said events like this are good for the entire post.

"These are common traditions and I think it draws the community together," he said.

The Infantry band will play holiday tunes at the beginning of the event to set the mood.

Taylor said the ceremony is about more than just celebrating the season of holiday festivity.

"It reminds us through these different displays that these are more than just holidays, they're also holy days," Taylor said.

Garrison Commander Col. Jose Torres will perform the official lighting with the help of a child from the audience.

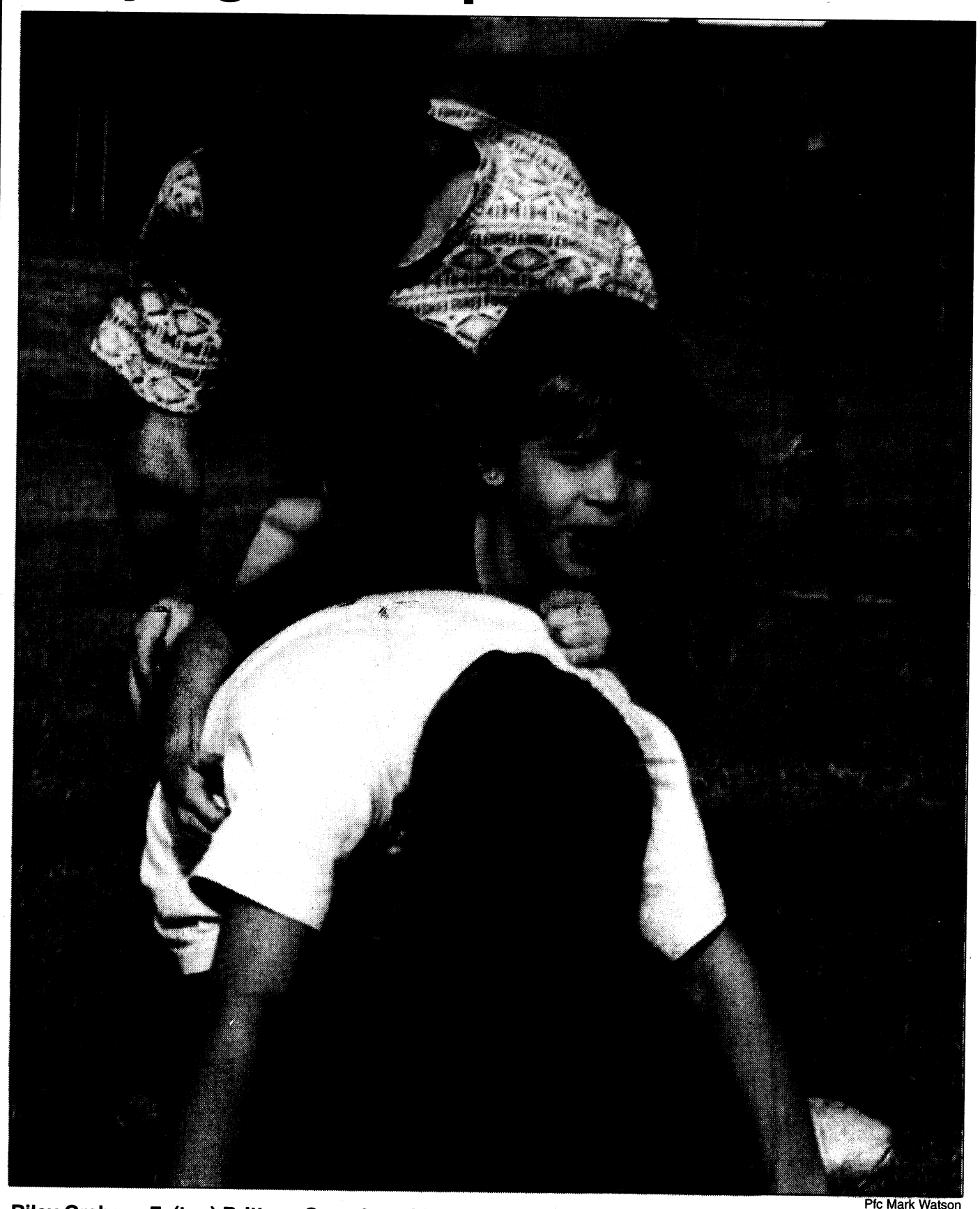
Instead of his usual reindeer-drawn sleigh, Santa will arrive in a Fort Benning fire truck. Santa and his helpers will greet children in a makeshift "Santa's workshop."

Organizers are asking the community to donate snacks for the children to have when they meet with Santa

"We're expecting a lot of kids and would appreciate any donations of cookies or candy," said Sgt. Dorothy Bessmoore, Infantry Center Chapel NCOIC, A Company, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment. Donations will be accepted until Dec. 11. For more information, call 545-2050.

The Field of Four Chaplains is adjacent to the Infantry Center Chapel, Building 101, on the corner of Lauber and Sigerfoos Streets.

Playing in the park



Pfc Mark Watson

Riley Graham, 7, (top) Brittnee Gray, 6, and Kyle Gray, 7, play at their neighborhood playground after school Tuesday.

Tricare gives advice on bills

Staff Sgt. Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — There are several steps Tricare beneficiaries can take to avoid getting in hot water over unpaid medical bills, military health care officials said.

Tricare officials have learned several lessons since implementing the Debt Collection Assistance Officer program, July 26. The program is designed to help beneficiaries deal with unpaid medical bills that have been sent to a collection agent or a credit bureau.

The beneficiary should first make sure information on the Tricare explanation of benefits notification is correct.

"It's easy for mistakes to occur when people are coding in numbers and letters," said Marcia Bonifas, Tricare Management Activity's director of customer service and beneficiary education. "If a social security number or procedure code is one number off, it can result in a claim denial.

"This can be resolved much more quickly if the beneficiary notices the problem and immediately calls the claims processor," she said.

Beneficiaries should also make better use of beneficiary counseling and assistance coordinators at each military medical treatment facility.

"When beneficiaries receive a dunning notice, a notice that the bill has not yet gone to a collection agency but it will if not paid within 30 days, the coordinators will take that on and work with the claims processor to get it paid," Bonifas said.

This advice also applies to any bill beneficiaries don't understand.

"If you get a bill and you're not sure what it is, get it in to your Tricare Service Center and get them engaged early," Air Force Col. Frank Cumberland, the agency's director of communications, said. "Individuals should identify problems as early as they sense them. We want to solve problems as early in the process as possible."

Since the program began, Bonifas noted, beneficiaries have made good use of the Internet to get correct information about the debt collection program.

"They see it on the front page (of the Tricare home page) and know exactly where they need

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Benning receives $200,000 award

Post earns eighth straight recognition

Spc. William A. Graves
Bayonet staff

Fort Benning's Directorate of Resource Management needs your help.

In 2000, the post took home the Chief of Staff, Army, Army Communities of Excellence (ACOE) award for the eighth consecutive year.

"The award translates into $200,000 that we can spend on quality of life improvements for Soldiers and their families," said Bobby King, director, Resource Management.

The money can go a long way, he said.

Last year, some of the funded projects included:

- Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program dayroom and promotional items.
- Youth Services sports uniforms, balls, field preparation equipment and field items.
- Post family playground equipment, picnic tables and swing sets.
- Post community exercise and library equipment, and audio equipment for Santiago Gym.
- Chapel and Youth Ministry Team improvements such as carpet for Sightseeing Road Chapel and an interior upgrade at Soldiers Chapel.

The DRM is taking suggestions for projects on which it will spend the money this year, King said. The command group, commanders and directors, will make the final selection from the suggested projects. Anyone with suggestions can send them to the DRM office, Infantry Hall, Room 547, attention: Pat Porter, management analyst. The deadline is Jan. 31.

"We want everyone to consider sending in a suggestion so that we'll maximize the opportunity to improve living and working conditions on Fort Benning," King said.

Fort Benning won the ACOE award because it received high scores on implementation of the Army Performance Improvement Criteria (APIC), said Sara Hodges, chief, Quality Management Division. In January, Department of the Army examiners also did an on-site evaluation to verify and clarify the facts about the post.

"The bottom line on why we won the award is the excellent teamwork and desire to improve — that is very evident at Fort Benning," Hodges said.

"We have to keep improving every year," King said. "More and more installations are getting involved because they see what the money can do for them."

As a result, it is more difficult to win the award because of the increased competition, he said.

In 1999, Fort Benning took home $500,000 for winning the Commander in Chief Award for Best Army Installation and was not eligible to win that award in 2000 because posts cannot win in back-to-back years.

"Our goal for the future is to continue to improve by using the APIC criteria as a management tool," Hodges said.

gardening tips

ennifer White
ayonet correspondent

Though it may seem premature to be thinking about your pring garden, now is the time o plan for an early blooming. pring blooming bulbs are a reat way to have early color in he garden.

To have that beautiful spring arden, bulbs must be planted in he fall.



During the early spring when temperatures are still dipping low in the evenings, and other plants are waiting for warmer soil temperatures, bulbs will be popping up with wonderful color displays.

The term bulb is used to refer to true bulbs and all other bulb-like structures. In Georgia, spring blooming bulbs can be planted from October through late December.

There are many varieties of spring blooming bulbs to consider. One excellent feature of bulbs is their compact growing forms.

So a gardener doesn't have to chose just a few varieties. Many different choices can be used in a small garden space.

Among the most popular here in Georgia, as well as everywhere else in the world, are tulips.

Having been overseas, many military families have been given the opportunity to see the tulips in Holland.

Don't be surprised if none of the gardens here rival those. Tulips are best used in closely planted masses and planted in color schemes.

Some of the other bulbs with great showiness are narcissus, crocus, muscari, and the ever fragrant hyacinth.

All of these bulbs do well here at Fort Benning.

A good bulb mixture would contain any or all of these varieties.

Bulbs are inexpensive and are available at most nurseries. The County Extension office has a bulletin, #918, *Flowering Bulbs for Georgia Gardens*, for interested gardeners.

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births

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Colin Royal Rushton — born Nov. 12 to Emily and 2nd Lt. Terry Rushton.

Jacob Arthur Woessner — born Nov. 13 to Victoria and Capt. Derek Woessner.

Daunte Marquis Gardner — born Nov. 16 to Blenda and Sgt. Donnie Gardner.

Evan Curtis Hensel — born Nov. 16 to Jennifer and Cpl. Harold Hensel.

Girls

Harleigh Mikel Mize — born Oct. 18 to Shanna and Spc. Clifford Mize.

Celeste Josephine Balderas — born Nov. 10 to Ruth and Pvt. Carlos Balderas.

Alaina Ray Carroll — born Nov. 13 to Amanda and 1st Lt. Jeffrey Carroll.

Alexandra Elizabeth Shirley — born Nov. 13 to Michelle and Sgt. Wesley Shirley.

Hailey Elizabeth Johnson — born Nov. 13 to Joy and Sgt. Milton Johnson.

Katie Elizabeth Smith — born Nov. 14 to Marcy and Capt. Kenneth Smith.

Noelle Angelina Villegas — born Nov. 16 to Spc. Heather and John Villegas.

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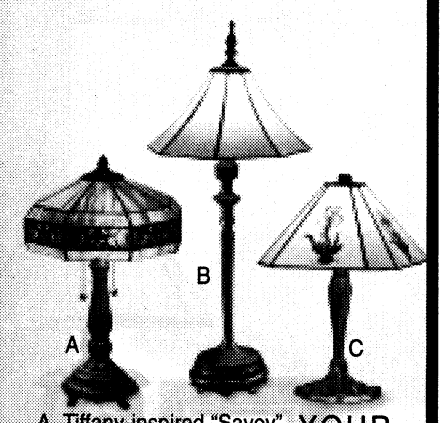

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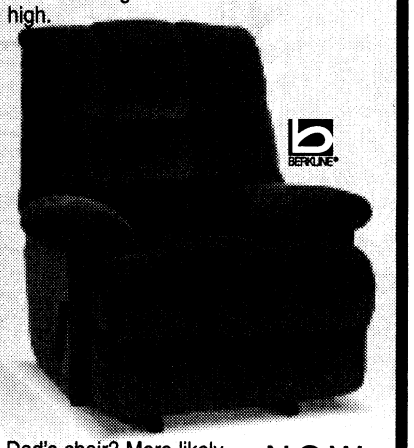

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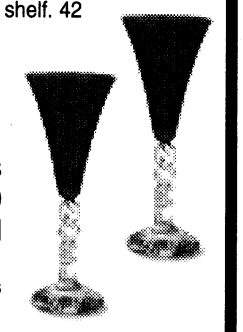

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Know charity before donating, official says

Question anyone soliciting on behalf of veterans' groups

Georgia Department of Veterans Affairs

ATLANTA — Georgia Commissioner of Veteran's Affairs, Pete Wheeler, is encouraging all state residents to question anyone soliciting money on behalf of veterans' groups during the holiday season.

"We get many telephone calls this time of year asking us to help the needy and downtrodden.

Some of these requests say they are trying to assist veterans.

Most of these requests come from reputable organizations, but not all," Wheeler said.

The commissioner encourages all people to ask for written information from the charity before making a contribution.

The information should provide the exact name of the organization, the organization's purpose, how the group intends to meet its goals and how much of each dollar will be used for true charitable purposes.

The National Charities Information Bureau recommends that a minimum of 60 cents of each dollar go toward the charitable purpose.

Wheeler said a red flag should go up if the caller attempts to high-pressure you and emphasizes emotional content rather than substance.

"If the caller says there is no time, it is too costly or they will provide the written material after you make a donation, you would be wise to terminate the conversation," Wheeler said.

It's recommended that you never give your credit card number to a stranger.

Also, don't respond to letters saying you have pledged money unless you are 100 percent certain you did. Checks should be made payable only to the full name of the charity.

"Individuals can contact the Secretary of State's Charitable Solicitations Office to determine if the organization is registered with the state," Wheeler said.

Organizations that collect more than $25,000 in the state must be registered with that office.

The Charitable Solicitations Office can also provide information from the organization's financial statement, if the group is registered with the state. The number to call is (404) 656-4910.

"A state agency cannot make recommendations regarding any charitable organization," he said.

"It's the individual's responsibility to decide whether an organization deserves his or her money and support."

ask the judge

Capt. Aimee Hobby

Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: My wife and I are currently going through a divorce. I would like to know if this is going to affect my taxes. Can you help me?

A: There are three main areas of concern for divorcing taxpayers: alimony, child support and division of property.

Before signing any agreement both taxpayers should understand the tax consequences of the divorce settlement.

Alimony payments are deducted from the taxable income of the person making the payments (the payer) and are included in the income of the person receiving the payments (the recipient). Alimony payments made to a spouse before there is separation or divorce agreement are not deductible as alimony.

Payments made pursuant to a divorce or separation agreement will be deductible as alimony if each of the following requirements are met:

• The payer and the recipient do not file a joint income tax return;

• The payments are made according to the terms of a divorce or separation agreement which requires alimony or spousal support;

• The payments are made in cash, check or money order;

• The payments will terminate on the death of the recipient;

• The payer and the recipient live in separate households when payments are made;

• The payer and the recipient do not make an election to avoid treating the payments as alimony.

Child support payments are not deducted from the taxable income of the payer included as income to the recipient. To be considered as child support, the agreement must:

• Specifically designate an amount as child support;

• Provide for a reduction in the amount of a spousal support payment on the happening of an event or contingency relating to a child, e.g., the reaching of a certain age by the child, or upon his marriage; or

• Provide for a reduction in spousal support payments either within six months before or after a child reaches 18, 21 or other age of adulthood under state law.

Finally, if you transfer property to your spouse incident to a divorce, you do not recognize gain or loss on that transfer.

This is true whether or not you receive property in exchange for the transfer. In addition, it does not matter whether the transfer happens before or after the divorce, if any post-divorce transfers are "incident to the divorce."

A transfer is incident to the divorce under the following circumstances:

• The transfer is made within one year after the marriage ends; or

• The transfer is related to the ending of the marriage. This means that the transfer is made pursuant to a divorce or separation agreement and occurs within six years after the marriage has ended. (The six-year period may be extended under certain circumstances.)

See IRS Publication 504, Tax Information for Divorced or Separated Individuals, for more information or call the Legal Assistance Division and make an appointment to meet with a Legal Assistance Attorney. The number is 545-3281 and we schedule appointments starting Friday morning at 8 a.m. for the following week.

AAFES: Heeds warning, pulls products from shelves

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the products containing PPA from the shelves of all 300 commissaries worldwide.

"Although the FDA notice is not a formal recall, DeCA leadership took the removal action to assure commissary customers they can have full confidence in the products they buy," Rick Brink of the DeCA Public Affairs Office said.

Martin Army Community Hospital's pharmacy took immediate action as well.

"All medications containing phenylpropanolamine have been pulled," said Lt. Col. Ned Schowalter, chief, Pharmacy Services.

The pharmacist programmed the hospital's computers to deny physicians access to the medications and informed them of the alternatives available to their patients.

"For example, normally doctors are very familiar with Dimetapp, but since we have lost that decongestant, they are prescribing Actifed as an alternative," he said.

Peggy Horen, a post exchange shopper, heard about the FDA warning on the television news.

Although she had used some of the products containing PPA in the past, she found numerous alternatives in the cold and flu section of the Main Exchange Tuesday.

The sign posted in the section listed 20 products containing PPA that have been removed from sale in the exchange.

Medications listed are:

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Comtrex Deep Chest 24 count
Dexatrim XS with Vitamin C
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Permathene-16
Robitussin CF Cough Syrup
Comtrex Multi Symptom
Sine Off Sinus

For more information, call the FDA at 1-888-463-6332, or visit the FDA Web site at www.fda.gov.

Tricare: Helps beneficiaries

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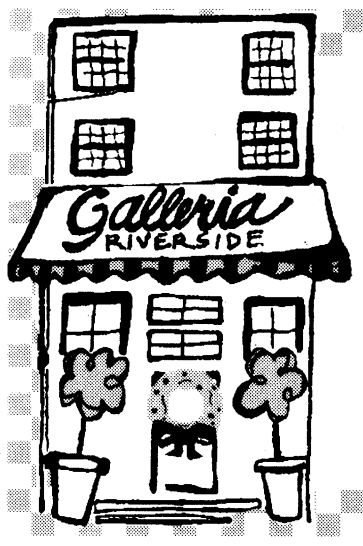
to go if they get some sort of notification or have a question," she said.

About 300 claims have been brought to the debt collection assistance officers, and officials say half of them have been resolved already.

"Our goal is to get each claim settled within 30 days of our finding out about it," Bonifas said.

For more information, visit the Tricare Management Activity Debt Collection Assistance Web site at http://www.tricare.osd.mil/dcao.

Have a suggestion that will improve the quality of life on post?
Send suggestions to:
Pat Porter, QMD at Infantry Hall, Room 547, or porterp@benning.army.mil



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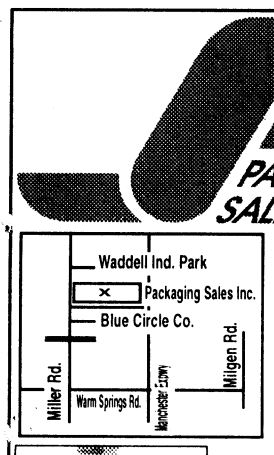

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Preparing for class

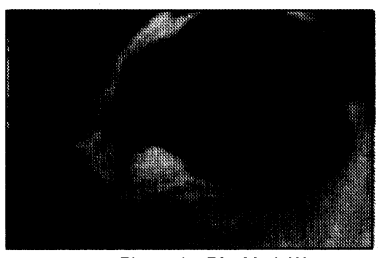


Courtesy photo

Tiara Mahoney (left), Kerrie Rajski-Bal, Loraine Solis and Libbie Kurinec prepare informational speeches for Kurinec's sixth-grade enriched language arts class at Faith Middle School. The students learned how to present an informational speech on a topic of their choice and prepare a three-dimensional, eye-catching visual to enhance the delivery of the presentation. Once the speeches and visuals were completed, each student presented the speech and visual to the entire class.

Pets of the Week





Photos by Pfc. Mark Watson

A 2-year-old female domestic shorthaired cat and a 2-year-old basset mix are available for adoption at the Fort Benning kennels. For more information, call 545-4826.

A Beowulf feast





Amber Hanson serves Brittany Wills at the medieval feast.

Courtesy photos

King Hrothgar (Ross Hill, left) and Queen Wealtheow (Jessica Parmigian, middle) reigned supreme at Faith Middle School's early medieval feast honoring Beowulf after he killed the monster Grendel. Seventh-grade enriched literature students read *Beowulf*, and students served "authentic" medieval dishes to recreate the times in which the epic poem was set. Devon Stevens is also pictured.



Megan McCarty (left) and Megan Sando sample food during the feast.







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Advent season is one of preparation

Chaplain (Capt.) Mickey D. Jett
29th Infantry Regiment

reflections

"An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.'" (Luke 2:9-12)

Advent has the meaning of "coming," i.e. of Christ, Messiah or the "Anointed One." The church believes this has occurred in Jesus Christ. We believe he comes to turn wrong into right, bring healing to the heart and body and eventually take us to his and our eternal dwelling place.

The Advent season is one of preparation. The church begins refocusing on Christ's first coming and also his second coming, which will one day occur. Much like an Army prepares for deployment, the church is prepared for departure. Advent is part of our training for this future event.

I would like to leave three thoughts with you concerning advent.

First, we have good news, then there is great joy and finally we have grace.

The good news the angel proclaimed was about a little baby born to be a savior. Savior means someone who rescues, delivers and gives victory. This is exactly what the church believes that Jesus Christ did on the cross at Calvary. Paul said, "I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." (1 Corinthians 15:1-4) These words are good news, because we are told we have a savior who saves our soul.

Secondly, the text above said we have great joy. We have joy because no matter what happens in this life, we have someone who can right every wrong, make every crooked path straight and give us hope for the future.

The Gospels record many notes of joy in connection with Christ. The book of Acts has many stories of joy being part of the Christian's life.

Notice Luke's words, "The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God — he and his whole family." (Acts 16:34)

The Apostle Paul's Letters are filled with the mood of rejoicing.

Rejoicing centers itself in the churches teaching that Christ will come again. Paul also stressed the paradox that this joy can be experienced in the midst of temporal afflictions. So if you have hope for the future, you can have joy in the present. Paul's Letter to the Philippians, written under circumstances of severe apostolic suffering, is an example of this excitement.

Finally, in Advent, we have grace (unmerited favor). The religion of the Bible is "a religion of grace or it is nothing ... no grace, no gospel." (Moffatt) Grace is so important to the Christian faith that without it there is not a Christian faith. All we can bring to the table of our salvation is the response of faith.

And even still, that may also be a gift. We have a savior though we do not deserve one.

We are saved from the debt of sin though we cannot earn it. God paid our debt of sin through his son. All we must do to receive this gospel, this joy and this grace is hold out our spiritual hands and receive it. May God's good news, joy and grace be yours during this holy season.

chapel notes

Iftar dinner — Fort Benning Muslims will host their Iftar dinner at 5 p.m. Saturday. An Iftar meal is one which breaks the fast that is observed during Ramadan. The Iftar will be in the Sand Hill Recreation Center and Muslim Soldiers, civilians and their families are invited. For more information, call the Fort Benning Muslim lay leader, Sgt. Ahmad Abdur-Rashid, at 544-9601.

Carols by Candlelight — The Infantry Center Chapel will present the second annual Carols by Candlelight Program at 6 p.m. Sunday. This will be a service of Advent and Christmas music and Scripture.

In addition to The Infantry Center Chapel Choir, the program will feature choirs from the Sightseeing Road Chapel Gospel Congregation, the Main Post Catholic Spanish Congregation, Club Beyond, Protestant Women of the Chapel and vocal and instrument soloists. The program will conclude with all attendees who previously have sung in choirs performing the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah, being invited to come to the front of the chapel to sing it with the choirs.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Advent Wreath — The Main Post Catholic Chapel will sponsor an Advent Wreath Fellowship Saturday at 6 p.m. in The Infantry Center Chapel Annex.

Marriage is more than two people

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Family Life Ministries Center

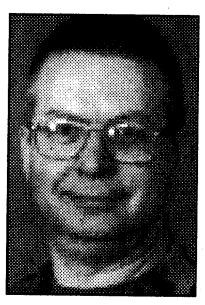
When a couple marries, they marry more than just each other. They also marry into each other's family, social network, faith and culture.

Without the blessing of their parents on their union, couples may anger and alienate their mother and father, as well as their in-laws, and may risk the support of their brothers and sisters.

Some people who marry want to maintain their single lifestyle. They want to party with their single friends as if they were not even married.

One of the early tasks of marriage is transforming from single friends to forming friendships with other married couples.

Different religious backgrounds may create disharmony in marriage.



One person may be agnostic or atheistic, and the other may be theistic. One spouse may be Jewish, Islamic or Buddhist and the other may be Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox or Protestant. One mate may be from a formal and liturgical background; whereas the other may be from and informal and free style of worship.

Sadly, some couples conclude that because their mate is from a different religious tradition than their own, each will worship separately at their own place of worship. In other families, one will go to worship and the other will stay home. Some stop going to worship altogether, saying that when the kids are old enough, the children can decide for themselves. By then, the teenagers have no religious affiliation, they have assumed the culture of the world, and they have no desire for spiritual things.

Worship is for the entire family.

The mate who takes the children to worship while the other stays at home really desires the family to worship together.

Without our spouse or family, worship can be very lonely.

In addition, an individual who marries a person from a different ethnic or cultural background may discover that the source for many of their arguments is based on cultural differences and on the dissimilar role expectations that they have for each other.

Are differences causing problems in your marriage? Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101 Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

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9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
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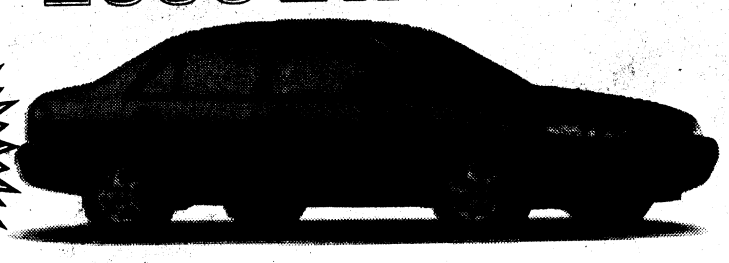

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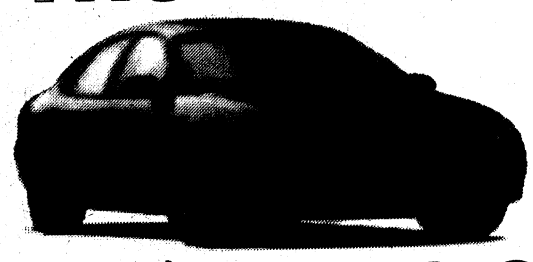

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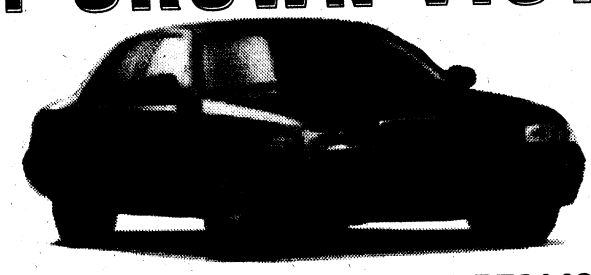

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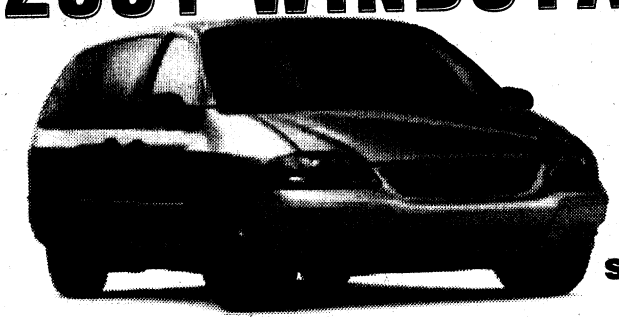

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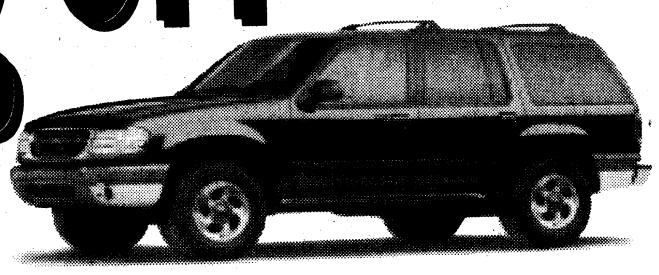

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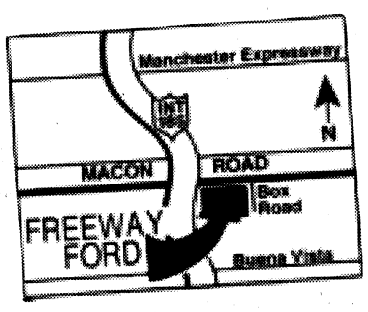

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SPORTS

Sappers battle for top turkey title

Football game improves morale, spirit

Spc. William A. Graves
Bayonet staff

"On the fields of friendly strife are sown the seeds where on other fields on other days will bear the fruits of victory," said Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Maj. Jamie Gayton, 317th Engineer Battalion executive officer, used the famous quote to kick off the battalion's first Turkey Bowl Nov. 22 at Essebagger Field.

The flag football event pitted officers versus NCOs in the first game, which the NCOs won 21 to 6.

The winners received a turkey trophy later in the day from Lt. Col. Steve Hill, battalion commander.

Soldiers, E-5 (not in a squad leader position) and below, played for the junior-enlisted turkey trophy representing each of their companies.

In these games, A Company edged out B Co. 21 to 20, and C Co. outlasted Headquarters and Headquarters Co. 12 to 6, setting the stage for the finals between C Co. and A Co. C Co. beat A Co. 6 to 0 in the Soldiers' championship game to take home the turkey.

Sgt. 1st Class Warren Jackson, B Co., was named the most valuable player for his outstanding running back duties.

He ran for over one-hundred yards and for one touchdown.

"I thought from the beginning I would have a good game, but I didn't think I would get so many yards," Jackson said.

"The officers didn't have a chance."

"Today's athletic competition was to build solid teams and promote esprit de corps," Gayton said.

"Our battalion commander was the driving force for this event," he said.

"Despite our busy schedule, he realized the importance of the Turkey Bowl and made sure that it was a priority event."

The event was similar to a family orientation day, said Capt. Thomas D. Asbery, B Co. commander.

A disc jockey played music as the teams played, and B Co. had a food stand fundraiser.

Soldiers also played pick up games while waiting for their official games.

"It was a fun event for the Soldiers and their families," Asbery said.

"Today was a reward for not just the winners, but for everyone.

We have worked hard, and this was a good way to relax and enjoy the start of the holidays."

He said he felt the battalion met its intent of building esprit de corps, teamwork and cohesion.

"It really lifted morale," said Cpl. Julius C. Howard, team leader, B Company.

"It was a much needed break from our ordinary schedule. Everyone was motivated and excited."

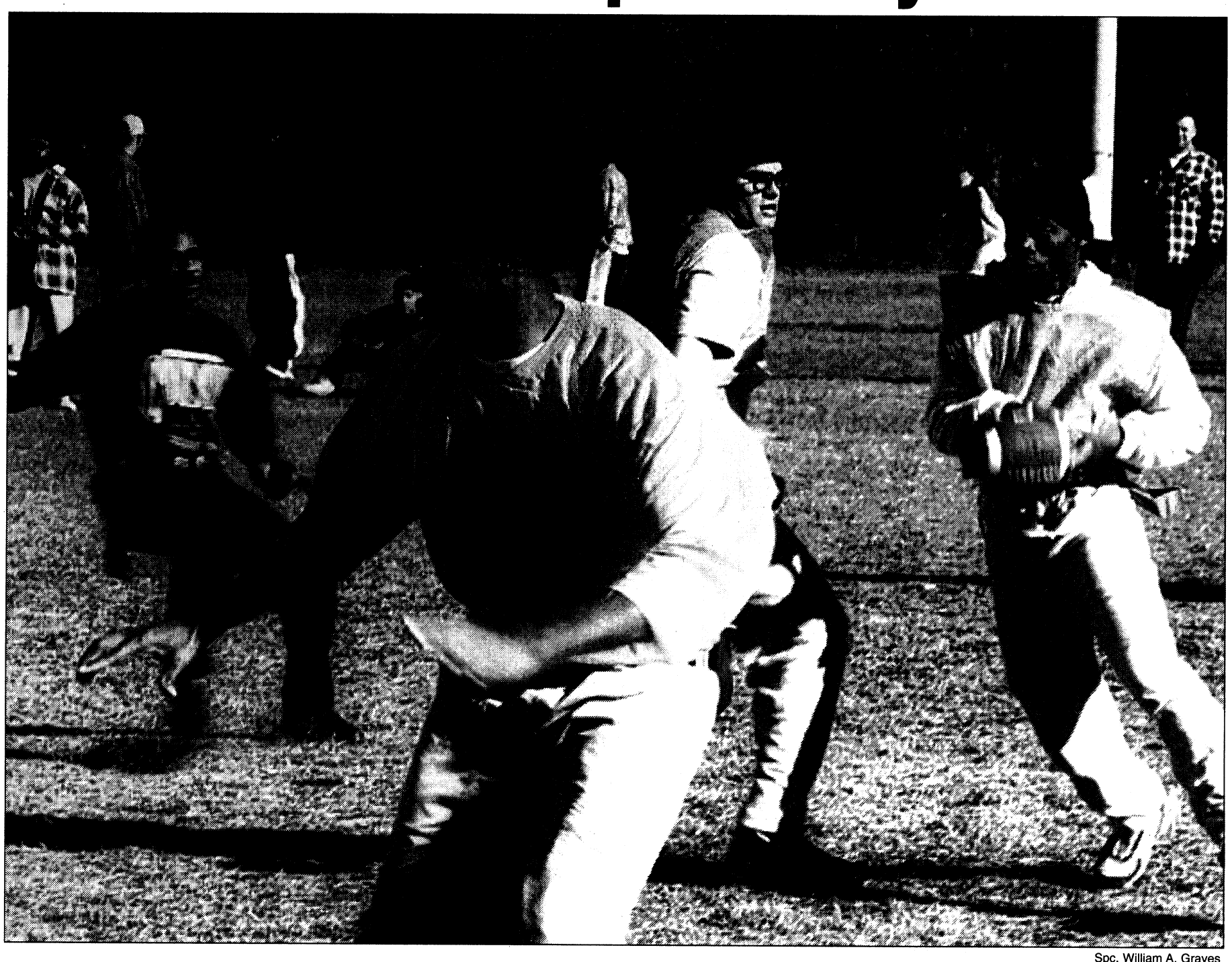
He said the event would help energize his Soldiers and encourage them to come back to work ready to accomplish their missions.

Howard said the unit emphasized to Soldiers the importance of having fun, but also reminded them that safety was paramount.

Consequently, there were no injuries.

"The teamwork built as a result of Turkey Bowl I helped build the foundation that will allow the battalion to win in combat," Gayton said.

"Witnessing the athletic competition in the 317th Engineer Battalion today would have made Gen. Douglas MacArthur proud," he said.



Spc. William A. Graves

James Hill, C Company, accepts the handoff from Ben Alter while David Buckhanner, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, blocks defenders and Warren Burrell, a C Company defensive man, moves in to pull a flag during the Turkey Bowl Nov. 22.

Marksmanship Unit shooters score major victories

Paula Randall Pagan
USAMU Public Affairs Office

Shooters of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit have scored some major victories recently. The following results are some of their accomplishments:

• World Cup Final, Munich, Germany, Nov. 16-18 — USAMU international rifle shooter Olympian Maj. Michael E. Anti got the Silver Medal in the Three-Position Free Rifle Match.

• Area 2 Championships, Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 9-13 — Action shooter Pfc. Max Michel finished third overall out of 367 competitors and Pvt. Frank Cruz was fifth; Sgt. Julie A. Goloski took second place in the Women's Division.

In the shoot off, Michel won the Men's Division and Goloski was the female winner.

• Shotgun Fall Selection Match, Colorado Springs, Colo., Nov. 1-10 — Olympic Bronze Medalist Sgt. 1st Class Todd Graves won the Skeet Championship and Sgt. 1st Class Shawn C. Dulohery took third place.

The USAMU team of Graves, Dulohery and Sgt. Anthony D. Naatjes won the Three Person Skeet Team Match; Graves and Naatjes won the Two Person Skeet Team Match, followed by the USAMU Team of Dulohery and Staff Sgt. Joseph D. Buffa in second place. Sgt. 1st Class Theresa E. DeWitt finished third in the Women's Double Trap Match and Sgt. David R. Alcoriza, who was tied for third place, took fourth place after the shoot-off in the Men's Double Trap Match.

The USAMU team of Alcoriza and Spc. William H. Keever got second place in the Two Person Men's Double Trap Team Match, and Alcoriza, Keever and Spc. Richard R. Hadden took second place in the Three Person Men's Double Trap Match; the team of DeWitt and Sgt. Joetta R. Dement was third in the Two Person Women's Double Trap Team Match.

The USAMU Team of Dulohery and Sgt. 1st Class Bret E. Erickson won the Two Person Men's Trap Team Match and DeWitt and Dement took third place in the Women's Team Match. Erickson, Alcoriza and Sgt. Matthew T. DePuydt won the Three Person Men's Trap Team Match, in which the team of Dulohery, Hadden and Keever got third place.

• Odea Invitational, Dillon, Mont., Oct. 8-13 — Running target shooter Sgt. Armando R. Ayala won the Gold Medal in the 10-Meter 30 + 30 Match.

Rut's end forces hunters to differ their hunting strategies

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Bayonet correspondent

For many deer hunters after the rut is a dismal time, but it doesn't have to be. I used to feel the same way until five years ago.

My season hadn't been as successful as in years past and the tags were still not yet filled. I needed three more deer to complete my mission.

It was almost the end of November drifting toward December and really cold for Georgia. So I dug out the books and talked to some old timers, and made some significant discoveries. I started by rescouting my areas; the scrapes had long been forgotten and the deer just weren't exposing themselves. For three days I rescouted the area and found the deer were now in the thickest cover around. The bucks and does had already separated after a successful mating season, and were feeding in bottoms and on saplings in no set pattern. The bucks, it seemed, were back in their bachelor groups roaming the land.



Hughes

During my scouting escapades I heard some strange noises that sounded like a woodpecker tapping a tree. Come to find out after seeing one call, it was actually the whitetail buck. I call this particular vocalization the "long call." The long call is made by the buck at different times of the year and for different reasons. During prerut the yearlings call because they are lonesome and are looking for a buddy to hang out with. They sound like a lamb with a cadence of a woodpecker pecking and call for three to five seconds. The mature bucks use the long call during rut and prerut to let each other know where they are. Usually this call is made at first light and prior to sunset. To the untrained ear they sound similar to a woodpecker tapping on a hollow tree, but with a guttural tone. Their sound is also deeper than the yearling and five to seven seconds long. Later in the year the long call is used to herd the bucks and establish the pecking order for the summer bachelor groups.

By Dec. 5, I had a plan and a long weekend; it was also approximately 28 days past the rut and there was a possibility some does might still come in to heat. My gear included my hunter orange, 30-06, three calls (grunt, long call, doe bleat), rattling horns, backpack , rubber boots and scent free clothes. My plan was to cover a 2,000-acre area concentrating on the bottoms and thick areas. I would rattle and call as I stalked.

I was in position by first light, staying stationary and listening for the first hour. I heard several bucks call, which was exciting. The key, I found, was to rattle aggressively for two to five minutes using a combination of grunt and long calls. My rattling bouts were conducted every 200 meters, then I'd wait 15 minutes before moving. On my first bout I rattled up a six point and a spike. This at least got me motivated and let me know I was doing something right. I continued to do this until 10:30 a.m., when I took a break on a ridge with two thick bottoms on either side of me.

By now my knuckles were sore from rattling and I had gouged myself several times with the horns. I guess that's why the old timer told me to grind the points of the antlers. After my break, I took a knee preparing to continue.

I was almost ready to start moving when I heard a mature buck call not 200 yards away. I grabbed my call and answered his long call, "gllllll, gllllll."

He called back to me again, then I rattled loudly for 30 seconds, then stopped silently waiting. All of a sudden it sounded like a herd of elephants was coming through the woods. As they got closer I hunkered down behind a tree at the ready. Deer! A herd! The lead buck was huge, an enormous 14 point; he went from running full bore to a dead stop 30 meters from me. I immediately raised my rifle and looked through the scope. I saw his head, then moved to his shoulder, there was a tree three feet in diameter covering his vitals.

"No!" I moved the cross hairs to his rump. No shot! In a flash, he looked at me, snorted and was gone. I pulled my eye from the scope to see the most awesome sight I have ever seen. I was surrounded by at least 20 bucks, most of which were sporting 8 point racks.

I quickly drew a bead and dropped the biggest 8 point close to me; he dropped 10 meters away.

Even after I shot, the bucks continued to cluster around me as if unaware of their fallen comrade. Some were even close enough to touch! I sat there in amazement as they drifted past. They didn't even run, just walked away as if they knew I wouldn't shoot again. This particular group of deer thought I was a stray and were trying to get me back in the herd.

Since that day I have taken several bucks in a similar manner. Most of the time rattling or calling will roust one or two bucks. The old timers were right. It really does work. Be patient. Be careful and wear hunter orange. Try to act and think like the animal.

So don't give up because you don't see deer. Find the places deer bed, hide and eat.

Callaway Gardens offers Fantasy in Lights

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Callaway Garden's Fantasy in Lights is — in a word — delightful. Pardon the pun.

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Last Saturday, we took the kids for our first visit to Callaway Gardens. We arrived early, shortly before 5 p.m., so we could explore Callaway's Christmas Village before embarking on our fantastic journey.

The Christmas Village is a bit like an indoor festival, with live entertainment, hand-made treasures, souvenirs, gingerbread cookies, costumed characters and a kids' craft center. There's also a diner at the Village, the Fantasy Cafe, for those who prefer a sit-down meal. Call for restaurant reservations at 663-2281, extension 5274.

And yes, Virginia, there's even a Santa Claus — *the* Santa Claus, I might add. I really don't know how he finds time in his busy schedule to put in an appearance, but let me assure you, he didn't send one of his stand-ins this time. This is the real McCoy, so be sure to bring along a camera.

Afterward, we wandered outside for Callaway's orchestrated light shows — *The Nativity* and *The Night Before Christmas*.

Both narrated light and sound shows take place on the beach. They begin at 6 p.m. and alternate throughout the evening.

Then we joined the queue for a ride on the Jolly Trolley, an hour-long excursion into an awesome land of lights.

We visited places like Toyland, The Twelve Days of Christmas, Nature's Wonderland and Callaway's newest scene, The Enchanted Rainbow Forest, where pixies sprinkle their magic dust and transform a winter landscape into a springtime flower garden.

Over the river and through the woods, we wound our way through 18 animated light displays, all built and arranged to enhance, not interfere with their natural settings.

We oohed and awed over the most elaborate, musical light show I have ever seen. It rivals anything Disney's ever produced.

And in between scenes we joined our fellow travelers in rousing rounds of Christmas carols.

For just an hour, all the world was a stage, and we were smack-dab in the middle of it. It was fun, really take-you-back-to-your-childhood fun.

Though the weather was mild, riding in the open air trolley was a bit chilly. They provided lap blankets, but I recommend you layer your clothes and include gloves, hat and coat. It wouldn't be a winter wonderland if it weren't a bit nippy.

For those who just don't want to brave the elements, you have the option of driving through in your own vehicle.

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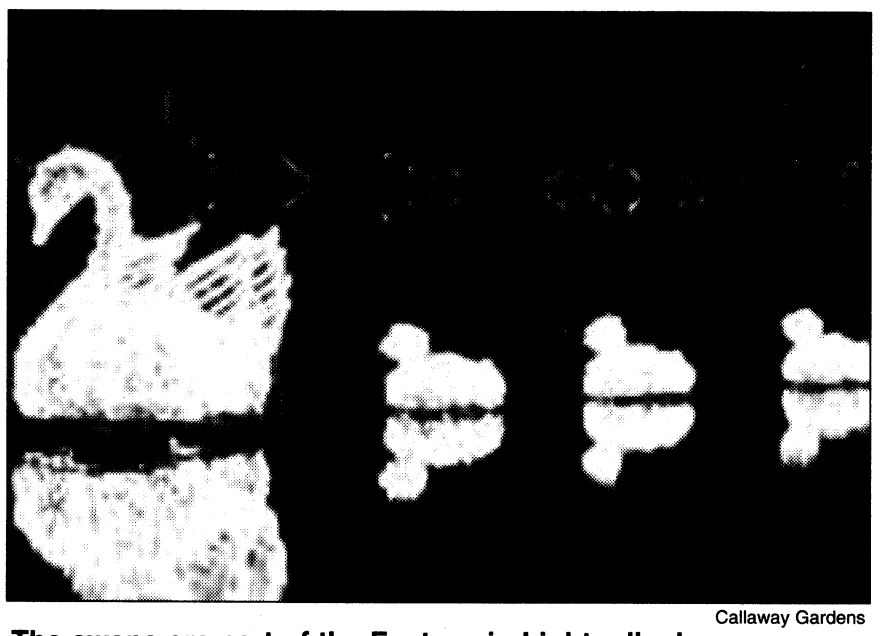

Callaway Gardens

The swans are part of the Fantasy in Lights display.

Regular ticket prices are $10 for adults and $5 for children ages 6-12, Monday through Thursday. Friday, Saturday and Sunday tickets are $12 for adults and $6 for children. Children 5 and under enter free.

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Department of Defense Armed Forces Sports Program

Soldiers may find something new and different in the Audie Murphy Fitness Center and Briant Wells Fitness Center during November and December — the addition of Nautica Latitude Longitude Daily Moisture Face Protector and After-Shave Comfort Gel product in the men's locker room. The promotion of Nautica Latitude Longitude is part of Unilever Cosmetics International, the parent company of Calvin Klein Cosmetics and Unilever Prestige, sponsorship of the 2001 Armed Forces Sports program. Through this agreement, UCI will help financially support Fort Benning post-level sports programs and armed forces athletes in their quest for gold in armed forces, national, and international championships.

"We are excited to be able to roll a promotion of this magnitude out throughout the Department of Defense," said Rob Hansgen, Armed Forces Sports Development and Marketing. "Our two main goals of this sponsorship agreement are to help local MWR sports programs purchase equipment, uniforms, etc, and also provide companies who do business in the military exchanges reach out in new marketing avenues to the military market."

Each year the Armed Forces Sports Office coordinates 12 armed forces championships in boxing, cross country, basketball, volleyball, triathlon, golf, softball, soccer, rugby, wrestling, bowling, and the marathon. The best athletes from these championships are chosen to represent the DoD and United States in national and international competitions.

"UCI is enthusiastic about its first sponsorship with the Armed Forces Sports," said Ann Swain, vice president of Regional Marketing at UCI, "The athletes and audience at the sports events are representative of our target market, and the sponsorship offers us new interactive marketing opportunities. We look forward to many more occasions to offer support to the military, for both the athletes and our loyal exchange customers who support the athletes."

For more information about Armed Forces Sports or this program log onto www.armedforcessports.com or call the Armed Forces Sports Office at (703) 681-7287. Sponsorship does not express or imply DoD endorsement.

sports briefs

Championship game — The undefeated 11- to 12-year-old Titans will face a combined Falcon and Jaguar team for the championship game of youth services football.

The game kicks off at 6 p.m. Saturday in Doughboy stadium and will mark the end of a hard fought season.

For more information, call 464-1301 or 687-2772.

Arena football tryouts — The Columbus arena football team is having tryouts Sunday in Memorial Stadium.

Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. and tryouts kick off at noon.

There is a fee of $40 pre-registration and $45 day of.

For more information, call Mike Sammond at 653-7789.

Army-Navy football — West Point graduates, former cadets and friends of West Point are invited to join the West Point Society of the Wiregrass to cheer on the Army Cadets as they face the Navy Midshipmen in the annual service academy showdown on the gridiron.

The event will be at the Fort Rucker NCO and enlisted men's Club Sports Bar beginning with the 11 a.m. kickoff.

For more information, call 255-4111 or 598-5586.

Winter baseball camp — Chattahoochee Valley Community College will host its Winter Baseball Camp from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dec. 16-17 for children ages 7 to 12.

Cost is $80 for preregistration (before Dec. 8) and $100 for late registration (after Dec. 8). Costs will include a T-shirt and hot dog and drinks.

The camp will cover: hitting, pitching, catching, infield, outfield and baserunning.

Special guest speaker will be Joe Georger, Detroit Tigers AA pitching coach and Scot Hemmings, owner of Hemmings School of Baseball and former San Diego Padre outfielder.

Baseballs, bats and helmets will be provided.

Campers will be responsible for their own gloves and cleats.

For camp information, call Coach Adam Thomas at 214-4880.

For camp registration, pick up a registration form at the business office of CVCC. Registration forms are to be returned to CVCC's business office.

If you are going to mail in forms and fees, mail to the following address: CVCC Baseball Camp, 2602 College Drive, Phenix City, AL 36869, Attn: Business Office.

YS accepts applications — Youth Service is now taking applications for winter basketball.

For more information about how to become a coach for any of the YS sporting activities, call Youth Services at 545-3070 or 545-3540 or stop by Youth Services, Building 1056.

AMU seeks shooters — The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit is looking for a few good shooters who are interested in competing in pistol competitions in the summer of 2001.

No previous shooting experience is required.

Soldiers in the rank of sergeant first class and below with less than 15 years service who obtain approval from their commanders can travel to Fort Benning in May at the expense of the Marksmanship Unit to participate in the initial training.

The Soldiers are trained in advanced marksmanship skills.

Once that is complete, pistol team officials will select shooters to participate in the Interservice Championships in June at Camp Robinson, Ark. and the National Matches in July in Camp Perry, Ohio.

Upon completion of the three-month tour, Soldiers return to their units.

Interested Soldiers can call Gibbs at 545-7022 or 545-3893 or DSN 835-7022 or e-mail Charles.Gibbs@usarec.army.mil

For more information, visit the unit's Web site at http://www.usarec.army.mil/bq/amu/www.usamu.com; click on shooting teams, select service pistol and click on recruitment information.

Club seeks powerlifters — Anyone interested in powerlifting or wanting to form a powerlifting club on post for the purpose of going to competitions, call Richard Wideman at 689-2481.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services.

Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and older, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

For more information, call 545-3070.

Georgia Parks offers annual pass — Outdoor enthusiasts can save money at any of Georgia's 48 state parks this year by buying an Annual ParkPass.

The pass is $25 and provides unlimited access to Georgia State Parks without paying the $2-$4 daily parking fee.

For more information about the ParkPass program, call (404) 657-9851 or visit www.gastateparks.org.

To join "Friends of Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites" call (800) 864-7275.

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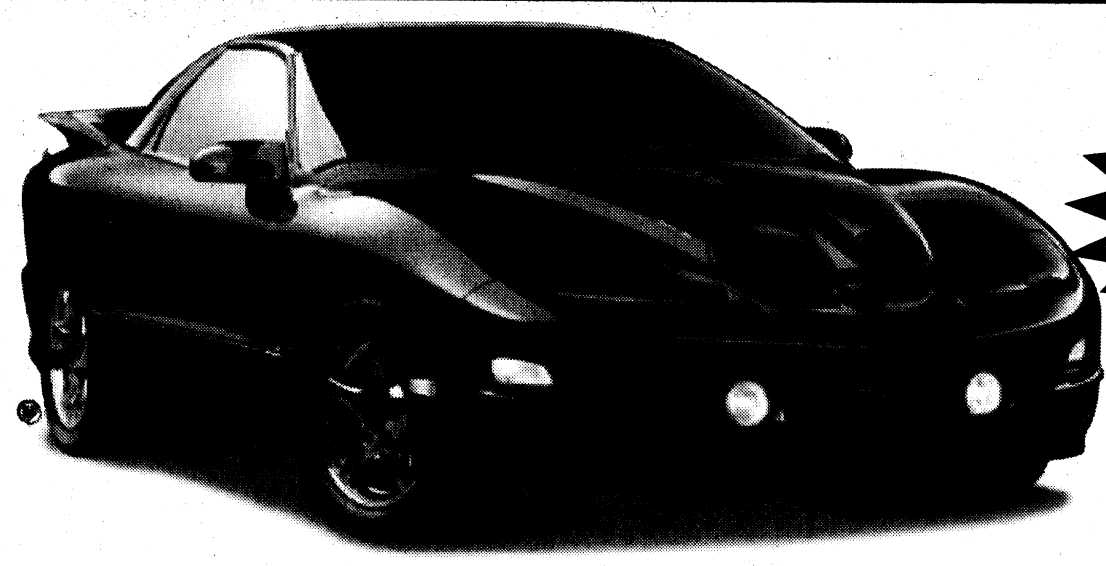

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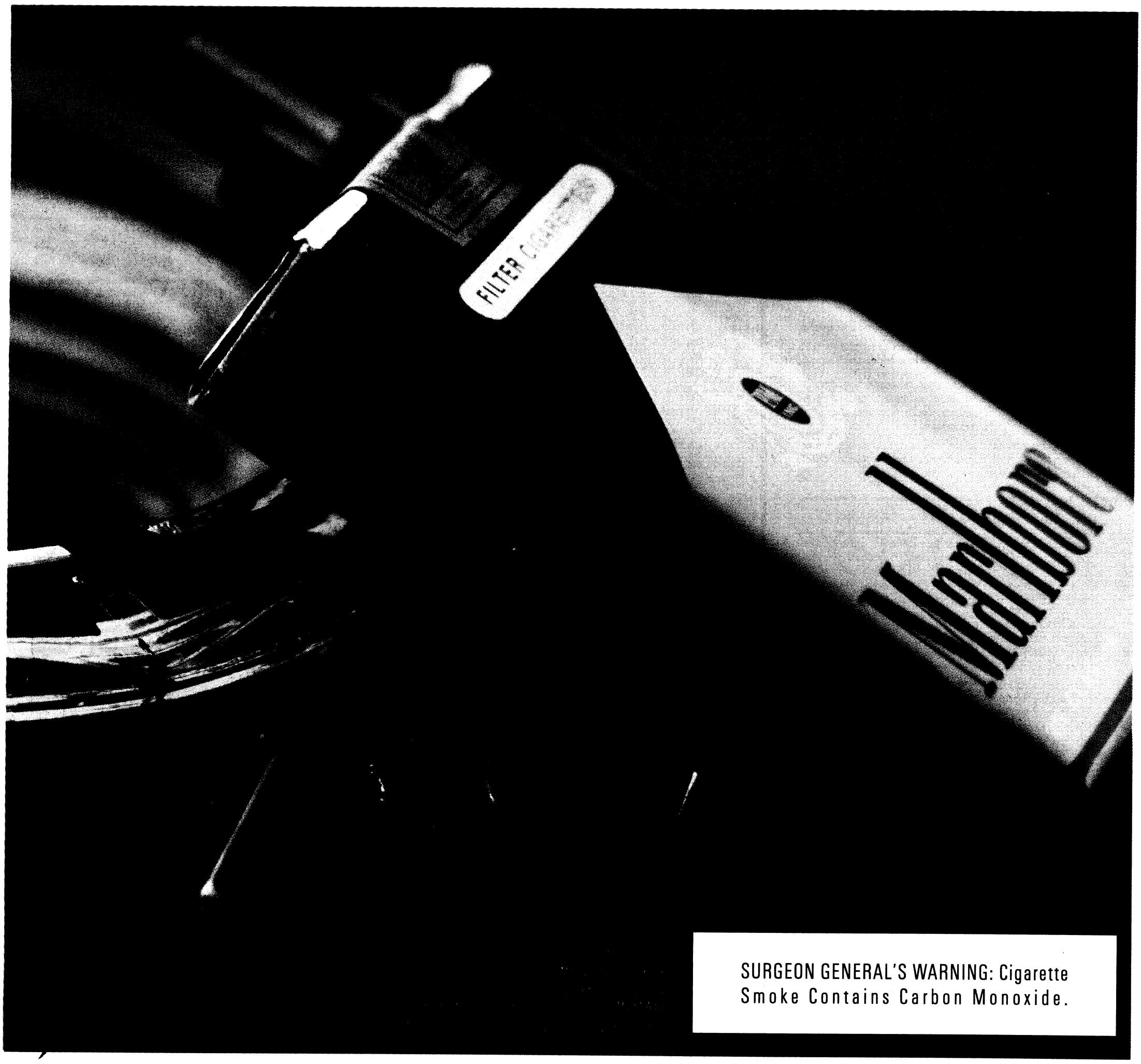

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Autos for sale

65 Mustang, 289 V8, factory air, auto trans, recent engine overhaul, paint job, new carpeting, tires, hub caps, runs and looks fabulous. $6875. 568-1518. (F22)

70 Impala. Classic! 4 door, A/C, needs little work, new paint, looks and runs great! $3,500. 682-4867. (F22)

74 Nova. Rebuilt 350cid and auto trans. Many new parts $2000. o.b.o. 689-8846. (F22)

83 Z28, Rebuilt 350. Runs and drives great. $3200 o.b.o. 682-1506. (F1)

84 BMW 533i. Good condition. Must sell. PSC'ing to Korea. $2900. 683-0720. (F1)

85 Buick Riviera. Runs good, new carb, timing is off, no title. Must see $859 o.b.o. 682-7909. (F22)

87 Honda Accord, 4dr, chrome rims, needs work, $500. or trade for fiberglass top for 96 S-10 or equal value. 682-1080. (F22)

88 Chevy Caviler. 4 door, great condition, runs great. Must sell PCS'ing. $1250. 685-9425. (F1)

88 Ford Ranger XLT, extended cab, 4WD, 85,000 miles. $3500 O.B.O. 689-6154. (F8)

91 Corvette Convertible. White with red and black interior. Excellent shape and buy. 323-5364 ext 226. (F1)

93 Honda Accord. $2500. o.b.o. 568-9465. (F1)

95 Hyundai Sonata, 5 speed, chrome wheels and tons of extras! $6000. o.b.o. 561-6255. (F8)

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97 Chrysler Sebring LXi. Black with gold trim, excellent condition, loaded, leather, new tires, brakes, speakers, pay off loan $13k o.b.o. 297-2610. (F22)

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88 Ford Ranger XLT Supercab Good work truck $1800 o.b.o. Call Mark at 685-0243. (F22)

92 Jeep Wrangler, white, 6-cy., hardtop, bikini top, custom bumper, Nerf bars, 2-in. lift, 33x15 BFG, Hella lights, Husky lock boxes, Wet Okole seat covers. $8000, Breck Paris 687-6240, 1730-2030 hrs. (F1)

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94 Ford Ranger XLT. Maroon, 5 speed, AM/FM/Cassette, sliding rear window, A/C, new tires, bedliner, and belts, 82000 miles, $4800. Call David 565-0519. (F1)

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95 Jeep Cherokee Sport. Black, 5-speed, 4 door, A/C, excellent condition, 57,000 miles, $9800. 563-3075. (F8)

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98 Chevy S-10. 18000 miles, 10 mon war, $10,000, blu book $11,000. Please call for more info 689-3623 or 593-3935. (F22)

99 Ford Ranger, white, 5 spd, a/c, alum. cap, like new, no tax!, $9,500. 317-4614. (F8)

99 JEEP WRANGLER SPORT 4.0. 4X4 Black W/ Black soft top, tan interior AM/FM CASS, A/C, Soundbar, new condition. 18,000 miles, remainder of factory warranty $17,000. 322-2573. (F22)

CHEVY S-10, 5-spd, CD player, low mileage,excellent condition, $800 and take over payments or 14,000 o.b.o. if any. Please serious inquiries only! 221-4711 or 577-6609 anytime. (F22)

Motorcycles

94 Honda CBR 900RR, Vance and Hines Header, Power Pack, Polished Wheels, New Tires, 2 Shoei Helmets, Absolutely Immaculate, $5,550. 706-687-9853 (F8)

97 Suzuki GSX-R 600. blk/pur/grey, original owner, new tires, chain, sprockets, Yoshimura full race exhaust, jet kit, ignition advancer, super clean, never down, very fast, call for details. $6200. Jeff (h) 660-0838, (w) 464-0778 lv msg and number. (F8)

Kawasaki Spectre KZ 750. Excellent condition $7000. Neg. 563-2572. (F8)

2000 Honda Shadow VLX, VT600C. Less than 800 miles. Paid $5500 will take $4500. 689-6154. (F8)

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2X Bose series 501 speakers $150 each, sounds terrific, 2X Acoustic monitor speakers $100. each, sounds terrific. 565-7129 after 1800 hours. (F1)

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Girls clothing size 7-8 reg. Girls size 16 slim Boys size 6-7 reg. Call Alexandra at 685-8271. (F8)

Help Wanted

Help wanted: 100 tax preparers. no experience necessary, will train. 689-8888. (P12/22)

Yard Sales

213 Sigerfoos Rd. (Main Post). Moving sale, Sat. Dec. 2, 8-12. Furniture, treadmill, household items, linens, curtains, LOTS men/women clothing, lingerie (most designer), shoes, coats, suits, Levis. Rain or shine. (F1)

107 Sigerfoos Rd. PCS Moving Sale. Lots of solid wood furniture, Clothes Military items, 2 December 2000. Near the main post chapel If you can't wait, 685-2787. (F1)

491 Craig Dr. 8 am-1pm. Weight bench, Barbie House, exercise bike, assorted items. (F1)

104-D Leonard St. PCS Yardsale Sat. Dec. 2-00. From 8-11am. (F1)

305 B Kawamura St. Lining room set $200, Dining room set w/china cabinet $400 clothes/shoes $1 ea Must see! 689-2753. (F1)

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Computer: Intel Pentium II processor, 32MB RAM, 90 Mhz, monitor, Windows 95, Microsoft Works, games, etc., speakers, Cannon Color Bubble Jet printer. Asking $350. 682-6285. (F1)

Washer and Dryer for Sale. $150 each or $250 together. Available mid-December. Lawnmower for $75. 687-3304. (F8)

Pioneer DVD/CD/VIDEO CD. $180 used only 10 times with 8 movies Armageddon, Genaral's Daughter, Southpark, Matrix, American Pie,...etc. 689-3623. (F8)

DVD player 1 1/2 months old 100.00, Kenmore 80 series washer/dryer heavy duty, super capacity plus, only 6 months old 400. for set. 687-8162 for details. (F8)

Hewlett Packard 670 deskjet, excellent condition, $50. 682-1080. (F8)

General Electric heavy duty dryer for $75. Works great. 687-0824. (F8)

New camcorder. 687-5853. (F8)

Philips Magnavox Web TV plus, with remote and keyboard. Like new $125. 575-5117. (F8)

Children's Items

Carl's Bargain Barn. New and used baby and household furniture. Hwy 80, Phenix City. 291-7600. (PTFN)

Pack and Go playpen $35, Exersaucer $35, Baby bathtub $2, Baby Activity Gym $5. 687-3304. (F8)

Solid white baby bed with mattress. Adjusts to different levels. Asking $40. Brand new baby walker. Safety first has toys and sliding tray for food. Used only once or twice asking $15. 685-3237. (F8)

Baby B'Gosh winter sleepwear 18 mths $3 each 687-4311. (F8)

Baby Crib, wood, white color, w/mattress, mattress pad, two bumper pads and sheets.$70. 323-5446. (F8)

Graco bed Bassinet with sheets, $65. 682-1080. (F8)

Fisher price bounce & play dome-new, tiny love floor gym, musical car seat toy, infantino body carrier, snuggly-like new, girls baby clothes-nice, MOTHERHOOD and other maternity clothes size small perfect for the summer. 682-8557. (F8)

Cosco rise and dine w/new pad still in box $40, evenflo exersaucer w/toys $35, walker w/ toy $10, Please call 6897373 or 5775622. (F8)

Furniture

Queen size waveless waterbed. Headboard has mirror in the middle and two shelves. Dark brown wood. Very pretty. Excellent condition. $150. o.b.o. 563-9764. (FTFN)

Wood dining room table with 6 chairs $100 o.b.o. Buy now for your Holiday table. 565-5392. (FTFN)

Two piece sectional with reclining ends, forrest green, $300 o.b.o. 685-9912. (F8)

MOVING , New 4 piece dinette $200, Washer and dryer $200. 687-5853. (F8)

10 piece furniture set, white washed Ratan, beautiful must see $600. 685-2130 anytime. (F8)

Matching solid black couch and love seat, nice, $140. Two piece sectional couch w/ hide-a-bed, good condition, $160. Light brown full size suede couch, nice, $80. Two piece shrunk hardwood, made in Germany $200. All items are O.B.O. Call Lew day or night 689-7107. (F8)

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D&B Fence Co. Rent, Rent to own, credit cards, free estimates, 562-8833. (PTFN)

Sports & Fitness Equipment

Ladies Tigress Golf clubs with bag. Will make a great starter set and just in time for Christmas! $100 o.b.o. 565-5392. (FTFN)

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Weight bench: 1-year-old., exc. cond., 150lbs cast iron weights and curl bar incl. $65. 317-4614

Miscellaneous

Ladies diamond ring. 2K, 1K is the guard and the other Karat is the ring. 687-2669. (F1)

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Houses for Rent

Nice brick house just off Buena Vista Rd. near Wal-Mart. 3 BDRM, 1 BA, carpet, washer/dryer hookups, stove, ceiling fans, a/c, lg. storage shed w/ elect, front and back fenced yards, covered carport and porch, nice neighborhood. $475. + deposit, adults, 1 or 2 kids, NO PETS. Call Joanna 568-0221. (F8)

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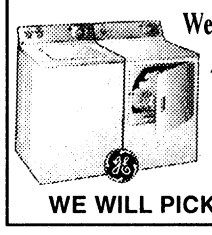

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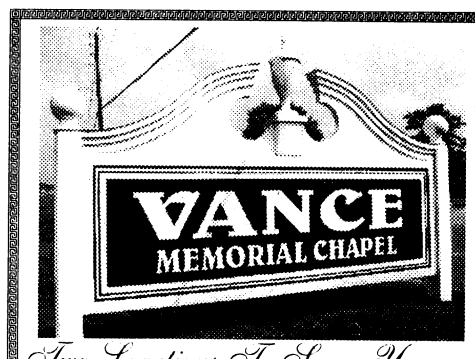

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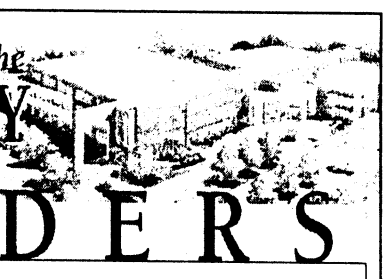

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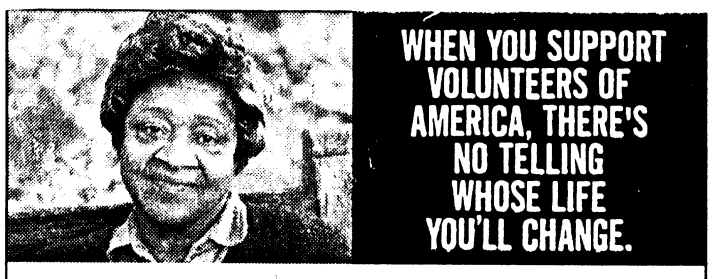

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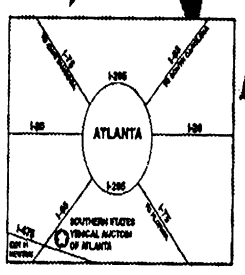

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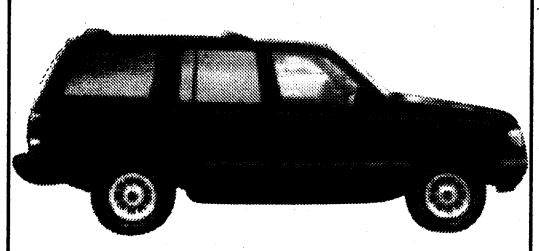

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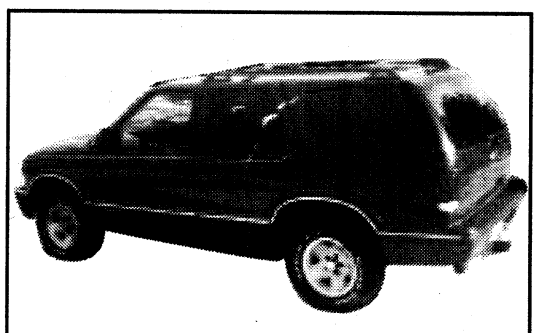

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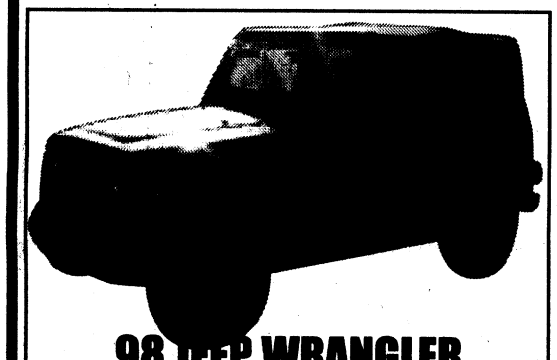

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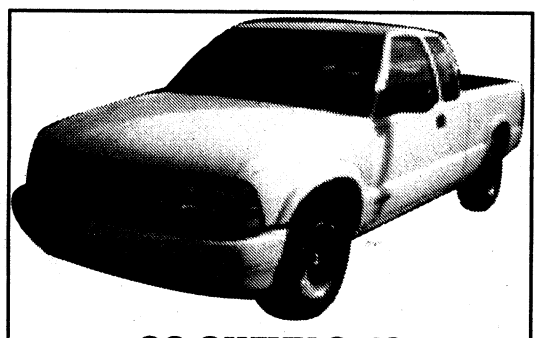

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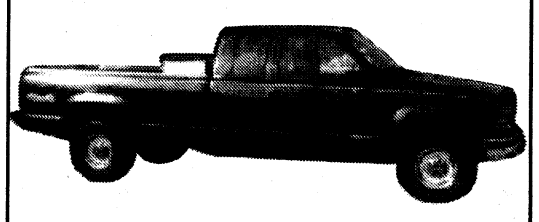

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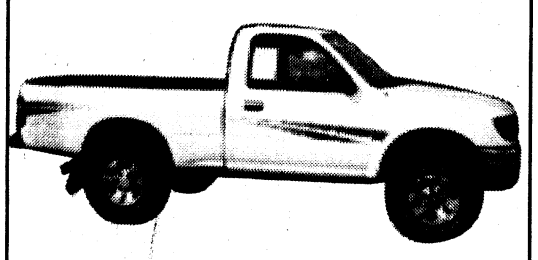

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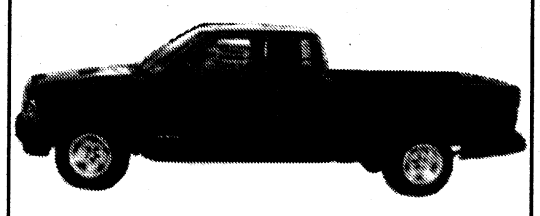

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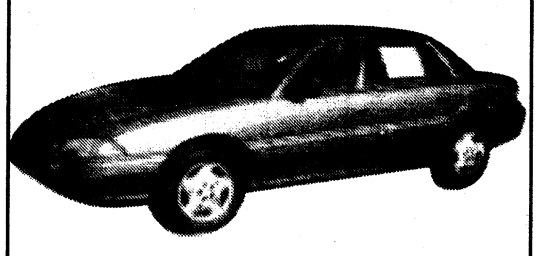

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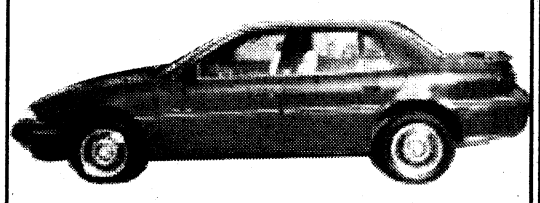

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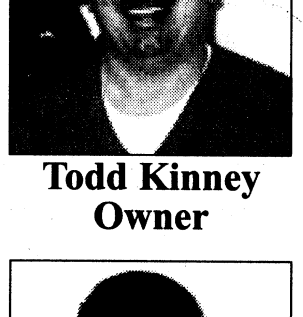

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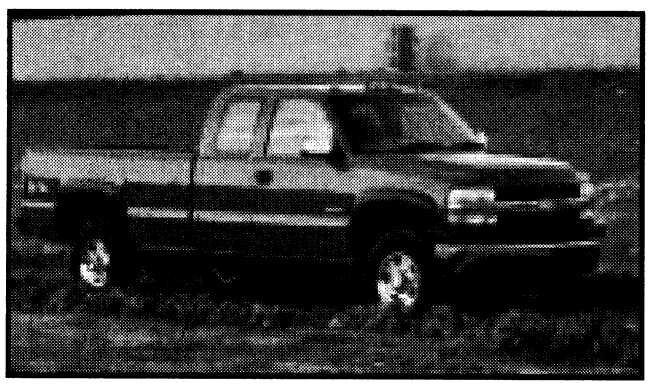

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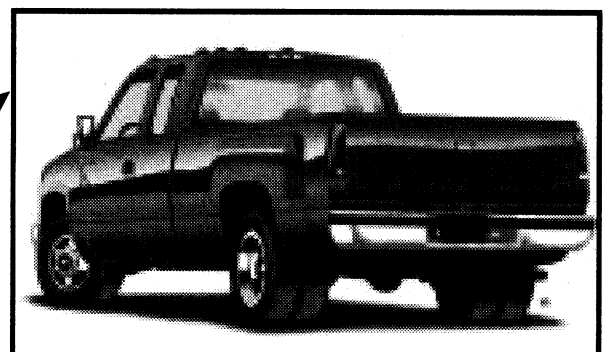

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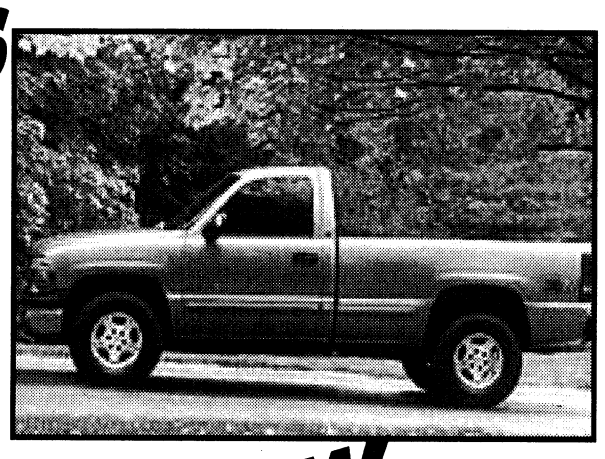



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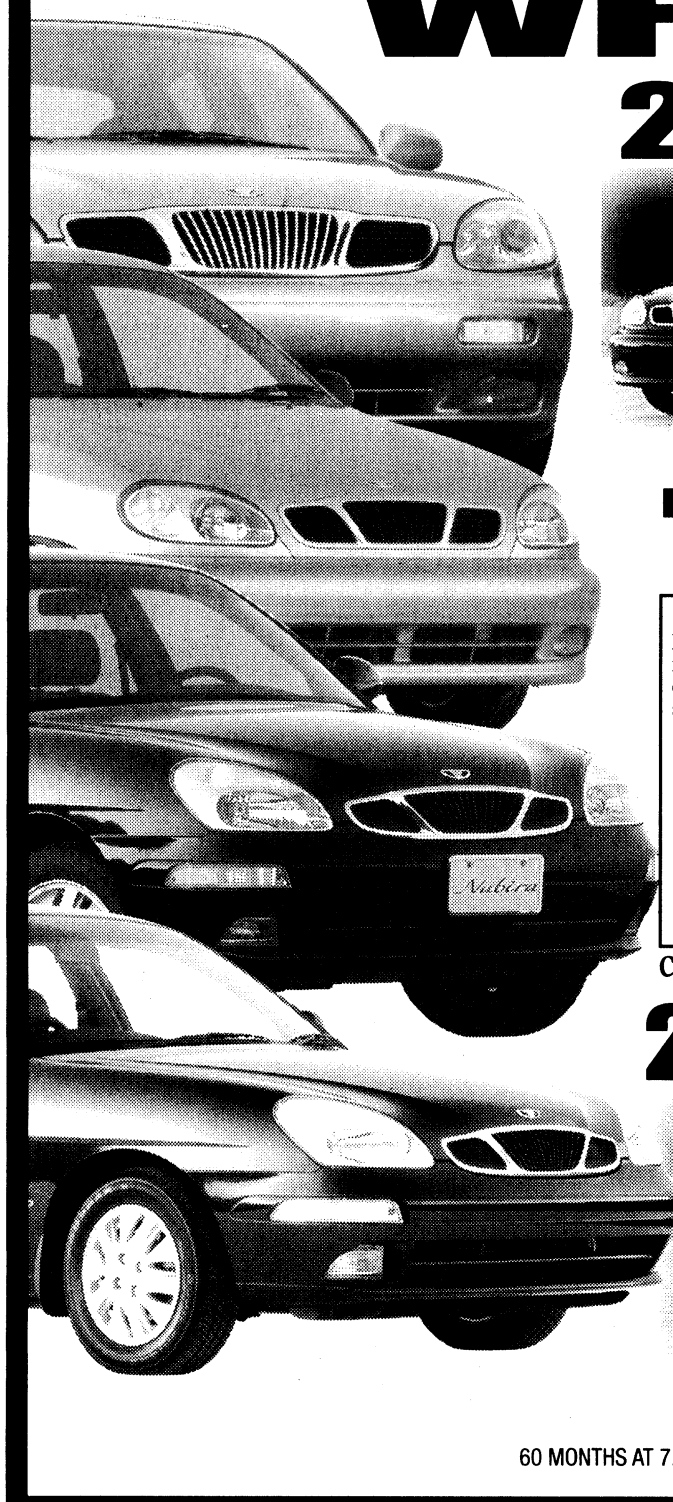

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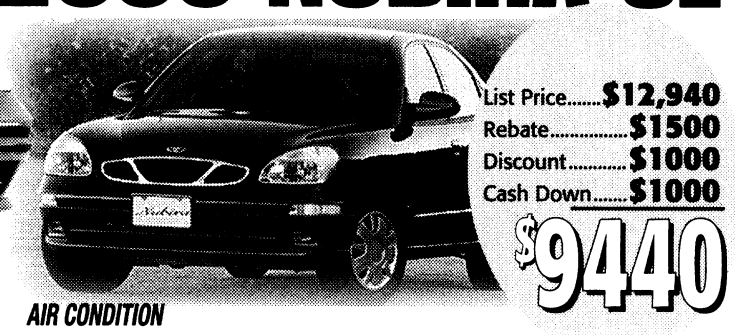

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Cash Down.....$1000
$9440

2000 NUBIRA CDX WAGON



AC, ABS, Power Everything, CD Player, Alloy Wheels, Tilt, Cruise, Loaded

List Price.....$15,550
Rebate.....$1500
Discount.....$1000
Cash Down.....$1000
$12,540

$219.00 per mo

60 MONTHS AT 7.95% APR, $1000 DOWN PLUS TAX, TITLE, TAG AND DOC FEES WITH APPROVED CREDIT. LIMITED MODELS AVAILABLE.

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2000 FOCUS XR3 $10,995 	2000 SEPHIA $7995 	2000 CARAVAN SE $15,995 	2000 ACCENT $6995 	2000 SPORTAGE $11,995 	2000 NEON 4DR $7995 
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97 SKYLARK $5995 	97 LUMINA $5995 	97 SEBRING $7995 	97 STRATUS $7495 	97 TAURUS $5995 	97 RODEO $12,495 
97 BREEZE $7995 	97 TRANSPORT $9995 	96 ACCENT $3995 	96 THUNDERBIRD $6995 	96 CARAVAN $7995	96 NEON $4995
96 BERETTA $4995	92 CAMARO RS $4995	94 SENTRA $1495	90 CAVALIER $995	$500 DOWN AND YOU RIDE	97 HONDA PRELUDE $11,995

FRESH TRADE-INS!

HOTSELLING S.U.V.

1997 NISSAN **GRD VITARE!** • 4WD • AUTO • ABS • PWR WNDW/LOCKS • TILT/CRUISE **$7,000**	1994 FORD **EXPLORER XLT!** • 5 PASS • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$14,650**	1997 FORD **EXPEDITION XLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$16,800**	1997 CHEVY **TRACKER CONV!** • 4 CYL • AUTO • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 4WD • SOFT TOP • STEERING/SIDE AIRBAG **$6800**	1997 ISUZU **RODEO 4X4!** • 4 DOOR • V6 • AUTO • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 4WD • 3RD SEAT • WARRANTY! **$10,975**	1997 CHEVY **SUBURBAN 2500!** • 4 DOOR • LS PKG • V8 • AUTO • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 4WD • 3RD SEAT **$19,800**
1997 HONDA **CR-V SUV!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$8,900**	1998 FORD **EXPEDITION XLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$13,000**	1991 GMC **JIMMY!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$1800**	1996 FORD **EXPLORER XLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$9975**	1999 GMC **JIMMY SLE!** • 4 DOOR • 4X4 • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$15,875**	1998 FORD **EXPEDITION XLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$17,900**
1997 MITSUBISHI **MONTERO!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$10,650**	1993 CHEVY **BLAZER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$3600**	1996 CHEVY **SUBURBAN LS!** • 8 PASS • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$15,000**	1997 CHEVY **SUBURBAN LT!** • 8 PASS • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$19,800**	1999 DODGE **DURANGO SLT!** • 8 PASS • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$20,800**	1997 CHEVY **TAHOE LT!** • 8 PASS • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$22,900**
1996 CHEVY **TAHOE!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$15,450**	1998 CHEVY **TAHOE LS!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$17,650**	1997 CHEVY **TRACKER CONV!** • 4 CYL • AUTO • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 4WD • SOFT TOP • STEERING/SIDE AIRBAG **$6800**	1999 GMC **SUBURBAN SLT!** • 8 PASS • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT • LEATHER/HEATED SEATS • ALL PWR! **$22,900**	1998 GMC **YUKON SLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4X4 • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$13,875**	1999 GMC **SUBURBAN SLE!** • 8 PASS • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT • DUAL AIR! • ALL PWR! • CD/CASS! **$22,800**

HOTSELLING IMPORTS!

1996 TOYOTA **4RUNNER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • V6 • AUTO • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • CD • SUNROOF **$7900**	1996 TOYOTA **TERCEL!** • 4 DR • AUTO • 4CYL • GASOLINE • SUNROOF **$6850**	1990 HONDA **ACCORD LX!** • 4 DR • SEDAN • V6/2.7L/150 • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF **$8985**	1991 HONDA **PRELUDE!** • 2 DR • AUTO • ABS • ALL PWR! • SUNROOF **$1500**	1998 NISSAN **STANZA!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • ABS • AIR • CASSETTE **$1985**	1999 MAZDA **323!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • GASOLINE • SUNROOF • CASSETTE **$400**	1991 EAGLE **ECLIPSE!** • 2 DOOR • AUTO • ABS • PWR DOOR/LOCKS • TILT/CRUISE **$900**
1993 TOYOTA **PICKUP!** • 2 DOOR • 4WD • V6 • 4 CYL • GASOLINE **$3300**	1996 HONDA **RODEO!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF **$9600**	1997 JEEP/EAGLE **270E!** • 4 DR • 4WD • V6 • AUTO • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF **$3450**	1994 HYUNDAI **ELANTRA!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • ABS • AIR • PWR **$1500**	1998 HONDA **ACCORD LX!** • 4 DR • AUTO • ABS • PWR **$13,650**	1999 ACURA **LEGEND!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • GASOLINE • LEATHER/HEATED SEATS **$1000**	1994 PONTIAC **BONNEVILLE!** • 4 DR • AUTO • GASOLINE • PWR DOOR/LOCKS **$1650**
1994 MAZDA **B2600!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • 4WD • V6/3.0L • GASOLINE • TILT/CRUISE **$4200**	1994 TOYOTA **TACOMA SR5!** • EXTRA CAB • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • PW/PL • TILT/CRUISE • CD **$11,600**	1998 HONDA **CIVIC LX!** • 4 DOOR • 4 CYL • AUTO • GASOLINE • PWR WNDW/LOCK **$9900**	1994 NISSAN **SENTRA!** • 4 DOOR • 4 CYL • AUTO • GASOLINE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$7700**	1993 NISSAN **SENTRA!** • AUTO • ABS • 4DR **$800**	1998 TOYOTA **CAMRY LE!** • 4 DR • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • PWR DOOR/LOCKS **$700**	1996 VOLVO **940!** • 4 DR • WGN • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$12,900**
1994 TOYOTA **TACOMA!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF • CASSETTE **$9600**	1994 NISSAN **SENTRA!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF **$1900**	1997 NISSAN **ALTIMA!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF **$785**	1997 MAZDA **626 LX!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF **$9650**	2000 VW **BEETLE!** • AUTO • ABS • TURBO **$16,850**	1997 HONDA **ACCORD LX!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • GASOLINE • ABS • SUNROOF **$500**	1994 TOYOTA **CAMRY LE!** • 4 DR • AUTO • GASOLINE • ABS • AIR **$375**

USED CAR CLEARANCE!

SPORT UTILITIES!

1997 CHEVY **SUBURBAN!** • ONE OWNER • 2 DOOR • AIR • TILT • CRUISE **$7,950**	1997 JEEP **CHEROKEE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK **$3,800**	1997 FORD **EXPEDITION!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$11,900**	1997 GMC **BLAZER LS!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$15,850**
1997 TOYOTA **RAV-4!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$8,975**	1997 GMC **YUKON SLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$31,850**	1997 FORD **EXPEDITION!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$13,800**	1996 FORD **EXPLORER XLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$12,650**
1997 CHEVY **TAHOE!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$16,950**	1998 GMC **YUKON XL!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$3,000**	1998 FORD **EXPLORER XLT!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE • 3RD SEAT **$1,650**	1994 CHEVY **BLAZER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$10,600**

SMALL TRUCKS!

1997 DODGE **DAKOTA SPORT!** • EXTRA CAB • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$6,300**	1997 FORD **RANGER XLT!** • 2 DOOR • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$2,985**	1997 FORD **RANGER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$5,250**	1997 CHEVY **S-10 PICKUP!** • 2 DOOR • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$3,875**
1997 GMC **SAFARI!** • EXTRA CAB • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$4,875**	1997 TOYOTA **T-100!** • EXTRA CAB • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$800**	1997 NISSAN **RANGER T-CAB!** • EXTRA CAB • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$5,000**	1997 NISSAN **RANGER XE!** • 2 DOOR • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$4,950**
1997 CHEVY **S-10 BLAZER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$17,900**	1997 NISSAN **FRONTIER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$12,800**	1997 NISSAN **KING CAB!** • EXTRA CAB • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$14,400**	1997 NISSAN **ARMADA!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$12,985**

IMPORTS! • IMPORTS!

1994 HYUNDAI **$6.1K!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$7,950**	1997 HYUNDAI **GALLANT!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$11,950**	1997 MITSUBISHI **ECLIPSE!** • 2 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$9,950**	1991 HYUNDAI **GALLANT!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$2,900**
1997 HONDA **ACCORD LX!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$7,975**	1997 HONDA **ACCORD LX!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$1,600**	1994 NISSAN **SENTRA!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$4,900**	1997 TOYOTA **CAMRY LE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$9,985**
1997 MERCURY **MILLENNIA!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$16,990**	1997 MITSUBISHI **PRELUDE!** • 2 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$3,600**	1997 MAZDA **PROTEGE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$7,200**	1994 NISSAN **SENTRA!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$650**

TRUCKS! TRUCKS!

1997 CHEVY **LUMINA T-10!** • EXTRA CAB • 2WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$12,950**	1997 CHEVY **LUMINA SUV!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$6,985**	1997 CHEVY **LUMINA SUV!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$13,950**	1997 CHEVY **SILVERADO 2.7L!** • EXTRA CAB • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$13,850**
1997 CHEVY **BLAZER SUV!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$14,800**	1997 CHEVY **BLAZER SUV!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$17,900**	1997 CHEVY **LUMINA SUV!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$17,900**	1997 CHEVY **SILVERADO 2.7L!** • EXTRA CAB • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$20,850**
1997 CHEVY **SILVERADO 2.7L!** • EXTRA CAB • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$17,900**	1997 FORD **SUPERDUTY!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V8 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$16,990**	1997 FORD **RANGER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$9,800**	1997 FORD **RANGER!** • 4 DOOR • 4WD • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$14,990**

FAMILY MINI-VANS!

1997 CHEVY **ASTRO!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • LOADED • ONE OWNER **$7,650**	1997 CHEVY **AIR SAFARI!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • LOADED • ONE OWNER **$14,450**	1997 CHEVY **AIR VAN!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • WHEELCHAIR LIFT • CASSETTE • AIR **$6,990**	1997 CHRYSLER **CONVERSION!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • LOADED • WHEELCHAIR LIFT • CASSETTE • AIR **$1,900**
1997 CHEVY **3RD VOYAGER!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • PWR WNDW/LOCK • AUTO • CASSETTE • AIR **$2,990**	1997 CHEVY **LUMINA SUV!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • LOADED • ONE OWNER **$5,500**	1997 CHEVY **ASTRO!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • LOADED • ONE OWNER **$15,990**	1997 CHEVY **ASTRO!** • 8 PASS • EXTENDED VAN • LOADED • ONE OWNER **$3,000**

LUXURY CARS!

1997 CADILLAC **LESABRE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$2,700**	1997 CADILLAC **740!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$3,800**	1997 CADILLAC **LESABRE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$2,350**	1997 CADILLAC **CAPRICE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$2,500**
1997 CADILLAC **PARK AVE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$10,990**	1997 CADILLAC **TOWN CAR!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$24,990**	1997 CADILLAC **DEVILLE!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$25,990**	1997 CADILLAC **CENTURY!** • 4 DOOR • AUTO • V6 • ABS • AIR • TILT • CRUISE • PWR WNDW/LOCK • TILT/CRUISE **$13,990**

2001 CHEVY CAVALIER!

$99 DOWN / $99 PER MO.

SALE PRICE: $11,497. 72 MONTHS FINANCING. 9.20% APR • TAX, TAG & LICENSE ALL REBATES & DISCOUNTS INCLUDED IN SALE PRICE OR PAYMENT.

NO PAYMENT 'TIL JUNE 2001

EXAMPLE: '96 CAVALIER. SALE PRICE, $8950. 72 MONTH FINANCING OF $8255 AT 11.25% APR WITH $39 DOWN PAYMENT OF $170.96 DUE 6 MONTHS FROM SIGNING (06/04/00). PLUS TAX, TAG, & LICENSE. WITH APPROVED CREDIT! ALL OFFER EXCLUSIVE.

0% APR AVAILABLE!

FINANCING AVAILABLE

...ON ALL 2000 SILVERADOS & 2001 SILVERADO EXTs

¡SE HABLA ESPAÑOL!

BRAND NEW 2000 CHEVY **SILVERADO!** • AIR! • POWER! • STEREO! • STK#Y20280 — LIST: $18,523 YOU SAVE: $5,500 — You pay $13,990

BRAND NEW 2001 CHEVY **VENTURE!** • 7 PASS FAMILY VAN! • AIR BAGS! • AUTO! • AIR! • STEREO! • RESERVE YOURS TODAY! — You pay $17,990

BRAND NEW 2000 CHEVY **TRACKER!** • AIR • 15" ALLOY WHEELS • STK# 38014 — LIST: $17,758 YOU SAVE: $5,768 — You pay $11,990

BRAND NEW 2000 CHEVY **SILVERADO LS!** AUTO, AIR, 4 DOOR V-8 5.3 LITRE ENGINE, SPORT, STK#Y20280 FULL LOADED! ONLY $XXXXX ADDITIONAL TO CHOOSE — LIST: $25,342 YOU SAVE: $6,843 — You pay $18,499

BRAND NEW 2001 CHEVY **CORVETTE!** • AUTO COUPE • 2 TOPS! • 6 SPEED MANUAL TRANS • DUAL POWER SEATS, AUDIO • LEATHER INTERIOR • HEADLIGHT PACKAGE • AUTO • AIR CONDO • WHITE W/ BLACK COV • HEADS UP DISPLAY • PERFORMANCE HANDLING PACKAGE • 2 TO CHOOSE! — $398 LEASE PER MONTH!!

$0 DOWN! Closed end LEASE. $8900 total cap reduction due at signing. Plus tax, tag, security deposit. With approved credit.

BRAND NEW 2001 CHEVY **S-10 PICKUP!** *$400 FACTORY REBATE • AIR CONDITIONED! • AM/FM CASSETTE! • ABS BRAKES! • DUAL AIRBAG! • RESERVE YOURS TODAY! — You pay $10,790

BRAND NEW 2001 CHEVY **MALIBU!** SEVERAL TO CHOOSE! • CLOTH RECLINING BUCKET SEATS, 3100 V6 ENGINE, AUTO TRANS W/OVERDRIVE, AIR! • RESERVE YOURS TODAY! — You pay $14,890

BRAND NEW 2001 CHEVY **MONTE CARLO SS!** LAST ONE! • SUPER SPORT! • LOADED WITH OPTIONS! • LEATHER INTERIOR! HEATED SEATS/SUN ROOF! • AM/FM STEREO CASSETTE W/ CD PLAYER! • STK# Y20075 — LIST: $27,327 YOU SAVE: $5,380 — You pay $21,947

BRAND NEW 2000 CHEVY **FULL-SIZE CUSTOM VAN!** *$2,500 REBATE • LOADED WITH POWER WINDOWS/LOCKS • CRUISE! • AUTOMATIC! • AIR CONDITIONING! • AM/FM STEREO CASSETTE! • TILT WHEEL! • CRUISE CONTROL! • SPLIT BENCH SEATS! • CAPTAINS CHAIRS! • 40K LOCAL MILES! • 350 V8 ENGINE! • ALL PLUSH INTERIOR! • TINTED WINDOWS! — You pay $15,990

BRAND NEW 2000 CHEVY **CAMARO!** • 3.8 LITRE V-6! • AM/FM CASSETTE! STK# Y86064 — LIST: $20,198 YOU SAVE: $6,805 — You pay $13,496

BRAND NEW 2001 CHEVY **BLAZER LS!** AIR, AM/FM STEREO, OVERDRIVE TRANSMISSION • LOCKING DIFF.! • TOURING SUSPENSION! • RESERVE YOURS TODAY! — You pay $16,998

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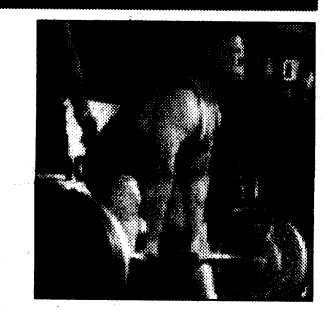

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Officials to sign land deal

Historic pact comes after 11 years of talks

Sally Shutt
Special to the Bayonet©

Fort Benning, the city of Columbus, the State Advisory Council for Historic Preservation and several American Indian tribes will sign a land exchange agreement Wednesday during an 11 a.m. ceremony on the steps of the National Infantry Museum.

The signing comes after 11 years of discussions between the city and the installation regarding the municipality swapping 2,156 acres in Chattahoochee County, the South Tract, for 2,113 acres of federal property off Schatulga Road, known as the North Tract, which Columbus plans to use for industrial development.

The agreement's two principal signators will be Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, representing the Army, and Columbus Mayor Bobby Peters. Representatives from the state and tribal leaders will sign as consulting parties.

The cultural resources agreement includes provisions on how American Indian cultural resources will be handled once the land exchange is finalized. Those preservation covenants will become part of the North Tract deed and will obligate the city to protect more than nine American Indian sites located on the land.

"This is a historic document, as it represents the first time the protections of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act have been attached to land that is passing from federal to private control," said Col. John Mitchell, former Fort Benning garrison commander.

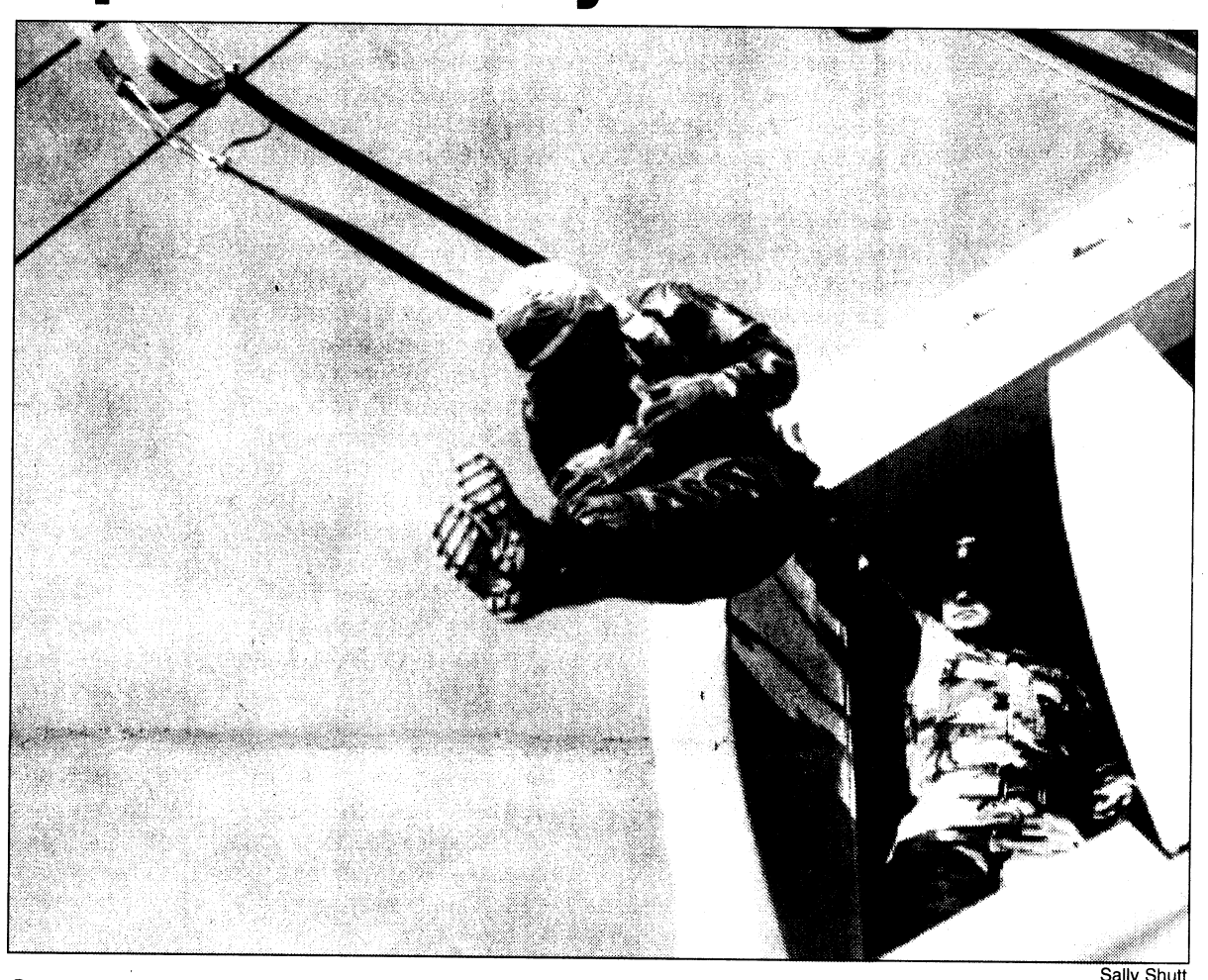
The agreement spells out how American Indian remains discovered on the land are to be handled. More than an acre on post has been set aside as a reinterment site for any discovered remains.

In 1989 when the city approached the post with a land exchange proposal, neither party had any idea negotiations would take so long.

"Neither of us had an appreciation for the significant hurdles that would present themselves along the way,"

See **EXCHANGE**, A-6

Up and away



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Sgt. 1st Class Hernan Rodriguez, Airborne School master trainer, vigorously jumps up and out of a 34-foot tower. Sgt. 1st Class John Styron is the jumpmaster in the tower.

Students learn new way out

Airborne School teaches safer exit maneuver

Sally Shutt
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In an effort to reduce injuries, the Army is again changing the way paratroopers jump from airplanes.

Starting Jan. 1, Airborne Soldiers will no longer approach the door of the aircraft at an angle and step off the platform into the sky.

Under the new method, Soldiers will square up in the exit door and "vigorously jump up and out, away from the aircraft as much as possible," said Sgt. 1st Class John Styron, a master trainer at Airborne School.

"We believe this new modification to the exit is going to contribute greatly to fewer injuries," said Styron, who works at the school's Ground Branch, where students are taught the correct method using mock doors and 34-foot towers.

The change from the step-out method is based on recommendations from the Airborne School

See **JUMP**, A-4

Soldier killed in accident

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

Sgt. Ectorr Garza Jr., 30, was pronounced dead at the Columbus Medical Center after a training accident Monday afternoon.

Garza, who was assigned to B Company, 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade, was a tank turret repairman. He was performing scheduled maintenance on a Paladin howitzer when the accident occurred in the 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, motor pool.

Garza was immediately flown by air ambulance to the hospital. No other Soldiers were injured.

"He was a self-driven Soldier who was doing his job," said 1st Sgt. Jake Branch, B Company first sergeant. "He was a Soldier you looked forward to seeing everyday." Garza had been with the unit since May 1999.

Sgt. 1st Class Dudley Hardin worked with Garza for more than a year, four months as his section sergeant and then as his platoon sergeant.

"He was fun to be around, very upbeat," Hardin said. "On morning runs he kept other Soldiers from falling out by using comedy, telling them to shift down to the other gear to get back to the unit."

A memorial is planned for 11 a.m. Monday at the Sledgehammer Chapel on Kelley Hill.

Garza is survived by his wife, Cheryl; mother, Mary E. Sosa; and father, Ectorr Garza Sr.

The accident is under investigation.

Trainees have tickets, will travel

Annual Exodus leave begins Dec. 18

Sally Shutt
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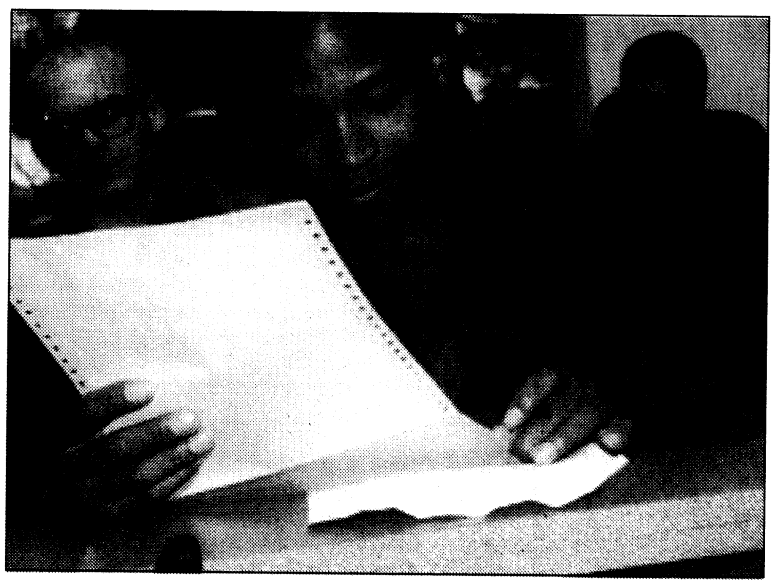
Pvt. Dwayne Hodges wants to make sure he spends Christmas at home with his family in Greenville, Tenn., because next year he expects to be in Korea for the holidays.

Hodges stood in line Sunday morning at the Carlson-Wagonlit travel office on Sand Hill and purchased a round-trip ticket for $175. He will be among more than 5,000 Initial Entry Training Soldiers who will leave Fort Benning Dec. 18 for their homes during the post's annual Holiday Exodus.

Soldiers taking Exodus leave are set to return Jan. 3, except those traveling to Puerto Rico. They will return Jan. 7 after Three Kings Day.



Sally Shutt

Pvt. Katal Yancey reads his Exodus travel itinerary.

"I'm looking forward to going home and seeing my family and girlfriend," said Hodges, who is assigned to B Company, 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade.

In addition to his airline ticket, Hodges also purchased a $35 bus ticket for a chartered ride to and from Atlanta's Hartsfield

See **EXODUS**, A-7

PX stays open late

Sally Shutt
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The parking lot in front of the Fort Benning Main Mall Post Exchange was almost empty Sunday evening. But inside close to 2,500 shoppers were elbow to elbow looking for Christmas presents and fast food.

The exchange hosted a Trainee Night for 12 companies of Initial Entry Training Soldiers from Sand Hill. The store closed to the public an hour early and welcomed the troops and their drill sergeants with free sodas, snack food samples and giveaways, such as disposable razors.

Another Trainee Night is set for Sunday evening from 7-11 p.m. for the remaining companies at Sand Hill.

See **TRAINEES**, A-6

No excuse for driving drunk

Master Sgt. Sally Roberts
USAIC Public Affairs Office

commentary



When I was younger, I had a friend who went to prison because he caused a car accident and people were killed. He was legally drunk and 19 years old.

Another friend lost his leg below the knee as a result of a single car accident. He was drunk and 20 years old.

He laid unconscious in a ditch with the circulation cut off to his broken leg until his overturned car was spotted at daybreak.

Both of these friends have long since gotten on with their lives. They work, have families and wish every day that they could un-do these events in their lives.

But others aren't always so lucky — if you want to call surviving and going to prison lucky.

Since I began working in Army Public Affairs I've heard of countless incidents where alcohol was a factor in some very stupid and unfortunate things. Although it's always easy to judge the other guy, I'm reasonable enough to stop and be thankful that it wasn't me.

Since states began imposing harsher penalties for driving while intoxicated and promoting greater safety awareness concerning alcohol use, fewer people are becoming victims of senseless alcohol-related acts.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration statistics show that alcohol-related fatalities dropped by 30 percent since 1989. However, alcohol was still a factor in 38 percent of fatal crashes in 1999.

It's safe to assume that many, if not most, of the 12,321 people killed in fatal crashes in 1999 were not alcoholics and were not habitual drunken driving criminals. In fact, that statistic includes the nonintoxicated drivers and passengers who were simply in the wrong place at the wrong time.

My guess is that many of these were just normal folks who drank at a party, a wedding, a football game, or a concert ... and never gave a thought to becoming a statistic.

Sound familiar?

Drinking and driving gets a lot of attention as our year-end holidays approach. In the spirit of the season, many communities and organizations offer safe alternatives to driving yourself home after drinking.

Some businesses cover the expenses to offer safe rides to their employees.

Civic groups provide volunteers for local programs. Most cities have some type of safe public transportation available. Many people include a designated driver into their party plans.

Wherever you travel this year, take the time to find out what your alternatives are and use them. Paying a taxi fare or an overnight parking fee is well worth the price.

In Columbus, the SafetyCab program offers a free ride home within the Columbus, Phenix City and Fort Benning areas. Last year SafetyCab provided 173 incident-free rides during the holiday period. 98 others who chose to take the chance were arrested.

Call 660-6069 to take advantage of a free ride home. Safety Cab operates from Dec. 10 through Jan. 1 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Designated drivers are heroes

Shannon S. Walsh
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary



We've all heard the statistics. Here's another one for you. About every 30 minutes in the U.S., someone dies because of a drunken driver.

We're constantly reminded by tragic tales of accidents and death that drunken driving can and often does kill.

For some reason, this information is not sinking in, since there are still people out there who think they're OK to drive after they've had a few drinks.

Maybe if the U.S. had the drunken driving penalties used in other countries, some drivers would think twice before getting behind the wheel. The following punishments were originally listed in an Ann Landers column a few years back.

Australia — The names of drivers are sent to the local newspaper and are printed under the heading: "He is drunk and in jail."

Malaysia — The driver is jailed and if the driver is married, the spouse is also jailed.

United Kingdom, Finland and Sweden — Automatic jail term of one year.

South Africa — Driver gets a 10 year prison sentence and the equivalent of a $10,000 fine, or both.

Turkey — Drunk drivers are taken 20 miles from town by the police and forced to walk back under escort.

Bulgaria — A second conviction leads to execution.

El Salvador — Your first offense is your last. Driver will be executed by a firing squad.

Some foreign countries even have lower blood alcohol limits than the U.S. The legal limit in France is .05 milligrams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood. Sweden's limit is .02. The U.S. is currently either .08 or .10, depending on which state you live in.

Studies show that it is still unsafe to drive under this country's legal limits. Many people mistakenly believe only a person who appears to be drunk is unsafe to drive. The fact is thousands of Americans are killed or critically injured in crashes involving drivers with blood alcohol levels below .10.

Regardless of where you live on this planet, there is an easy way to avoid drunken driving altogether. Get a designated driver. Appoint this person before you even step foot out the door, whether you're on your way to neighborhood bars or a party at someone's house. Treat this person like gold because he or she is volunteering to take responsibility for your life and for the lives of other innocent drivers on the road.

Besides being a hero, volunteering to be a designated driver has other advantages. Many establishments that serve alcohol are now rewarding sober drivers with free nonalcoholic beverages. Another plus is that they won't have the hangovers most everybody else has the next day.

There are even options for people who go out on the town by themselves. There is always the local cab company and if you live in the Fort Benning area during the holidays, there's the free services of SafetyCab.

So the next time you volunteer to cart your friends around for the evening, give yourself a pat on the back; you deserve it.

And if you're in the passenger seat, remember to thank the sober driver behind the wheel. That person didn't just give you a ride, he or she may have saved your life.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

letter

Writer dislikes coverage

I am writing this to comment on *The Bayonet's* unfair coverage of the Fort Benning Bodybuilding competition. It seems extremely unfair to me that so much coverage was given to people who placed third in their classes while another competitor who took first in two different classes did not receive one mention and Mr. Fort Benning received a mere two sentence mention.

First, it is extremely unfair to begin the article with three paragraphs about the third place winner of any category. But the paper seems to be starstruck and instead of rightly focusing on the winners, they gave all the attention to someone simply because of his bigger name and past accomplishments. The time for him to be praised for winning the contest was then. Now is the time to give mention to the winners of this contest here and now.

Second, there was a paragraph about the first place winner in the lightweight class and two paragraphs about the first place heavyweight winner.

There were even three paragraphs about the third place winner in the heavyweight class and a paragraph about the third place winner in the middleweight class. Yet nowhere in this article was there a single mention of my name. I won not only first place in the middleweight class but also first place in masters.

Are we to believe that a person who wins first place in two separate classes deserves less mention than people who take second and third?

Like Sgt. Michael Green, I was a competitor last year and showed improvement, winning not only middleweight for the second time, but also winning Masters. I cannot understand the logic behind this sort of reporting. It seems that the winners should be given the attention which they have earned instead of focusing on a few favorites or a few people who may have a bigger name and more titles under their belts.

— N.S. Pierce and Sgt. 1st Class Nestor Gomez
Fort Benning

for the record

In the "around post" section of last week's paper, the Donovan Research Library in Infantry Hall was incorrectly referred to as the Donavan Technical Library. The hours of its operation were listed incorrectly. The hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. *The Bayonet* regrets any inconvenience this may have caused.

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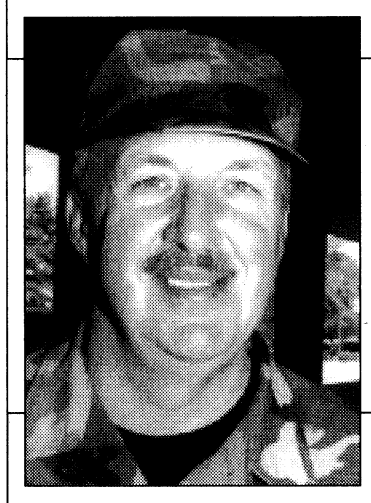
VARIOUS VOICES

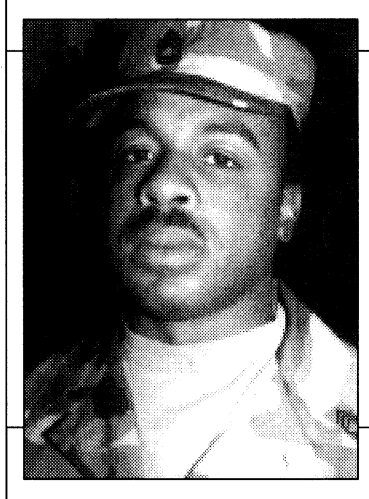
What do you think the DUI penalties should be?



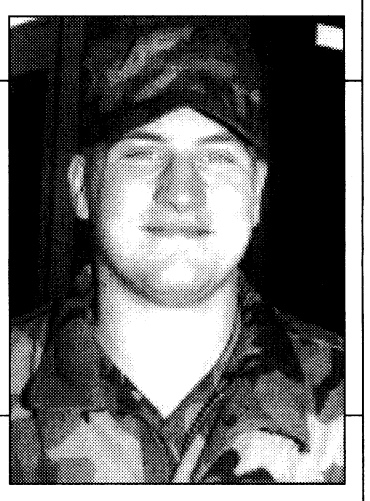
Senior Master Sgt. Les Wlodarczyk, 514th Airlift Wing, McGuire Air Force Base, N.J. — "There should be accountability and it should be more than a slap on the wrist. The first time — monetary; the second should be more severe including loss of driving privileges."



Risepa McMoore, Department of Defense Education Activity — "I definitely think they should suspend their license for a year on the first offense. There are too many people killed the way the system works now. Drivers need to be responsible."



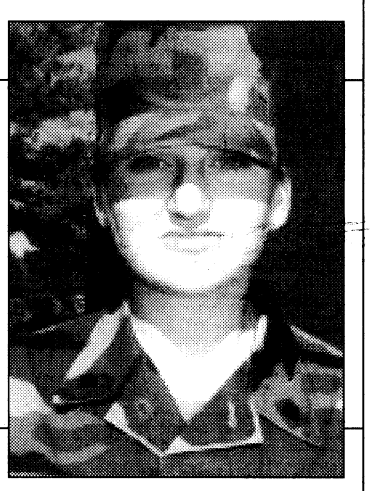
Sgt. 1st Class Garry Fuller, D Troop, 10th Cavalry — "I think a person who is convicted of DUI should have to stand outside of a club or other public place and talk about the consequences of a DUI, like at Fort Stewart, Ga. Also the person should have to write an essay for publication in *The Bayonet*."



Pvt. Michael Krolick, A Company, 1st Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment — "The first offense should result in a fine and schooling. The second time, a hefty fine and loss of driving privileges. The third time — 60 days in jail, 400 hours community service and one year probation."



Carolyn Miller, family member — "For the first offense there should be a warning. If it becomes repetitive then the person should be required to attend classes."



Spc. Sabrina Peves, B Company, 203rd Forward Support Battalion — "I think the penaties should depend on the person's character, personality and background — this should be taken into consideration before penalties are given."

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Post's top NCO to retire after 30 years

'The Plunger' pops smoke after four years

Spc. William A. Graves
Bayonet staff

"The Plunger," Fort Benning Command Sgt. Maj. Mack H. Vereen, will soon pop smoke after being the Infantry Center's top enlisted man for four years.

Vereen officially relinquishes his duties Thursday to Command Sgt. Maj. Gerald E. Klein, who comes from Fort Riley's 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized). Vereen is retiring to the Columbus area. He plans to teach at Columbus Technical College and Vincennes University at night and to pursue his doctorate degree in higher education.

"Mack Vereen is the backbone of the Infantry force," said Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, commanding general. "He represents the very best of the Army."

Le Moyne said Vereen was always fiercely protective of Soldiers. He was tough on NCO standards, and he expected nothing less from the officers working with him.

Vereen is one of two people who has walked into Le Moyne's office — cup of coffee in hand — and told him he was wrong about a plan and needed to change it. "The Plunger" was right.

"It showed competence as well as confidence in his professional standards," Le Moyne said.

He said Vereen earned everyone's respect.

"I will miss his candor and fresh point of view," Le Moyne said. "He's a good man."

Le Moyne said he enjoyed working with Vereen and believes he will do well in the civilian sector.

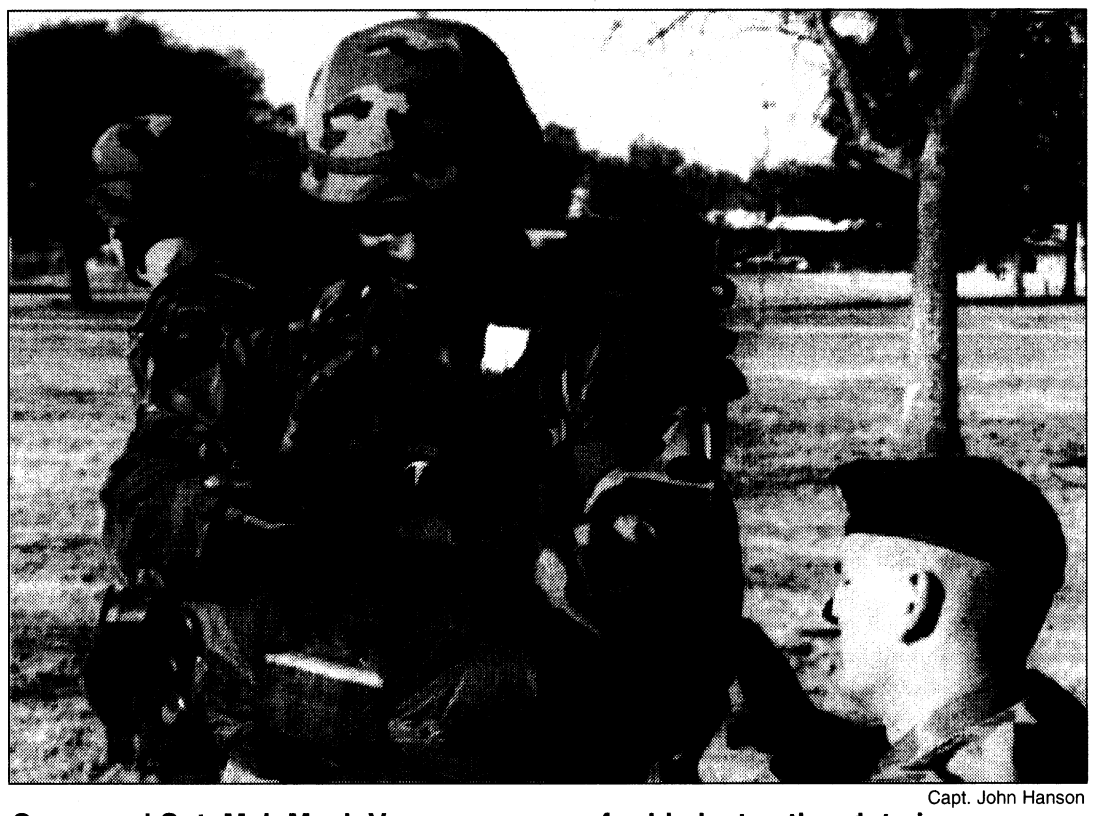
"The transition out of the Army puts one into the midst of pain and pleasure," Vereen said. "My Army career has produced many pleasing experiences. Going into the civilian sector will produce many unknowns, but I look forward to it."

Vereen said he is known as "The Plunger" because he removes barriers, distortions and distractions that stifle human development and productivity.

"The Plunger" said he thoroughly enjoyed his time at Fort Benning and the Infantry Center.

"We have the best NCOs and Soldiers in the U.S. Army," he said. "We systematically ensure only the finest come here, and it has been a pleasure working with them."

Besides his position here, he said he considers duties in Somalia, as the command sergeant major for U.S. Army, Joint Task Force, and Alaska, as the command sergeant major of U.S. Army, Alaska, as some of his most memorable career moments.



Capt. John Hanson

Command Sgt. Maj. Mack Vereen prepares for his last active-duty jump.

His initiative has left a mark on the Army.

"I'm leaving a Christmas present for the Infantry," Vereen said. "Seventy-five master sergeants were selected to war-fighting sergeant major operations and training positions."

Another legacy of Vereen's is the advent of the rifle Infantryman.

"We have transformed the Army and technological battlefield through systematically fusing Infantryman, 11B, and mechanized Infantryman, 11M, into the rifle Infantryman — the most multifunctional Soldier on the face of the Earth," Vereen said.

He said the grouping of the military occupation specialties will not only render a more cohesive and advanced unit on the battlefield, but it will also make the rifle Infantryman more equal in terms of advancements, assignment locations and morale throughout the Infantry community.

"The merger will continue to sustain the existing Infantry force and propel the emerging objective and responsive forces as well," he said.

"The Plunger" offered Soldiers some parting wisdom.

"Get involved with online education," he suggested. "The living room has become an extension of the education institution, and Soldiers should take advantage of every opportunity to expand their knowledge and grow intellectually."

He also encouraged Soldiers to do everything they can to excel at physical fitness and maintain healthy lifestyles as well.

"That will help their mental toughness," Vereen said. "Leaders should always study and maintain those attributes we expect from them."

Leaders should also take it up a notch.

"Periodically, they should disconnect and look and see what can be changed in order to add validity to their existence."

He has had mutually beneficial relationship with the Army.

"The Army has introduced and produced fundamental principles of patriotism, servitude and altruism, which ultimately precipitated what I am today — an Infantryman, a clergyman and a Grand Inspector General, 33rd degree (in Masonary). My affiliation with these elements and the spirit to serve have merged into an ever-present need for a never-ending pursuit to acquire and apply myself in the service of humanity," Vereen said.

He said the Army has also strengthened him to scale the known and prepare for the unknown.

post briefs

Retirement

Command Sgt. Maj. Kevin Connell, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment's sergeant major, will retire at 2 p.m. today at the Ranger Memorial.

Graduations

A and C Companies, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade, will graduate at 10 a.m. today on Kanell Field.

C Co., 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade, will graduate at 9 a.m. Thursday on Pomeroy Field.

A Co., 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt., BCTB, will graduate at 9 a.m. Dec. 20 on Pomeroy Field.

Tree and Menorah lighting ceremony

The annual Tree and Menorah Lighting Ceremony will be held at 5 p.m. Tuesday on the Field of Four Chaplains adjacent to the Infantry Center Chapel. The Chapel, Building 101, is located on the corner of Lauber and Sigerfoos streets.

The post Christmas tree will be lit and a Christian Nativity scene and Jewish Menorah will also be erected.

Santa Claus will make an appearance for the children. The Infantry Band will begin the program with 30 minutes of holiday music.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the program.

All members of the community are invited to join in as we formally kick off the holiday season.

School looking for female instructors

1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, is looking for female NCOs to serve as instructors for the Basic Airborne Course. For more information, call Command Sgt. Maj. Efrain Hernandez at 545-2533 or e-mail him at hernandeze@benning.army.mil.

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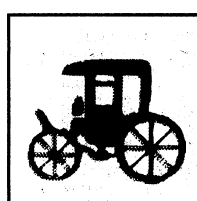

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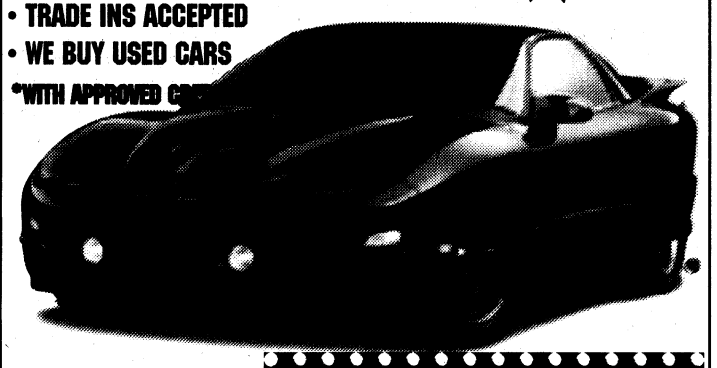

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Jump: Increases safety, reduces static line ruptures

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and the 82nd Airborne Division's Advanced Airborne School. The Airborne School is already teaching the procedure, which will be used on all airplanes; and three classes have graduated since the exit instruction changed.

"We are being careful not to convey to them that this is a 'new' exit," said Command Sgt. Maj. Efrain Hernandez, command sergeant major of 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry. "We just say it is the proper exit."

Under the previous method, which had been in practice since 1994, students were taught to approach the door at a 45-degree angle and to step out the door "with a purpose," Hernandez said.

But problems were found with the six-year-old method after cases of static line ruptures were reported Armywide, including three that resulted in fatalities last year, Hernandez said.

The Army called for an Integrated Concept Team on Static Lines to study the problem earlier this year. The team included representatives from the Airborne School, the 82nd Airborne Division's Airborne Test Board and experts from all services. Their study showed that static lines wore as the nylon cording rubbed against or hit the "aft down lock," a jagged metal-on-metal point at the bottom of the doorway.

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Terhune, commander of 1st Bn. (Abn.), 507th Inf., has examples in his office of static lines — yellow 15-foot cords that deploy parachutes — which show wear and tear from running along the exit doorways.

"If someone makes a weak exit, it's possible this static line will ride all the way down to the lock at the bottom of the door, and the friction at that point will cause it to rupture or break," Terhune said.

"The board members, who viewed video tapes and collected a lot of data, came to the conclusion that the jump itself — jumping up and out vigorously — would contribute to the static line riding higher on the trail of the door. And it wouldn't get all the way to the bottom of the door and the down lock," Styron said.

The new method reduces the risk of a weak exit, which puts the Soldier dangerously close to the aircraft.

"In a typical Airborne operation, the jumper has a lot of weight he is carrying. Simply walking out often meant spilling out, and the weak exit was right there. Now if you are trying to vigorously jump up and out, it is more likely you will have a good exit," Hernandez said.

Terhune and the others at the Airborne School understand that Soldiers carrying 150 pounds of equipment will have a hard time getting up and away from the aircraft.

"But, if we train them the way we want them to do it, then when they have those further restrictions on them, they are still going to try. It's still going to be better than potentially just stepping off the side of the platform," Terhune said.

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> 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry

Instructors at the Airborne School have videotaped students using the method and compared it to footage of jumpers using the step-out procedure.

"We are seeing a significant difference. When students were walking out you could see they were coming very close to the platform and the edge of the aircraft," Styron said. "Now they are definitely clearing the aircraft."

The new procedure is a modification of one used prior to 1994 for C-130s, but Terhune said there is one major difference.

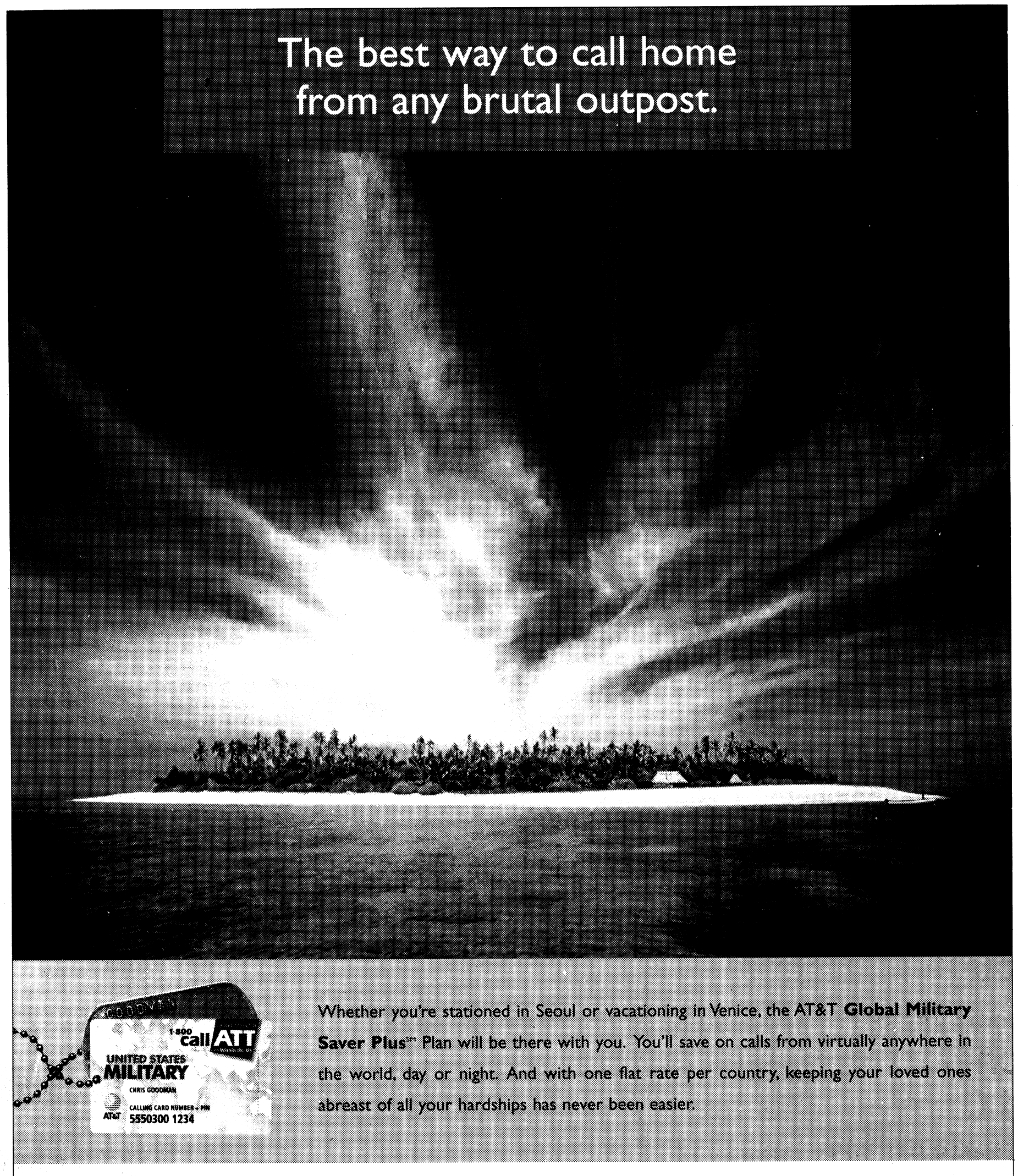
"At that time you stood square in the door, but you had your hands outside the door to help you stabilize yourself and to help you get that last bit of motion," Terhune said.

That method was abandoned for the step-out version because of injuries to jumpers whose hands and arms became tangled in the static lines of the paratroopers in front of them.

Under the latest up-and-out method, hands are placed on the reserve chute.

All Airborne units, including the Ranger Training Brigade and 75th Ranger Regiment, received official messages on the new procedure months ago. During the half-day holiday schedule, Rangers with the 2nd and 3rd Bns., 75th Ranger Regt., will undergo Jumpmaster and Airborne refreshers covering the new procedure, said Capt. Jody Miller, the regiment's air operations officer. Rangers in the 1st Bn., stationed at Fort Stewart, Ga., completed refresher training in November and used the new procedure in a jump before Thanksgiving.

The first Ranger School class in 2001 will receive instruction in the new method during the first week of training, said Maj. Douglas Flohr, RTB operations officer. Students complete up to four jumps during Ranger School.



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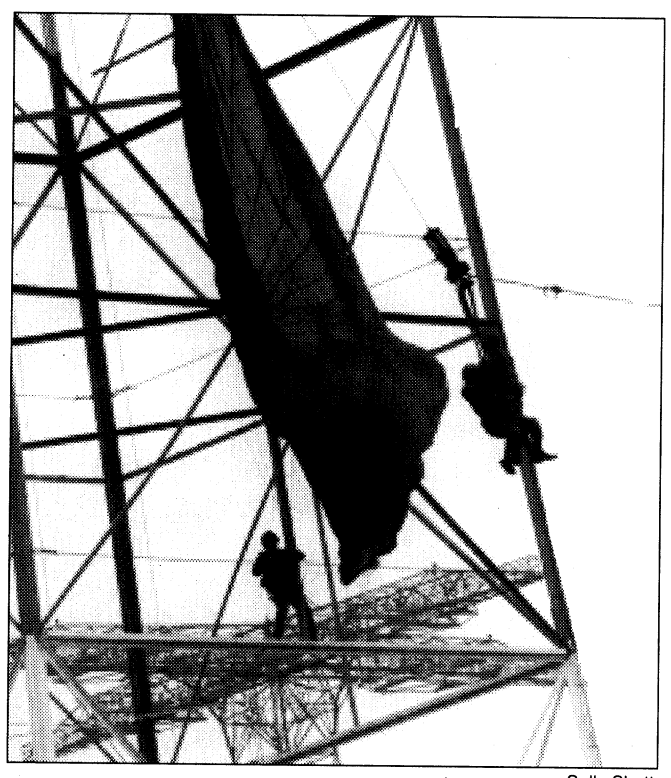

Sally Shutt

Staff Sgt. Joey Medeiros, a Black Hat Airborne instructor, rescues a student who was caught in the steel tower Wednesday morning on Eubanks Field. The student, assigned to C Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry, was not injured and went off the tower successfully on his second attempt. Staff Sgt. Calvin Araneta assists the rescue from the tower.

Exchange: Attracts industry

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Mitchell said, referring to environmental issues — for example, the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker — as well as those related to cultural resources which had to be resolved.

During the past 18 months, the post has conducted numerous consultations, including three face-to-face meetings, with tribal leaders from 11 federally recognized tribes who have historic ties to the area.

All federal agencies are required by law to consult with American Indian tribes on a government-to-government basis when issues affecting the tribes' cultural heritage are involved.

"This agreement is clearly a significant milestone standing between us and a deed exchange," Mitchell said.

Barring any unforeseen issues, Mitchell said, the deed exchange could be completed within three months after the cultural resources agreement is finalized.

Mike Gaymon, president of the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, also noted that the exchange has been a long time coming, but "it is worth the journey," he said.

"The land (the city acquires) will provide about 1,500 acres for a business park development, helping to create new jobs and new capital investment for the region," Gaymon said.

Mayor Peters sees the exchange as a "economic blessing to the city of Columbus," he said.

"We are almost out of larger industrial tracts, and now we can market Columbus to different industries," Peters said.

The new development is just another boost to South Columbus, the mayor said.

A new marina is planned in the area, as well as a new multi-million dollar home for the National Infantry Museum.

More than 100 people have been invited to witness the signing. The Infantry Center Band will provide music, and the museum will be closed until after the ceremony.

Traffic will be redirected on Baltzell Avenue, and drivers are encouraged to avoid the area from about 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

In the case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be moved to the Regimental Room of the Officers' Club.



Sally Shutt

Pvt. Kristopher Mevoli, A Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB, talks with Mindy Butler, who volunteered to wrap presents at the Main Exchange during Trainee Night. Butler wore a gift box to let the Soldiers know gift wrapping was available.

Trainees: Shop late into night

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This is the first year the exchange has offered nights for the trainees to shop, and the evenings are designed to let them purchase gifts and get them wrapped and processed for shipping the next day.

Family readiness group members from A Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, wrapped gifts for the Soldiers at no cost; however, donations were accepted.

Employees of All Services in Columbus weighed and ticketed the packages for shipment.

Pvt. Kristopher Mevoli, A Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Infantry Regt., Basic Combat Training Brigade, watched as a gift he purchased for a friend was wrapped in colorful paper.

"I've ordered some airbrushed shirts to be mailed home, bought a gift and had it wrapped. I plan to eat at Burger King and have this gift shipped to my friend," Mevoli said.

"I think this is nice. It's hard to be away from home and our families, and this lets us have a night to ourselves to do some Christmas shopping. But, I know tomorrow morning it will be back to work."

Pvt. Bryan Villard, E Co., 2nd Bn., 54th Inf. Regt., Infantry Training Brigade, wasn't thinking about Monday morning as he ate three slices of pepperoni pizza.

"I went straight for the pizza, and then I'm going to use the phone," Villard said.

The troops received briefings from their drill sergeants before arriving at the exchange.

"Some of them haven't purchased their tickets to go home for Christmas yet, so we talked to them about overspending," said Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Chase, B Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf., BCTB.

Other topics included warnings against shoplifting and trying to smuggle contraband — candy, soft drinks, tobacco products and reading materials — into the barracks.

While shoe polish was the evening's biggest seller, other hot items included portable CD players and luggage. Garment and carry-on bags sold quickly as the Soldiers prepare for Exodus.

This year they will be allowed to take only garment or carry-on bags, a change designed to help them move quickly through the Atlanta Hartsfield International airport. Last year some Soldiers missed their flights while waiting to check their bags, said Capt. William White, the assistant operations officer at BCTB.

The exchange was prepared for the shoppers and had ordered 3,000 pieces of luggage to meet the demand, said Barbara Beaudin, Sales and Merchandise Manager.

Pfc. Bradley Beverly, B Co., 2nd Bn., 54th Inf. Regt., ITB, found a carry-on with wheels that he will take home to Salem, Ore., over the holidays.

"It's pretty crowded in here," Beverly said. "But I like seeing the Christmas decorations, and everybody getting into the Christmas spirit. It's just nice seeing people shopping for their families."

A CLOSER LOOK

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Friends end Army careers, start new lives in area

Cols. Latimer, Mitchell to be honored today

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Col. John Latimer, former chief of staff, and Col. John Mitchell, former garrison commander, will be honored at a retirement ceremony at 4 p.m. today in front of Infantry Hall.

Both men are retiring from active duty Dec. 31 — Latimer after more than 28 years; Mitchell after more than 27.

Commanding General Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne refers to them as "John squared" and the "twins," not because they look anything alike, but when you see one, you usually see the other.

The two have been assigned together for the past eight years, from the War College at Carlisle, Pa., to MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., and on to Fort Benning, where they have lived four houses apart.

"Our families have been together for all that time, and we see each other almost daily. For the past three years, we've done PT together most mornings," Mitchell said.

"As chief of staff and garrison commander, they were the best combination I've seen in 10 years at this level. Their experience showed, and not just their professional experience, out their personal experiences as well," Le Moyne said. "Fort Benning's Soldiers and families benefited from that."

The two men have different personalities. Le Moyne described Mitchell as a "quiet professional," while Latimer is a little louder.

"John (Latimer) has the same professional focus, but he has that spark of boisterous life in him. It makes a great contrast," Le Moyne said.

But, there are striking similarities.

"Neither one of them took credit for the projects they were involved with," said Monica Manganaro, deputy public affairs officer. "You never heard either one of them say 'me' or 'I' and take credit. That's admirable."

Le Moyne agreed.

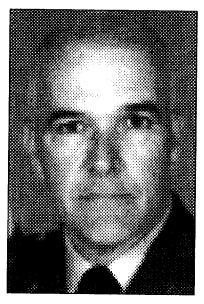
"There's no ego there at all. They are very good examples of selfless service to the benefit of others," Le Moyne said.

Manganaro recalled how Latimer was involved with many projects on post. Two examples are the renovation of Doughboy Stadium and improvements to Russ Pond.

"He really had an impact on the quality of life of the Soldiers, family members and civilians on post, and he did that by getting involved in every aspect of daily life here," she said.

Latimer, 50, served as the chief of staff from July 1997 until September.

"I never missed a day of work in 28 and a half years," he said. "I just loved coming to work each day."


Latimer

After graduating from the Citadel in 1972, Latimer's duty stations varied from Hawaii to Alaska, with stops at the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., along the way.

He served two tours in Somalia, first as the Military Liaison Officer to the U.S. Ambassador in Mogadishu, and in 1994 when he commanded the Combined Task Force (Forward), Operation United Shield, which he called his most fulfilling assignment.

He was in charge of the successful evacuation of 10,000 U.N. troops from the beach, a mission where no one died and he was the "last American on the beach," he said.

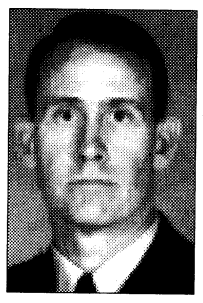
Latimer has been married for 28 years, and he is quick to give credit to his wife, Janice.

"She's the one who had to pack up and move the kids each time," he said.

The Latimers have two children, Wendy, who works with the Central Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C., and Patrick, a businessman in Florida.

A native of South Carolina, Latimer took the advice of his older brother, Dave, when trying to decide where to retire.

"He told me you retire where your friends are, and we have a tremendous number of friends in the area, many who are military, but also the folks I've met downtown," he said.


Mitchell

Mitchell served as garrison commander from August 1998 until November.

"Colonel Mitchell has worked closely with the city of Columbus and the community on such projects as the land exchange and with plans to build a new National Infantry Museum," Manganaro said.

Wednesday he will watch as the commanding general and the mayor of Columbus sign an agreement to exchange more than 2,000 acres of land. The proposed swap has taken 11 years to complete. During the last 27 months, Mitchell has represented the Army and the federal government at the consultation table with leaders from several American Indian nations who worked with the installation in writing cultural resources provisions connected to the exchange.

In November, Mitchell received an Army Achievement Medal for his work on the project.

"I'm really just a front guy in that deal," Mitchell said, listing individuals from the Directorate of Public Works and Staff Judge Advocate whom he thinks deserve the real credit.

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>
> **Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne**
> Commanding General

Mitchell, 49, spent 17 years growing up in Korea where his parents were Presbyterian missionaries.

"I was first exposed to the U.S. Army while living in Korea. Some of my fondest childhood memories there are of being invited by Soldiers to the mess halls to celebrate the holidays," Mitchell said.

He returned to the states to attend Auburn University, where "on a lark" he enrolled in a ROTC course. Mitchell liked the challenge, and as a cadet completed the Airborne and Ranger courses at Fort Benning.

"I thought I would stay in for a few years, get out and attend law school," he said. "Now, 27 and a half years later, I wonder where the time has gone."

Prior to assuming command of the garrison in 1998, Mitchell was the Inspector General at Fort Benning. He wears two bronze stars on his Master Parachutist Badge, signifying two combat jumps in Grenada and Panama. In 1983, he was a company commander with the 1st Ranger Battalion during Operation Urgent Fury in Grenada. He later served three years as the executive officer of the battalion and participated in Operation Just Cause in Panama. He commanded the 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 5th Infantry, in Korea.

Like Latimer, Mitchell has been married for 28 years, and he and his wife, Margery, have twin daughters, who are lieutenants. Jennifer, a graduate of West Point, is in flight school at Fort Rucker, Ala. Katie graduated from the Air Force Academy and is a contracting officer.

In keeping with their habit of moving on together, Latimer and Mitchell are going to work for the same corporation, Synovus. Latimer is already working for Total Solutions, managing the Dispute Branch.

"That's where people who have a complaint or a dispute with their credit cards call," Latimer said.

Mitchell will return to post as the group manager for the three Columbus Bank and Trust branches on Fort Benning.

"I feel fortunate to have this chance to stay in touch with the Army and to serve Army families and Soldiers," Mitchell said.

Exodus: Begins Dec. 18

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International Airport. About 106 chartered buses will carry the Soldiers to Atlanta beginning in the early morning hours of Dec. 18.

Fort Benning's trainees will join thousands of others from Fort Gordon, Ga., and Fort Jackson, S.C., who will travel through the Atlanta airport on Exodus.

Agents for the travel agency opened the doors at 6 a.m. Sunday and continued until that evening, processing approximately 1,000 Soldiers, said Vicky Northington, branch manager for Carlson-Wagonlit.

While most destinations are within the continental United States, tickets have been purchased for San Juan, Pago Pago, Somalia and Honduras, among other faraway locations, Northington said.

Weeks ago agents briefed the companies at the ITB and Basic Combat Training Brigade. "They filled out reservation forms, and we have them booked on flights before they get here, so all they have to do is pay," Northington said.

The agency started selling tickets in November and will continue through Tuesday.

To cover ticket expenses, the newest Soldiers — those who entered the service on or after Nov. 1 — could receive advanced pay. This will be repaid in four increments at mid-month and end-of-month for December and January.

Pvt. Ray Eckstein, B Co., 2nd Bn., 58th Inf., will travel to Neenah, Wis., for the holidays.

"I plan to have as much fun as I can," the 20-year-old Eckstein said.

He is not alone.

Pvt. Katal Yancey is looking forward to returning to Detroit, Mich., and seeing his family.

"I want to have a good time while I can," Yancey said.

And he's not worried about returning to One Station Unit Training on Jan. 3 after two weeks of downtime.

"No drill sergeant can be any harder than my mom," he said.

The Army Physical Fitness School is dedicating its building, Building 489, on Ingersoll Avenue, to Lt. Col. Herman J. Koehler 9:30 a.m. Thursday. The ceremony is open to the public.

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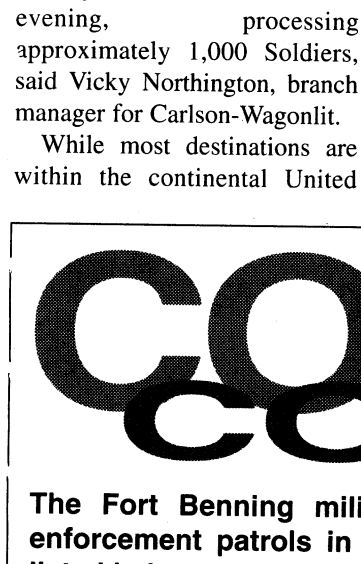

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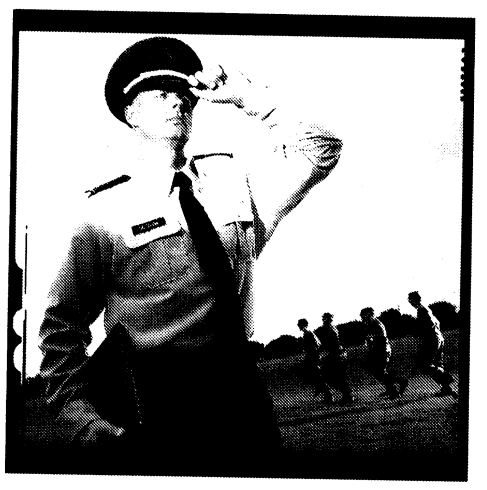

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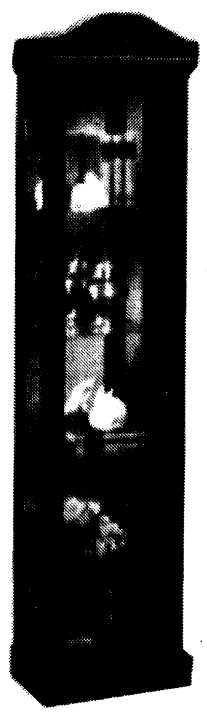

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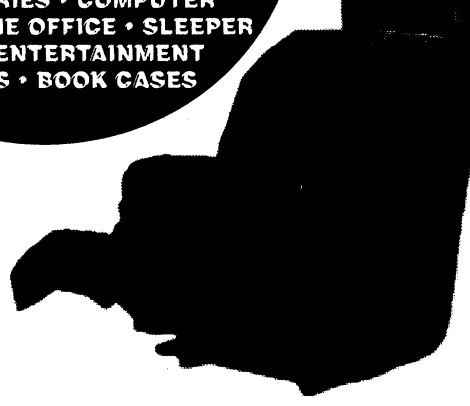

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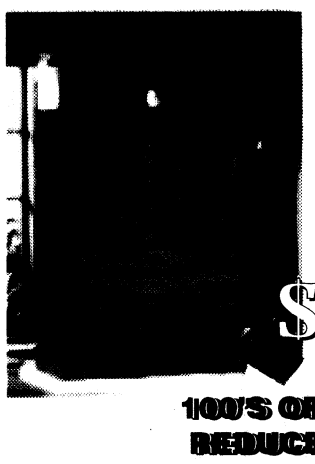

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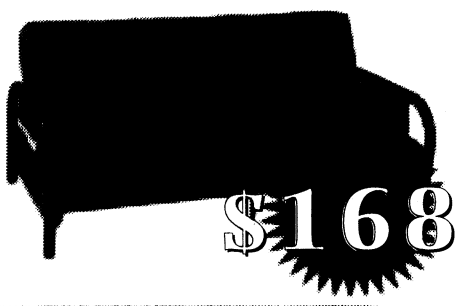

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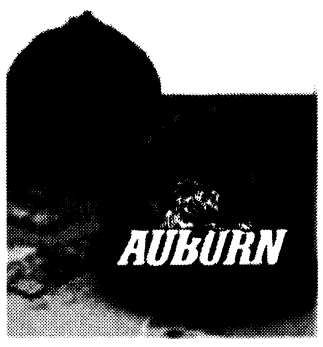

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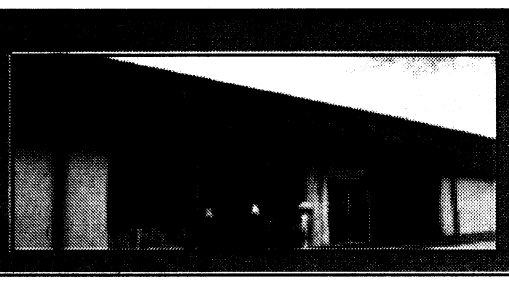

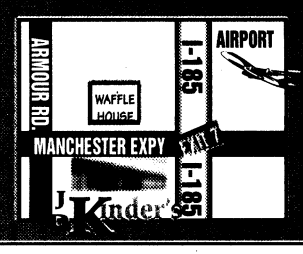

Fort Benning jumpers make their mark

Local Soldiers compete against world's best

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> "It's a sense of freedom, when you're jumping. You're seeing the world from a perspective few other people have."
>
> **Capt. Danny Alvarez**
> Golden Knights Military Parachute Championships competitor

Fort Benning Soldiers stood out among those competing at the recent Golden Knights Military Parachute Championships Nov. 17-18 at Fort Bragg, N.C.

This is the second year Soldiers from post were a part of this competition.

Lt. Col. Edward Daly, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry, Basic Combat Training Brigade, tied for top honors in the accuracy event.

After four jumps from a height of 3,000 feet, his combined total distance from the target center was 49 millimeters.

Daly compared this distance to the length of half a cigarette.

After a 17th place finish last year, Daly was somewhat surprised to take first place this time around. He attributed his success to a focused training regimen.

"I practiced harder in my spare time and bought a brand new parachute like the one I'd been training on at Fort Benning."

A local team representing the post took third place in the eight-way freefall event.

Team members included Daly, 1st Lt. Michael Troxell, Capt. Danny Alvarez, and Capt. Michael Belton. Troxell, Alvarez and Belton are all with 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry.

For this event, they were placed with four other jumpers they met at the competition.

The group simulated what the eight-person formations would feel like in the air by lying on the ground and practicing "dirt dives." This was their only chance to work together before boarding the plane to do the real thing at 12,500 feet.

"It's a great team building experience," Troxell said.

The Soldiers who competed are all former members of the recently disbanded post parachute team, The Silver Wings.

They have continued to practice on their own time at local skydiving centers to prepare for the contest.

Troxell said it was worth the extra effort. "It's a positive way to show the interest in sport parachuting in the Army."

"We just love jumping. It's a sport for us," Daly said.

"It's a sense of freedom, when you're jumping," Alvarez said. "You're seeing the world from a perspective few other people have."

Teams from military posts as far away as Canada, England and Germany competed at this event.

The championships are open to all active-duty, reserve and national guard members of all military services.

Former post residents, Staff Sgt. Greg Windmueller and Staff Sgt. Dan Leavitt, both most recently of 1st Bn. (Abn.), 507th Inf., were selected this fall to become members of the U.S. Army Parachute Team, the Golden Knights.

The 90-member team, now in its 40th year of existence, is stationed at Fort Bragg.

Members perform live aerial demonstrations for the public, compete in national and international parachuting competitions, and evaluate new parachuting equipment and techniques for improved operation and safety.

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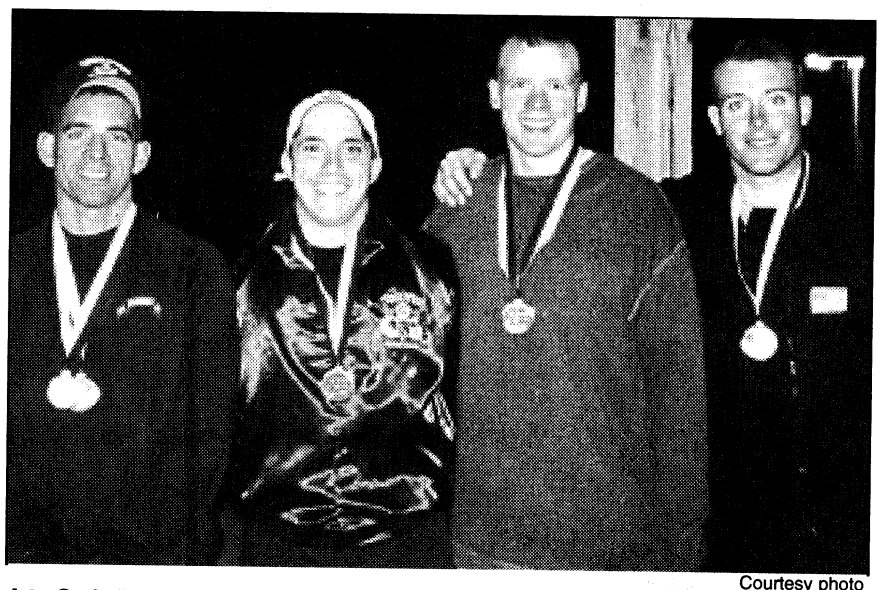

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Lt. Col. Edward Daly (left), Capt. Danny Alvarez, 1st Lt. Michael Troxell and Capt. Michael Belton stand for a picture after winning third place in the Golden Knights Military Parachute Championships Nov. 18 in Fort Bragg, N.C.

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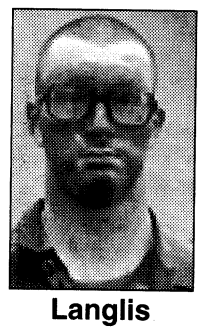
Pvt. John Brady
Omaha, Neb.
A Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army because I knew it could challenge me both mentally and physically as well as offer many rewarding benefits.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I was chosen for Soldier of the Cycle because I met and exceeded the standards set for the Infantry Soldier.



Alsup

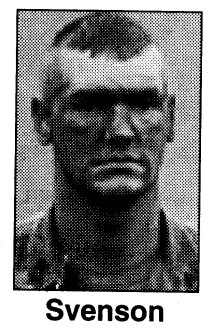
Staff Sgt. Shawn Alsup
Caldwell, Idaho
A Co., 2nd Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., ITB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style.
I use all three styles of leadership. In this type of training environment it is hard to stick with one style because you're focusing on developing that civilian into a Soldier.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? There is nothing like the feeling you get when you have a father or mother come up to you and say, "Thank you, drill sergeant, for training my son."

Pvt. Malcom Langlois
Stroudsburg, Pa.
C Co., 2nd Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., ITB
Award: Soldier of the Cycle.
What made you join the Army? I felt serving my country was an obligation I had to meet, and the Army was the best way to meet that.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? My drill sergeants felt I was the best representative from the platoon and that I gave 100 percent effort. I was lucky enough to be selected by the company board.



Langlis

Staff Sgt. Todd Svenson
Clevand, Ohio
C Co., 2nd Bn., 19th Inf. Regt., ITB
Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I combine all three styles depending on the situation.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? Seeing the transformation from civilians to Infantrymen (is great.)



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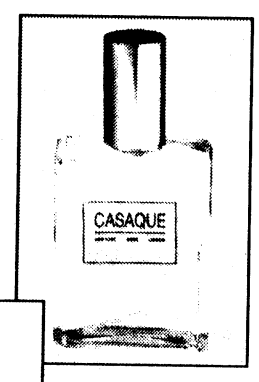





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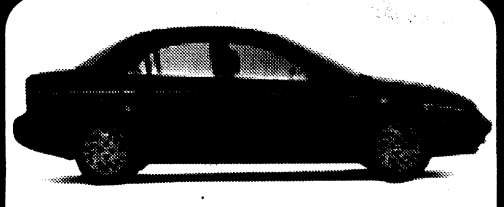

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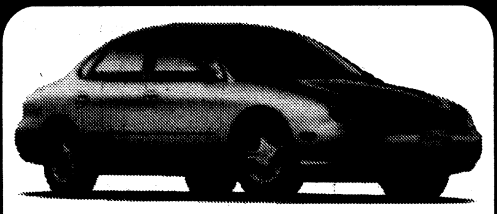

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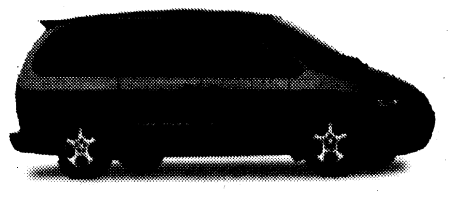

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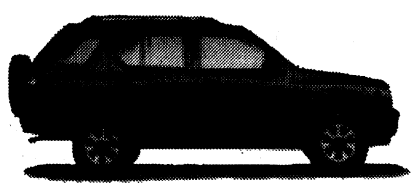

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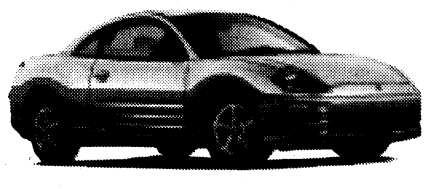

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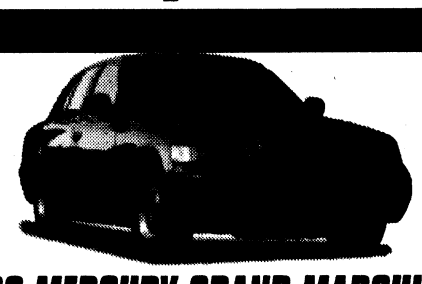

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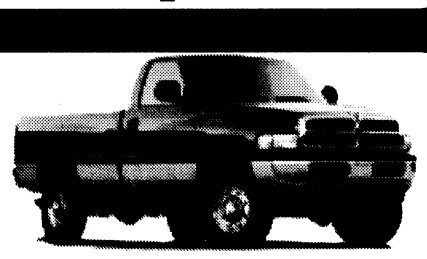

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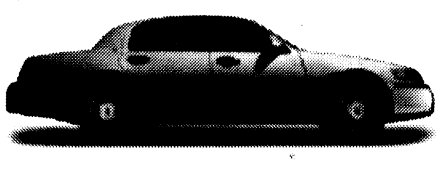

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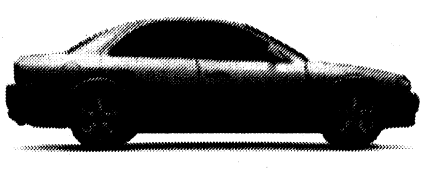

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SafetyCab shifts into gear off post

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It's the designated driver you can always count on.

From Sunday through Jan. 1, "SafetyCab" is available to Fort Benning, Columbus and Phenix City residents who have been drinking and need a safe ride home from off-post parties, restaurants and bars between 9 p.m. and 2 a.m.

The main goal of this local program is to promote the use of designated drivers. SafetyCab is a back-up that provides free transportation home in case there is no one safe to drive.

"In the event you feel you'd be safer off the roads, we hope you call SafetyCab," said Judy Walsh, SafetyCab coordinator, The Bradley Center, St. Francis Hospital.

"It's a nice benefit for Soldiers," said Regis Beighley, safety manager, Directorate of Public Safety.

There is criteria behind SafetyCab's services. The cabs will only pick up a driver and up to two passengers. They will also only get passengers at businesses serving alcohol. They will only bring passengers home, and they will not drive them to another bar.

The cab cannot pick up passengers from bars or restaurants on post because of a current contract with a local cab company. However, Fort Benning residents can receive rides home from locations off post.

In the past, Beighley said, some Soldiers have complained that it was hard to get through to the service. He said everyone who goes out drinking should plan ahead and have a designated driver.

The SafetyCab program is in its 18th year of existence. During its operation last year, the cabs provided more than 170 rides to people in the tricommunities. In contrast, there were 29 drunk driving related arrests last year on Fort Benning.

"It's worked very well in the past," Walsh said. "We've kept people off the highways and that's made it safer for ourselves and our loved ones."

"You may have to wait awhile for it to come, but as a last resort, SafetyCab is a good option," Beighley said.

To support the effort of designated drivers, several local nightclubs and restaurants will offer free nonalcoholic drinks to people who've volunteered to stay sober.

SafetyCab's number is 660-6069.

Spencer celebrates Christmas with song

Pfc. Chris Bray
29th Infantry Regiment

Last year was OK, Towanda McCray remembered, not sounding very enthused. The problem, she said, is that the music was so hard — but not hard enough to keep her from learning it. And what about this year? The 15-year-old Spencer High School student grabbed the sheet music for her clarinet part and waves it in the air for a visitor to see. "This year it's been harder, because I made first chair," she explained, with a shy hint of pride.

McCray is among the nearly 100 students who will perform in the school's annual Christmas concert this year, and her experience — with all its challenges and rewards — is a familiar one. "They do some things they don't think they can do," said Assistant Principal James Tanksley, a retired Army lieutenant colonel. "In order to perform, you have to practice."

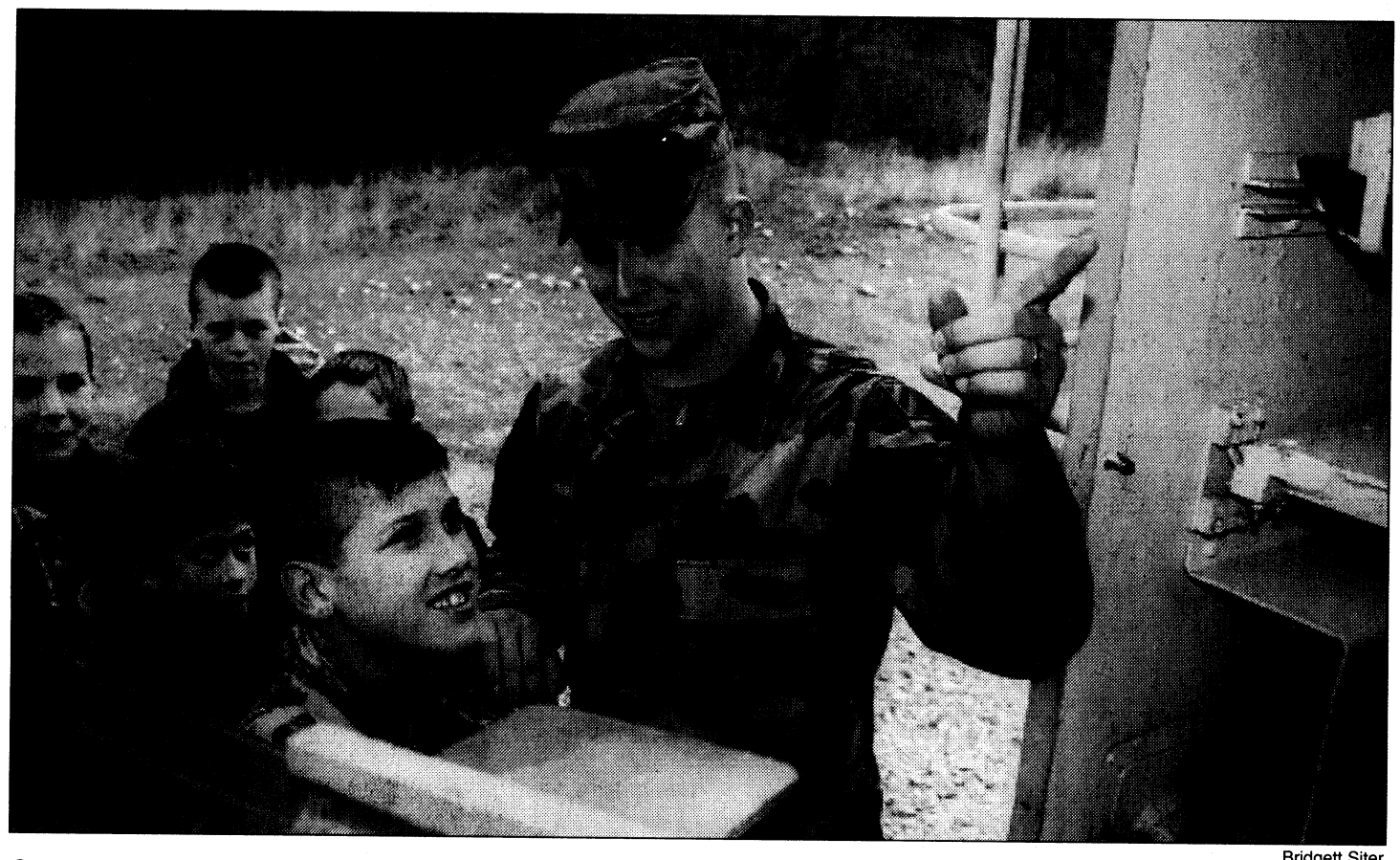
Parents, and anyone else in the Fort Benning community, can see the results of all that practice at the Dec. 14 concert. The performance, hosted by the Parent, Teacher, and Student Organization, begins at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium, and is free to all. The post's young people will be well represented on stage; just about 80 percent of the students at Spencer High are from Army families. "We've got a lot of talent from the Fort Benning kids," Tanksley said.

Chorus director Mark Culpepper said the Christmas concert is "probably the best-attended event all year long" on the campus. His 65 students will perform "*Salsa Noel,*" a jazz-waltz arrangement of "*Carol of the Bells,*" and other songs. Band director Marci Hawkins will lead her 35 students in a performance of 30 minutes of traditional holiday fare. Both groups of student musicians have been preparing for the concert since the first week of November.

All that practice is important, said 16-year-old Letisha Collins, but the performance itself will represent another challenge altogether. This is the third year Collins will play the flute in a Spencer High holiday concert. "It teaches me not to get stage fright," she said. "I sit right up front."

That's another reason why concerts like this one are so important for Spencer students, Tanksley said; the discipline, self-esteem, and confidence they learn represent an accomplishment that's not easily had. For the rest of us, the concert represents a good chance to hear some good music, and watch Fort Benning's young people shine.

Artillery sponsors Dexter's fieldtrip



Bridgett Siter
Sgt. Heath Stamm shows Joshua Straits, a 5th grader at Dexter Elementary, an ammunition carrier.

Students explore humvees

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Dexter Elementary students got a close-up look at some of Kelley Hill's mechanized armor equipment Wednesday.

The 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, Dexter's Partners in Education, sponsored a schoolwide field trip to give the students an opportunity to see the equipment some of their parents work with every day.

"My dad works at a motor pool, but I've never got to climb inside before," said 10-year-old Dean Crossno, as he peered out from an ammunition carrier. "This is really cool."

Besides the ammunition carrier, the students learned about the M-1 A1 Abrams, the M-109 A-6 Paladin 155 mm cannon and the humvee. They took turns climbing on board as Soldiers explained the various uses and jobs tasked to each vehicle.

First Lt. Lance O'Bryan, B Battery's executive officer, said the field trip was designed to encourage the students to think about the various ways Soldiers use basic skills every day.

"They're seeing first-hand how we use critical thinking, math and reading skills," he said. "The skills they're learning in school are an integral part of operating this kind of equipment."

Kris Keske, a fifth-grade teacher, said the field trip served dual purposes.

"It's fun for them, but I especially like that they're getting to spend time with the Soldiers and see someone other than their parents at work," she said.

Artilleryman mentors post children

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A Kelley Hill Soldier's involvement with the Partners in Education program rekindles memories of his own experience as a Fort Benning student.

Sgt. Heath Stamm, a gunner with C Battery, 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery, was a fifth-grade student at Dexter Elementary School in 1988.

Now as a Soldier with the school's sponsoring unit, he's volunteering to mentor Dexter students who, like himself, often experience extended periods of separation from their parents.

"As a kid I only saw part of the picture," Stamm said. "Dad was gone a lot, and I missed him. Now, coming back here as an adult, I see the big picture, and I hope that I can be a role model for these students who's parents are away a lot too."

During a recent visit at Dexter, Stamm dropped in on his former teacher, Carroll Thebaud, who still teaches the fifth-grade. Thebaud remembered Stamm as a "very, very lively little boy with skinny legs — always smiling, always fun."

"I think it's grand that he's able to come back here and be a positive role model for these students," said Thebaud. "The kids are fascinated to meet an adult who was once a student here just like them."

It was while his father was stationed at Fort Benning that Stamm decided to become a Soldier. He enlisted five years ago, with the intention of being stationed near his father.

But a year after Stamm enlisted, his father was medically retired. One year later he died from cancer.

"Our plans didn't work out, but I got to spend a lot of time with him that last year," Stamm said. "Before he died, he helped me map out a plan for my own career. He gave me a lot of good advice."

Stamm returned to Fort Benning in August, 1999, now a Soldier with two children of his own. He said he feels "connected" to his father, now more than ever.

"Being here has helped me feel close to him. I'm doing what he did, being where he was and experiencing the things he did," said Stamm, whose father also worked on Kelley Hill.

Stamm said his unique situation — a former student returning as a Soldier — enables him to relate to the concerns and problems Dexter students face.

"They do experience separations, and they have concerns and fears civilian kids might not deal with, but they have a lot of unique opportunities, too," he said.

"They have the advantage of being here on Fort Benning and bragging to their friends and relatives back home about the neat stuff they get to see and do," he added. "I know I did that when I was a kid, and it made me want to be a Soldier like my dad."

Fort Benning to participate in Post Cleanup Days

Residents rake yards, leaves in housing areas

Shannon S. Walsh
Special to the Bayonet©

It's time again for Fort Benning residents to pitch in and clean. The Fall Post Cleanup Days are scheduled for Monday through Dec. 15. All units, directorates and family housing area residents will be responsible for cleaning the areas where they work and live.

"If everyone cooperates, the post can maintain a high state of excellence," said Master Sgt. Donald Blackmon, NCOIC, Community Life Office, Directorate of Community Activities.

This event takes place twice a year, once before the winter holidays and then again in the spring.

The main objective of the scheduled cleanup is to remind residents to keep their outdoor living areas neat, said Jodie Bowers, president, Fort Benning's Mayors' Association. Post residents don't have to do elaborate landscaping on their yards, she said. Instead, the goal is to have them take care of basic seasonal yardwork.

"Hopefully people will take the opportunity to clean," Bowers said. "It's a good time to get rid of outdoor rubbish."

Post residences will be pre inspected to determine what areas individual households need to work on. As always, Community Life NCOs will give out notices identifying which responsibilities residents should focus on.

They will also get visual proof of problem areas on post. "We will be out there with cameras," Blackmon said.

There are a handful of deficiencies that turn up most frequently during inspections, Blackmon said. These offenses include the need to mow and edge lawns, rake the cut grass and leaves, trim shrubbery, trees and vines around quarters, clean up untidy or foul-smelling garbage cans, and clean leaves and debris from storm drains and gutters.

The post cleanup is also a good time to focus on indoor house maintenance, Blackmon said. He suggested Soldiers change the filters on their heating units and take care of the upkeep of other indoor appliances.

During the five days of this event, it is up to each unit commander's discretion to decide when to release Soldiers to go home and take care of their quarters.

If a Soldier's residence is already squared away and passes inspection, he or she can volunteer time to help clean common areas like playgrounds around the post community, Blackmon said.

He said this event can have a positive effect on the entire post, as long as everyone pulls together and puts forth the required effort. "We're all in government housing, and we all have to depend on each other."

"The outside of a house reflects the people inside," Bowers said. "It's important for us to keep our area on post looking nice. When visitors come here and see a messy post, they may think 'how can (Fort Benning Soldiers) run a country when they can't even keep their post clean?'" she said.

There will be resources like pine straw and fertilizer available at the U-DO-IT Center on Vibbert Avenue, Building 385. Residents can also pick up biodegradable yard waste bags there. Yard waste will only be picked up for disposal if it is in this type of bag. Fort Benning residents must have attended a post self-help class and received an identification card from that office to be able to use this service. For more information, call the center at 545-1121.

There are also unclaimed garbage cans up for grabs. Blackmon said he has more than 50 cans in his possession and would be happy to give them to residents who need them.

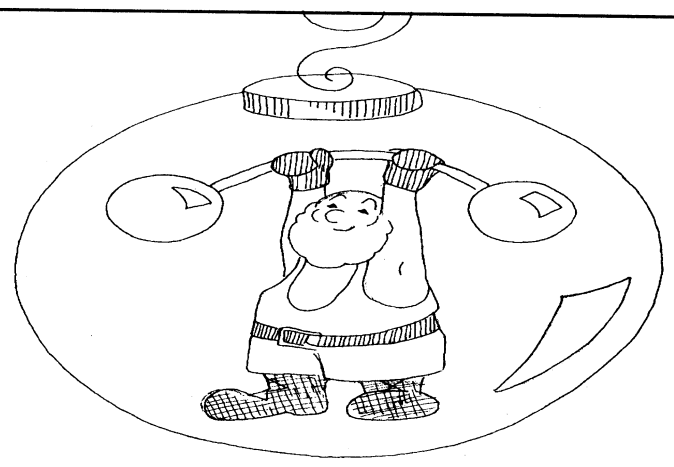
To obtain a garbage can or to get the name of your housing area's Community Life NCO, call Blackmon at 545-3069.

Garbage, recyclable items and yard waste will be picked up on the regularly scheduled mornings for your housing area. For more information about what is and what isn't acceptable for the recycling program, call Walter Nichols at 544-6142.

For the bulk leaf collection schedule during the cleanup week, contact the Directorate of Public Works at 545-3725.

Areas that do not pass initial inspection will be re inspected on Dec. 15. Soldiers who do not comply with the scheduled cleanup will be reported to their supervisors and may be subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

HEALTHY *Holiday* HABITS



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Pass the cookies?

It's always the same — the broken promises, the pleas for forgiveness, the utter sense of failure and self-loathing I feel when I look in the mirror.

It's not an affair or a battle with booze. It's those darned Christmas cookies. Why couldn't I just say no?

Don't laugh. You know exactly what I'm talking about. Cookies may not be your poison, but you have one nonetheless. Maybe it's too much of a good thing, like potatoes or turkey and stuffing. We're all weak, pathetic creatures — slaves to our appetites at this time of year.

But hang in there. The new year is coming. That's when we wipe the slate clean. Start all over again. Make right all our wrongs. Turn over a new leaf. We make all kinds of crazy promises — New Year's resolutions — no more sugar or refined foods, no more red meats, no more peanut butter and jelly sandwiches — until we're the perfect size six again.

It's a recipe for guaranteed failure. You simply cannot "adopt" a new life style. That's why 50 percent of us break our New Year's resolutions within six months.

After the age of 30, the average person gains about five pounds a year. They typically gain it this month, and despite all the promises and best intentions, they don't lose it after the new year.

Don't despair. It is possible to change your life by creating new, healthy habits. But don't wait for Jan. 1. It takes 21 days to create a habit, so today's the day to start thinking about the changes you'd like to put into practice three weeks from now.

Maj. Colleen Kesselring, chief of Nutrition Care Division at Martin Army Community Hospital, recommends her clients stay "focused and realistic" throughout the holiday season. Don't make any radical promises to yourself, like "I swear I'm not going to eat a single cookie this Christmas." Yeah, right.

Concentrate on maintaining your current body weight, not losing any over the holiday. And look on the bright side. Christmas shopping can hone your biceps and thin your backside as it thins your wallet. Really good, vigorous walking, reaching, shoving and hair pulling burns about 200 calories an hour. Hey, ain't that good news?

Let's say you do decide to commit to an exercise and diet regime come New Year. Start in small ways to change your old habits and create healthy new ones now.

Take the stairs instead of the elevator. Limit the number of desserts you have each week. If you eat a big lunch, eat a smaller supper, but don't skip any meals. That's a big no-no, according to Kesselring. Skipped meals result in slower metabolism.

Find a physical activity you enjoy doing. If you dread running or trekking to the gym, you won't stick to it. Ask Santa for in-line skates or a bike — or a trampoline if that's what makes you happy.

But don't ask him for get-thin-quick gimmicks, like pills or body wraps. At best they only work temporarily, and they're dangerous. You run the risk of serious dehydration or heart attack.

If you simply have to indulge in sweets, splurge on gourmet coffees instead of chocolate bonbons. But if you have a cookie craving that just won't quit, go ahead and eat a couple.

Depriving yourself of something you really want will ultimately result in a 20-minute binge and two hours of guilt. As Kesselring put it, "Robbing a bank is bad. Cheesecake isn't. Enjoy it, but eat in moderation."

Start your new year on the right foot by making minor changes in your lifestyle now. They'll become second nature in a short time, and you'll reap the rewards of healthier living.



Holiday trap snares fit & flabby

The holidays can present diet and exercise challenges to the most regimented people, including Soldiers, who make it their business to stay physically fit.

But a couple of weeks of overindulging and sporadic attempts at exercise don't have to derail a fitness routine.

Sgt. 1st Class Richard Holladay, an instructor and master fitness trainer with the U.S. Army Physical Fitness School, said many people fall into the "holiday trap," allowing a few missed work-outs to end their regular diet and exercise regime.

"First of all, it takes a fairly good amount of time to lose conditioning, so just because you skip a few sessions when things get hectic, doesn't mean you're out of shape," Holladay said. "It may feel that way, but after a few days back into your regular routine, you'll find you're feeling like your old self. A couple of weeks of missed PT doesn't have nearly the negative effect on your body that it does on your mind."

The key, Holladay said, is to stay motivated. Don't let a minor setback put an end to a year's worth of hard work.

"Just don't let your diet and exercise fall by the wayside completely," Holladay said. "If you can't follow your usual routine because you're busy or on vacation, cut back on your caloric intake for the time being. Find 20 minutes a day to walk when you don't have the time to do your usual PT."

Holladay said this is a good time of year to indulge in recreational activities that might normally take a back seat to a regular exercise routine.

"Stay mobile and have fun. Go biking or skating. If you're traveling up north for the holidays, go skiing. Chances are, if it's an activity you really enjoy, you'll keep at it," he said.

Whenever possible, Holladay also recommends the use of free weights to compensate for the increase in caloric intake and the decrease in physical activity.

"This is a good time to start thinking about incorporating free weights into your routine, because you get maximum benefits from minimum time expended," he said. "If you don't already have them, they're a really good, economical Christmas gift, and you can purchase them in assorted poundage to accommodate everyone who will be using them."

When it comes to shopping for the fitness buff or the beginner, Holladay also recommends videos that focus on total body conditioning, not spot reducing. As for the myriad of other fitness products on the market, he cautions the buyer beware.

"Don't waste your time or money with anything that promises you instant results," Holladay said. "The only way to get lasting, healthy weight-loss is to burn fat, and you burn fat by using it."

And whether you're struggling to squeeze fitness into a busy holiday schedule or planning to commit to a new routine in the new year, he recommends partnering with a family member or friend.

"Find someone who'll motivate you, and make an appointment to do it," he said. "Your partner will also be able to watch your movements, whether you're lifting weights or walking, and critique the quality of your movements. Proper form is better than quantity or repetitions."

Maj. Colleen Kesselring, chief of Nutrition Care Division at Martin Army Community Hospital, also cautions dieters not to allow overeating to undermine their diet and exercise routines.

"Concentrate on your accomplishments, not your failures," Kesselring said. "A little weight gain during the holidays is normal. Don't get depressed and give up. Just slowly get back into the habit of eating right and working out."

Eating right means enjoying all your favorite foods in moderation, Kesselring said. Depriving yourself can ultimately lead to binging.

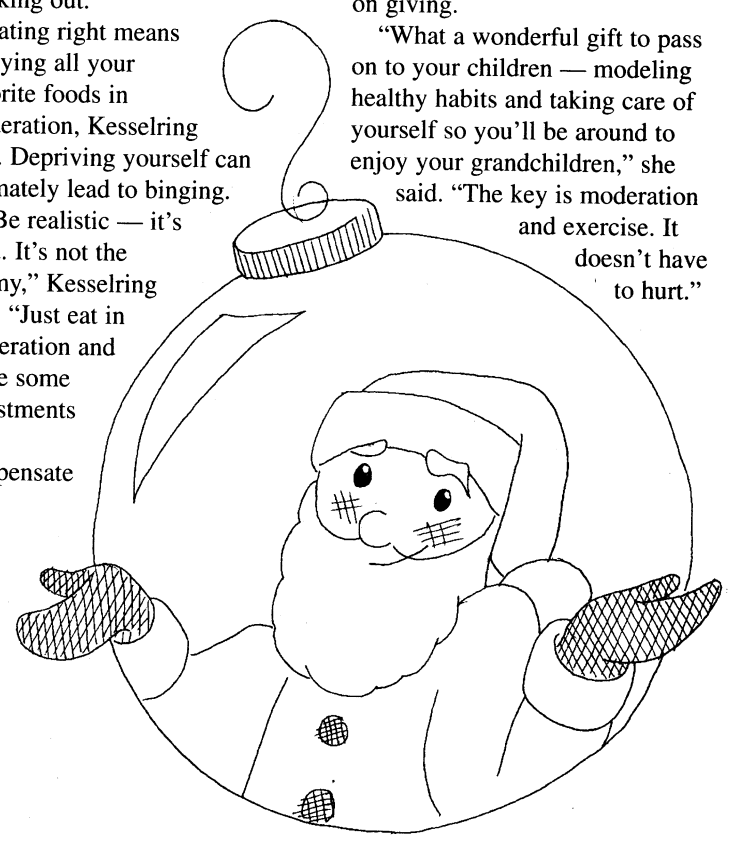
"Be realistic — it's food. It's not the enemy," Kesselring said. "Just eat in moderation and make some adjustments to compensate for the temporary change in your diet. If you eat too much at lunch, eat a smaller meal in the evening. If you splurge on cookies, go for a longer walk later."

Kesselring said healthy eaters need to be attuned to their body's hunger and satiety signals.

"If your body's telling you it's hungry, it needs fuel. If your stomach says it's satisfied, it's time to stop eating. Tune in," she said. "Watch your eating patterns and notice if you're eating out of boredom or frustration or sadness. The holidays can intensify those feelings. Learn to address the problem instead of eating."

Kesselring said learning to incorporate these diet and behavior modifications is a gift that keeps on giving.

"What a wonderful gift to pass on to your children — modeling healthy habits and taking care of yourself so you'll be around to enjoy your grandchildren," she said. "The key is moderation and exercise. It doesn't have to hurt."



ask the judge

Carolyn E. Moller
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I was in a car accident recently, and my insurance company wants to total my car, but I don't know what that means. Do I have to accept this recommendation?

A: No, but the wiser course of action may be to accept the recommendation.

When an insurance company totals a motor vehicle, it usually means that it would cost more to repair the car than what it's worth.

While it sounds like an accident must cause a lot of damage in order for the insurance company to total a car, that is not always the case.

Insurance companies use many factors to determine a motor vehicle's worth, with the main source being the insurance company's database of prices which takes into consideration the blue book value of the vehicle.

Additionally, the insurance company considers the type of vehicle, the age of the vehicle and the cost of repairs. Under this system, a vehicle with minor damages might be totaled, even though the damages are minor because it would cost more to fix the damage than the car is worth. On the other hand, a new vehicle might suffer major damage, but still not be totaled out because the cost of repair does not exceed the value of the car.

Problems arise when the insurance company offers less for your vehicle than what you think it is worth. Basically, insurance is a contract between the insurance company and the policyholder.

The purpose of the insurance is to put you back in the position you were in prior to the accident; but, you cannot force the insurance company to pay more than what the vehicle is worth. That is what creates a Catch-22. The insurance company has totaled your vehicle, but has not paid enough to replace it or to make you whole.

According to insure.com (www.insure.com), there are some things that you can do to avoid this problem. If the cost of repairs is more than a certain percentage of what the vehicle is worth, the insurance company is going to total the car. Some insurance companies use the 51 percent rule: if the cost of repairs exceeds more than 51 percent of the value of the vehicle, then the car is totaled. Others apply an 80 percent rule, meaning the repairs must exceed 80 percent of the value of the vehicle before it is totaled.

Prior to purchasing insurance, ask which method your insurance company applies to totaled vehicles. Knowing the method that your insurance company uses to reach the decision to total a vehicle may prevent future problems.

What can you expect to receive if the insurance company totals your car? According to insure.com, the insurance company will pay you the vehicle's actual value, or blue book value, minus any deductible you may owe under your insurance policy. Once the insurance company pays you, it owns your vehicle. At this point, most insurance companies will sell any usable parts of your vehicle as salvage.

If you believe that the vehicle is repairable, you do not have to accept the insurance company's assessment to total it.

The insurance company must still pay you the actual value of the vehicle, minus your deductible and minus its salvage value. Repairs will now be your responsibility and the insurance company has met its obligation to make you whole. Before you make this decision, however, think it through.

You might have problems securing future insurance on the vehicle because many insurance companies are hesitant to insure previously totaled vehicles. As such, it is the recommendation of the National Association of Independent Insurers to "Move on. The car's been totaled."

If you don't agree with the insurance company's valuation, you can always have the vehicle appraised by an independent appraiser, usually at your expense. Or, you can pursue arbitration or hire an attorney to represent your interests.

If you need more information on this topic, call the Legal Assistance Office at 545-3282 or 545-3281 to make an appointment, or come by Building 5 on Friday mornings to make an appointment for the following week.

gardening tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet corespondent



Fall is an important time to clean up the lawn. It is time to remove debris and take care of tasks overlooked in the summer.

The prevailing late summer heat tends to keep gardeners from doing chores and end of season maintenance. With the onset of cooler temperatures it is time to get back in the garden.

First things first, pull up summer annuals that are fading away. And pull up any vegetable plants that are finished as well. Put the disease-free plants in the compost pile.

Start a regime of raking and removing the falling leaves. Leaves that remain on the ground unattended can invite disease into the garden. Leaves getting compacted on the lawn can smother the grass and roots beneath creating a bare spot in the spring.

Use the leaves to replenish the carbon in the compost pile. Bag up the rest in a paper lawn bag and keep near the pile for replenishing later or shred them with your lawn mower and use them for mulch.

Do not use leaves to amend the soil. Adding leaves to the soil can take away nitrogen from plant roots. Decaying leaves in the soil actually steal the nitrogen to aid in their decomposing. So don't bury the leaves in the garden beds.

Clean up and oil all the garden tools. Oiling the tools keeps them from rusting over the winter when most tools aren't needed. This is a good time of year to do the maintenance on mowers and gas powered equipment. Mow the lawn, removing one-third of the grass blade. Rake the grass clippings if you are planning to overseed the lawn.

Till up the vegetable beds. Disrupting the soil now disturbs possible bacteria and disease living in the garden. Exposing these diseases to the air will kill them and aid in preventing them from coming back in the spring. If possible till again during the winter before a final tilling for planting in the spring.

There is enough maintenance to do in the garden to keep busy for a weekend. Reflect on the things that were good in the garden this year and plan for new things in the spring.

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Student questions Columbus High's designation

Ricky Elsey
Spencer High School

It has come to my attention that Columbus High has become a private school, not on paper, and with public funding.

As each academic year passes Columbus High gets more praises for its academic progress while the rest of the area high schools are left behind.

Unlike most private schools, Columbus High is tuition free, only asking that you pass the entrance exam and keep your grades in good standing while in the program. The funding for the Columbus High private school program is based on tests that are given to all of our area high schools.

While Columbus High gets to pick and choose their students, who in turn get higher test scores, it leaves the rest of the schools scrambling for funds. This magnet program, which is supposed to be good for everyone, only helps the ones involved.

Some may say Carver High is a magnet school too, but I want to say that they also need to realize they have one of the most populated schools in the county! Carver also accepts students from anywhere in the school district or in their area and does not require entrance exams for their students. In other words, if you were to live across the street from Carver, you would be guaranteed a place. At Columbus, you might not know until you pass the test!

Private school should not be judged with a public school. Public schools should accept students in their area — that's why the school was put there, not to turn down the ones that are not qualified.

So why is it that Columbus High is known to be public with all the characteristics of a private school?

Interview with disciplinarian explores problems at school

Marquita Hairston
Spencer High School

As a student going to school to learn, I feel it's very important that I feel safe. Without safety, you couldn't take in the education you need to achieve in life.

I attend Spencer High School and I'm aware of the rumors of Spencer being a bad school for children to attend.

I interviewed the man in charge of disciplining the students at Spencer, Mr. Manio. He had a lot of positive and interesting things to say.

Hairston: How often would you say there are fights at Spencer?

Manio: An average of about one every month. Usually the same people are involved. Mainly girls, about "he said she said" stuff.

Hairston: Is there a high percentage of drugs in the school?

Manio: There was only one caught this year. I'm not saying they are not using them; but we need the students' help.

Hairston: How strict is Spencer's Discipline Regulations?

Manio: Fair, but firm!

Hairston: Do you think Spencer has a greater percentage of problems, more than other public schools?

Manio: We have the best, well-behaved students. We need the students and teachers pull to make Spencer a more disciplined school.

Spencer's officer Marcus Seldon added, "I found Spencer to be a well disciplined school." Adding that he has worked at every high school and most of the junior highs.

Hairston: Would you say it's safe here?

Manio: Spencer has the best safety record in Columbus. Spencer is this way because of the cooperation of administrators, teachers, students and parents. I love them all!

Spencerian describes high school as best option, privilege

Montrel Woodhouse
Spencer High School

Some children are apathetic when it comes to deciding which high school they attend. They have many choices and can decide on which option fits them. Military children, on the other hand, don't have many choices.

Transportation is only provided from Columbus High School and Spencer High School, those being the only two options unless you have your own transportation. Spencer, which is the closest to Fort Benning, in most cases, would be the only option. But it is the best choice! It's not an obligation to come to Spencer, it's a privilege.

Spencer is active outside of school including military life. There are clubs that are open for everyone to join that perform community service on Fort Benning and in the Columbus community. Spencer has very helpful teachers who go out of their way to ensure one gets the knowledge one needs in life.

Spencer has a tutoring program sponsored by the 29th Infantry. There is no admission for this service and it's performed in Spencer's library after school.

Spencer trains children into becoming a Spencerian.

A Spencerian strives for the utmost excellence in life and puts their heart into every attempt for achievement. Desire to be one? Only then will Spencer be considered as the only choice.

Spencer student claims Carver High rivalry is most emotional

Laklya Williams
Spencer High School

Spencer High School's longtime rival has been Carver High. No other school in the county's rivalry is as emotional as this one. It can be described as a fierce competition between two teams thriving for victory.

When the night of this basketball game finally arrived the gym was immediately packed. No one cared how uncomfortable they were in the stands, because they were concentrating on the highlights of the game. The players were under a huge amount of pressure, due to the fact that they realize one minor mistake could cost them the victory. The players all come from different backgrounds. Spencer, however, being a majority military school, contains either students whose parents are currently in the military or retired. So many of the players have played all around the world. Whereas Carver may have some students who have been around the country as well, but the majority grew up in Columbus.

Even though these two teams may look at each other in disgust, deep down inside they have respect for each other.

That is what makes this rivalry so emotional.

Homecoming pageant was very exciting, according to participants

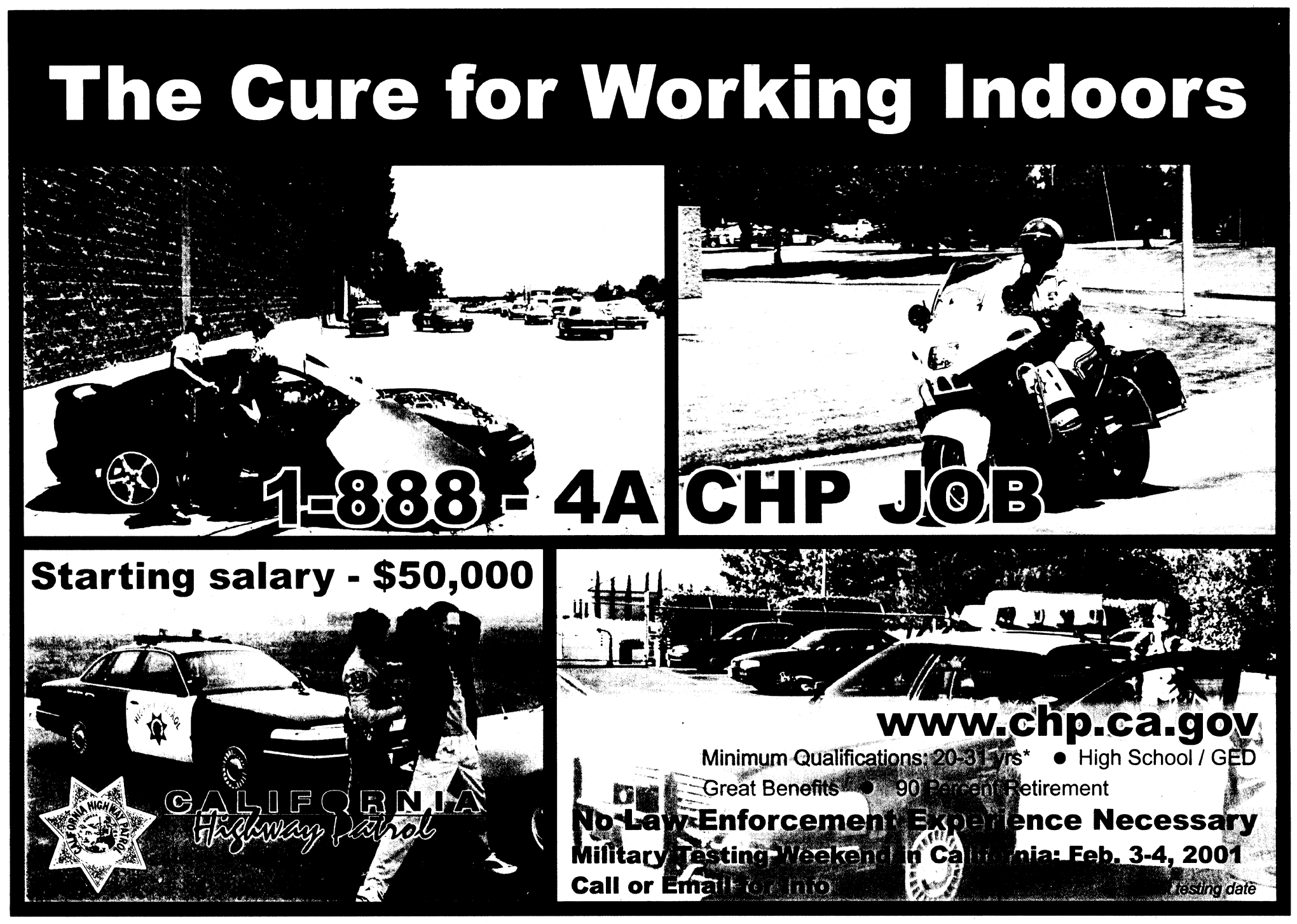
Kenyetta Clark
Spencer High School

During our homecoming week at Spencer, we accomplished something that has not been done in a long time.

Nominating our class queens and kings on Oct. 25 was not only about popularity, but also style and talent. Competing queens and kings were first placed in front of their class to speech about why they were running for class queen and king and why they would be best in doing so.

The students then voted for the candidate they felt expressed themselves and their ideas best. The top three of each class qualified to be placed in the pageant. The pageant revolved around three categories which were: presentation of the queens, talent portion, modeling of the evening wear and a humanities question. Other questions such as organizational, sports and clubs were also presented.

Oct. 25 was a very exquisite evening under the sole sponsorship of Sonja Coaxum. Many students rely on having another pageant next year.



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WE WILL NOT PUBLISH ON FRIDAY, DEC. 29

Our office on 1819 S. Lumpkin Road will be closed Monday, Dec. 25 through Monday, Jan. 1.

We will re-open on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

Muslims observe Fast of Ramadan

Bill Putman
USAIC Chaplain's Office

reflections

Ramadan is the ninth month of the lunar calendar. During this month, Muslims observe the Fast of Ramadan, which lasts for the entire month during daylight hours.

Usually Muslims eat breakfast before daylight during Ramadan, and then do not partake of either food or water during daylight hours.

In the evening they eat small meals call Iftar, which means break the fast. During the evening they also visit with friends and family and observe a time of worship and contemplation.

This is a time of strengthening family and community ties.

The first day of fasting this year was Nov. 27.

Ramadan is important to Muslims for another reason. It is the month in which the first verses of the Holy Koran (the divine scripture) were revealed by Allah to the prophet Mohammed.

Prophet Mohammed, who worked as a caravan trader, used to go out from his home in Makkah, from time to time to reflect and meditate in solitude.

He never accepted his people's worship of many gods and felt a need to withdraw and reflect on the one God.

During one of these contemplative sessions in a cave, a voice revealed to him the first verses of the Koran.

The voice was that of the angel Gabriel and he confirmed that Mohammed was selected for an important and challenging mission — he was to call people to monotheism and righteousness.

The Koran is God's word recorded in Arabic and transmitted to humanity through prophet Mohammed, whom Muslims believe to be the last of the prophets.

Some of the benefits realized by Muslims by their fasting are:

• Fasting helps them to feel compassion for those less fortunate, since every day they feel greater appreciation for what they have, due to their feeling of hunger and thirst.

• Fasting builds a sense of self-control and will power, which can be beneficial in dealing with temptations and peer pressure.

• Fasting offers a time for Muslims to purify their bodies as well as their souls, by developing a greater sense of humility, spirituality and community.

A greater sense of generosity and forgiveness is characteristic of Ramadan, which is generally a time of spirituality and fellowship.

Some terms that apply to Ramadan are:

Suhoor — this is the predawn breakfast meal eaten during Ramadan.

Iftar — this is the meal at the end of the daily fast.

It usually begins with fresh fruits, dates and appetizers and includes beverages and a dinner meal.

For more information on Ramadan and the Muslim faith, call the Fort Benning Muslim lay leader, Sgt. Ahmad Abdur-Rashid through Soldiers' Chapel at 544-9601.

Editor's note: *Sgt. Ahmad Abdur-Rashid, Fort Benning Muslim lay leader, contributed to this article.*

chapel notes

Club Beyond drama

Members of Club Beyond will present a Christmas drama at both the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. services Sunday in the TIC Chapel. Everyone is invited to these presentations.

Military Council of Catholic Women

The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m. Fridays at the Main Post Catholic Chapel at Vibbert Avenue and Sigerfoos Road.

The program begins with the Rosary and is followed by Bible study. Child care is provided.

For more information, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Club Beyond

The Junior High and Middle School Youth meet Sundays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The Senior High group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel. All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

For more information, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

Sunday School

The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on First Division Road.

There are classes for students from three years of age through adults. Everyone is invited. Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at The Infantry Center Chapel.

If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled for you.

Gamblers can throw it all away

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Family Life Ministries

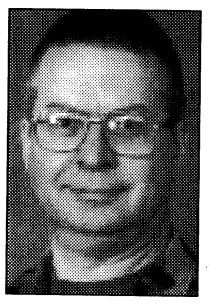
Excessive gambling disrupts personal, family or vocational pursuits. Social gambling usually occurs with friends or coworkers, lasts for a short period of time and does not exceed predetermined acceptable losses.

However, excessive gambling has pathological effects and affects 1 to 3 percent of the adult population.

Despite the fact that one-third of all excessive gamblers are women, only 2 to 4 percent seek help.

Twenty percent of rehabilitative gamblers have indicated they have attempted suicide when losing from gambling.

For gamblers the love of money is both the source of their evils and the only known solution to their problems (I Timothy 6:10). Excessive gamblers are preoccupied with gambling.



They seek to relive a winning gambling experience. Often they are thinking of ways to get money to gamble or they are planning or handicapping their next venture.

Unfortunately compulsive gamblers need to gamble with increasing amounts of money to get the desired emotional effect.

They may use it as a way of escaping from problems or of alleviating feelings of helplessness, guilt, anxiety or depression.

Knowing their gambling habit is adversely affecting them and their families, excessive gamblers experience repeated unsuccessful efforts to control, cut back, or stop gambling.

They may become restless or irritable when attempting to cut back or stop gambling.

Nevertheless, they look forward to gambling again to win back money lost from a previous gambling venture. Compulsive gamblers risk their relationship with their spouse and family and may jeopardize their job, education or career opportunities by continuing their habit.

As a result they may try to conceal the extent of their involvement with gambling by lying to family members or others.

Some pathological gamblers have committed illegal acts such as forgery, fraud, theft or embezzlement to finance their gambling ventures.

They often rely on others, such as relatives, friends, coworkers and loan sharks to lend them money to relieve a desperate financial crunch caused by gambling.

With help you can overcome excessive gambling. Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

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Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101 Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

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Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

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Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

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Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Friday Isha Evening Prayers

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
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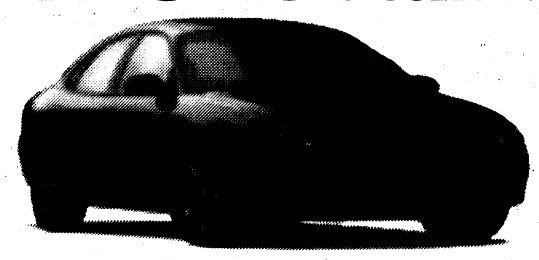

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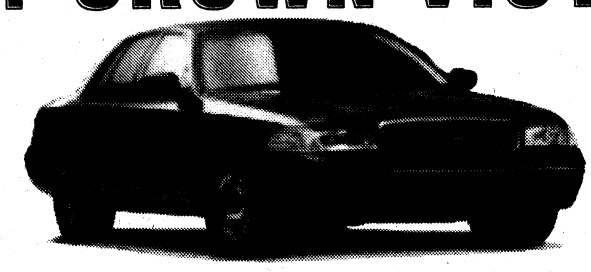

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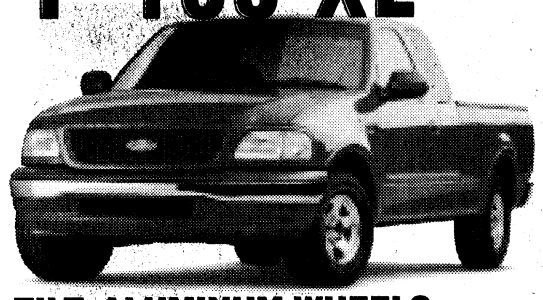

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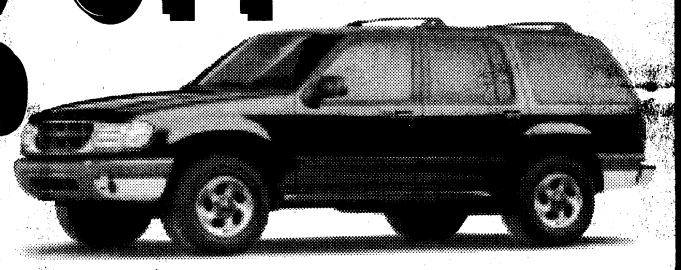

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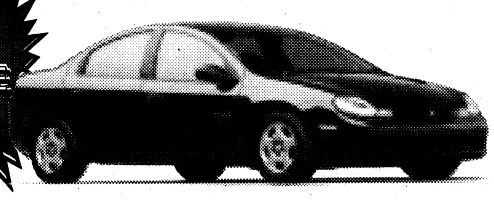

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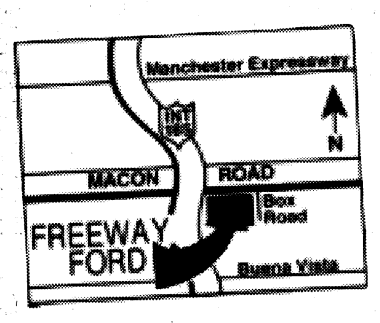

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SECTION C

Fort Benning Soldiers meet president

Olympians visit capital, top Army officials

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Very few Soldiers get to shake hands with their commander-in-chief. But that's exactly what a dozen service members got to do last week. The nine Olympians of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit, joined three Olympians of the World Class Athlete Program at the White House and were introduced to the president of the United States.

The Olympians traveled to the nation's capital Nov. 27-29 to meet the president and Pentagon officials as part of Operation Laurel Wreath.

USAMU Olympic shooters who participated were skeet Bronze Medalist Sgt. 1st Class Todd Graves, free rifle shooters Maj. Michael E. Anti, Capt. Glenn A. Dubis and Sgt. 1st Class Thomas A. Tamas, running target shooter Sgt. 1st Class Lance D. Dement; free pistol shooter Sgt. 1st Class Daryl L. Szarenski, air rifle shooters Staff Sgt. Kenneth A. Johnson and Sgt. Jason A. Parker and double trap shooter Spc. William H. Keever. Army Olympians of the World Class Athlete Program who attended were modern pentathlete Spc. Chad Senior, long jumper Spc. Dawn Burrell and rower Navy Ensign Henry Nuzum.

WCAP Olympic alternates who got to attend the Pentagon festivities were boxers Sgts. Deandrey Abron and James Webb, modern pentathletes Capt. Jim Gregory and Spc. Brett Weatherbie, hammer thrower Capt. Gerald Ingalls, wrestlers Sgt. Keith Sieracki and Spc. Mike Vanarsdale and runner 2nd Lt. Amy Ross.

Also participating at the Pentagon were: USAMU International Rifle Coach William E. Krilling, an Olympic shooting official and juror; USAMU Sgt. Maj. Gabriel J. Ossa; WCAP boxing coach Staff Sgt. Basheer Abdullah, U.S. Military Academy track and field coach Jay Quiller, wrestling coach U.S. Marine Corps Capt. Jon Antonelli, and WCAP Commander Capt. Stephanie Tutton and 1st Sgt. Jeffrey Davis of the Olympic Training Center in Colorado, as well as other WCAP and Armed Forces Sports staff members.

The Olympians arrived in Washington, D.C., Nov. 27 and were treated to a pizza party at Generous George's in Alexandria, Va., that evening, hosted by Community and Family Support Center Commander Brig. Gen. Antonio Taguba. The Olympians posed for photos and were interviewed by the members of the Washington media.

The next day, the Olympians went to the Pentagon where they met with their respective service chiefs.

The Army Olympians met with Sergeant Major of the Army Jack L. Tilley, who presented each athlete with a SMA Coin and challenged Burrell to a long-jumping contest in his office.

Ossa presented Tilley with a U.S. Army Recruiting Command shirt, worn by USAMU Soldiers when they are supporting recruiting missions around the country.

"I want to say how grateful I am to the sergeant major of the Army and his staff for providing such a warm reception to the Olympians," Ossa said.

Although the Olympians were next scheduled to meet with Army Secretary

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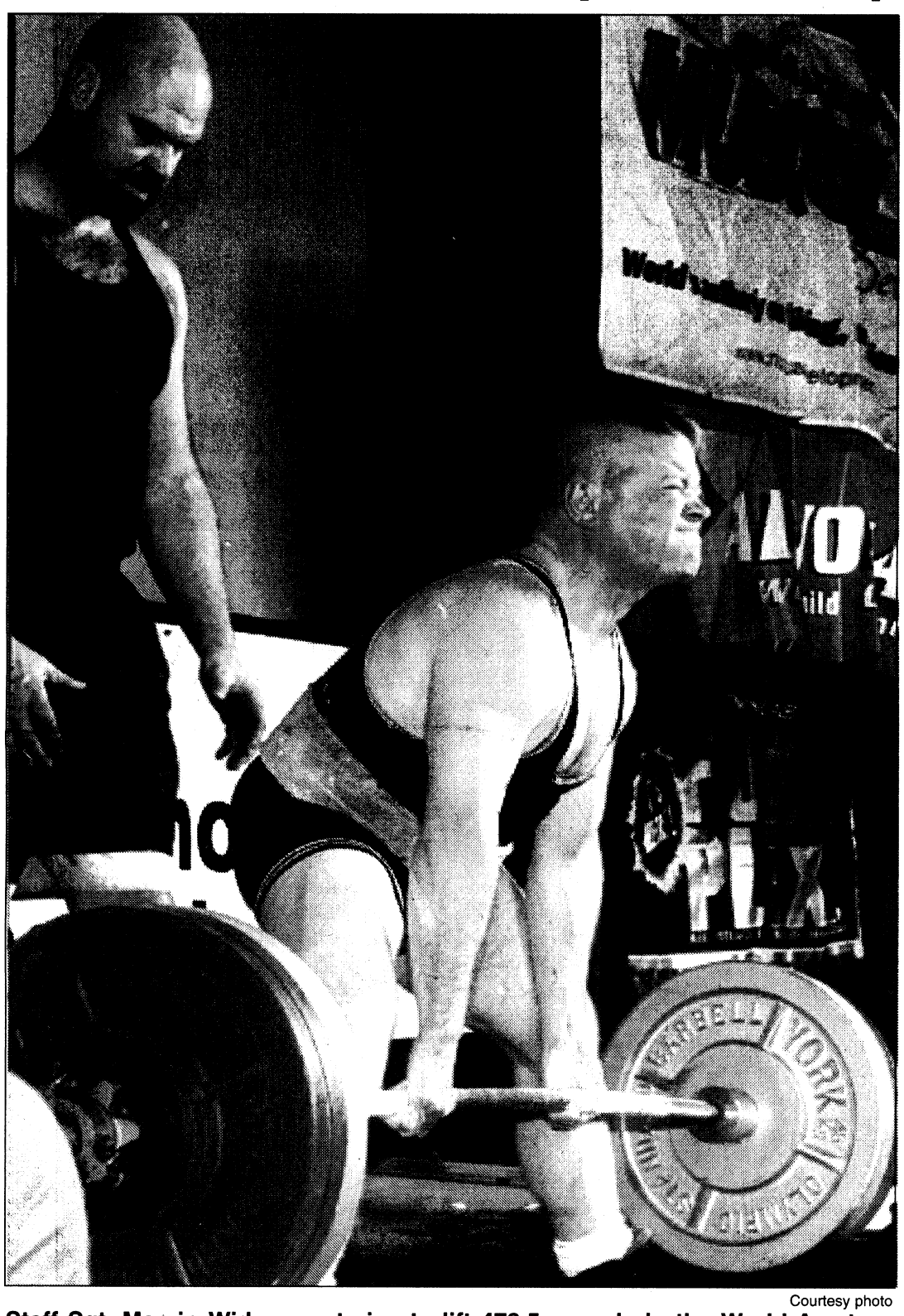
Local Soldier picks up deadlift world record



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Staff Sgt. Marvin Wideman strains to lift 473.5 pounds in the World Amateur Bench Press and Deadlift Championship Nov. 17 in Reno, Nev. The lift was successful. On the next lift Wideman hoisted 485 pounds for the current world record, smashing the previous record by nearly 100 pounds.

Powerlifter earns world's strongest title

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

He may not be able to leap tall buildings with a single bound, but he can muster the strength to lift a small car off its wheels.

Standing only 4 feet 11 inches tall, Staff Sgt. Marvin Wideman doesn't let anything get in the way of reaching his goal; being able to lift more than 1,500 pounds in a competition.

Wideman, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, hoisted the world record deadlift in November at the World Amateur Bench press and Deadlift Competition in Reno, Nev.

"It is a goal that I've been trying to reach for some time," he said. "I am always trying to do better than last time. Just to be able to lift that weight and be recognized as a world record holder, I receive a lot of self-pride and self-gratification."

Although he shattered the previous record on his first lift, Wideman tried three more times to better his weight.

"The first and the second lift went up easy," he said. "That's why we (my coach, George Herring, and I) decided to put the weight up to 485. When I lifted it, it didn't go up as easy as I thought it would, so I didn't know I completed the lift till they told me to put it down.

"The crowd was screaming and going crazy, it was a great feeling. It was awesome," he said.

Wideman, an instructor and writer for the AT-4 on Duke Range, got hooked on powerlifting after he graduated from the master fitness school in 1990.

"It's a rush to lift weights that people say is unnatural," Wideman said. "I want to test my body to the ultimate level, and that is to lift as much weight as possible."

Wideman's goals are to squat 600 pounds, bench press 350 pounds and to deadlift 575 pounds totaling just more than three-quarters of a ton.

"I get a lot of personal satisfaction out of lifting," he said. "It also keeps me healthy.

"And a person of my height it helps to be a little stronger," Wideman joked.

Wideman said he never lifted weights before being introduced to the sport, but he was always involved in sports.

"As soon as I got into powerlifting I began competing," he said. "In my first competition I got first place in the Georgia State U.S. Power Lifting Federation Championships in the 132 pound weight class."

And since his first competition, Wideman has competed in a wide variety of competitions.

He has two world championships and four national championships and eight state titles under his belt.

However, his strength and titles don't come without sacrifice.

Wideman was out of competitions for more than a year after he hurt his shoulder from a bad fall, and just two weeks prior to the competition, he pulled a muscle in his back while warming up.

Wideman said that training for the competitions is nearly a full-time job.

"I have been training for this competition since July," he said. "It takes a lot of dedication and self-sacrifice. I can't eat the things I want to eat. I have to spend time in the gym. I have to do the extra work in the gym that most people don't do."

The trips to the gym last one and a half hours to two hours and include lots of lifting, he said.

The extra lifting has caused Wideman to not meet the Army's height and weight standard.

"Actually there is no height and weight standard for me," he joked. I am under the height standard. I have to get taped every time. I find it quite humorous."

He said the tape tests give false readings.

"Every time it comes around, if you were to measure me, it would show I have 23 percent body fat ... when I really have only 17 percent (according to electronic tests)."

Along with training for the competitions, Wideman said he maintains the company PT standards.

"When I get closer to competitions, my (chain-of-command) have been gracious enough to allow me to go to the gym and lift," he said. "They are all real proud of me and what I've done. In fact they have encouraged it from the beginning. They've allowed me to get in there and train with as little distractions as possible."

The work Wideman puts toward weightlifting reflects the type of Soldier he is, 1st Sgt. Anthony LaCour, B Co's., first sergeant, said.

He is one of the best Soldiers

See **SOLDIER**, C-2

Visitors find slice of heaven found at Butts Mill Farm

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Neil and Trish Liechty have carved themselves a little slice of heaven in Pine Mountain — "God's country," they call it — and since 1995, they've shared their fortune with hundreds of thousands of visitors.

Their story really began more than 150 years ago, in 1846, when Butts Mill Farm was first built. It operated as a working farm and grist mill for 100 years, until a flood destroyed its foundation and nearby bridge in the mid-1940s.

The farmland fell into decay until 1994, when the Liechtys saw potential in the forsaken, overgrown parcel of woods just off Highway 18, west of Callaway Gardens in Harris County. They purchased 80 acres of the original farm, including the gristmill, which they've restored and renovated into a beautiful three-story home for their growing family.

Butts Mill is once again a working farm, with an emphasis on family fun and kid-friendly activities. It's open to the public year round, except for Christmas.

Activities include a petting zoo, hayrides, pony rides, horseback riding and lessons, fishing, a playground, volleyball, tubing down the creek, horseshoes and carriage rides on one of five antique carriages.

The Liechtys host school groups, corporate dinners, family reunions and weddings. Though they can, and do, often accommodate more than 2,000 guests, they made our little party of six — two adults and four little girls — feel like we were their only guests.

We opted for an hour long trail ride through the woods, across the creek and over several acres of beautiful, rolling farmland. We rode quarter horses with names like Chief and Cloud and Lady Blaze, each selected by our guide, Anna, to suit our various levels of experience.

Afterward, Anna gave us souvenirs — horse shoes — to remember our day at Butts Mill Farm. I don't think it's something the girls will soon forget.

They're still talking about Georgia, the 150-pound, 11-month-old brown bear the Liechtys have raised since it was a tiny cub. And they loved the playground, especially its trampolines and jungle gyms.

I liked the covered bridge. It spans a rippling brook, no more than two feet at its deepest point. They've added a couple of porch swings under the bridge. That's where I'll be curled up with a good book, come spring, when the water's warm enough for the kids to play in.

We'll bring a picnic lunch — something the Liechtys encourage — and a snack for the animals. There are goats, sheep, pigs, rabbits, geese, cows and even a llama.

A day of fun at the farm costs $7.95 for adults and $5.95 for children 2 and older. Horseback riding is extra, depending on the length of your ride.



Bridgett Siter

Aubrey Coovrey (left) and Marin Knisheern visit Lady Blaze at Butts Mill Farm.

Butts Mill also serves up Southern-style dinners, like barbecue or cajun boil, for weddings, reunions and unit parties. While the kids have the run of the farm, the adults enjoy karaoke and inflatable bull rides in the barn.

For more information about Butts Mills Farm, visit their Web page at www.buttsmillfarm.com.

No scents just good common sense

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Outdoor Recreation

Ideally I would have liked to have written this article during early deer season, but scent control is important at any time; and probably one of the key reasons for unseen deer.

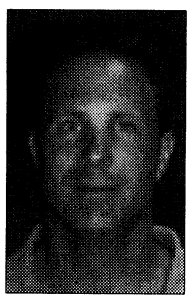
The deer's nose is its best defense, especially against hunters moving on the ground. I am not exactly sure how scientists determine this, but it is said the whitetail deer can smell 40 times better than a human. And they can process and identify over 25 different scents at one time. Few animals have a better sense of smell than the whitetail.

When it comes to hunting, there are two major areas for scent control; the scents we use to fool or lure the whitetail and the measures taken to cover the scent of gear and ourselves.

There are a variety of scents available to lure the whitetail, but I'll touch on a few basic common scents.

Cover scents: There are more than 21 different cover scents available.

Cover scents are used to blend or cover our scent with existing smells to confuse the wily whitetail. Some common



cover scents are fox urine, pine, persimmon, skunk, earth, and odor eliminator, to name a few. Cover scents are normally sprayed directly on the hunter's clothing and boots.

Some work in different geographical locations and not in others. For example, persimmon scent wouldn't work well in Colorado, because persimmons aren't common there.

I have tried every different cover scent I can get my hands on and have found scent free is the best and most cost effective. There are some simple measures to take to be scent free, which I will discuss later in the article. I have known hunters who have even gone to the extent of rolling in the mud to cover their scent or dipping their clothes in gooey pine sap. As you can guess these alternatives can get quite messy.

Lure scents and dispensers: There are many more lure scents than cover scents; everything from peanut to dominant buck scent. All attempt to achieve one thing, which is to gain the whitetail's interest. All are fun to experiment with and some work very well, but some have cost me several large bucks. Others double as lure and cover scents, and have caused hunters serious injury.

For instance, one hunter tried wearing dominant buck lure on his clothes and met the real dominant buck on the way to his stand. Another hunter drenched himself in doe estrus scent. If you have ever seen what a buck can do to a deer decoy or the real thing, I wouldn't suggest trying this. Again, scent free is the way to go.

Most of the lure scents need to be dispensed. Under most circumstances, film containers with cotton balls or the new Tinks dispenser bottles will work fine. There are also some elaborate dispensers that are battery operated and heated. Others are lit with a match and burn like incense. Some hunters choose to dispense scent with a drag. A drag can be made with a scent free sock and string if you can find a scent that works.

I usually don't use drags, but experimented with one this year. The drag came in a nifty little bottle and stated it contained a real tarsal gland and buck urine. I followed the instructions on the bottle dragging the thing a mile to my stand, then hung it up in a tree where I could see it. Thirty minutes before sunset a small herd of deer approached my stand. I could see the lead spike 100 meters away. Within 30 meters of the tarsal gland, he began to curl his lips and stomp, alerting the other deer with him, one of which was a 10 point buck. If that tarsal gland had not been there, I probably could have taken the larger buck. Oh well, so much for testing new stuff! That $12 item went in the trash. The Tinks brand lures seem to be the most reliable. But, I am sure there are many others that work well also. Scent free probably would have worked just as well. The only time I had significant success has been during the rut using Tinks 69. Several times bucks have put their nose right on the scent bottle. Whatever is in that little bottle the deer really want it.

Scent free: Scent free refers to your body, clothes and equipment. Let's start with the body. There are a variety of scent free soaps, shampoos and clothes detergents on the market, all of which seem to work well. They are somewhat costly however. If you refuse to pay $6 for a bar of soap, Ivory bar soap seems to work fine. Just stay away from the perfume stuff. I personally will not enter the woods to hunt deer without bathing, even if it means taking a dip in the creek or pond. Many hunters will argue this, saying they even smoke in their stands. Maybe that camouflages human scent somehow, but I doubt it.

Some of the following methods to keep clothing and equipment scent free have been passed down by the old timers. Wear calf high rubber boots for starters. My personal experience with this was two years ago. A buddy and I were scouting, and for some reason he decided to wear sandals. At the time I really didn't think anything of it. It was 11 a.m.

One of the places we looked had quite a bit of deer sign. So I decided to go ahead and hang my tree stand. Later that afternoon I hunted the stand watching a nice eight point buck circle the area with his nose on the ground. At 30 yards out he crossed my buddy's sandal tracks, he snorted and almost did a complete flip trying to get away. Even after six hours the deer could smell my buddy's scent.

Rubber boots would have prevented that.

Some hunters take great care in preparing their clothes with cover scents and the like. I prefer the basic pine scent or no scent. I wash my clothes in Tide-free detergent and let them line dry, then break a few pine branches and place all in a scent-free bag. Sometimes after that I put baking soda on my clothes, which also keeps them scent-free.

The scent-lock suit is another excellent alternative. It is charcoal lined and comes in many levels of insulation for various climates. Ranging from $200 to $450, these costly suits are a definite advantage for the hunter. After observing the success rate of several buddies over the past few years, I too am the proud owner of one.

There are many different techniques and gadgets to experiment with, but most efforts are worth the reward. So the next time you go to the quick stop for that sausage biscuit in your hunting clothes, remember sausage is not a good cover scent. Instead, use good scents.

Stinkin' experience leaves local hunter baffled

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Bayonet staff

"You stink," I was told Saturday evening while out hunting.

This totally caught me off guard. I looked around to see if flies were circling my head like Pigpen from the *Peanuts*. There were none.

"What do you mean I stink?" I thought to myself.

My hunting excursion began nearly three hours earlier when I walked into my favorite hunting area. I picked out a tree to sit under that offered me a good view of a well-used trail. The wind was in my face, so all I needed to do was sit and wait.

Shortly after 5 p.m., the sun began to set and the time for deer to leave their beds was at hand.

Soon I heard the unmistakable sound of a deer blowing directly behind me. It sounded like someone sneezing.

My heart stopped: I was caught. I turned around slowly. So slow it took



me more than a minute to turn around fully and get my rifle into a shooting position.

There they were, two yearlings grazing on the grass. They were too small for me, so I watched them graze until they disappeared into the thick brush.

Within a minute I heard a shot close by. Hmm, I wasn't alone. I called out to the other hunter to let him know there were others in the area.

Hearing him climb down from his treestand, I made my way over to him to see if he got what he was shooting.

There were several deer in the group I watched, and he harvested a large doe. After a quick hello and how did you do he gave me the unforgettable, "You stink."

My mind drifted back to the present. What does he mean I stink?

I took a shower shortly before heading to my hunting area. I knew I hadn't sweated in the short walk in to my stand, so what in the world was this guy talking about. Apparently this guy has absolutely no people skills.

"Yeah I could smell ya the whole time you were sittin' there," he said, pointing to where I was sitting; more than 75 yards away.

Now I was starting to get mad. This guy must want a fat lip or something.

My only response was a very surprised, "Really."

"Yeah," he said as he folded up his tree stand. "I can smell the soap or cologne you are wearing."

This caught me equally off guard. I was wearing neither.

OK, so the deer caught my scent, but that was because they were downwind, or was it?

Yes they were, but as I sniffed my hunting jacket I realized, "Whew! I do stink."

No, not the stink most people think of, but I was definitely Mountain Fresh, the fragrance of my favorite fabric softener.

Why do they call it Mountain Fresh anyway? I live in the mountains and not once have I smelled anything like the fabric softener.

So the guy was right. I did stink. While washing my hunting clothes after my last outing I threw them in with the rest of my laundry by mistake, along with a sheet of fabric softener.

How stupid of me. I know better. Usually I hang my hunting clothes on a line and let them air dry. This allows them to dry without attracting human smells.

Many people use scent stopper products.

They are soaps and sprays that help eliminate odors from clothing. My brother swears by these products.

On a recent hunting trip an elk walked within mere yards of my brother before he was winded.

The man who I met in the woods that day also uses the scent stopper products and has had great success.

I have always thought of the scent stopper products like camouflage toilet paper.

Sure the scent stoppers may be nice to have and they help, but they are not necessary. I have to admit I have never tried them.

Some people swear that washing their clothes in baking soda works the best, others say the scent stopper products are the only way to go.

Still others put their hunting clothes in a large bag with freshly cut foliage, like small pine boughs.

I prefer to just hang my clothes outside to dry.

Whatever method of camouflaging scents are used, ideal stands positions should be downwind of where the animals are expected, and movement should be kept to a minimum.

No matter how well scent blockers work, deer, along with most animals have a keen sense of sight and can spot the slightest movement.

By taking the proper precautions, hopefully others will not have the same stinking problem that I did.

Olympians: Meet president, Army officials in D.C.

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Louis Caldera, since he was unavailable, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs Patrick Henry greeted the Olympians and gave them coins from the Secretary of the Army.

Ossa presented Henry with a USAMU bullet plaque and Tutton presented a plaque with photos of the WCAP Olympians to him.

"I appreciate the support of the service chiefs," Dubis said. "It gives me confidence to know that what we do is of interest and value to the Army."

Afterward, the Soldiers met with Army Vice Chief of Staff Gen. John M. Keane who also re-enlisted Tamas in a ceremony in his office.

"The re-enlistment by General Keane was the high point in my career," Tamas said. "I re-enlisted indefinitely so it was great that my last re-enlistment would be by the vice chief of staff of the Army."

Afterward, all the military Olympians met with Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen and Deputy Defense Secretary Rudy De Leon who congratulated them for their making the Olympic Team and thanked them for representing their country and the U.S. military so well at the Games in Sydney. Cohen told the Olympians that everyone in the Department of Defense is proud of the job they did as great athletes.

"Meeting the Secretary of Defense was great," Graves said. "He was a real likeable guy."

Parker agreed. "Meeting the Secretary of Defense was the best part of the trip," Parker said. "He gave a good speech. Meeting all the service chiefs was great. It was nice that we got that opportunity.

"It's something I'll remember for a long time."

"Going to the Pentagon and meeting the vice chief of staff of the Army and the Secretary of Defense was great," Anti said. "It's an honor that they would take time out of their busy schedule to spend time with us."

After lunch in the Pentagon Executive Dining Room, all the military Olympians got a guided tour of the Pentagon, and met with Marine Corps Commandant Gen. James L. Jones.

After visiting some of the Washington, D.C., monuments, the Olympians visited Army Times Publishing Company where they were feted at a small reception by the newspaper staff.

The Olympians signed autographs and posed for photos with the staff and their family members.

The military Olympians then joined more than 600 members of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic teams at their hotel for a reception hosted by the U.S. Olympic Committee.

The next day, the military athletes, as part of the U.S. Olympic Team, met President Bill Clinton, First Lady Hillary Clinton and their daughter, Chelsea, at the White House. After the Clintons posed for photos on the White House South Lawn with the Olympians, the athletes got to go inside the White House where the president shook each of their hands and congratulated them for a job well done.

"The trip to the White House was a great experience," Graves said. "A whole lot of people don't get to meet the commander-in-chief. It was a great feeling to shake the president's hand."

"It was very humbling to visit the leaders of the country," Szarenski said. "The most memorable part of the trip was seeing the president. It was a fun experience and I really enjoyed it."

Dubis echoed their comments and added that when he shook hands with the president, to thank him, he handed him one of his trading cards.

He said the president thanked him in return.

Soldier: Smashes world record

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in the company, LaCour said.

"He is one outstanding NCO," he said.

LaCour said Wideman's accomplishments motivate his company.

"When (the Soldiers) see him strive to be the best, they try to do better. Guys like Sergeant Wideman are who give the Army a better name.

"He goes for first and isn't satisfied unless he is first," LaCour added.

His drive to be the best even leaves Wideman awestruck.

"It amazes me each time I go into the gym and lift the weight I do," he said. "I have yet to reach my limits. There are other people in the world who can lift what I can, but for me to do it, that's exciting.

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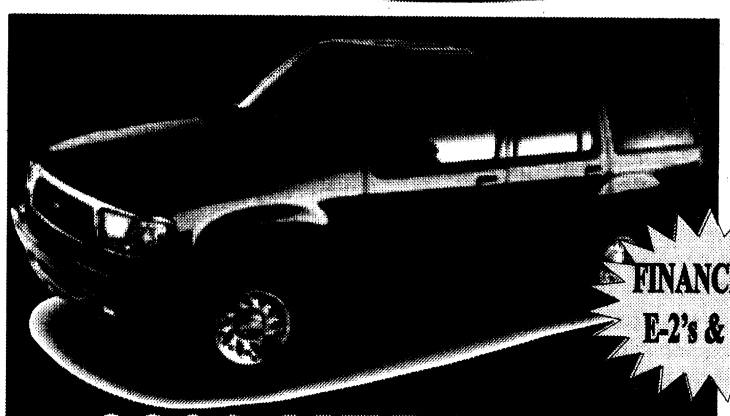

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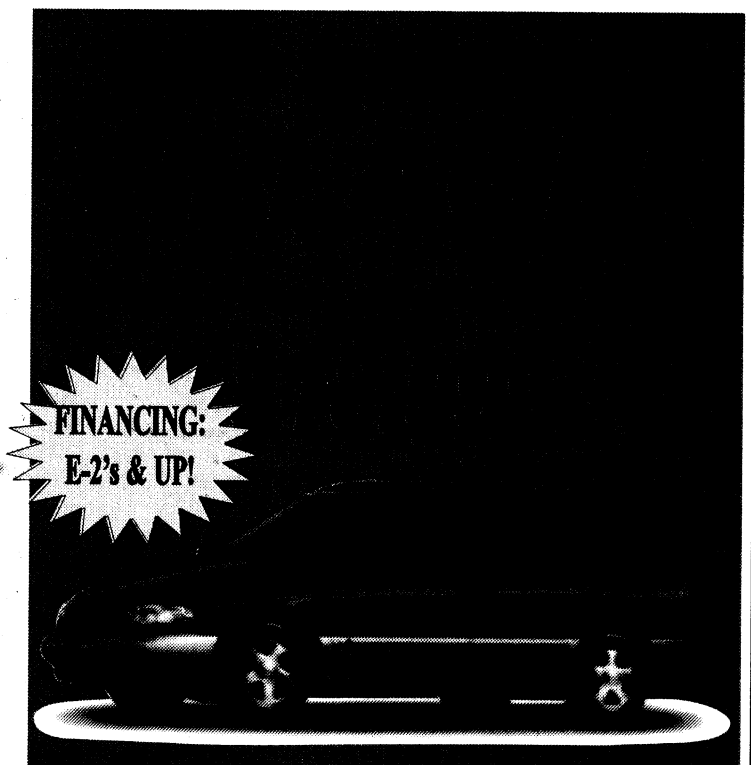

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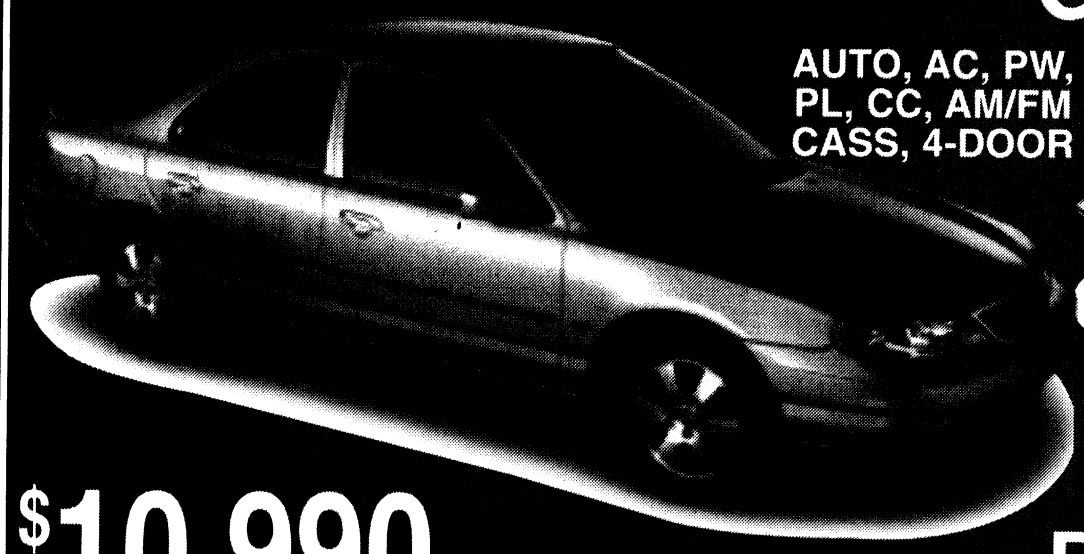

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D&B Fence Co. Rent, Rent to own, credit cards, free estimates, 562-8833. (PTFN)

Sports & Fitness Equipment

Ladies Tigress Golf clubs with bag. Will make a great starter set and just in time for Christmas! $100 o.b.o. 565-5392. (FTFN)

15 speed bike. New Asamatreme. 687-2669. (F15)

Four Men's Wet Suits - two Farmer Johns, one one-piece, one top only, two Buoyancy Compensators, three regulators, 565-9695 Leave Message. (F8)

Ab roller with tape, $10. 682-1080. (F8)

Weight bench: 1-year-old., exc. cond., 150lbs cast iron weights and curl bar incl. $65. 317-4614. (F8)

Miscellaneous

Ladies diamond ring. 2K, 1K is the guard and the other Karat is the ring. 687-2669. (F15)

40 Channel CB transceiver w/ carrying case, hand portable, magnetic external antenna, vehicle power attachment. $30 OBO. 323-5446. (F15)

Slide Projector 35mm carousel with remote, has audio cassette and dual projection. Exc cond. $145. 687-6535. (F15)

Nokia 5190 powertel phone with all accessories, $60, electric lawnmower, $40; negotiable. 689-5480. (F15)

Wooden Bar Stools very good Cond. $40 687-4311. (F8)

SWEETS DEER CLIMBER STAND $100. 322-2573. (F8)

BDU heavy and light weather. 10 set SKS fairly new $180. 562-0260. (F15)

Burgundy women's 18 speed mountain bike, brand new, $45. Would make great Christmas gift. Child's toddler bed, white, with built in side rails, $15., and a Sealy Posturepedic crib mattress, $35. (new was 100.00 at Sears). 706-989-1200 leave message. (F15)

Two Go-carts. Brand new 6mos. old. Must sell. Paid $1300 each, Will take $800 each, firm. Call Lew day or night 689-7107. (F8)

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Leather jacket woman's $50, FUBU z-up sweat suit. Brand new. $15. Car vacuum. Brand new, never used. $15. 682-1080. (F8)

MOTHERHOOD and other maternity clothes, very nice, size small. 682-8557. (F8)

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Black velvet ball gown form fitted w/speg. straps. Like new, worn once. Size 9/10. $50. 687-4316. (F8)

Guitars: Ovation celebrity hard shell case. Spruce top, gold tuners $300. 12 String Seagull solid cedar top $250. 569-6203. (F15)

House goods; used mens, womens designer clothing; new clothing & crafts. 561-5231. (F15)

Pistol: Revolver .22 cal., high standard, 9 shot, like new pearlite grips, looks like a S&W model 10 $150. 569-6203. (F15)

King Size Water bed $80. Crab sandbox $15. Small Little Tykes slide $5. 687-3304. (F8)

Waterford Crystal Champagne flutes, set of 6 $180., Hocks set of 4 $150., Sherry glasses set of 4 $100. 561-4844. (F15)

Christmas yard ornaments. 30"L X 32'H. Stained, white, or unpainted. One is looking up and the other is looking down at the ground. Either one for $20 or both for $30. 687-6582. (F8)

Desert (baby) Eagle. NIB, .40 S&W, MTA by IMI, extra magazine, $550. 685-0052. (F15)

Para Ordinance. P16-40, NIB, .40 S&W, steel, matte finish. $690. 685-0052. (F15)

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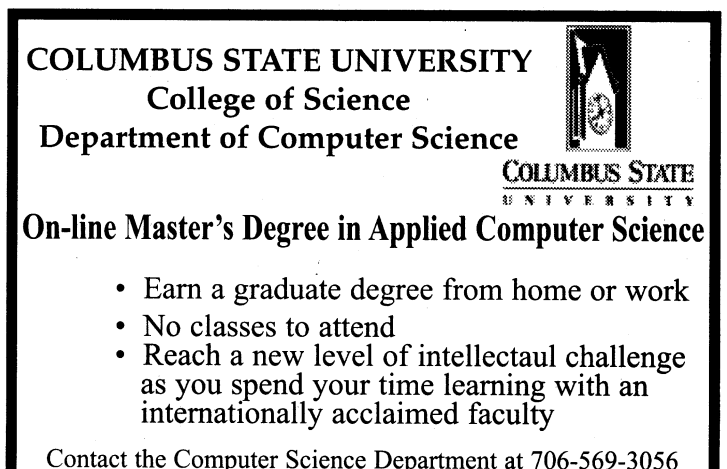

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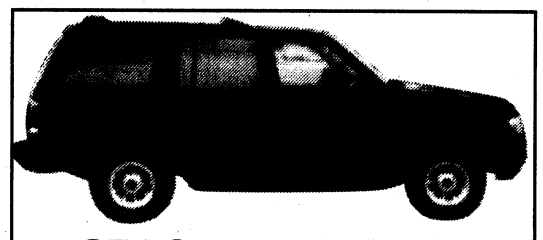

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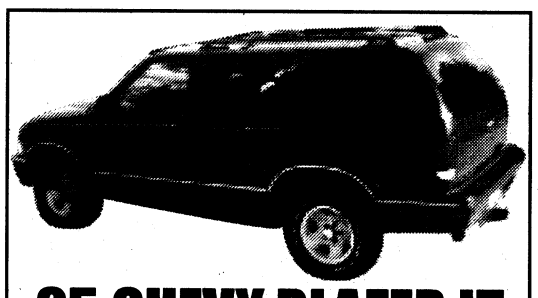

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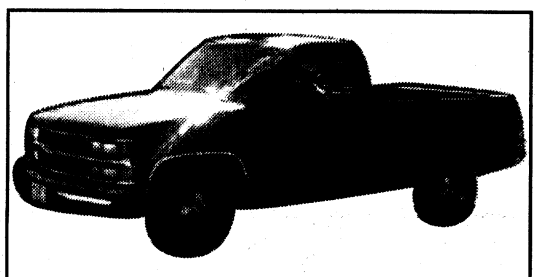

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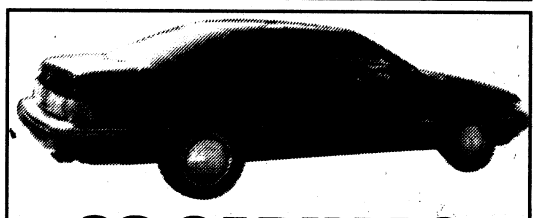

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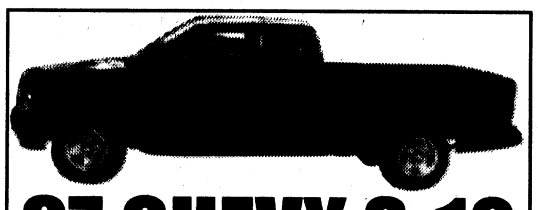

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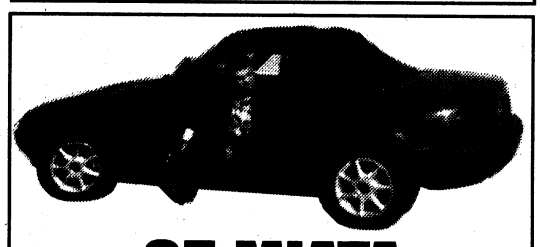

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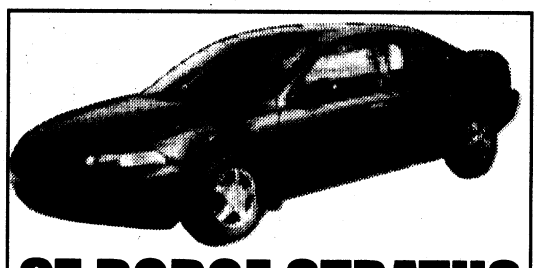

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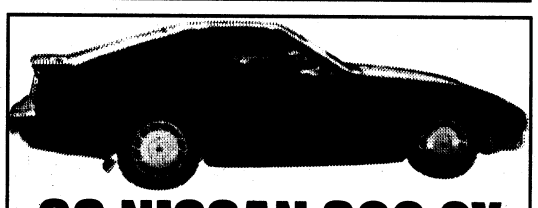

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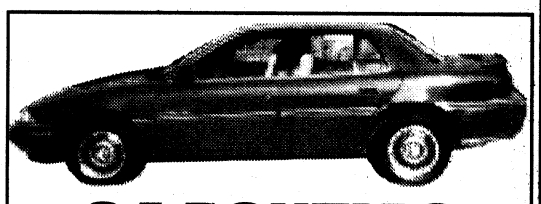

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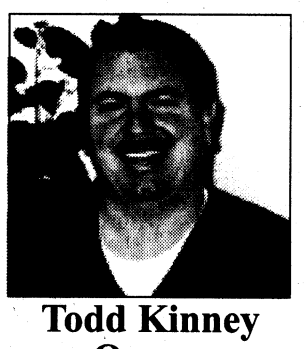

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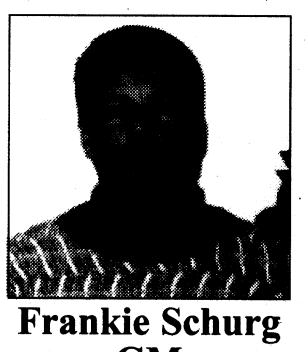

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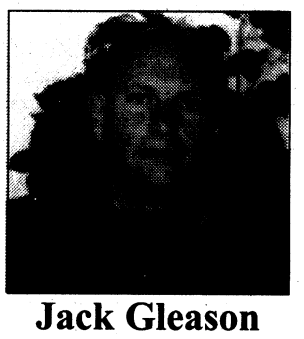

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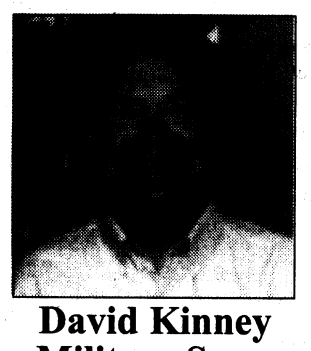

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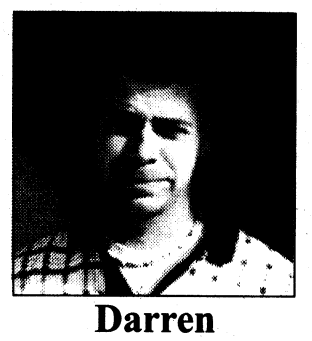

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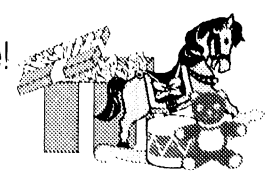

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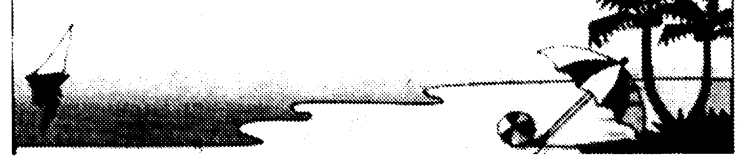

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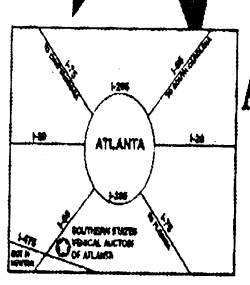

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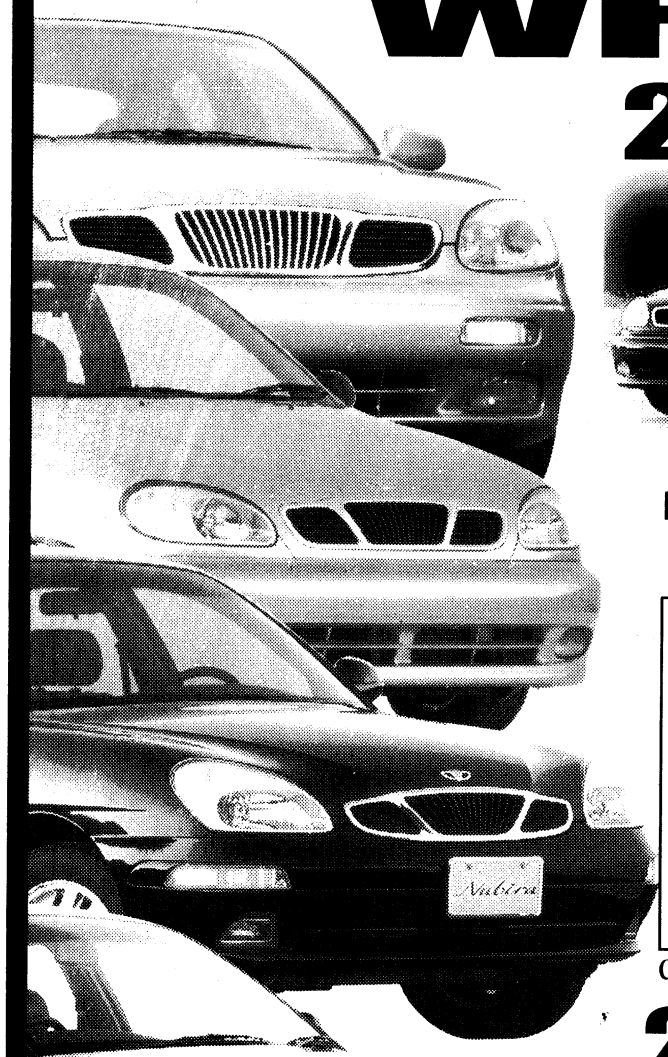

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Discount.....$1500
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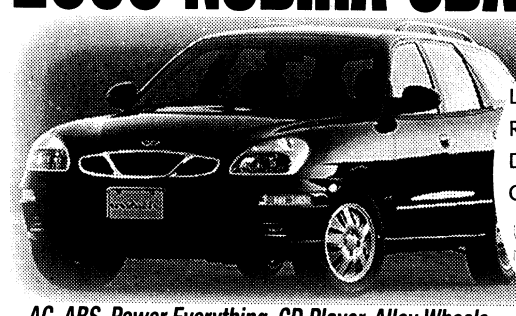

AC, ABS, Power Everything, CD Player, Alloy Wheels, Tilt, Cruise, Loaded

List Price.....$15,550
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Discount.....$1000
Cash Down.....$1000
$12,540

$219.00 per mo

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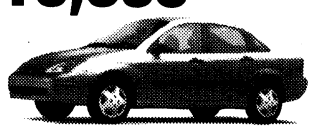
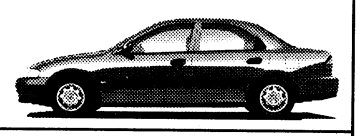
2000 FOCUS XR3 $10,995 	2000 SEPHIA $7995 	2000 CARAVAN SE $15,995 	2000 ACCENT $6995 	2000 SPORTAGE $11,995 	2000 NEON 4DR $7995 
99 CAVALIER 4DR $7995 	99 RANGER SPORT $7995 	99 ACCENT $5995 	99 ELANTRA $7995 	99 SEPHIA $6995 	99 PROTEGE $7995 
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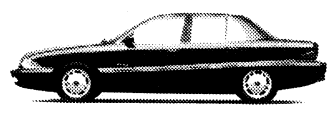
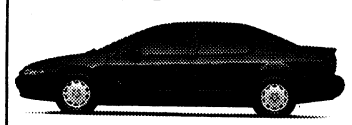
98 ECLIPSE $8995 	98 PROTEGE $6995 	98 GRAND CHEROKEE $13,995 	98 EXPLORER $14,995 	98 ESCORT $6995 	98 CAVALIER $7995 
97 SKYLARK $5995 	97 LUMINA $5995 	97 SEBRING $7995 	97 STRATUS $7495 	97 TAURUS $5995 	97 RODEO $12,495 
97 BREEZE $7995 	97 TRANSPORT $9995 	96 ACCENT $3995 	96 THUNDERBIRD $6995 	96 CARAVAN $7995	96 NEON $4995
96 BERETTA $4995	92 CAMARO RS $4995	94 SENTRA $1495	90 CAVALIER $995	$500 DOWN AND YOU RIDE	97 HONDA PRELUDE $11,995

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X-CAB LARIAT PCKG 3RD DOOR, LOADED
$17,998

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QUAD CAB, 4X4, AUTO, 6-CYL
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B LACK, LS PCKG, PWR SUNROOF
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AUTO, PWR SUNROOF, LOADED
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BLACK, LEATHER, PWR SUNROOF
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AUTO, V-6, LOADED
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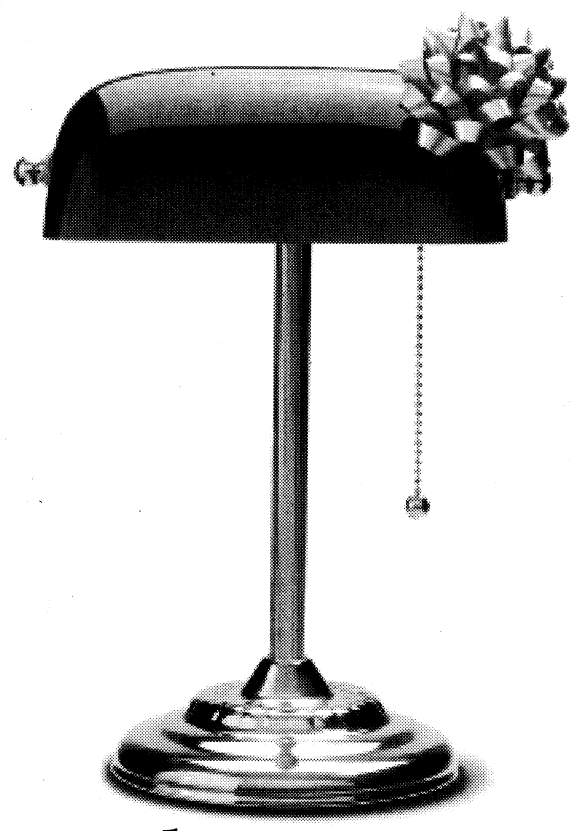

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1997 NISSAN QX4! SUV! • 4WD • LOADED • LUX WHEELS • CHROME WHEELS • 3RD SEAT $8,900	1998 FORD EXPEDITION XLT! • 4WD • AUTO • ALL POWER • LOADED • 3RD SEAT $13,000	1991 GMC JIMMY! • AUTO • ABS • 4DR! $1800	1996 FORD EXPLORER XLT! • V-8 • LOADED • PWR SEATS! $9975	1999 GMC JIMMY SLE! • 4X4 • V-8 • LOADED • PWR SEATS $15,875	1998 FORD EXPEDITION XLT! • 8 PASSGR • ALL PWR! $17,900
1997 MITSUBISHI MONTERO! • 4WD • 4DR • 8 PASSGR • LOADED • ONE OWNER $10,650	1997 CHEVY BLAZER! • 2 DOOR HATCH • PWR WNDW/LOCKS • TILT/CRUISE $3600	1998 CHEVY SUBURBAN LS! • V8 • PWR WNDW/LOCKS • TILT/CRUISE • DUAL AIR • PWR SEATS $15,000	1997 CHEVY SUBURBAN LT! • LEATHER • 8 PASSGR • ALL PWR! $19,800	1997 GMC DURANGO SLT! • LOADED • LEATHER • 3RD SEAT! $20,800	1997 CHEVY TAHOE LT! • LEATHER • DUAL AIRS! • LOADED! $22,900
1996 CHEVY TAHOE! • 4DR • DUAL AIR • CH • PWR WNDW/LOCKS • TILT/CRUISE $15,450	1998 CHEVY TAHOE LS! • LOADED • DUAL AIR • ALL POWER • CH $17,650	1997 CHEVY TRACKER CONV! • 2DR/PWR • PWR STEERING/BRAKES! $6800	1999 GMC SUBURBAN SLT! • LEATHERS! • ALL PWR! $22,900	1998 GMC YUKON SLT! • 4X4! • LOADED! • 4WD! $13,875	1997 GMC SUBURBAN SLE! • DUAL AIRS! • ALL PWR! • CD/CASS! $22,800

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1993 TOYOTA PICKUP! • 2 DOOR • 4X4 • 4CHRME $3300	1994 HONDA RODEO! • 4X4 • LEAT WHEEL • 4CHROME • 4WD • ALL POWER $9600	1997 SUBARU 270E! • 4 DR • 4WD W/ A TURBO • 4CHROME • ABS • ALL POWER $3450	1994 HYUNDAI ELANTRA! • 4DR • AUTO • ABS • $1500	1990 HONDA ACCORD LX! • 4 DR • AUTO • ABS • PWR WNDW/LOCKS $13,650	1997 ACURA LEGEND! • 4DR • SUNROOF • LEATHERS! • 1 OWNER CAREX $1000	1986 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE! • 4 DR • LOADED • PREMIUM $1650
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1997 CHEVY TAHOE! • 4WD • LOADED • 3RD SEAT $16,950	1998 FORD EXPLORER XLT! • LOADED • ABS ACTUAL $13,000	1997 CHEVY BLAZER! • 4WD • AUTO • ABS • CD $1,650	1999 HONDA CR-V 5DR! • AUTO • ABS • PW/PL • KEYLESS ENTRY $10,600

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1997 DODGE DAKOTA! • AUTO • V8 • 4WD • PW/PL • TILT/CRUISE $6,300	1999 FORD RANGER XLT! • AUTO • V6 • ABS $2,985	1999 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP! • AUTO • ABS • LOW MILES! $5,250 $2700	1997 CHEVY S-10 PICKUP! • AUTO • ABS • LOW MILES! $3,875
1997 TOYOTA TACOMA! • AUTO • 4CYL • 4WD • ABS • CD • CAB $4,875	1999 FORD RANGER XLT! • AUTO • ABS • $800	1999 CHEVY RANGER XLT! • AUTO • ABS • 4CYL • CD • CAB $5,000	1999 FORD RANGER! • XLT • AUTO • CASSETTE • ALL POWER $4,950
1997 CHEVY SILVERADO 1-TON! • 8 CYL • AUTO • 4WD • PW/PL • TILT/CRUISE $17,900	1999 NISSAN FRONTIER! • 4WD • LOADED $12,800	1999 DODGE KING CAB! • AUTO • V8 • LOADED $14,400	1999 CHEVY S-10! • AUTO • V6 • LOADED • LT MODEL $12,985

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1994 HONDA PRELUDE! • 2 DOOR • AUTO • LOADED • PWR WNDW/LOCKS $16,990	1994 HONDA PRELUDE! • 2 DOOR • AUTO • LOADED • PWR WNDW/LOCKS $3,600	1997 MAZDA PROTEGE! • 4 DOOR • AUTO • LOADED • ONE OWNER $7,200	1994 NISSAN SENTRA! • 4 DOOR • AUTO • LOADED • ONE OWNER $650

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2000 MODEL LIQUIDATION

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'00 SONOMA!	$16,568	$13,763	$4591	$11,977
'00 S-10 PICKUP!	$19,106	$16,146	$4870	$14,236
'00 S-10 PICKUP!	$19,193	$16,085	$4961	$14,232
'00 BLAZER!	$21,848	$18,398	$4965	$16,883
'00 JIMMY!	$20,698	$17,177	$5125	$15,573
'00 SILVERADO CAPS-EXTRA	$27,662	$23,177	$4500	$22,597
'00 SILVERADO CAPS-EXTRA	$29,647	$25,485	$4750	$24,897
'00 CAMARO!	$29,501	$25,262	$6000	$23,501
'00 CAMARO CONVT!	$20,058	$16,656	$5000	$15,058
'00 S-10 BLAZER!	$17,918	$14,459	$5500	$12,418
'00 S-10 PICKUP!	$19,821	$16,189	$5300	$14,521
'00 SILVERADO!	$21,343	$17,563	$4900	$16,443
'00 SILVERADO!	$21,583	$17,753	$4500	$17,083
'00 SILVERADO 2 WHEEL DRIVE	$26,502	$21,838	$6000	$20,502
'00 TAHOE LIMITED!	$19,158	$16,131	$5500	$13,658
'00 BLAZER LS!	$21,998	$18,258	$5500	$16,498
'00 TAHOE LT 4WD!	$28,412	$22,767	$6000	$22,412
'00 SUBURBAN!	$39,600	$32,512	$7500	$32,100
'00 SILVERADO EXT CAB!	$32,673	$28,284	$7000	$25,673
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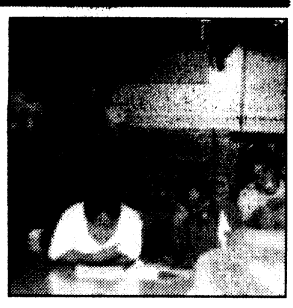

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Post, city sign land swap

Deal includes $3.8 million payment to Army

Sally Shutt
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After 11 years, an exchange agreement was signed Wednesday morning between the city of Columbus and Fort Benning that moves them one step closer to the actual exchange of deeds.

Representatives from five American Indian nations also signed the historic agreement, which marks the first time provisions of the Graves Protection and Repatriation Act have been attached to land that will pass from federal to private control.

The city will deed to the post 2,156 acres in Chattahoochee County, the South Tract, for 2,124 acres of federal property off Schatulga Road, the North Tract, which Columbus plans to use for industrial development.

The city will also give the Army $3.8 million in the deal because of the difference in real estate value between the two parcels. Fort Benning is making a strong argument to have that money designated for use in environmental projects here on the installation.

The land exchange agreement will now go to the Army Corps of Engineers for final review and then to the Secretary of the Army for his signature, a process that could mean it will be up to three months before a deed exchanges hands, Columbus Mayor Bobby Peters said.

"This memorandum of agreement today should be the last hurdle in a long process," Peters said. "We've had a lot of interest in the land already, and we are looking for high-tech, environmentally clean businesses to come in."

More than 120 people, many who had worked on the project during the years, gathered in the Regimental Room of the Officers' Club to witness the signing of the agreement. Other guests included U.S. Rep. Mac Collins and Maj. Gen. Phillip Anderson of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne, Fort Benning's commanding general, thanked the representatives from each American Indian nation for their

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End of an era



Maj. Milton Mariani

Spc. Jose Alfaro (left) and Pfc. Christopher Gemmer take down the stained glass window inside Ridgway Hall. The U.S. Army School of the Americas closes today.

School of the Americas closes

Secretary of Army to speak

USAIC Public Affairs Office

The U.S. Army School of the Americas will close its doors today ending tradition of fostering democracy in the Latin American region.

Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera will be the keynote speaker at the school's closing ceremony at 10 a.m. in Ridgway Hall.

During the past 16 years since the School of Americas moved to Fort Benning from Panama, its mission has been to reduce human rights abuses in Latin America while fostering democracy in many of those countries, said the school's commandant, Col. Glenn Weidner.

Weidner, who has been commandant since July, 1998, said the human rights situation in many Latin American countries has "improved dramatically" because the United States has demanded of its partners more accountability.

He said the school is one way the United States has remained engaged in

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Anthrax shortage stalls shots

Sally Shutt
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The Department of Defense has called for another slowdown in its anthrax vaccine immunization program due to a dwindling supply of the vaccine.

In a press conference Nov. 30, DoD officials announced the vaccinations are now authorized only for Soldiers in or deploying to Southwest Asia, the high-threat area surrounding Iraq.

It is the third slowdown in the inoculation program this year. In July, the scope was narrowed to only individuals in South Korea and Southwest Asia. This latest move means personnel going to Korea will no longer receive the series of six shots — a change that will save the Pentagon 12,500 doses a month.

The slowdown is the result of the inability of the sole contractor, Bioport of Lansing, Mich., to gain Food and Drug Administration approval for its production facility.

The newest policy is necessary to conserve available vaccine supply while protecting those service members at greatest risk and maintaining a contingency reserve for unexpected domestic or terrorist requirements, according to the DoD.

The Pentagon reported that approximately 5,000 doses each month will be given to personnel in or headed to Southwest Asia.

"We are focusing our vaccination efforts on those members serving in areas deemed to be at greatest risk, and that is Southwest Asia. We take this action to responsibly manage our limited supply of anthrax vaccine while we continue our efforts toward FDA licensing of the anthrax

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Civilian aides tour post on fact-finding mission

Visitors learn about Army readiness

Shannon S. Walsh
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A group of civilian aides to the secretary of the Army paid a fact-finding visit to Fort Benning last week. From Friday morning until Saturday afternoon, the aides from more than 15 states toured different sites on post and were briefed on the current state of Army training and readiness.

"The main focus was how we prepare and process Soldiers for deployment overseas and the overall mission of Fort Benning," said CASA escort officer, Maj. Steve Bapp, operations officer, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, Officer Candidate School.

CASAs are selected by the secretary of the Army and serve as his personal representatives and official Army spokespersons.

"The more we know about the plans and problems, the better we're able to ascertain ways we can be helpful to address those problems," said retired Lt. Col. Felker Ward, Georgia's CASA.

The key stops during their visit to Fort Benning were the U.S. Army Infantry Center, the U.S. Army School of the Americas, the CONUS Replacement Center, the 29th Infantry Regiment and the Theater Specific Individual Readiness Training site.

This visit, along with a recent similar stop at Fort Stewart, Ga., was enlightening for the group, said Dave Meaders, deputy public affairs officer and CASA coordinator, 1st U.S. Army.

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Not all viruses bad

Bridgett Siter
Special to the Bayonet©

commentary

"Somewhere within the confines of Fort Benning ..."

I read that in the *Ledger-Enquirer* last week, in yet another letter to the editor from a SOA-Watch protester. It smacks of something straight from a comic book: "Somewhere in the bowels of Gotham City ..."

In fact these letters are usually more fun to read than the comic page.

The gist of the letter was this: The writer had come to the conclusion, after taking part in last month's protest, that the people of Georgia are too good to have "the growing cancer" that is the School of the Americas in their midst. "The SOA is located somewhere within the confines of Fort Benning," it read.

Well, actually the U.S. Army School of the Americas is located right smack dab in the middle of Main Post. It's that big pink building — hard to miss. And if the writer would like to come visit any time other than the last part of November, I'm thinking he'd have no trouble finding it.

The word "confines," by definition, means to shut or keep in; prevent from leaving." Other than the fact we *Bayonet* writers are chained to our desks every Thursday, I'm hard pressed to think of another place that accurately fits that description. Maybe Sand Hill or Ranger School? A holding cell at the MP station?



As for the other part, that "growing cancer" thing, well that's a very serious accusation, so I headed over to the hospital to get a medical expert's opinion.

I ran into a couple of teens volunteering in the Central Materiel Section. No they hadn't heard anything about cancer, and they didn't have time to chat. They were too busy doing the jobs that never get noticed unless they go undone.

So I went upstairs to the pediatric ward where I ran into Beverly Brooks. She hadn't heard anything about this "growing cancer" either, she said, as she breezed past, in a hurry to make her usual rounds to deliver teddy bears to the little ones spending their holiday in the hospital.

Finding no answers there, I headed over to the 4th Ranger Training Battalion's medical platoon. These guys lead the way. If anyone would know about a cancerous epidemic, it would be them.

They had no idea what I was talking about. Not a clue. And anyway, they were really in a hurry — on a mission — to deliver packages of presents and bags of groceries to a family of six in Columbus who had fallen on tough times.

I'd almost given up, when on the way back to work, I passed a band of renegade students from the School of the Americas.

Of course! The heart of the problem lies right there at the source of all this turmoil. I followed these guys til I caught up with them just over the border, in Phenix City, where they were helping build a house for Habitat for Humanity. They knew nothing about a "growing cancer."

Knowing all the really good gossip gets tossed around at the beauty shop, I stopped by the main PX to see if my hairdresser had heard anything. She hadn't.

But she gave me the scoop on Elizabeth Gladden, a mutual friend, who's spending her holiday touring local nursing homes with a group of little ballerinas. Beth's got four children of her own and her husband's in Korea. But rather than wallow in self-pity, she's bringing a little holiday cheer to those less fortunate.

Good stuff, but hardly of the "growing cancer" magnitude. So I drove over to Wilson Elementary School, to see if anyone there had heard anything. I couldn't talk over the din of kids gathered in the foyer to pack baby bundles to send to Haiti. I left there ready to give up.

I had one last trick up my sleeve, so I stopped by to see Valerie Chinn, over on Rainbow Avenue.

The commander's wife always has the 4-1-1. But Val was busy with a kitchen full of women baking and wrapping goodies for the single Soldiers who aren't going home for Christmas.

I give up. They say no news is good news, so there you have it. I'm happy to report no serious evil lurking about — no "growing cancer" on Fort Benning.

Just a very contagious virus running rampant all over post. I

Help take care of Army family

2nd Lt. Stacy A. Picard
1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

commentary

Recently a letter written by a 16-year-old girl was published in *The Bayonet* and then began circulating through the e-mail system at Fort Benning.

It was addressed to her brother's battalion commander. Her brother had died while serving in the military, and she wanted to express her gratitude to his unit for their support and caring during a very difficult time.

She was deeply moved by the military honors given during his memorial service, which sparked her appreciation for the military. There were many important thoughts she had shared, but one of the most important was how she viewed the Army as one big family.

Each day we come to Fort Benning to work as a team.



We provide support to one another, both military and civilians alike, to accomplish our daily missions.

As coworkers, we confide in one another, ask for guidance or advice, and sometimes simply share a good laugh. We endure promotions, retirements, field training, disappointments and tragedies with one another. Through it all we rely on each other as members of the same organization, but in a larger sense, as a family.

This is the season when most people take time to celebrate the holidays by giving gifts and sharing their blessings with family members. Some leave the area to visit loved ones located in other cities or states.

There are, however, Soldiers who will not be rushing off to airports or bus terminals to go home for the holidays.

Instead, these Soldiers will be here, at Fort Benning or in the surrounding areas, alone for the holidays. There is something that can be done to help those Soldiers out.

It is our responsibility to help our fellow Soldiers and civilian workers during this holiday season.

One way is to invite them to have dinner for the holiday with you. It isn't a difficult task and many people are already planning to have a feast for their families. Why not add one more plate?

Some folks who are going out of town for the holidays may be able to bring a friend along with them. It is an easy fix to a small problem and gives not only a good warm feeling in our own hearts, but to those invited as well. After all, most people will not ask for an invitation to your house, but appreciate one that is offered.

During the hustle and bustle of shopping, wrapping, and preparing our houses for guests, it is important to take time to assist those in our military community.

As a one big military family, we can all help others enjoy this holiday season with us.

Soldiers still needing some place to go for Christmas can call Brian Mock at 682-3803 by Dec. 22.

Music puts balance in season

Lori Egan
Bayonet editor

commentary

It seems as if the holiday season begins earlier and earlier each year and I never have enough time to get everything done before Christmas.

The stores start catering to Christmas shoppers before Halloween. For a person who doesn't start any holiday shopping until Dec. 23 — at the earliest — this seems to be a bit excessive.

Neighbors begin decorating their homes for Christmas Thanksgiving Day. Windows turn into gift-wrapped packages and lights drip like icicles off roofs.

Thanksgiving traditions for many include shopping for a Christmas tree the day after Thanksgiving or getting up extra early to be at the mall before 6 a.m. for the best buy on the year's hottest toy.



When I was a child we didn't decorate the tree until two weeks before Christmas.

My mom would put Christmas music on the console turntable and Nat King Cole would sing about chestnuts roasting and Bing Crosby was dreaming about a White Christmas. He wasn't alone. My brothers, sisters and I would join in and living in Idaho a white Christmas was a possibility.

One of my favorite things about the holidays is the music. I listen to Christmas music year-round and sing *We Three Kings* during long rides when the car radio won't pick up a station.

I love Christmas music and I took the time from my hectic schedule to listen to the Infantry Band play Christmas music at three separate occasions this year: Their first Christmas Concert at Three Arts Theatre, the annual Bi-City Parade and at the Christmas Tree and Menorah Lighting Tuesday. Wow! These band folks can play! They are a real asset to the tricommunity area.

The concert at the Three Arts Theatre was wonderful. The music the band performed appealed to a wide audience.

My 8-year-old liked *A Charlie Brown Christmas* arrangement best while more sophisticated listeners enjoyed the Russian Christmas Music. Since I am traditionalist when it comes to Christmas music my personal favorite was the arrangement of more traditional songs in A Christmas Festival.

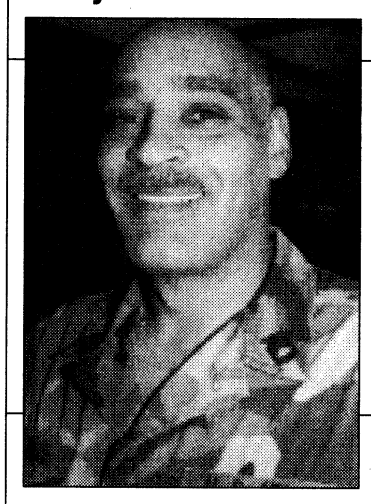
After the concert, the parade and the tree-lighting ceremony my daughter, who complained about going, thanked me for taking her to listen to the music and said she had fun.

Whether its *Handel's Messiah* or the *Mormon Tabernacle Choir*, Christmas music always puts me in a merrier mood. Even Granny getting run over by a reindeer puts a smile on my face.

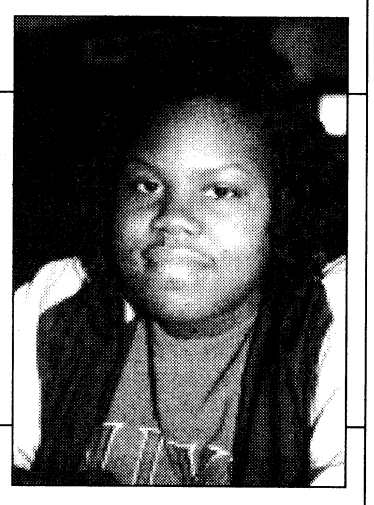
For people who complain about the commercialism of the holidays listening to Christmas music is one of the ways to put Christ's presence back into the season.

VARIOUS VOICES

Who do you know who's keeping the spirit of Christmas, now and throughout the year?



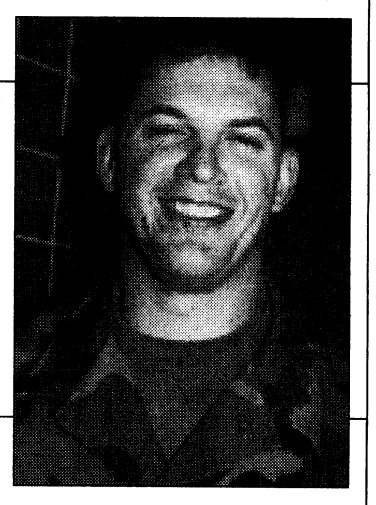
Sgt. 1st Class Felix Ortiz, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 13th Combat Support Battalion — "The Community Life NCOs are collecting food, clothes and toys for a local family in need."



Ibadicin Nelson, family member — "At Faith Middle School, we're decorating boxes, and the students are bringing in canned goods to donate to charity. Also, we're donating all the left-over items in lost-and-found to a homeless shelter."



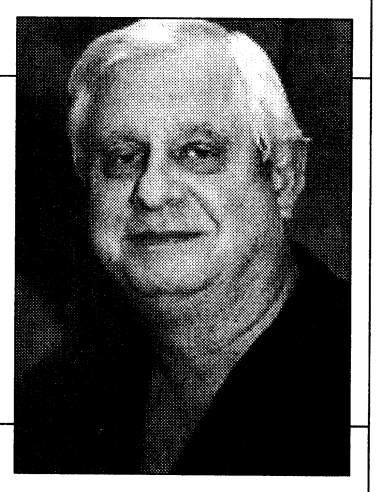
Bonnie Mulrain, family member — "I know a single Soldier, Lynne Brouillette, who has two kids. She helps with Habitat for Humanity, and she collects clothing and toys for the needy. This Christmas, they're serving dinner at the Valley Rescue Mission."



Capt. Kurt Cook, 3rd Battalion (OCS), 11th Infantry Regiment — "My wife, Laura, works at the florist. When we had 120 candidates in lockdown on Mother's Day, she came in and took orders on her own time so they could send flowers to their moms."



Gwen Hunt, AAFES employee — "I have a friend, Sherry Ancrum, a single mom, who works two jobs and spends her free time helping people in need yearlong. She sponsored two families at Thanksgiving."



Paul Berezney, AAFES — "One of my clients is a disabled veteran who works with the Big Brother program. He's taking his little brother to Callaway Gardens to see the Fantasy in Lights."

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Trainees get flu shots

Vaccine given first to at-risk populations

Sally Shutt
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Each holiday season there seems to be one hard-to-find item for which people search high and low. In the preventive health arena this year, flu shots are ranking up there with the Furbies and Tickle Me Elmos of yesteryear.

Trainees at Sand Hill received Christmas gifts in the form of flu shots this week from Martin Army Community Hospital's Preventive Health Service and the Department of Family Practice and Community Medicine.

The influenza vaccine was given to Soldiers, drill sergeants and other cadre at the Infantry Training Brigade and Basic Combat Training Brigade just in time for the holiday Exodus leave, which starts Monday.

Because trainee populations are at higher risk for epidemic influenza, staff from the hospital began vaccinating the Sand Hill Soldiers Dec. 8. The inoculations should end today.

"Medically, this is important to reduce the likelihood that this population of more than 9,000 individuals will return to Fort Benning infected with influenza, which could lead to a significant outbreak," said Maj. Bryan Alsip, chief, Preventive Medicine.

While flu shots have become routine for many people in recent years, especially those at risk for respiratory problems, this year has been anything but routine due to a delay in the availability of the vaccine.

The Centers for Disease Control encourages health care providers and the public "to be patient, but persistent in their efforts to get flu vaccine."

The Department of Defense developed a prioritization plan in September, which Martin Army has followed in dispensing the vaccine, starting with the first 1,500 doses received. These were given to the operational military personnel who were on 24-hour alert status.

Recently, the hospital received about 10,000 doses. Health care workers with direct patient contact were vaccinated Dec. 4-8, followed by the trainees this week.

"Any remaining vaccine will be reconsolidated and distributed to various clinics to begin vaccinating high-risk patients, only until we receive more vaccine supplies. Details will be announced when these become available," Alsip said.

Fortunately, the hospital received the bulk of the vaccine it had ordered for the year on Tuesday afternoon, and Alsip plans to announce in next week's *The Bayonet* a schedule of dates and times when vaccinations will be available to eligible beneficiaries in the various health clinics on post.

The flu season runs from October to March, and Alsip said, "Influenza vaccine administered later in the season will still provide substantial protective benefits."

Alsip recommends the vaccine for anyone, unless medically contraindicated, who would like to reduce the likelihood of becoming ill from influenza.

"Any opportunity to receive the vaccine should be taken," Alsip said.

Other basic preventive measures individuals can take include avoiding or limiting contact with ill persons and washing your hands frequently, Alsip said.

"Influenza viruses usually are spread by droplets and aerosols produced by an infected person who is coughing or sneezing. Anyone who is coughing or sneezing should cover his or her nose and mouth with a handkerchief to limit the spread of the virus," he said.

So far this season, the hospital has not noticed any significant numbers of influenza cases, Alsip said.

In addition to vaccinating the trainees, the hospital has set up a Sand Hill infirmary at the 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment.

The 60-bed facility, created through the efforts of the Department of Family Practice and Community Medicine and the commanders at Sand Hill, will house basic trainees with acute minor illnesses for which there is limited space at Martin Army, Alsip said.

"In the event of a large outbreak of disease, this facility could also be expanded to accommodate up to 200 Soldiers. This would be very useful for isolating patients to help contain the spread of an infectious disease," Alsip said.

A CLOSER LOOK

- Minimize contact with ill people.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing.
- The influenza virus spreads by droplets and aerosols produced by infected people coughing or sneezing.

Bi-City Parade



Lori Egan

Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne and Phenix City Mayor Peggy Martin ride together during the annual Bi-City Parade. Columbus Mayor Bobby Peters and his mother, Nell Vannoy, follow. The Infantry Band played Jingle Bells and 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, provided the color guard.

Deal: Trades federal land

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input in the cultural resources agreement.

"This agreement reflects the mutual respect and understanding we have," Le Moyne said.

The American Indian leaders who represented their tribes at the signing were Mikko Clayton Sylestine, Alabama Coushatta Tribe of Texas; Rena Duncan, Chickasaw Nation; A.D. Ellis, second chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation; Fred McGhee, chairman of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians; and James E. Billie, chairman of the Seminole Tribe of Florida.

Duncan, director of cultural resources for the Chickasaw Nation, traveled from Oklahoma to witness the event. She will take home a copy of the document to be signed by her nation's chairman.

"This is precedent setting. It's a very good day for Native Americans because of the protection of our cultural resources and sites, which are national treasures for the U.S. as a whole, not just Native Americans," she said.

"This agreement can now be used as a precedent for other entities who are faced with having to do the same thing," Duncan said.

The agreement spells out how American Indian cultural artifacts and human remains discovered on the land are to be handled. The covenants will pass with the transfer of the land and obligate the city to protect nine American Indian sites on the North Tract and to consult with the tribes if preservation is not feasible.

"This is a historic event for Indians, as well as the the U.S. military, the federal government and the city of Columbus. Today marks the first time in U.S. history that we have been able to make the process work," said Dr. Patricia Wickman, historic preservation officer for the Seminole Tribe of Florida.

"I'm talking about the process of taking a piece of land out of federal ownership, putting it into the hands of the city and on into the hands of private developers, with permanent covenants attached to the land that will protect the interests of the Native Americans who lived here for 500 years. This is tremendous," Wickman said.

The Advisory Council of Historic Preservation and the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office acted as consulting parties to the agreement. Dr. James Huhta signed the memorandum of agreement for the Advisory Council; and Ray Luce represented the state's historic preservation office.

"This is a great celebration," said Col. John Mitchell, former garrison commander. "Not only have we moved toward completion of a land exchange, but we have developed new protocols for working through sensitive issues. This process and the completion of an agreement will serve us well in the future."

Trainees to head home for holidays

Sally Shutt
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The first chartered buses carrying trainees from Sand Hill will arrive at the Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport at 4 a.m. Monday. There will be close to 60 drill sergeants and hundreds of volunteers there ready to assist them as they leave on holiday Exodus.

Fort Benning's trainees will join those from other Training and Doctrine Command posts in the region — Fort Gordon, Ga., and Fort Jackson, S.C. — at the airport during a three-day window.

Mary Lou Austin, executive director of the USO Center at the airport, has witnessed more than 20 of these annual green-suited pilgrimages.

"I just say 'so long' to my family for those three days as the Soldiers leave, and then we take a breather until they start returning on Jan. 1," Austin said.

The USO has stocked up on supplies for the Soldiers with the help of donations from community and military-affiliated agencies, such as the Association of the U.S. Army. More than 500 people have signed up to volunteer during the three-day period from various organizations.

Refreshments will be available, including fruit, juice, sandwiches and sweets, and some gifts like phone cards will be distributed, Austin said. Santa may even drop by to send the travelers on their way.

Months of meetings and coordination between the Army, travel agencies, bus lines, USO and others have gone into the logistical game plan that will transport close to 5,000 of Fort Benning's newest Soldiers home for the holidays, and then back by Jan. 3.

An operations cell will be set up Sunday beside the USO Center at the airport. It will be manned by personnel from the 2nd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade. Forty drill sergeants from the BCTB and Infantry Training Brigade and eight each from Fort Gordon and Fort Jackson will walk the concourses of the airports, facilitating the smooth movement of the troops to their gates.

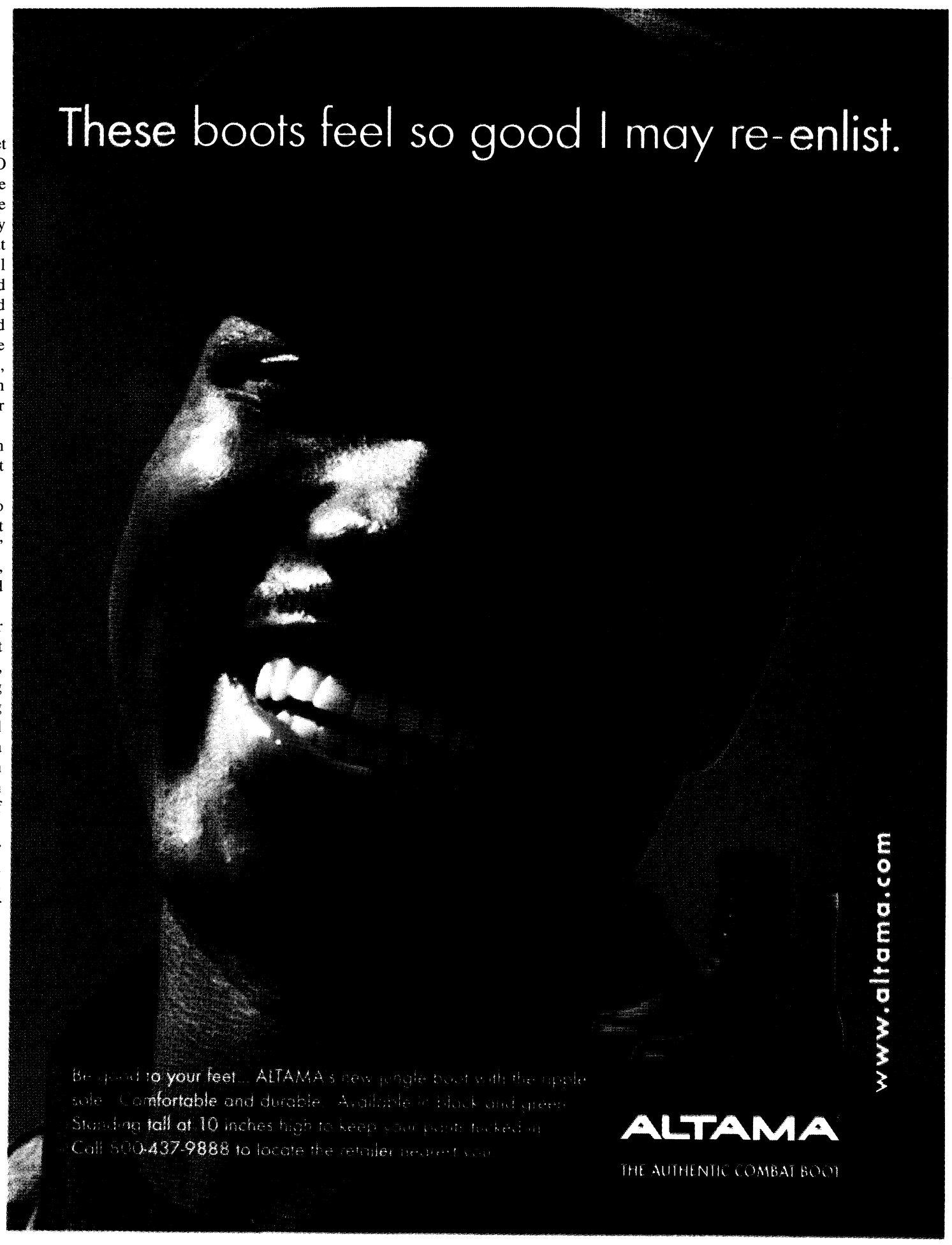
The drill sergeants arrive in Atlanta Sunday and will not return to post until Thursday.

"They have permission to wear their hats inside the airport so they will be easy to spot," said Capt. Michael Shaw, assistant operations officer, 2nd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt.

"At the operations cell our main job is to physically account for every Soldier," said Shaw, explaining the cell's tracking system. In addition to being tracked on each Sand Hill battalion's manifest, the Atlanta Operations Cell will track each man via a card system. Each trainee will check his name off as he enters the Atlanta Airport.

The drill sergeants and their leaders will stay at a hotel and shuttle in shifts back and forth to the Airport on Directorate of Logistics buses, which the drill sergeants will drive. This is the first time in three years drill sergeants have driven buses, allowed by the Infantry Center Chief of Staff, because the post's DOL could not conduct the time-consuming mission with civilians.

Soldiers begin returning to complete their training Jan. 1, and the contingent of drill sergeants and USO volunteers will return to the airport to once again shepherd them back to Fort Benning.



Risk of hitting deer on post rises

Hunting, mating season cause crashes

Spc. William A. Graves
Bayonet staff

The start of hunting season was great news to many Fort Benning community members, but it has increased the risk of hitting a deer in Fort Benning's cantonment areas.

"The deer are very much aware of their surroundings," said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, Law Enforcement, Directorate of Public Safety. "They don't want to be hunted, and they have a good sense of danger, so they travel away from danger areas to places like Marne Road and 1st Division Road."

As a result of deer's increased presence, he said they pose a threat to drivers, especially during twilight hours when it is harder to see them.

"You need to slow down, watching both the deer you see and the car that may be behind you," Kelley said. "Sounding the horn will sometimes cause the deer to jump in front of you, so don't do it. Just proceed at a reduced speed."

He also recommended that people buy a device called a deer horn which attaches to the front bumper of vehicles. It emits a subsonic sound that the deer hear when one drives down the road and causes the deer to leave the area.

"Deer are lovely, docile animals and are nice to see except when they meet up with a car," Kelley said. "They can create a problem, especially around the holidays when people do not need the added expense of fixing their vehicle after hitting one."

The car repair cost for drivers who hit deer on post is not covered under the Personnel Claims Act, said Dan Winand, chief of claims division, Staff Judge Advocate.

"In order for the post to pay, it has to be an act of God, theft, vandalism or an unusual occurrence," Winand said. "The Department of the Army does not recognize hitting a deer as an unusual occurrence, and we have to deny those claims."

He said it helps to carry private comprehensive and collision insurance with a low deductible.

"Paying a little bit each month is better than facing a catastrophic loss because of a deer strike," Winand said.

> "When you see a deer, slow down drastically. They move in herds, so if you see one, there are probably others around. Give all of them the opportunity to cross the road."
>
> **Staff Sgt. Kevin Sparks**
> NCOIC of Traffic Division, Directorate Public Safety

Those strikes have happened 40 times this year, said Staff Sgt. Kevin Sparks, NCOIC of the Traffic Division at DPS.

"It depends on how one hits a deer as to how much damage it will cause," Sparks said.

For instance, in a head-on deer collision, a fawn can take the fender off or total the car, depending on the driver's speed.

Another collision happens when people see one deer, let it pass, and speed up. They don't see the deer following their buddy, and the followers hit the car on the side.

He suggested not making evasive maneuvers when seeing a deer.

"When you see a deer, slow down drastically," Sparks said. "They move in herds, so if you see one, there are probably others around. Give all of them the opportunity to cross the road."

It is currently mating season, and deer move around more than normal, he said. One has to be cognizant of well-known deer areas, such as around the hospital, golf course and Marne Road near the horse stables.

"People should wear their seatbelt," Sparks said. "It will reduce the risk of thrusting into the steering wheel or going through the windshield if they hit a deer. Plus it's the law."

DPS has sent deer collision statistics to the DPW's Conservation Branch Chief Pete Swiderek.

"I plan to review the data and develop a plan to reduce deer vehicle collisions," Swiderek said.

He said possible remedies will be to put up more signs, cut back the woodline and better educate the public of dangerous areas.

"We will look for trends in the statistics of various locations in order to reduce the incidence of deer collisions on post," Swiderek said.

In the event one hits a deer on post, he or she should call the MPs to file an accident report, Kelley said.

One should also watch for deer off post, said Terry Beckwith, chief of marketing and public affairs officer at Martin Army Community Hospital.

A large buck hit Beckwith's minivan on Double Churches Road in North Columbus near the post office on Halloween night. She was traveling under the speed limit.

"I'm really cautious, and here this deer hit me," Beckwith said. "They can do a lot of damage."

The deer shattered all the glass on the vehicle's passenger side, and sprayed her 5-year-old, Meagan, and 2-year-old, Morgan, with glass, but it did not hurt them.

The collision caused $2,500 in damage, but her insurance paid all but $100 of it.

"When it slammed into me, I swerved into the other lane," she said. "I'm lucky there was no oncoming traffic. I was shaken and worried about my children."

She advised people to wear their seatbelts and have their children in car restraints because they helped safeguard them.

Another wise thing to do was what she did when it happened.

"I stopped the minivan, made sure they were OK, and called 911."

Post units create holiday spirit with giant cards

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Oversized Christmas cards displayed along Dixie Road are sending holiday messages to Fort Benning passersby.

Soldiers drew scenes, painted, and hung holiday decorations on large sheets of plywood to show pride in their units.

All this was done to get people thinking about Christmas.

"We're doing this to get people in the Christmas spirit and to promote unit cohesion," Col. Gene DeWolf, commander of the 36th Engineer Group, said.

Some signs were constructed by a large group, while others were created by only a few.

"We wanted to do something for the company," said Staff Sgt. Michael Anderson.

He and his wife, Victoria, volunteered to design and construct the 13th Corps Support Battalion's Christmas sign. The signs competed against each other for the best sign title.

"It has been a lot of work, but we had a good time," he said. "I really think our sign will do well against the others."

"All the signs show unit pride," Anderson added. "Each one is different, and they all bring out the holiday spirit."

One sign, from the entire "Seahorse" group had seahorses pulling Santa and his sleigh.

Another sign had *Looney Toon* characters in a sleigh.

One 13th CSB Soldier said he was enjoying the time he got to work on the sign.

"I am really enjoying being out here," Pfc. Wayne Haden said as he was putting the final touches into his unit's sign. "It gives me a break from the usual stuff in the unit."

The 498th Medical Company won the most artistic sign.

The 104th Transportation Company earned the best military theme. Its sign had its company's vehicles pulling Santa's sleigh past the moon.

The winner of the best Christmas theme was the 598th Maintenance Company.

The 63rd Engineer Company was the overall winner.

"It looks like they worked hard on the signs," DeWolf said. "Their hard work has paid off. The signs look good. I was very impressed with the capabilities of the Soldiers and their artistic ability."

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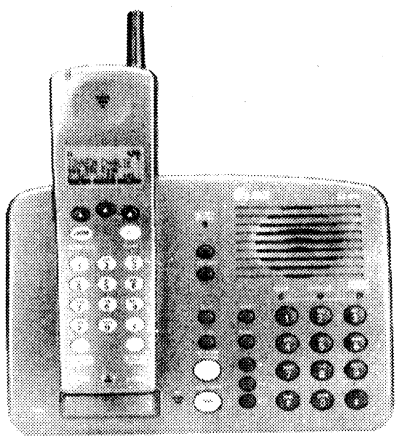

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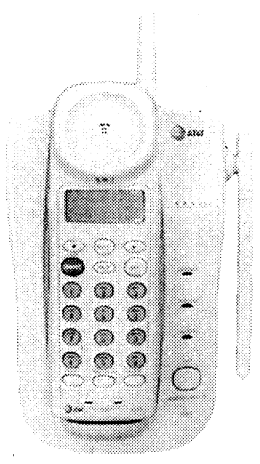

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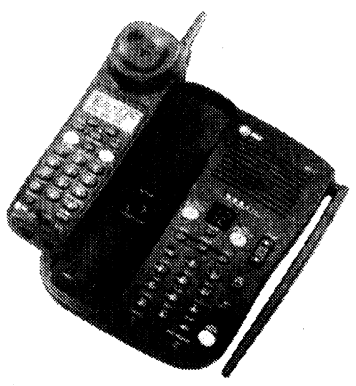

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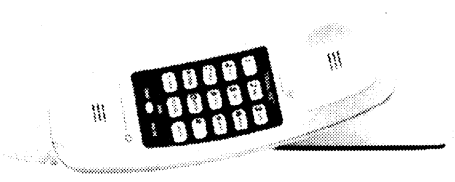

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Army's new flash to be universal

Beret flash to symbolize transformation

Joe Burlas
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Ending the discussion whether Soldiers will wear distinctive unit flashes on their black berets when they are initially issued in June, Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Eric K. Shinseki recently decided on a universal flash.

All Soldiers will initially wear the universal flash, except for those in units that already have berets, such as Ranger, Airborne and Special Forces. These troops will continue to wear the beret flashes they currently have.

The new flash, worn on the left front of the beret, is a semi-circular shield 1-7/8 inches wide and 2-1/4 inches high. It has a bluebird background with 13 white stars superimposed just inside its outer border. Officers will wear their rank in the center of the shield.

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> **Eric K. Shinseki**
> Chief of Staff of the Army

"The flash is designed to closely replicate the colors (flag) of the commander in chief of the Continental Army at the time of its victory at Yorktown," said Pam Reece, an industrial specialist with the Army's Institute of Heraldry. Reece and other institute staff members created four beret flash designs from which Shinseki made his selection.

The chief of staff announced Oct. 17 the Army will begin wearing the black beret on the next Army birthday, June 14.

He said the beret will symbolize the Army's transformation to a lighter, more deployable force.

"It is time for the entire Army to accept the challenge of excellence that has so long been a hallmark of our special operations and Airborne units," Shinseki said. Adopting the berets will be "another step toward achieving the capabilities of the objective force" of Army transformation, he said.

While U.S. Army Rangers have worn the black beret since the mid-1970s, they have not had a monopoly on the stylish cap. Prior to the Rangers adopting the berets, they were worn by armor cavalry units.

Army decides on black beret's new flash

Flash replicates flag of Continental Army's chief

Wayne V. Hall
Army News Service

FORT BELVOIR, Va. — The Army flash, which will be worn on black berets in June, was designed through an intense process that sped up normal work deadlines, said Pam Reece at the U.S. Army Institute of Heraldry.

The institute's first meeting with Sgt. Maj. of the Army Jack L. Tilley was Oct. 26, Reece said. Development of the flash was completed Nov. 23, in less than 30 days.

"The thing that was most amazing was a one-day turnaround on the creation of prototypes, which were presented to the SMA Oct. 27," Reece said.

Reece is responsible for working with all Army cloth items, such as insignia, flags and ribbons, at the Institute of Heraldry, located on Fort Belvoir, Va. As an industrial specialist, she also coordinates designs with manufacturers.

On Nov. 3, Army officials were confident on their design choice, however they still needed to come to a decision on the final color, Reece said.

On Nov. 7 she was told that Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki and Tilley wanted to see examples of the flash done in old glory blue, ultra-marine blue (the color of blue currently used in many airborne flashes) and bluebird, said Reece.

She then asked a manufacturer — Rainbow Embroidery of North Plainfield, N.J. — to develop these prototypes, which were delivered to the SMA on Nov. 9.

"This was amazing," she said. "Development of a flash normally takes three months; Rainbow did this development in three days."

"Great credit for increasing the speed of this process goes to Richard Rapoza, our artist who turned the design into something manufacturable," Reece added.

"I'm proud to have had a hand in it, working with the design and turning (Shinseki's) ideas into a product," said Rapoza who has been an illustrator with the Institute of Heraldry for eight years.

During the next large-group meeting, Nov. 17, the flashes were shown to all the parties involved in this project.

"At that time, everybody was about 98-percent sure of the final flash," Reece said. "The Old Guard's replica colors were brought in to ensure that we in fact had the right color. And on Nov. 20 I got the answer — it would be bluebird."

Each new flash is a semi-circular shield measuring 1 7/8 inches wide by 2 1/4 inch high, and will consist of 4,001 stitches and two colors.

The flash is designed to closely replicate the flag of the commander in chief of the Continental Army at the time of its victory at Yorktown, Reece said.

"It's the CSA's choice and takes the Army back to its very beginning," said Reece, who has been with the Institute of Heraldry for 13 years.

"The 13 stars are significant of the original 13 colonies," Reece said. "I think it's really neat that they went back and took the colors of the Continental Army. If you want to go back and put some pride "back into the Army you can't go back any further than that."

All Soldiers will initially wear the universal flash, except for those in units that already have berets, such as Ranger, Airborne and Special Forces. These troops will continue to wear the beret flashes they currently have.

The new flash will be worn on the left front of the beret. Officers will wear their rank in the center of the shield, and enlisted Soldiers will wear their distinctive unit insignia in the center of the shield.

The black berets which will initially be issued to soldiers will be shipped with the universal flash already sewn on them, Reece said. Additionally, the universal flash will eventually be replaced by unit-specific flashes.

The universal flash is to be worn for a period of one year, Reece said. During that year, the Institute of Heraldry will be working with representatives of the Army's 16 major commands to design and develop distinctive flashes.

Just how far below MACOM level distinctive unit flashes will be created has not yet been decided, said Reece.

For now, the Institute of Heraldry's part in flash development is finished.

"We've given 160 of the new flashes to the sergeant major of the Army, and the cartoon (a manufacturing-specifications diagram) has gone out to manufacturers from the Defense Supply Center, Philadelphia, which is responsible for procurement of the berets," Reece said. "Initially some four to five million berets are to be procured."

Flash recommendations not selected included a flash with a black background and yellow boarder, colors which are assumed to represent the Army's colors; one with a green background and yellow border, also colors associated with the Army; and the third design was much the same as the one selected, however with a darker "old glory blue" background.

A CLOSER LOOK

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The Fort Benning military police will be conducting special speed enforcement patrols in the following areas on the dates and locations listed below.

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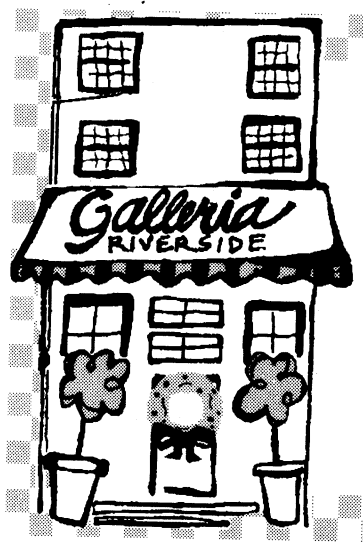

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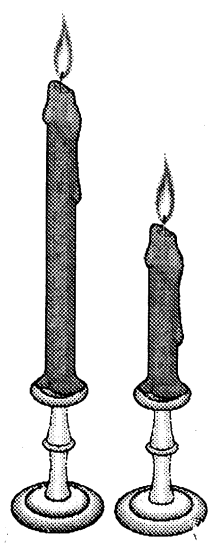

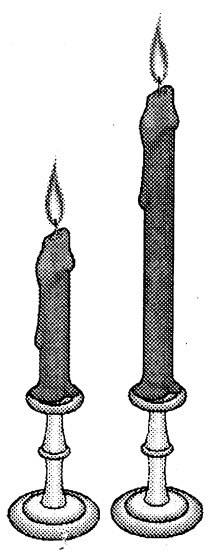

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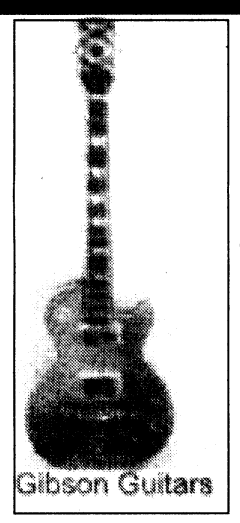

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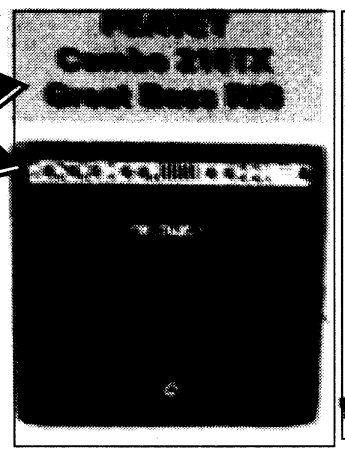

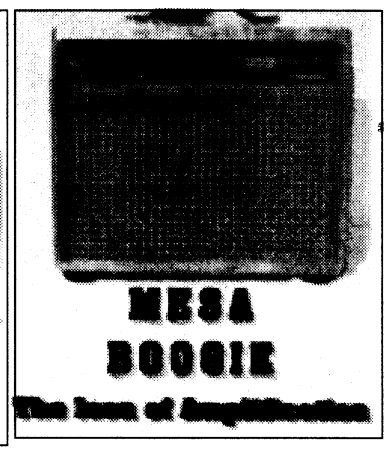

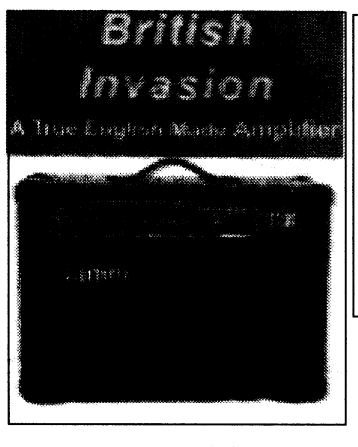

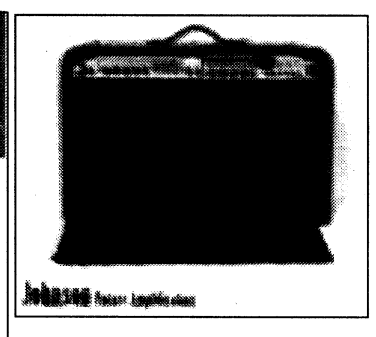

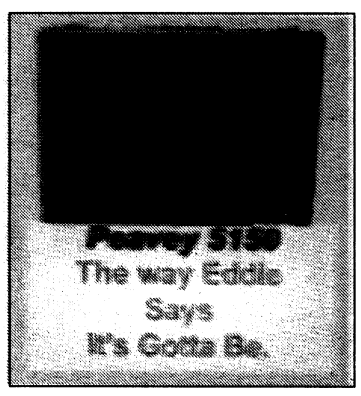

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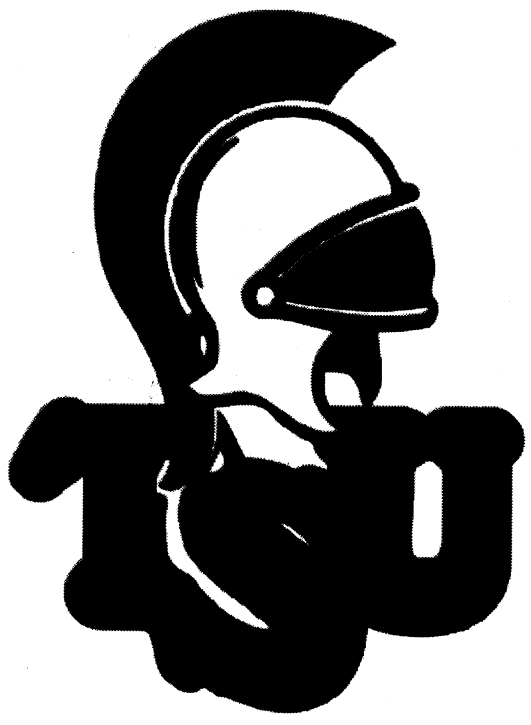

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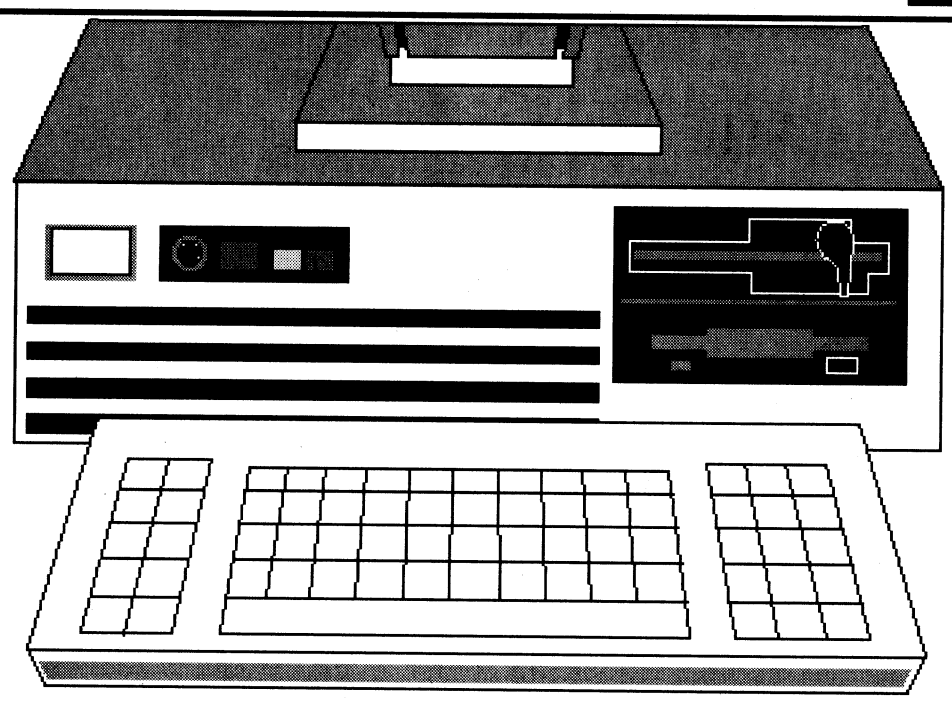

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Senior leaders conduct quality conference

Group meets; discusses how to improve post

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Fort Benning senior leaders conducted their semiannual Quality Executive Steering Team conference in the Supper Club at the Officers' Club Dec. 5.

Frontline Consulting, a management consulting firm owned by Steven Chittum, facilitated the discussions geared to make Fort Benning a better place to live and work.

"The theme for the conference was transformation," Chittum said.

After briefings on Army and Training and Doctrine Command transformation from installation subject matter experts from the Directorate of Combat Developments and the Directorate of Operations and Training, senior leaders broke into six teams to focus on six areas of emphasis:

- The U.S. Army Infantry School
- The work force
- Quality of life
- Automation and technology
- Power projection and readiness
- Base operations.

"The teams identified critical impacts and issues pertaining to transformation that may affect the installation in each of the six areas and will assist Fort Benning to proactively plan for the future," said Sara Hodges, chief, Quality Management Division.

Chittum said Fort Benning leaders met their objective, but the work generated at the conference still lies ahead.

What transpired at the conference is a dynamic process, Chittum said.

"It was just another step. As the Army's best installation, we don't rest on our laurels."

He said the Army is changing in many ways, such as in structure, missions, equipment, manpower, operation tempo and deployments.

"We are going from the known to the unknown, and that's a challenge," Chittum said.

He said he is confident Fort Benning can manage the challenges and continue to be the best Army installation in the world.

Hodges agreed the conference will benefit the post.

"The planning documents resulting from the conference will allow our organizations to think ahead and be better prepared for the changes that may be imposed on Fort Benning due to transformation," she said.

around post

Graduation

A Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade, will graduate at 9 a.m. Wednesday on Pomeroy Field.

Clearing post

Many Soldiers who needed to clear post were not able to do so as quickly as they might have because they did not have the proper paperwork. For more information on the proper papers that are needed, call 545-7510. Also the Central Issuing Facility will be closed Monday through Dec. 27, which may prevent some from clearing post. For more information, call 545-7510.

Controlled burns

There will be prescribed burns throughout post to reduce dangerous buildup of forest fuels.

The burns will produce smoke that will impact areas near the burns.

Army Education Center

The Army Education Center, Building 2602, closes at 1 p.m. on the last Wednesday afternoon of each month for administrative purposes.

Green to Gold

There are several Green to Gold briefings for interested Soldiers scheduled for Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 22 and April 26.

For more information, call Capt. Irvin Pete at Columbus State University at 568-2449.

Scholarship available

The Maj. Gen. James Ursano AER Undergraduate Scholarship application for children of active-duty and retired personnel is available on the Army Emergency Relief Web site at www.aerhq.org. Children of active-duty Soldiers who died while on active-duty are also eligible for the scholarship. Deadline for submission for years 2001-2002 is March 1.

For more information, please call Al Deane, AER officer, at 545-2536, 545-4043 or 545-7517.

Infantry Museum

The National Infantry Museum has new operating hours. The new hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

CID

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command is offering a $150 reward for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of persons responsible for the larceny of on Compaq laptop computer with carrying case containing various computer games and one Microsoft Intellimouse from a barracks room in Building 75 between 10:30 a.m. Oct. 3 and 10 p.m. Oct. 6. The assistance of the local community is being requested in an effort to identify the perpetrators. Anyone with information, contact the CID Duty Agent at 545-8916 or the Military Police at 545-5222.

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Military police to spend time in 'Old Stockade'

TRADOC funds renovations for historic building

Shannon S. Walsh
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Fort Benning's military police will be getting a contemporary home, in a historic building.

Recent funds from the Training and Doctrine Command will be used to convert the "Old Stockade" building on Main Post into new offices for the 988th Military Police Company, the 209th Military Police Detachment and the 71st Military Police Detachment.

Currently, the MP offices are scattered, said Lt. Col. Terry Kelley, chief, Law Enforcement Division, Military Police Activity. This project will change that.

"It will bring my people closer to the provost marshal, and I'll be able to reach out and touch the commanders a lot better," Kelley said.

The plan to open up more space for the MPs has evolved since its conception. Originally, the funds from TRADOC were going to be used to construct an entirely new building.

After the Army Corps of Engineers crunched some numbers, they performed a value engineering study, which looked at the possibility of taking this historic structure on post and turning it into a place for company operations, said Ken Holloway, master planner and acting chief, Engineering Division, Directorate of Public Works.

The total amount awarded for this conversion is $1,932,365. Holloway estimated the decision to convert the building saved about $300,000 in construction costs.

It also saved a piece of Fort Benning history. The Old Stockade building was previously on the post demolition list. It hasn't been used to house prisoners for about five years.

Now, interior and exterior work will transform the building into offices for the MPs with extra room to spare.

There will even be reminders inside of the building's history and previous occupants. Some of the jail cells prisoners stayed in will remain intact along with some original tile on the walls.

"It's really retained a lot of its historic nature," said Maj. Adrienne Eckstein, project engineer, Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District. "It's appropriate that the MPs are there."

Although the Old Stockade building is about 60 years old, Eckstein said the engineers discovered the building was originally well-made and the shell is still actually quite solid.

"Converting a building does have some complications but the benefits outweigh them," she said.

"We're building toward the future of the post," Kelley said. "It's part of what makes Fort Benning a community of excellence."

The project completion date is set for August 2001.

Shortage: Stalls shots for Soldiers

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vaccine production facility and resumed vaccine production," said Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Randall L. West, senior adviser to the Deputy Secretary of Defense for Chemical and Biological Protection.

Although he isn't sure how many Soldiers are scheduled to leave Fort Benning for Southwest Asia, Maj. Bryan Alsip, chief, Preventive Medicine, Martin Army Community Hospital, said the post has a supply of the anthrax vaccine on hand to be given to those personnel assigned to a unit deploying to the high-threat area for 30 or more days.

Soldiers on orders for Korea who have already started the series of shots will have the remaining doses deferred, Alsip said.

"Once more vaccine becomes available, Soldiers who have already begun the series may resume with their next scheduled dose," Alsip said.

"As with most other vaccines, there is no data to support reduced effectiveness of the vaccine if doses are given later than the scheduled time. Thus, they would not have to restart the series," he said.

The DoD estimated that under this newest policy, it has enough vaccine to continue vaccinating service members at greatest risk until around November, without any additional vaccine.

The Pentagon expects to fully resume the vaccination effort for all service members next year when a sufficient supply of FDA-approved vaccine is available.

Nearly 492,000 service members have started their vaccinations and nearly two million vaccinations have been given since the program started in 1998.

Controversy surrounded the vaccine almost from the beginning with several Soldiers refusing to take the shots and others complaining of adverse effects after receiving a dose.

The Pentagon stands behind its decision to eventually have all 2.4 million service members inoculated against the anthrax threat as a necessary part of force health protection.

Anthax remains the top biological warfare threat to U.S. troops because it is 99 percent lethal to unprotected, untreated individuals, the DoD said.

"Although the supply of FDA-released vaccine is limited, the lethal anthrax threat from potential adversaries has not gone away. Therefore, we must make every effort to protect those service members at greatest risk. Vaccination continues to be the safest, most reliable, round-the-clock protection to counter the threat," Alsip said.

Tour: Gives aides Army information

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"The CASAs were very positive in their feedback. They felt the 'big picture' about how our forces prepare to mobilize and deploy was an important subject area that was missing from other trips," he said.

One stop on the tour where they witnessed this preparation firsthand was at TSIRT. They had an opportunity to view training in action for Reserve Soldiers from the 29th Infantry Division and 155th Infantry Brigade from Mississippi.

Currently, the main focus of TSIRT is to train active-duty, Reserve and National Guard Soldiers on specific scenarios they may face while deployed to the Balkins.

On Saturday, Soldiers were being tested on conducting vehicle and personnel checkpoints.

"Site visits are very helpful in providing information and discussing ways CASAs can better serve," Ward said.

"If you can see it, observe it, and participate in it, you get a better feeling for the strengths and weaknesses," Bapp said.

Meaders said another informative part of the visit was the Quadrennial Defense Review briefing. "It helped target those areas where the Army was most badly in need of additional funding in order to meet the projected mission requirements in support of national policies."

According to Army regulations, a civilian aide's job is to interpret Army missions and objectives to the civilian community and provide feedback to the Secretary of the Army on the public's perception of the Army.

"We are another set of eyes and ears for the Secretary of the Army, to see how the Army is perceived and to take back information to him on how to improve perceptions from civilians," Ward said.

"It's a two-way thing. We also articulate the Army mission, concerns and problems to civilians to hopefully get support," he said.

Civilian aides are selected on the basis of their patriotism, interest in the Army, business or professional leadership and ability to tell the Army story. They are chosen for two-year terms and serve without pay. They represent every state, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Marinas Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

School: Closes

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that part of the Western Hemisphere.

Over the years, USARSA and its preceding institutions have trained more than 61,000 military students from Latin America and the Caribbean through professional military courses.

Classes were taught by Spanish-speaking U.S. Army officers, NCOs and civilians, as well as officers, NCOs and civilians from Latin American countries.

They all had to meet U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command instructor standards and successfully complete an instructor-training course.

In 1990, the instruction had to adapt to new needs.

"With the end of the Cold War and the resolution of many of the armed conflicts in the region, the challenges in Latin America changed," Weidner said.

"The school changed also and added many courses to improve the status of civil-military relations in those countries and to raise the level of respect and cooperation of the military institutions with their civilian governments."

In January a new Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation will open on Fort Benning, continuing the democratic traditions of the School of the Americas.

court-martial

Maj. Stephen J. Lund
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

At a general court-martial Nov. 8, Staff Sgt. Douglas W. Jones, D Company, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry, Infantry Training Brigade, was acquitted of one charge of indecent acts with a female under 16 years of age.

At a general court-martial on Nov. 9, Pvt. Damon D. Smith, 63rd Engineer Company, 36th Engineer Group, was convicted of one count of wrongful distribution of marijuana, one count of wrongful use of marijuana, and one count of wrongful possession of marijuana.

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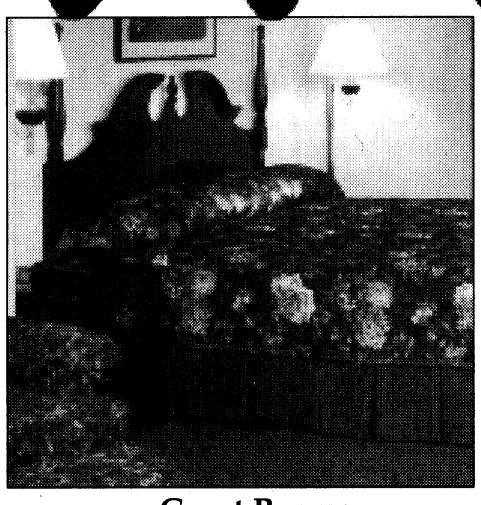

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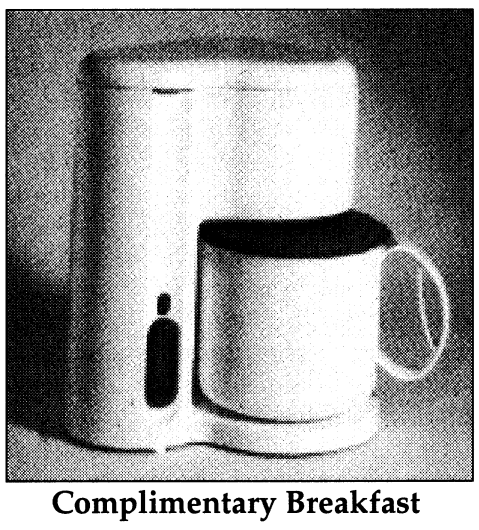

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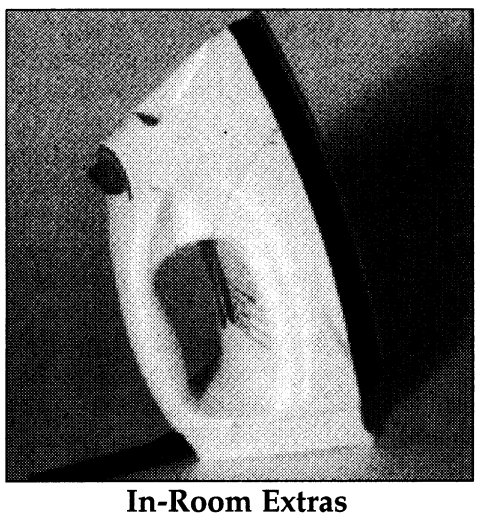

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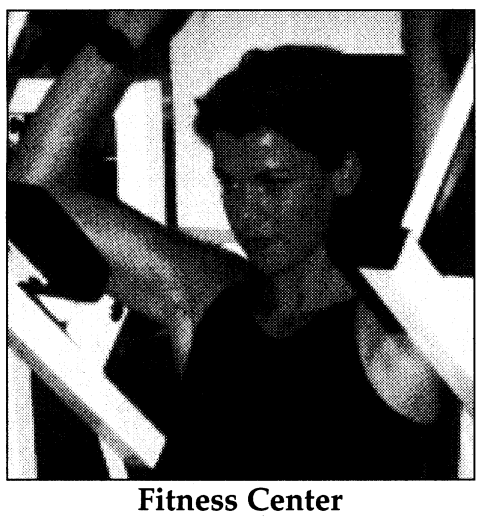

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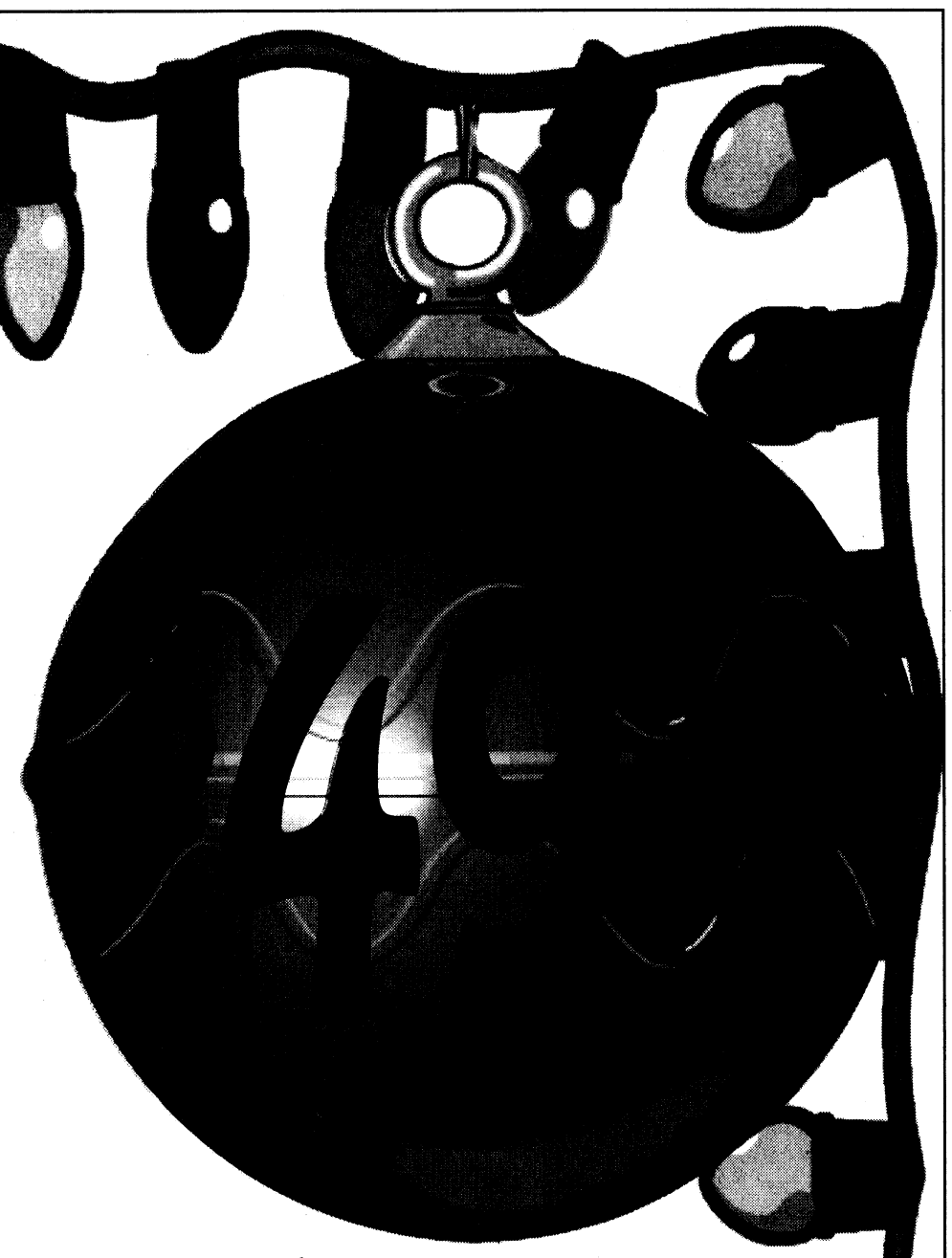

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Rangers transform lot into memorial

Holdover Soldiers turn court into work of art

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A group of Soldiers from the 75th Ranger Regiment Training Detachment have turned an empty lot and a neglected basketball court into a tribute to U.S. Army Rangers — past, present and future.

Soldiers once played pick-up basketball games behind Building 2832, "Gentry Barracks," home to the Ranger Indoctrination Program. During the past few years, the court has seen less and less action as Soldiers opted to take their games indoors at nearby gyms.

Three months ago, the detachment's holdover platoon decided to turn what was quickly becoming an eyesore into a monumental work of art.

They enclosed the blacktop and part of an adjoining lot with 12 foot-tall walls, constructed of plywood and recycled telephone poles and supported with 6,500 sandbags. They painted the walls glossy black and handcut more than 8,000 individual shapes and letters to adorn each of the four walls.

"Every hole was dug by hand, every nail, every drop of paint — the whole thing was done by hand by Soldiers," said Sgt, 1st Class Michael Washburn, the operations NCOIC for the Ranger Training Detachment. "That's what sets this apart from every other memorial on post. It's made by Soldiers to honor Soldiers, and they put all their hard work and sweat into it."

Washburn originally designed a single half-circle wall as a backdrop the for the unit's flagpole, which is flanked by two weapons captured by the 75th's 2nd Battalion during Operation Just Cause in 1989. A 53 mm Recoilless rifle sits on the left, a 14.5 mm anti-aircraft machine gun on the right. The Ranger creed is posted on the wall behind the flag.

"It was initially designed around the Ranger creed, the heart of the regiment," Washburn said. "We wanted the students who come to RIP to know there's something very serious going on here, and when their parents come for graduation, they can see what it is their sons are getting into."

Washburn said the original wall was so well received, the platoon decided to add three more, giving the completed work a "coliseum effect."

On the north end, opposite the Ranger creed, the Ranger's Prayer, written by the regimental chaplain Maj. Steven Berry.

Now when Soldiers meet on the blacktop, it's for formation twice a day. When they face the north or south ends, where basketball goals once stood, they're reminded of a different kind of goal, the one that brings them to Fort Benning — their desire to become Rangers.

"The two end walls constantly remind each student what it is he's doing here, and why he's enduring physical and mental challenges every day," said Staff Sgt. Reese Teakell, NCOIC for the detachment's holdover platoon. "The other two walls give them a solemn look at the heritage they're about to join."

The west wall, known as the "Wall of Ribbons," memorializes every campaign or conflict in which the 75th Ranger Regiment has been involved. Directly across the blacktop stands the "Wall of Fallen Comrades."

It's this wall 250 RIP students face each morning during formation, a subtle reminder of the gravity of the Rangers' mission. The names of the regiment's deceased Rangers are listed chronologically under the Ranger's "Prayer for the Dead."



Bridgett Siter

Ranger Indoctrination Program students stand in formation at the new Ranger Memorial.

"I can't really put into words how it makes me feel," said Spc. Mark Corliss, a RIP student. "It's very sobering to stand here in formation and see the names of these Soldiers who've lost their lives, or to look over and read the words to the creed they lived and died by. It makes me proud I'm here."

"Breathtaking," is how Pfc Thomas Thomas describes it. "It's a wall of dreams. It's why we're here, what we dream of becoming. It's overwhelming."

Washburn said it took 150 Soldiers nearly four weeks to design and construct the project, which was completed the third week of November, at a cost of about $2,500. Washburn went looking among his Soldiers for talent and skill. He found an electrical expert to design lighting so the monument can be seen after dark and a former construction worker to oversee the labor.

"It would have been easy to pay big money to have someone else design and cut a statue out of marble, but it wouldn't have had the kind of heart and soul these Soldiers put into it," he said. "Everybody here had a hand in it. We had Soldiers who were subject matter experts and some who were just willing to swing a hammer. The finished product is a compilation of all their skills and willingness to work."

Soldiers are usually given menial tasks, such as mowing and raking, during the short time they're with the holdover platoon, awaiting assignment with a Ranger battalion. Washburn said they were "highly motivated when given the opportunity to participate in building a memorial."

Corliss was one of those Soldiers who enjoyed a break from the usual routine. The former tattoo artist put his talents to work painting the unit crest on the blacktop.

The crest bears the regiment's own motto, "Sua Sponte," which means "of their own accord," a phrase that speaks of Ranger initiative on the battlefields of the world, and now in their own back yard, where a handful of Soldiers took the initiative to raise a monument to their own.

"It's a good feeling to have had a part in this," Corliss said. "I'm leaving here knowing I left something for everyone who comes behind me. I hope it lasts forever."

excellence in training

Final class graduates USARSA

Course causes cooperation

Phyllis Wallace
TRADOC News Service

Relationships were foremost in the minds of the 60 students who graduated from the last class of the Command and General Staff Officer Course taught at the U.S. Army School of the Americas. The school closes today.

The graduates represented 11 nations — Argentina, Bolivia, Columbia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Peru, the Dominican Republic,Venezuela and the United States.

"We've learned a lot about strategy and tactics," said U.S. Army Maj. Paul De Cecco. "But that military knowledge we've gained is almost secondary to the personal and professional relationships that are gained here."

Others agreed, citing as benefits the multinational friendships and shared experiences with peers.

"The knowledge I've gained will have great utility in my profession," said Maj. Luis Juarez from Guatemala, "but more satisfying is that I have been able to share this experience with peers from the United States as well as Latin America. The friendships I've developed here will bear fruit in the coming years."

The relationships that form the basis for inter-American military cooperation set the theme for the graduation speaker, John C. Speedy III, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of the Army for International Affairs (International Policy).

"We help each other, learn together, and are-together-the Military of the Americas," he stated. "The cooperative relations we've relied upon so successfully in the past must now be nurtured and built upon if we are to ensure peace and prosperity for generations in our hemisphere."

"Today's military personnel are cast in a new role," he said. "We protect the security of our nations by preserving the peace at home and among our neighbors.

"We bring hope to victims of natural disasters and serve as role models by loyally supporting our nations' democratically elected officials.

We combat the corruptive forces of narcotrafficking and terrorism."

The 21st century will hold increasing demands for military forces to lead humanitarian assistance operations during natural disasters and to assist in peacekeeping missions, according to Speedy.

"Currently, 13 nations of our hemisphere are contributing more than 2,100 troops to peacekeeping operations worldwide," he said. "These efforts all stabilize democracy, build bridges of friendship and exemplify the cooperation that is the wave of the future for our military forces."

Speedy noted that a map of the hemisphere from the 1970s shows only seven functioning democracies in the southern tier of nations and only 17 democracies in Latin America as a whole.

"Today of the 32 nations in the U.S. Southern Command area of responsibility, 31 are democracies with full market economies," he said. "Today, our military forces play a constructive role in supporting democratic institutions and lead the way in preserving respect for human rights."

Human rights are a major part of the CGSOC course, according to U.S. Marine Maj. David Olsen, course director. "A specific block of instruction is devoted to human rights. In addition is the ancillary instruction and discussion of human rights throughout the whole program."

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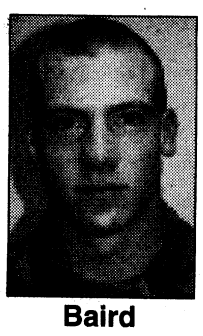

Baird

Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I joined for the college money so I could excel in my future job.
Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I lead my platoon by example and always listened to my superiors.

Staff Sgt. Derrick Wilson
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Wilson

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I always set the example and lead from the front.
What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? I get satisfaction from knowing I have an influence in the future of the Army.

Pvt. Eric Armstrong
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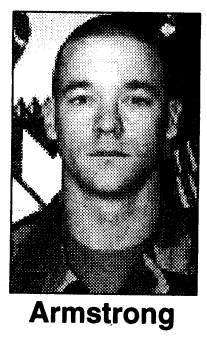

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What made you join the Army? I wanted to serve my country and pursue my education. The Army gave me the chance.
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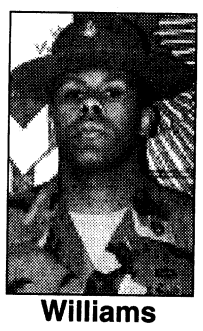

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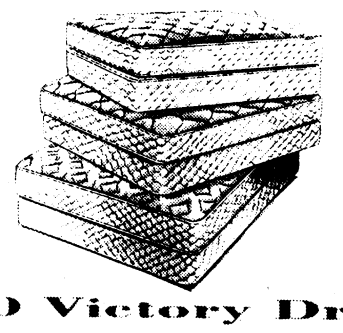

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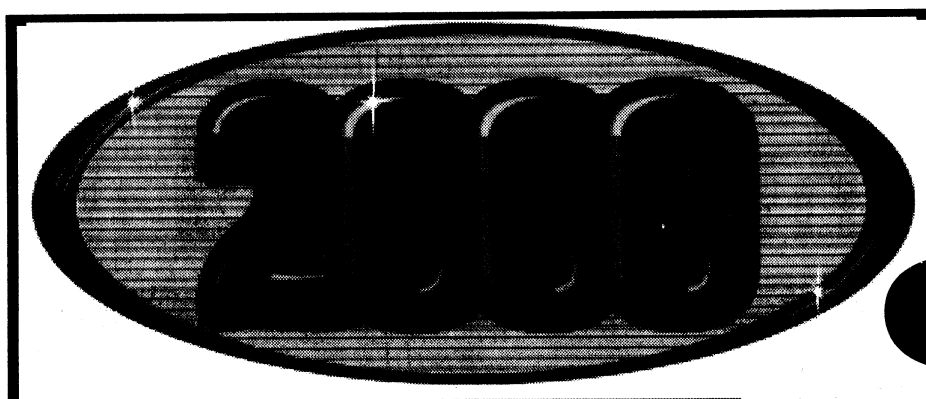

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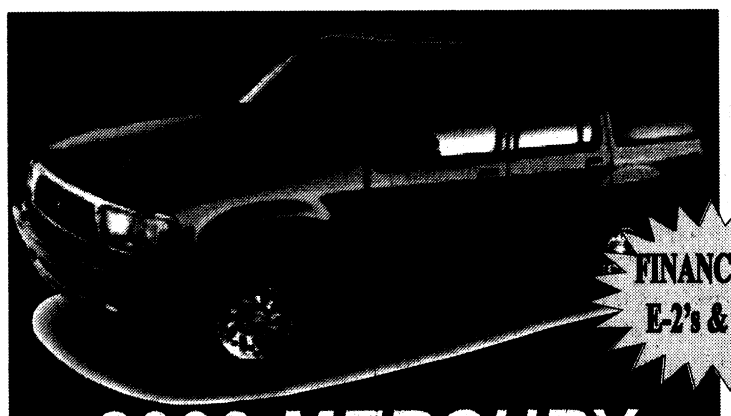

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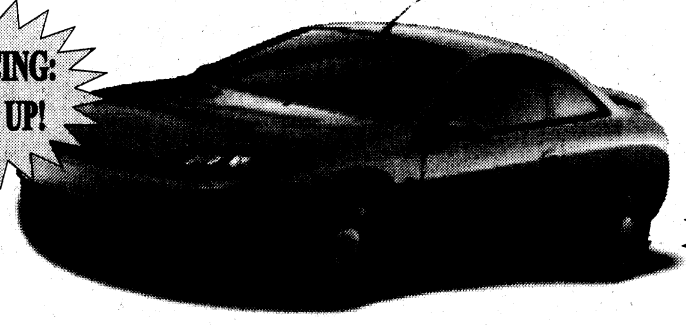

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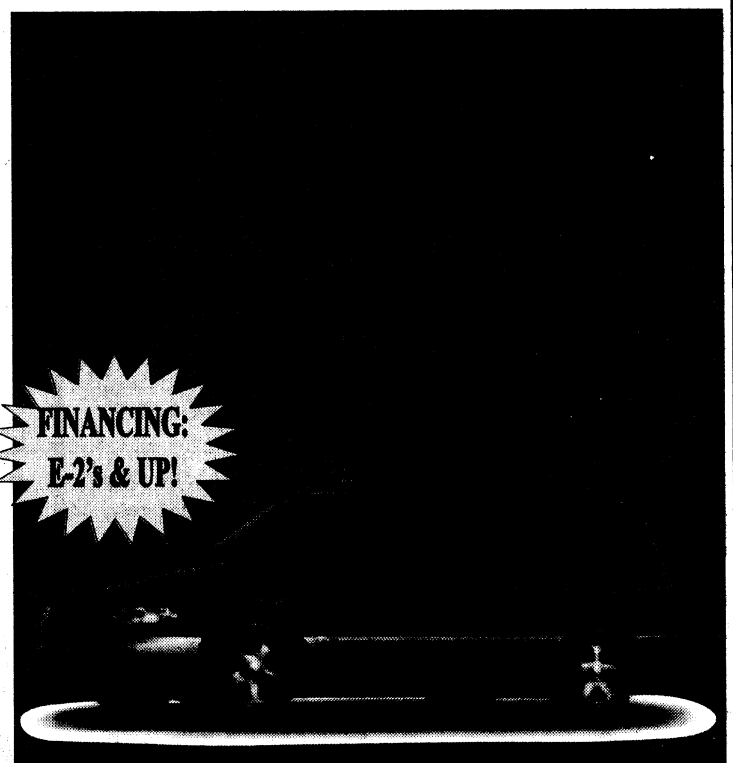

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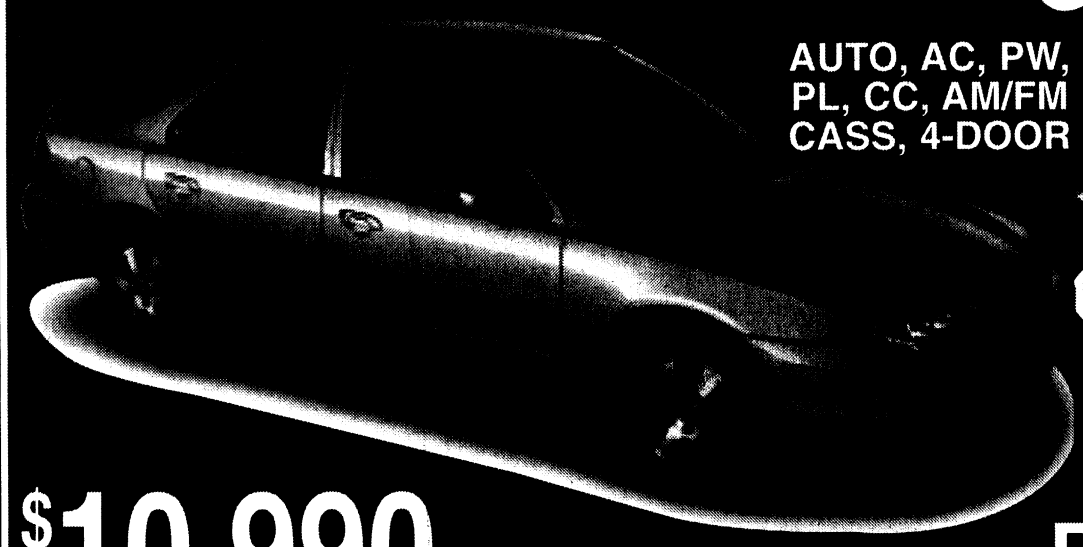

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SafetyCab available on, off post

Free service available until New Year

Shannon S. Walsh
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In an effort to cut down on drunken driving during this holiday season, the "SafetyCab" program is now in effect and will pick up passengers from Fort Benning, as well as Columbus and Phenix City.

From now until Jan. 1, this free service is available to tricommunity residents who have been out drinking and are unsafe to drive. "We're trying to keep our roads safe," said Judy Walsh, SafetyCab coordinator, The Bradley Center, St. Francis Hospital.

SafetyCab drivers will respond to the call whether you're on or off post. "They treat all phone calls the same," said Regis Beighley, safety manager, Directorate of Public Safety.

This is the 18th year SafetyCab has been available. It runs between 9 p.m. and 2 a.m., seven days a week and is available to pick up a driver and up to two passengers. The cabs will only pick up people from businesses that serve alcoholic beverages. Also, the only destination for SafetyCab passengers is home. The drivers will not take them out to other bars or restaurants.

"Fort Benning MWR facilities have fully supported and participated in this program since its beginning and will do so again this year," said Alan Stewart, director of community activities.

On post, the program covers all Fort Benning clubs, bowling centers and any other MWR or AAFES facilities that serve alcohol.

Program promoters hope that anyone who goes out drinking will first designate a sober driver to get everyone home safely. In the event this doesn't occur and no one is able to drive, SafetyCab is a safe option.

As an additional bonus for the designated driver, all year round, all post MWR facilities that serve alcohol participate in a program that provides free soft drinks and coffee for non-drinking designated drivers.

Off-post, several local restaurants and clubs are also offering free nonalcoholic drinks to designated drivers during the SafetyCab campaign.

During last year's campaign, 17 SafetyCab rides were provided to residents of Fort Benning. During that time there were also 98 drunken driving related arrests in the tricommunity area.

This year, calls were already coming in for SafetyCab rides on the first night the service was available.

"We believe it will be another successful year," Walsh said.

Call SafetyCab at 660-6069.

Spencer hosts science fair

29th Infantry helps judge event

Pfc. Chris Bray
29th Infantry Regiment

Some of the best students at Spencer High School weren't afraid to take on difficult and controversial topics at a recent social sciences fair.

Exhibits covered such diverse topics as the psychological origins of the killings at My Lai, the level of destruction caused by the bombing of Hiroshima, the apparent causes of stigmata, and the effect of abortion on civil society.

Sue Watson, a history teacher whose honor students participated in the fair, said the intellectual curiosity evident in the projects was nothing new. "They've had that for years," she said. "At the honors level, they've always asked some very probing questions, I guess is the word for it. And I tend to tell them at the beginning of the year, don't ask unless you really want to know."

The adult nature of the presentations was met with some serious judging, as officers from the 29th Infantry Regiment joined other judges to turn a critical eye to each student's work. "Check spelling," read the comments on one judging sheet. "Need to be more neat and organized." ("Not a true conclusion," read another.)

To Maj. Arthur Tulak, deputy commander, 29th Inf. Regt., the seriousness of the student exhibits demanded serious consideration from him as a judge. "We owe them a quality evaluation," Tulak said. "They worked hard on the project

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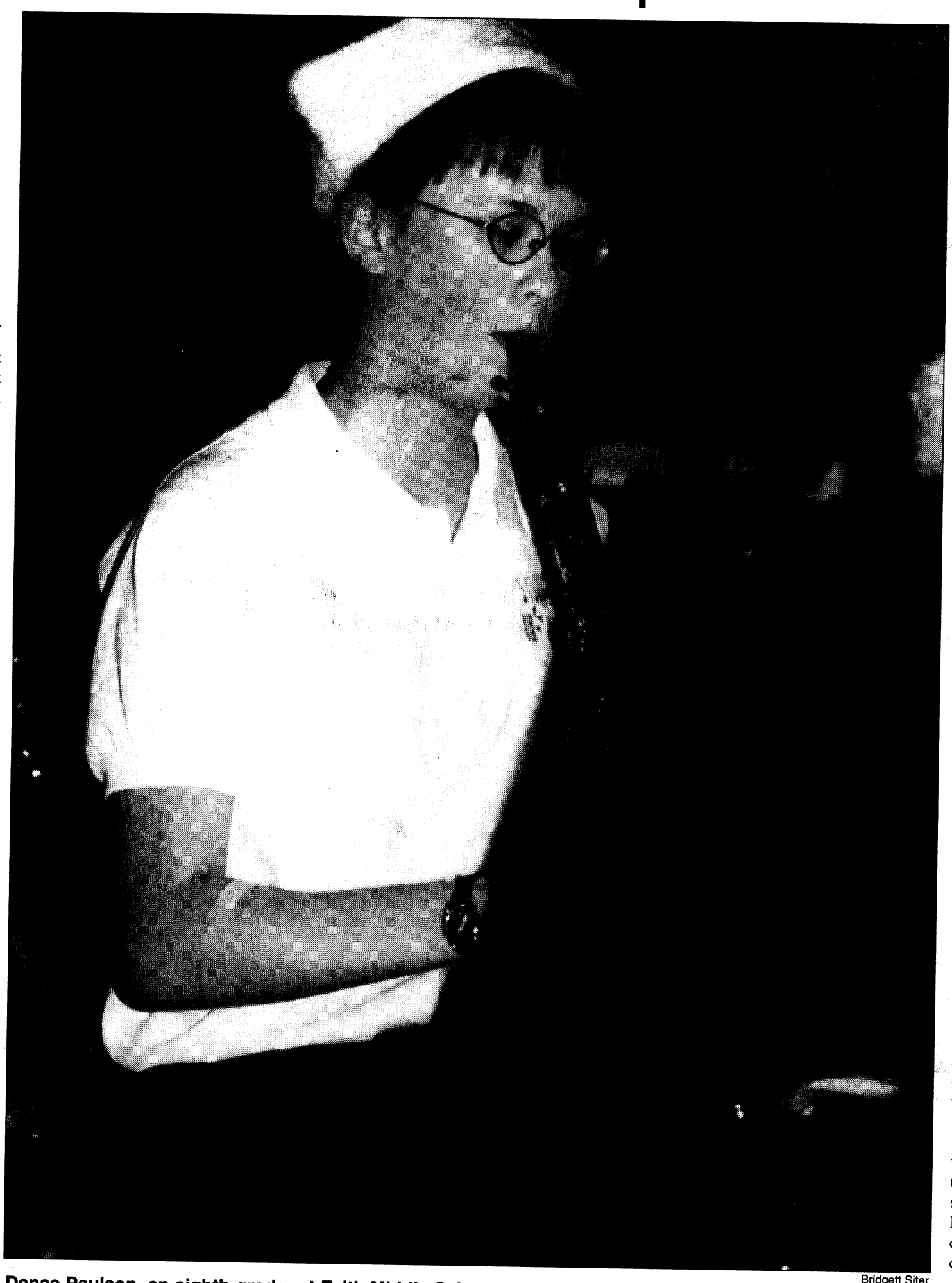
Faith students compete in auditions



Bridgett Siter
Denae Paulson, an eighth-grader at Faith Middle School, plays the clarinet during the holiday concert.

Band students head to district, others to state

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Nine members of Faith Middle School's eighth-grade band will perform with Georgia's District 3 Middle School Honor Band, and five were nominated to compete at state-level in February.

Band members traveled to Sumpter County Middle School in Americus, Ga., Dec. 2, for middle school district and all-state auditions. They competed with nearly 150 students from 12 counties for a chance to perform with the state's most talented musicians in May.

Kim Green, Faith's band director and teacher, said each student was given the opportunity to audition once, with the option of having the audition considered for district and state-level competition.

"It was really two auditions in one," Green said. "It was finals for district, and preliminaries for state, but they only auditioned one time. It was up to each student to decide if he or she wanted that audition to be considered for advancement to state level."

Of the 11 students who competed at district, seven were elected to compete at state level as well, and five made the preliminary cut. At district level, Carlos Velazquez was named first chair in the trumpet section, and Denae Paulson earned a second chair in clarinet. Flutists Sarah McCallum, Mallory Kniskern and Ashley Maignan were named first, second and third chair, respectively. All five will advance to state.

"It's kind of funny, because we have chairs in school, and that's the same order we're all sitting in school too," said Kniskern, a first-time competitor who said the outcome came as a big

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Post lights Christmas tree, menorah

Fort Benning hosts ceremony at Field of Four Chaplains

Shannon S. Walsh
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There was excitement in the air as children and their parents gathered at the Field of Four Chaplains Tuesday evening for the annual Christmas Tree and Menorah Lighting Ceremony.

This was the third year Michelle Raker brought her son, Josh, to the event. "It's a tradition every year," she said.

"We wanted to show support for Fort Benning," said post resident Barbara Reeves. "And I thought the kids might learn something."

While parents may have had different reasons for attending the ceremony, most of the children had one thing on their minds. They knew that Santa Claus was going to make an appearance. Kelsey Reeves, 6, said she was excited to see Santa because he brings presents.

Josh Raker, 6, knew exactly what he wanted to tell Santa. He was going to ask him for a Star Wars character and Pokemon cards for Christmas.

While the children waited with anticipation at the beginning of the ceremony, the Infantry Band played popular holiday tunes.

For the official lighting, there was a decorated Christmas tree and a large-scale menorah and nativity scene at the field.

The kids and parents had a chance to learn about the roots of these holiday traditions. Col. Jose Torres, garrison commander, spoke of the history behind the Christian and Jewish symbols.

"We're observing age-old traditions here today," he said.

"As we light these symbols, let's wish each other good cheer, hope, joy and goodwill," he said.

Torres lit the tree and menorah with the help of several children from the audience.

After the displays were lighted, Torres told the children in the audience if they sang *Jingle Bells* loud enough, Santa Claus would come to see them. Sure enough, after two rounds of the song, Santa pulled up in a bright yellow fire truck.

A long line quickly formed as Santa set up camp to hear the Christmas wishes of post children. The children had their pictures taken as they talked with him.

Santa even gave out some practical advice. One child asked him for a scooter for Christmas and he reminded her to always wear a helmet when she was on it.

"My hope is that all the children here will look back on these traditions and values we're living this season as some of the best days of their lives," Torres said.



Shannon S. Walsh
Col. Jose Torres, garrison commander, and post children light the Menorah Tuesday at the Field of Four Chaplains.

garden tips

Jennifer White
Bayonet correspondent



When purchasing a new package of bulbs, the direction for planting are on the bag. But what about when you are planting your old bulbs? And who holds on to those packages anyway?

An organized gardener would make a note in their journal about the proper planting of their bulbs. Busy gardeners put it off until time to plant.

That time is now. So here is a run down on planting procedures for spring blooming bulbs.

Bulbs need well draining soil. Planting bulbs in heavy clay soil without amendments is risky. When the water fails to drain, the bulbs will rot in the soil. It is best to amend the soil in the bed before planting.

This can be done by digging compost or humus into the bed. Both are cheap and easily attainable.

Bulbs should be planted in a hole three times their diameter. Mix a tablespoon of bonemeal into the soil in the bottom of the hole. Pay attention to which is the top and which is the bottom of the bulb. Make sure the soil you use to fill the hole makes good contact with the bulb. Air pockets left in the soil can trap water and cause the bulbs to rot.

The spacing of bulbs is typically one to two inches apart. Most instructions recommend planting in groups or clumps.

As a general rule with landscaping design, using an odd numbered group is the most pleasing. Since so many of the bulbs gardeners use are small flowers it is best to group them for affect. Bulbs such as hyacinths, which are larger flowers, can be spaced at an interval using one bulb per hole.

A common technique for planting bulbs is layering. To do this a gardener uses a given amount of space and digs down to the depth of three times the largest bulb.

Lay out the large bulbs and fill in the soil to the level of depth required for the next largest bulb and so on until all bulbs are planted. This creates a nice informal mixed bulb bed.

Gardeners should mulch over the beds containing bulbs. This will reduce the risk of winter damage of the bulbs.

The final step, as with all plantings, is to water. Thoroughly water the bed once the bulbs have been planted and mulched over.

Normal rainfall usually provides enough water for spring blooming bulbs.

If there are prolonged periods of dry weather, supplemental watering of one inch per week is sufficient.

To sum it up, good soil, proper planting depth, fertilizing, and enough water will produce wonderful spring blooms.

ask the judge

Carolyn E. Moller
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I am divorced, and my former spouse has custody of the children; however, my divorce decree states that I, the noncustodial parent, can claim the children as dependents for state and federal tax purposes. When I filed my tax return, I attached a copy of my divorce decree, and received my tax refund based on that exemption. Now, months later, I have received a letter from the IRS stating that attaching a copy of the divorce decree is insufficient, and has denied my right to claim the children. What else do I need to do in order to receive this exemption?

A: In the past, attaching a copy of your divorce decree was sufficient proof for the noncustodial parent to claim the children as dependents. A recent case tried in the federal Tax Court, a specialized court that only hears appeals relating to tax decisions, stated that the attachment of a divorce decree is insufficient to entitle the noncustodial parent to claim children as dependents. Miller vs. Tax Commissioner, 114 TC 182 (2000). According to this court decision, the noncustodial parent must attach Form 8332, Release of Claim to Exemption for Child of Divorced or Separated Parents (or a similar declaration that complies with the form and substance of Form 8332), to the tax return in order to claim the children as dependents.

The United States Tax Code, Code Section 152(e), states that the custodial parent is entitled to claim the children as dependents, unless the custodial parent signs a written declaration that he or she will not claim the children as dependents for one or more tax years. The Tax Code is very specific as to the manner and form of the written declaration that is required to transfer this entitlement from the custodial parent to the noncustodial parent. Form 8332 requires the following information: Names and Social Security numbers of the children for which the exemption is being claimed; the years the exemption will apply; the name, signature and Social Security number of the custodial parent; the date the release is signed by the custodial parent; and, the name and Social Security number of the noncustodial parent who is to receive the exemption.

The tax court has taken this process a step further. The recent Miller decision holds that in order for this entitlement to transfer from the custodial parent to the noncustodial parent, there must be strict compliance with the Code Section 152(e).

A divorce decree or separation usually does not contain this information; thus, neither is sufficient, according to the Tax Court, to transfer the entitlement from the custodial parent to the noncustodial parent, and it will no longer be accepted for tax filing purposes.

How can you avoid this problem? Have the custodial parent sign a Form 8332 at the time the divorce decree is finalized. Or include the Form 8332 with the separation agreement so it will be signed at the same time the separation agreement itself is signed. What happens if the custodial parent will not sign the Form 8322 even though the divorce decree or separation agreement clearly states that the exemption is noncustodial parent's entitlement? You may have to file an action with the judge to force the signature. For more information, call the Legal Assistance Office to make an appointment. The telephone number is 545-3282 or 545-3281.

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BIO 123-332	GENERAL BIOLOGY I	T/TH	6	Staff	5:30 - 8:15
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CIS 200-332	COMPUTER CONCEPTS	T/TH	5	Alles	6:00 - 8:15
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ENG 095-333	ENGLISH AS SECOND LANG.	M/W	5	Norvell	8:20 - 10:35
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ENG 201-331	WESTERN WORLD LIT. I	M/W	5	Staff	6:00 - 8:15
HIS 102-334	WORLD CIVILIZATION II	T/TH	5	Kaufman	8:20 - 10:35
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MAT 096-333	LSS PRE-ALGEBRA	M/W	5	Lumbard	8:20 - 10:35
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29th INF: Volunteers at science fair, Special Olympics

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— they need to know how they did. Especially if they're preparing for college."

Sarah Berry, 16, researched the causes and effects of eating disorders with her partners, while Melinda Burnham created a project that caught the eye of the judges. "This one, I was just astounded by the amount of information presented," said Maj. Mike Matthews, executive officer, 30th Adjutant General Reception Battalion. "And there were no typos, no misspellings."

Berry said the project was a learning experience; she knew about the subject before she started her research, thanks to health classes she'd had in school, "but I was surprised at how much it cost."

Many of those who suffer from eating disorders agree to seek treatment, Berry learned, but do so only to satisfy friends and family members who express concern; once they complete therapy and escape the spotlight, they go back to their unhealthy behavior. "It's just an ongoing process," Berry said.

Overall, the 18 student projects represented a wide range of effort and achievement.

"I could tell that some people procrastinated," Watson said. "Some of the others had a wonderful idea to start with, but weren't sure how to follow through."

More important was the fact that the experience of preparing the projects under their own initiative had taught every student a series of lessons about time management, self-determination, and the effort involved in conducting research.

The judges clearly believed that the competition raised the bar for the students. Walking from exhibit to exhibit, Maj. Joel Manning, executive officer, 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt., leaned over to Tulak with a question. "Did you do this in high school?" he asked.

"They're definitely preparing them for higher education," Manning said.

Soldiers from the 29th Infantry Regiment supported another major event involving local schools just two days later, as nine Soldiers from the 30th Adjutant General Reception Battalion spent Thursday morning helping to run a Special Olympics event for local young people at the Columbus State University gym.

Capt. Mickey Turner, C Company, took turns at the microphone with 1st Sgt. Wanda Blackmon, also of C Co. "Ladies and gentlemen," Turner told the crowd, doing his best impression of a sports arena announcer, "let the games begin!"

Special Olympics area director Gina Menard said that 164 young people participated in the basketball skills competition, traveling from 17 area schools to compete for a chance to compete at the state level.

The Soldiers on hand for the event worked hard at making it run smoothly.

Sgt. Tammy Murphy, C Co., pushed a child in a wheelchair from event to event, while Sgt. Antonio Hinojosa, B Company, led a group of four boys to the edge of the basketball court to compete at throwing a ball into a square of red tape on the wall.

"We're going to do this one first, all right?" Hinojosa said, urging the boys along.

Meanwhile Staff Sgt. Kekico Patterson, C Co., stood in the middle of the court, surrounded by children and activity, wearing a big smile. And Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Fabery, senior drill sergeant, C Co., reacted with big, playful gestures as the boys and girls at the free throw line took shots at the basket.

"They're nothing but a joy," Fabery said later, sitting in the bleachers and watching the competition. "You can be in a bad mood, and see these kids running around ... ."

And then Fabery's voice trailed off, as he went back to watching the young competitors at play.

Auditions: Challenge Faith band members' music skills

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surprise.

"I was nervous, and I really didn't think I did very well. I even cried when it was over," she said.

"We had to wait until the next Tuesday to find out, and by that time I'd put it out of my mind," she added. When my friend told me I'd made it, I really didn't believe her."

Green said the competition was voluntary, and it was up to each competitor to decide if he or she was willing to dedicate extra hours to practice and rehearsals.

"They were very reliable. They started preparing for this in October, just as we were getting ready for our PTO and Christmas performances here at the school," she said. "The competition was very tough, very intimidating, but they worked really hard and it showed in their performances."

Meagan Ferry was named ninth chair in flute. Also at the audition Catarina Giammona was named 11th chair in clarinet. Ross Boston was named fifth chair in trombone, and Ben Kirkwood earned the fifth auxiliary spot in percussion.

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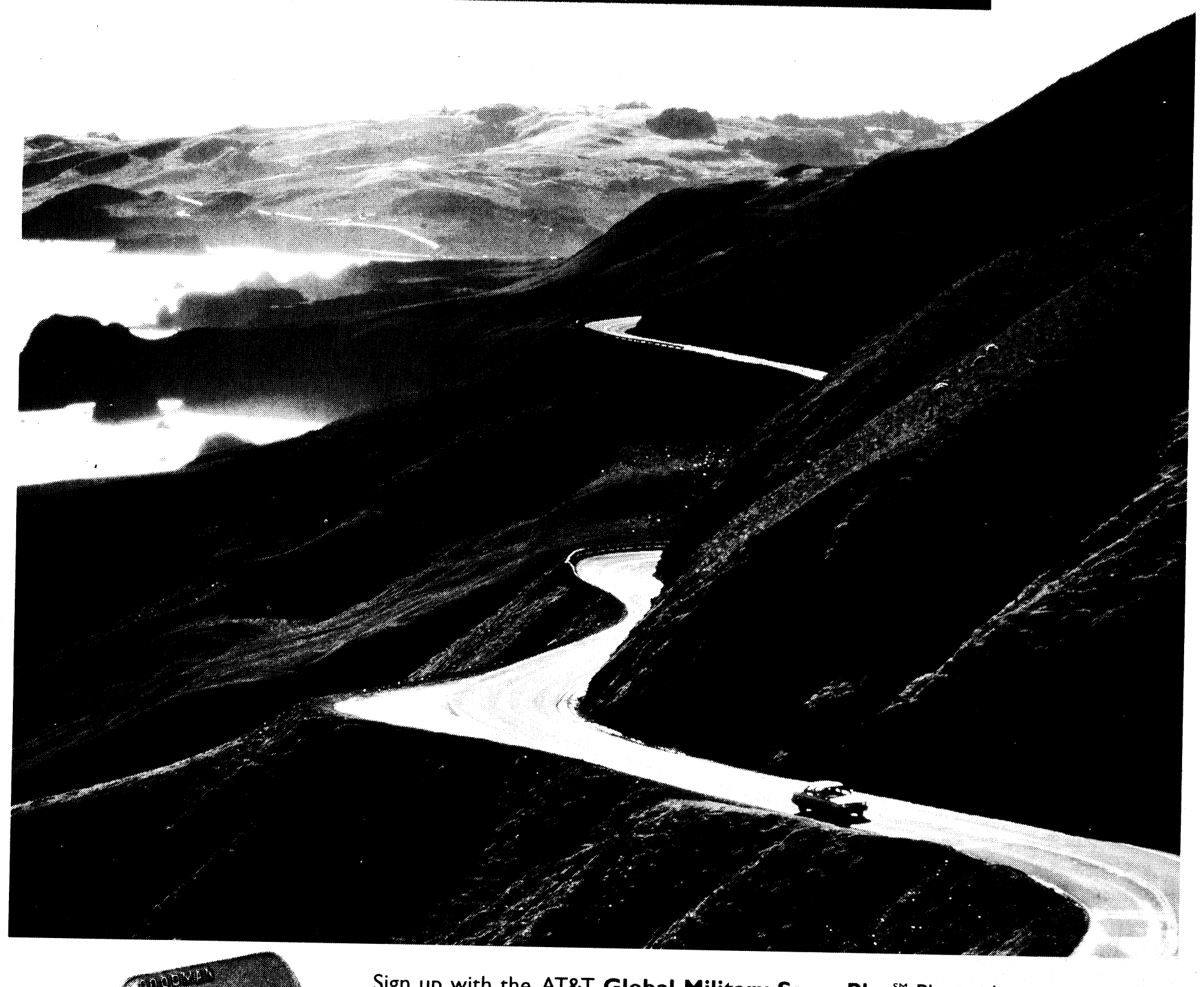

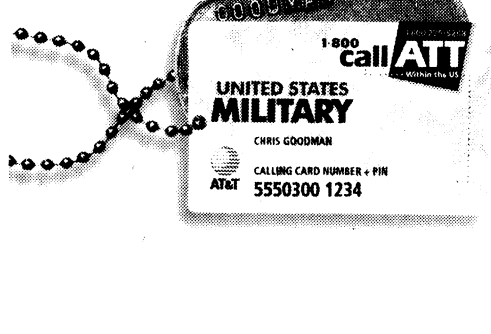

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Dexter's literacy night puts reading to test

Reading Counts! helps students better understand stories

Dexter Elementary School

Books and technology were a winning combination for Dexter parents and children recently at Family Literacy Night. Parents of students in third through fifth grades were introduced first hand to a new program called Reading Counts!

"I like Reading Counts! because I like reading and it makes me work on understanding the story a little better," said third-grader Kyle Vale. "It makes me set a higher goal for myself."

"I liked Literacy Night because my mom and I chose a book to read together, then we took a computerized test together," said Preston Colvin.

Students earn points for successfully taking the test on each book read.

"Reading Counts! is very motivating because it gives students instant feedback in a positive way," said Laura Feagin, a second-grade teacher.

Parents were also introduced to Scholastic Reading Inventory Interactive, a new reading assessment program being used in the Fort Benning Elementary Schools. SRII assesses students' critical thinking and comprehension skills and provides a wide variety of reports to include one designed just for parents.

"The SRII gives the teacher the current level at which the student is able to comprehend text. The teacher then uses this level to guide the student in selecting appropriate material for independent reading," said Terri Bond, a third-grade teacher. "We know that in order for each child to grow as a reader, he or she must continually read material that is at or little above the current level."

Creating family brochures was also on the agenda for the evening. In a session led by Terri Bond and Heather Jorgensen, both Dexter teachers and parents, families used Microsoft Publisher to create a family brochure. The computer lab was abuzz with activity as parents and children brainstormed favorite family traditions and recorded them on the brochure template along with family names, birthdates, and hobbies.

"It was really interesting and fun to make the brochure because it was a night for my mom and me to be together," said Jessica Egan.

Her mother, Lori, said, "I discovered we both are very opinionated about what we write and how it is written."

Next door, in the primary grade session, led by teachers Peggy Gindville and Nicole Leech, pre-K through first-graders were sitting at computers with their parents, excitedly reading along with electronic books on CD-ROM.

"We enjoyed having a night that was enjoyed with all of our children!" said parent Kristina Brockbank.

Principal Vicki Rogers added, "It was very touching to see young children snuggled up in their parents' lap on a cold, rainy evening enjoying electronic books together."

Favorites included *Stellaluna*, *Dr. Seuss' ABC*, and *Green Eggs and Ham,* and *Arthur's Computer Adventure*.

Bond, who is also the School Home Partnership Committee chair, coordinated the events. She said she is looking forward to many more successful parent and student nights like these. When parents, teachers and students work together, education can be fun and rewarding!

kids voices

What did you enjoy most about Dexter's field trip to the 1st Battalion, 10th Field Artillery Motor Pool?

My favorite part of the field trip was getting inside the tank. There was cool stuff, like bullets and big guns.



Quentin McKennon

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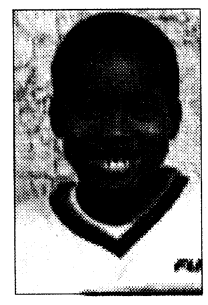

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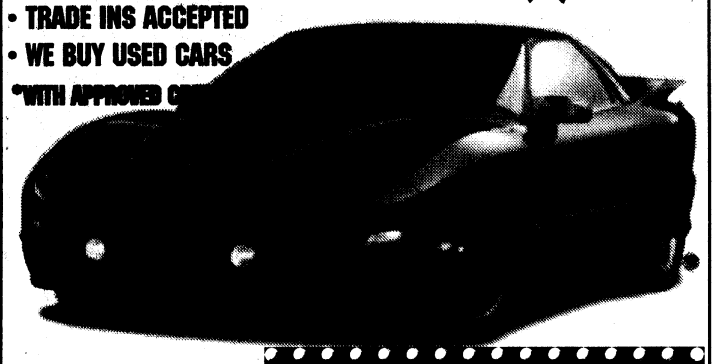

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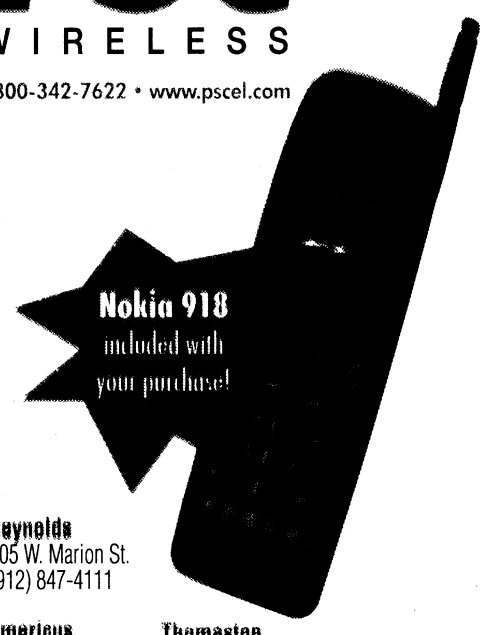

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Jews celebrate eight days of Hanukkah

Bill Putman
USAIC Chaplains Office

reflections

Hanukkah is a time of celebration commemorating the revolt and victory of the Hasmoneans in 165 B.C. Hanukkah begins on the 25th day of the month of Kislev and lasts for eight days.

In 365 B.C., Alexander the Great, king of Macedonia, crossed from his native Greece into Asia, with a huge army. He defeated the troops of Darius, king of Persia, and became the ruler of the Persian empire, including Syria, Palestine and Egypt. From that time on, for almost 200 years, Jerusalem and the Jews were ruled by foreign authorities and were the victims of numerous wars. The area became a virtual land bridge for the armies of Syria and Egypt.

In 175 B.C., Antiochus Epiphanes became the king of Syria.

Subsequently orders were issued forbidding the observance of Jewish ritual laws and religious worship. The temple in Jerusalem was ransacked and defiled. A pig was offered on the altar, and its blood was sprinkled in the Holy of Holies. Its meat was cooked and the broth was poured on the Scrolls of the Law. Antiochus himself entered the Temple's Holy of Holies, which no man except the high priest was allowed to do and only on Yom Kippur.

Finally, in 165 B.C., Judah Maccabee was victorious over the Syrians, and the Jews returned to Jerusalem. They set about cleaning up the city and the temple and preparing for worship again. Most of the oil for the lamp had been defiled, but they found enough oil to light the Menorah for one day.

They lighted the Menorah on the 25th day of Kislev in 165 B.C., and to their surprise it burned for eight days during the celebration. Since that time, the Jews have celebrated Hanukkah, which means dedication, for eight days every year, commemorating the Festival of Lights, and the Triumph of Freedom.

Some of the acts and events particular to the celebration follow. One candle on the Menorah is lighted the first night of Hanukkah, and an additional one is lighted each following night during the celebration. This is done in Jewish homes and at services in the synagogue. The Menorah is placed in or near a window facing the street, so that all may see it.

Special prayers are said and songs relating to the celebration are sung. A favorite food for the celebration is latkes, or potato pancakes. The game of dreidel is played. A dreidel is a four-sided top. Each side of the top has a letter, N, G, H or S on it. These letters are the first letters of words meaning "a great miracle happened there."

The top is spun, and the letter that lands up tells whether you have to put into the pot, take all, take half or take nothing. According to an old legend, the dreidel was invented during the time of the Maccabees. Because Antiochus forbade the study of the Torah, the Jews would put the dreidel on the table when they gathered to study. If Soldiers appeared, they would quickly spin the top, and the Soldiers only found them playing a harmless game. This saved many Jewish lives. Another custom observed during Hanukkah is that of giving gifts. In ancient times, coins were given. This became known as "Hanukkah gelt."

Although ancient coins are not given today, the gifts are often referred to as "Hanukkah gelt." Happy Hanukkah, and may you receive much "Hanukkah gelt."

chapel notes

Christmas caroling — The Main Post Catholic Chapel will sponsor a Holiday Caroling Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. Everyone is invited to this fellowship.

Advent Penance Service — The Main Post Catholic Chapel will conduct an Advent Penance Service at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Military Council of Catholic Women — The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m. Fridays at the Main Post Catholic Chapel at Vibbert Avenue and Sigerfoos Road.

The program begins with the Rosary and is followed by Bible study. Child care is provided. A refreshment time is held after the program.

For more information, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Club Beyond — The Junior High and Middle School Youth meet Sundays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The Senior High group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel.

All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

For more information, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

Sunday School — The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at Edward A. White School on First Division Road.

Problematic people prove perturbing

Chaplain (Maj.) Raymond C. Koop
Family Life Ministries Center

Difficult people cross our paths on a regular basis. Fortunately for most of us, these encounters are usually short lived and we are able to move on with our lives. Sometimes incorrigible people stay longer than we want.

Obstinate people bully others through intimidation, anger and fierce competition. Publicity seekers seek to take credit for other people's work.

Naysayers build themselves up by putting others down. Their obstinacy and negativity seeks to minimize the ideas and actions of others.

Two-faced people pretend to be your friend and supporter, but in reality are undercutting you and your policies when you are not around.

Whiners and complainers infect others with their negativity. Even "yes" people can be problematic because they tell us what they think we want to hear and don't tell us what we need to hear.



Dealing with incorrigible people can be difficult.

Here are some positive pointers.

- Communicate your desire to improve your relationship.
- Keep your body language non threatening.
- Be relaxed and smile.
- Use a pleasant tone of voice.

State your concern in an open way using the following formula. "When X happens, at when and where Y, I feel Z." For example, "When a Soldier is unable to control his or her anger during the duty day at the office, I feel that it reduces unit cohesion and productivity."

Actively listen. The Bible encourages us to be quick to hear (James 1:29). Face and look at the other person. Acknowledge the other person's experience.

Invite them to share their thoughts, feelings and options.

Summarize their statements frequently to ensure accuracy. Ask questions that require more than a yes or no answer.

Be specific as to what you want to see changed or to be different. "I want Soldiers to be civil towards each other, and to treat each other with dignity and respect."

Last of all stress the advantages of working together as a team.

Having understood their side through active listening, differences will be reduced and cooperation and collaboration result.

You can reduce tensions with problem people. Counseling is available. Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101 Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
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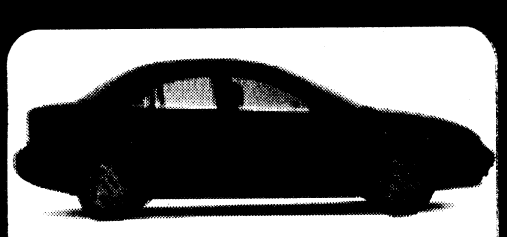

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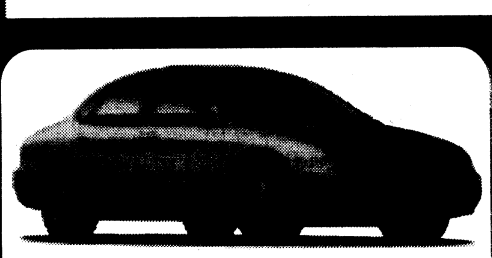

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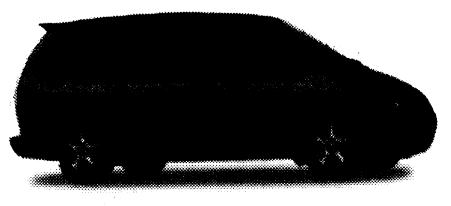

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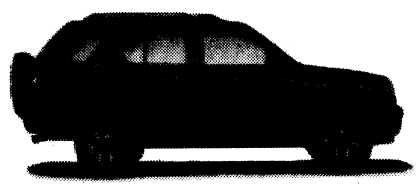

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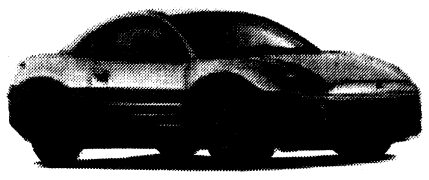

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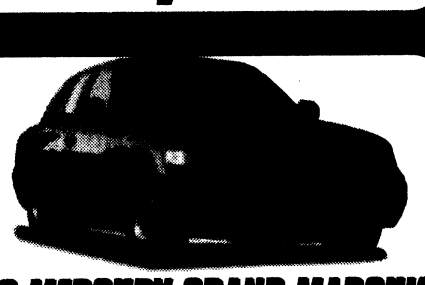

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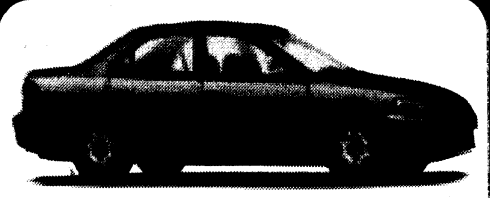

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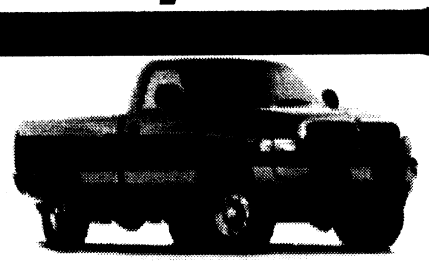

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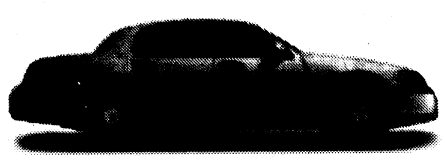

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Flag football title game wraps up season

203rd FSB, 598th battle on gridiron for championship

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

The post intramural flag football championship game kicked off at 2:30 p.m. Thursday on Engineer Field ending the 2000 sports season.

As of press time the teams to play in the final game were 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade and 598th Maintenance Co., 36th Engineer Group.

However, the four teams remaining Wednesday were all undefeated in the playoffs and were all contenders to win the championship trophy.

"The teams pretty well dominated their games," Fred Woods, sports specialist at Audie Murphy Gym, said.

The teams remaining for the semifinals were: Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 203rd FSB; A Co., 1st Bn., 11th Infantry Regiment; 3rd Bn., 75th Ranger Regt.; and 598th Maintenance Co.

203rd FSB edged out A Co., 12-6; and the 598th topped the Rangers, 13-6.

"I think we will take the championships," Michael Cochran, a linebacker for A Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., said going into the semifinals. "I am very confident we will win. The whole team is pretty good. We can catch the ball and are running well too. We have no problems whatsoever."

A team that was undefeated throughout the regular season, B Co., 1st Bn., 30th Inf. Regt., 3rd Bde., was sure they would make it into the finals.

"None of our games have been real close," Cpl. Christopher Everett, said. "We won our last game 27-8. We get better as the weeks go by."

Although B Co. was sure they would win, they crumbled against 598th Maintenance Co. in the quarter finals and lost 27-20. The upset was proof that any of the teams could walk away with the championship game.

"Really anyone can win," Woods said. "It just depends on who scores first."

Woods said he predicted B Co. would play in the finals, but when the 598th jumped out to an early lead he said it was totally up in the air. With the cooler temperatures upon us, the weather has become a factor in the ability to control the ball.

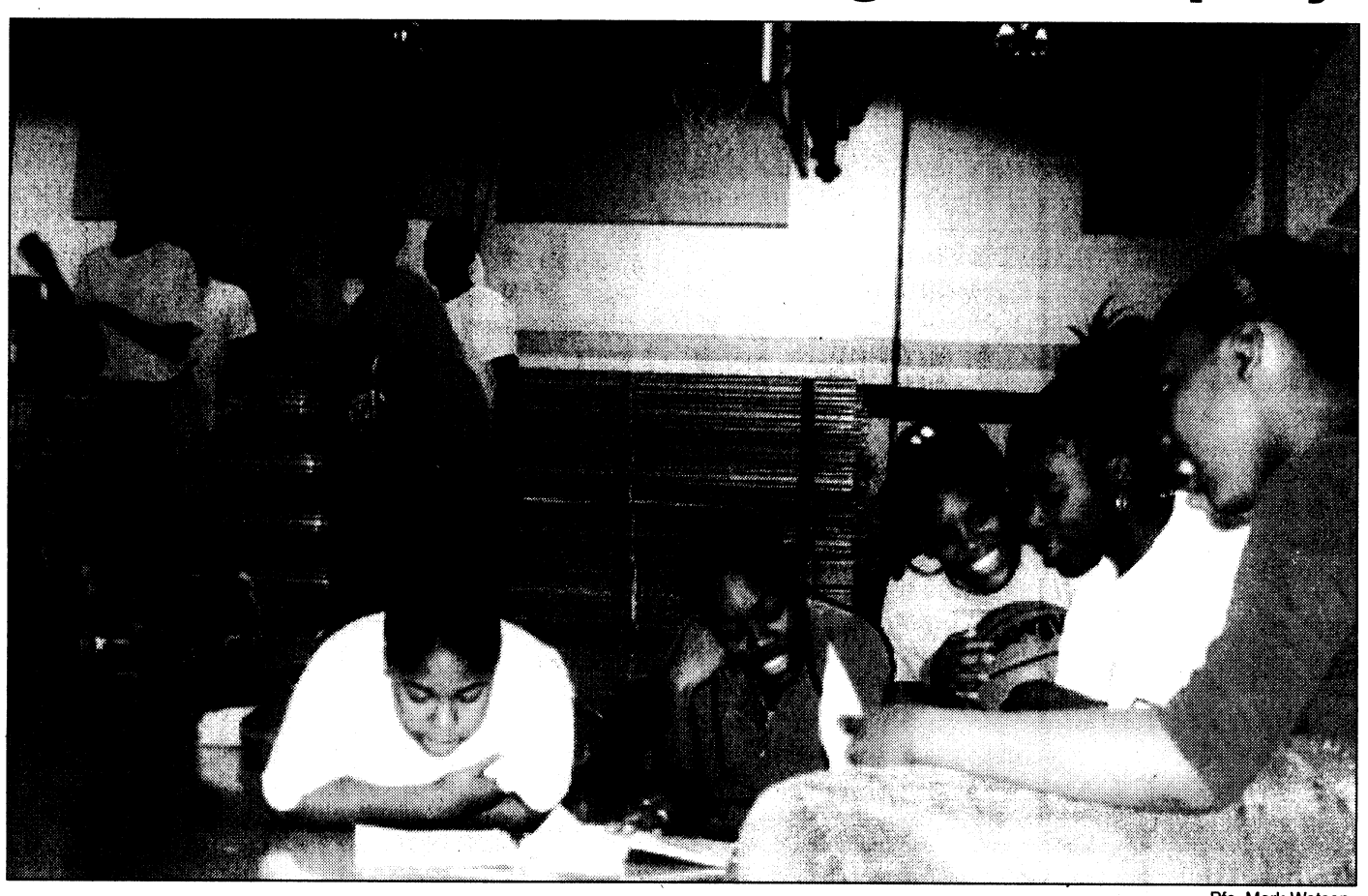
"The weather is messing us up a little," Cochran said. " It is definitely harder to keep the ball stable."

The sports directors are planning next season to begin in September.

Faith students must make the grade to play

New program coaches ball, character

Pfc. Chris Bray
29th Infantry Regiment



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Desha Jordan (right), Tiffany Jones, Alexia McCray, Paulletta Tompson and Tierra Tutson study while members of Faith's boys basketball team practice for upcoming games. A new program at Faith requires the youths to keep up their grades or risk the chance of being released from the team. The boys and girls normally alternate days of study and practice.

Obey without questioning. Don't talk back. Address superiors as sir or ma'am. And complete every bit of work assigned, on time and to standard, with no excuses.

Those are familiar ideas for Soldiers, but those are also the rules for students who want to play basketball at Faith Middle School. "Because it's not about basketball," said Robert Lewis, head coach of the basketball teams and director of the school's intramural program. "It's about character. I couldn't care less about putting a ball through a hole."

The students, of course, care about putting a ball through a hole, and that's the incentive that Lewis uses to enforce strict standards of academic performance and positive behavior; team members who bring home a bad report card no longer get to play, and they know it. Of the 70 players who turned out to play basketball this year, Lewis said, only 60 are still playing. The other 10 didn't have the grades.

At a recent afternoon practice, girl's team captain Carrie Bell, 13, took time off from drills and physical conditioning to talk to a visitor. "This is my first year playing basketball ever in my life," the eighth-grader said. "I wanted to try something new, and see what I was capable of." Bell said she enjoys the game — "very much" — and noted that Lewis constantly stressed the same thing to all the players: Grades, grades, grades. "I have no problem with that anyway," she said, leaning on one elbow against a platform at the front of the gym and smiling with confidence. The basketball program at Faith is different than the familiar kind of school sports program. As part of an intramural program, the basketball teams don't belong to a formal league, and have no scheduled season of games against other schools. "Basically," Lewis said, "I call on the coaches in the area and beg them to play us."

The intramural approach, said Dr. Tom Dignan, principal, is "part of the middle school concept. It gives the students who aren't the 12 best a chance to play."

This approach also means the teams aren't funded by the school; while school funds pay for an intramural director, there's no money in the budget to pay for uniforms, equipment, and coaches. The school's Parent-Teacher Organization recently solved the first two problems, Lewis said, with a contribution of more than $800. For coaches, Lewis and his players turn to Fort Benning's most abundant resource: Soldiers. Sgt. 1st Class Jerome Coverson, A Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment and Staff Sgt. Todd Johnson, A Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, volunteer their afternoons to the program. Both began coaching last year, when they had children on the school's basketball teams.

This year, even though their own children have moved on, both NCOs still coach. Johnson said there's some common ground between the kids he sees on the basketball court and the young Soldiers he sees in his daily work as a drill sergeant. "They're looking for a leader, a role model. And I don't need that hat to be one."

Shooters blast way to wins

Paula J. Randall Pagan
U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit

OKEECHOBEE, Fla. — Service Rifle Team shooters of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit met with military shooters from around the country at the annual Mini-Interservice Championships Dec. 8-10 and walked away with most of the trophies. The competition is by invitation only and is open only to shooters who have made the high master level.

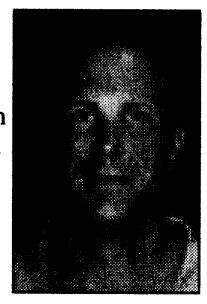
AMU's Staff Sgt. Norman L. Anderson won the National Match Course Championship and set a new match record of 989 points out of a possible 1,000 points; Sgt. 1st Class Rand E. Bentson took second place with a score of 983 points.

Anderson also won the Long Range Rifle Championship with a score of 397 points out of a possible 400, and Sgt. Erik A. Burge took third place with a 392. Anderson additionally placed third in the Long Range Service Rifle Championship.

Sgt. 1st Class Steven C. Young won the Long Range Match Rifle Championship with a perfect score of 200 points out of a possible 200 with 13 Xs (bull's eyes used in tie-breaking), followed by Sgt. Emil Praslick III and Sgt. 1st Class Charles E. Sgt. Lewis A. Tippie coached the team of Bentson, Anderson, Sgt. 1st Class Grant L. Singley and Spc. Robert M. Mango that won the Team Championship with a score of 1,952 points out of a possible 2,000 points.

Problematic porkers practice Ranger tactics, use them well

Staff Sgt. Cliff Hughes
Outdoor Recreation



For some time there have been hogs or feral swine in Georgia. I have been told they migrated from the south along the Chattahoochee River. I've also heard there are domestic pigs that escaped from area farms. It appears there are both, wild and domestic. At any rate, in the past three years the hogs have pretty much invaded Fort Benning, which is great for the hunters but bad for the more populated areas.

Recently I was privileged to help Pete Swiderek with Natural Resources Branch eradicate wild hogs from the Main Post area, specifically around Infantry Hall and the airfield. The hogs had devastated the landscape around the Ranger Memorial and were spotted in several housing areas. It took almost 40 days to eliminate the Piney Porkers.

The first week and a half was spent studying their movement patterns and locating the different groups. In previous years I had only harvested three feral swine during deer season. The study and eradication program opened my eyes to a completely different style of hunting. Some of the key things I learned about the hogs are that they have no set movement pattern. And they tend to inhabit places that can supply them with food, water and lots of muck.

Relating to them in military terms, it was almost as if they had studied Field Manual 7-8 and the Ranger handbook. Normally they would travel in team or squad size elements; usually in groups of three or four but, at times, as many as 10. Almost always there was a leader larger and smarter than the rest. When they moved they would often have a scout 50 meters to the front. Their traveling formations consisted of a feeding wedge or Ranger file. They would always disperse quickly on contact, almost as if someone snorted, "Incoming!"

Their patrol bases were always established off natural lines of drift and in the thickest, wettest, nastiest cover around — just like Rangers. From there, they would feed in team-size elements and normally be within 300 meters of their resupply swamp.

Frequently they would send teams up to five miles on reconnaissance patrols looking for a new patrol base. During movement they used handrails leaning toward waterways and ravines to guide themselves. They were also addicted to rolling in the mud, rubbing on trees and rooting. (Who does that resemble?) I won't go into why they have these previously mentioned addictions, but they are key signs to their location.

They would not root in their patrol base, only bed. And during occupation they maintained at least 50 percent security at all times. I located and studied 10 different bedding areas before the eradication. The hogs would run patrols both morning and evening, but conducted their most active harassment raid patrols at night. I observed them with night vision devices for about 20 hours. Patrols conducted during hours of limited visibility or dark included all but a select few hogs, which were left for patrol base security. (Probably those on profile.)

The best place to locate the swine was their wallow area, normally located in a dense swamp. The swamps were difficult to hunt so I concentrated on the edges and trails leading into them (transition areas). The food sources were hard to hunt as well because, like Rangers, hogs eat just about anything.

Hogs have an excellent nose and are quite smart. Their weakest sense is sight. As long as the wind is in your favor, you can often get within 10 meters of them, providing excellent prey for the archer. If you get compromised you will probably hear one or two loud grunts and all will beat hoof from the area of operation. If you can stay with them, they will move 100 to 200 meters depending on the slowest hog and establish an assembly area and reconsolidate. If there are wounded, a large sow will return, collect the young and establish a casualty collection point.

If you can catch a piglet and make it squeal be ready to defend your position. Also, when compromised they often get flustered, and on dispersal will run right over the top of you so be careful and stay near a tree. A 400-pounder almost nailed me in this very manner. That was scary.

Some of the best areas to hunt are the O and K areas skirting post, and all areas skirting the Chattahoochee River on the Georgia side. Check out A 9, and 11; Q 4, and 7; E 7; K 15, 20-22 and N areas. For the most part the pigs have invaded post and can be found in almost every drainage.

We ended up harvesting 58 feral swine during the eradication. That's a lot of pork and work. If you ever drag a 200-pound pig out of a Chattahoochee River bottom you will be smoked.

This year Fort Benning extended the feral swine season allowing firearms use from Oct. 21 to March 16, in hopes of reducing swine numbers. Last year you could only hunt with a rifle during deer season and archery all year. Hogs are very difficult to kill with a bow and require almost a perfect shot.

Because their fat closes around the wound, tracking is difficult. If you shoot a hog with a bow, the best way to recover the animal is to stay with it and not let it out of sight. Often they will run 50 meters or so, allowing another shot if necessary.

It is a good idea to wear rubber gloves when dressing any swine. This will help reduce the chance of disease passage like trichinosis. It's also a good idea to have the blood tested. If you would rather not process your own pig, Daffens in Columbus is one of the few processors that will.

The meat is excellent; best smoked or made into sausage. There are several barbecue places in the area that will smoke the meat at reasonable prices too. I prefer to smoke the 20- to 40-pound piglets myself, which usually take about eight hours.

For those of you who haven't tried pig hunting, it's a blast. Concentrate on swamps and waterways and places a Ranger might hide, for success. Like a Ranger these piney porkers are tough, so wait for the perfect shot. This Ranger is off to the worm pit. Oink!

Video takes fitness *Beyond Expectations*

Former Soldier helps Soldiers help themselves

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A Columbus businessman is making a living "helping service members and their families help themselves."

Tim Dunnigan adopted that motto when he left the Army last year to embark on a career marketing products to help other Soldiers succeed in their chosen field.

"This business has helped me stay linked to Soldiers," Dunnigan said. "That's what I loved most about my job — the Soldiers. It certainly wasn't the money or the job security or the whole 'hooah' thing. It was the Soldiers."

And everything on his Web site, www.tylerenterprises.com, is geared toward Soldiers and their families.

Though he offers cadence music, books, software and collectible action figures, Dunnigan recently added a new product that he considers his greatest accomplishment to date — a series of exercise videos designed for men and women who are serious about fitness.

"I put a lot of thought and research into this," Dunnigan said. "I looked at the market and found that there was not an Army-based product available in the civilian market, and the exercise videos available don't focus on total fitness."

Beyond Expectations, a three-video series tailored to beginner-, intermediate- and advanced-level athletes, hit store shelves in November, nearly five years after Dunnigan first conceived the idea.

"I started thinking about writing a fitness book back when I was a drill sergeant," said Dunnigan, who had previously authored several books about various Army-related issues. "But the more I thought about it, the more I felt it needed to be videos. People need to be able to see demonstrations and be directed visually as they work out."

When his Web site began to field questions about physical fitness and maintaining a disciplined fitness regime from convalescing and retired Soldiers, Dunnigan dusted off the video idea and turned to Fort Benning professionals for help. Dunnigan contacted Maj. Danny McMillian, physical therapist and strength and conditioning therapist, for expert advice on the videos' content.

"He had a great idea, and over a period of several months, we formulated a plan to create workouts Soldiers and civilians could do in their home, with no equipment," McMillian said.

"The end result is a unique product when compared to what's out there already," he said. "There are tons of good videos on the market that focus on individual muscles, weight training or aerobics, but this series fills a niche that was not being addressed."

Dunnigan worked hand-in-hand with McMillian and certified master fitness trainers to develop "functional" exercise programs — ones that concentrate on perfecting movement rather than just building muscle.

"The end result is total fitness. We don't guarantee you'll have the body of a supermodel or a weight lifter. Our series sculpts the body, but more importantly it improves cardiovascular fitness and works all the major muscle groups for balance and body composition," he said.

Dunnigan said he always enjoyed, and experienced great success, at developing exercise programs for recruits who weren't able to meet minimum PT standards during his tenure as a drill sergeant.

"I liked working with the individual and seeing him succeed and surpass his own expectations."

Dunnigan said the videos he produced are designed to do just that — help the "doer," not the "viewer," increase his or her fitness level.

"It's a common misconception that all military people are fit," he said. "The majority of unit fitness programs are only good for sustaining your current level of fitness. To achieve more you have to make a commitment to do more."

"More" means approximately 30 minutes a day, three times a week, Dunnigan said. Each two-hour video features three, 30-minute workout segments and classes on fitness and nutrition.

"You don't get physically fit in 10 minutes a day," he said. "Thirty minutes, in the scheme of life, is not a lot to ask, no matter how busy your are."

Beyond Expectations videos are available on Dunnigan's Web site.

sports briefs

Winter baseball camp — Chattahoochee Valley Community College will host its Winter Baseball Camp from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday for children ages 7 to 12.

Cost is $80 for preregistration (before Dec. 8) and $100 for late registration (after Dec. 8). Costs will include a T-shirt and hot dog and drinks.

The camp will cover: hitting, pitching, catching, infield, outfield and baserunning.

Special guest speaker will be Joe Georger, Detroit Tigers AA pitching coach and Scot Hemmings, owner of Hemmings School of Baseball and former San Diego Padre outfielder.

Baseballs, bats and helmets will be provided.

Campers will be responsible for their own gloves and cleats.

For camp information, call Coach Adam Thomas at 214-4880.

Museum marathon — The fifth annual Museum of Aviation Marathon, Half Marathon and 5K run and walk will be Jan. 20 at the Museum of Aviation in Robins Air Force Base.

The marathon and half marathon kick off at 8 a.m. and the 5K begins at 8:15 a.m.

Entry fees are $30 for the marathon, $20 for the half marathon and $12 for the 5K race.

People who register after Jan. 6 will be charged $3 more.

For more information, call John Hunter at 926-6686 or 922-1019.

YS accepts applications — Youth Services is now taking applications for winter basketball.

For more information about how to become a coach for any of the YS sporting activities, call Youth Services at 545-3070 or 545-3540 or stop by Youth Services, Building 1056.

AMU seeks shooters — The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit is looking for a few good shooters who are interested in competing in pistol competitions in the summer of 2001.

No previous shooting experience is required.

Soldiers in the rank of sergeant first class and below with less than 15 years service who obtain approval from their commanders can travel to Fort Benning in May at the expense of the Marksmanship Unit to participate in the initial training. Once that is complete, pistol team officials will select shooters to participate in the Interservice Championships in June at Camp Robinson, Ark. and the National Matches in July in Camp Perry, Ohio.

Upon completion of the three-month tour, Soldiers return to their units.

Interested Soldiers can call Gibbs at 545-7022 or 545-3893 or DSN 835-7022 or e-mail Charles.Gibbs@usarec.army.mil

For more information, visit the unit's Web site at http://www.usarec.army.mil/bq/amu/www.usamu.com; click on shooting teams, select service pistol and click on recruitment information.

Club seeks powerlifters — Anyone interested in powerlifting or wanting to form a powerlifting club on post for the purpose of going to competitions, call Richard Wideman at 689-2481.

YS offers Tae Kwon Do classes — Tae Kwon Do classes (two styles) are available at Youth Services.

Classes are open to youth family members, ages 6 and older, as well as active duty, retired military and DoD civilians.

For more information, call 545-3070.

Basketball camp — There will be a summer basketball camp for players 8 to 19 years old.

Applications are being evaluated for the Ten Star All Star Summer BasketBall Camp. Players are selected by invitations only.

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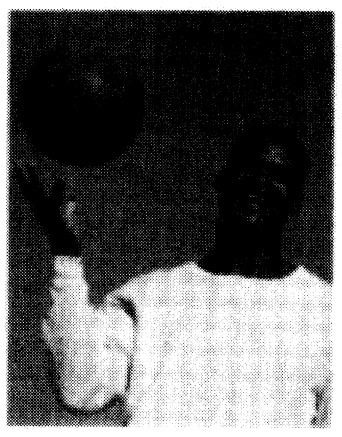

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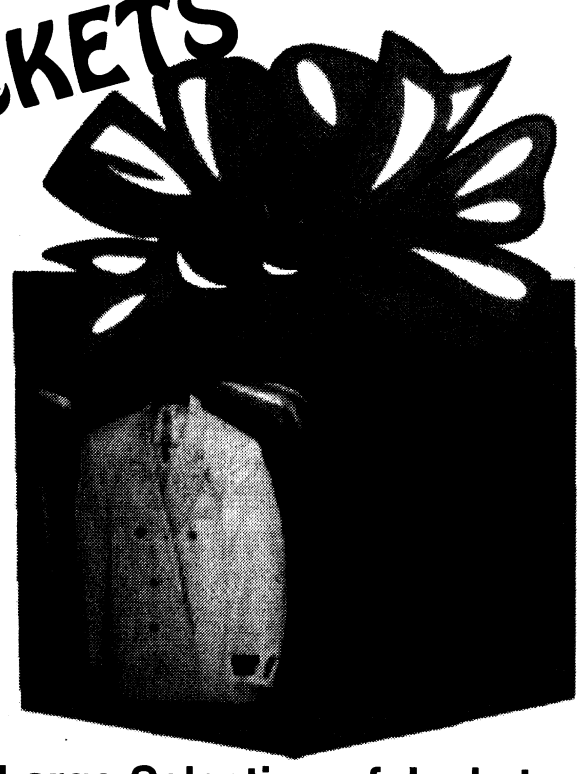

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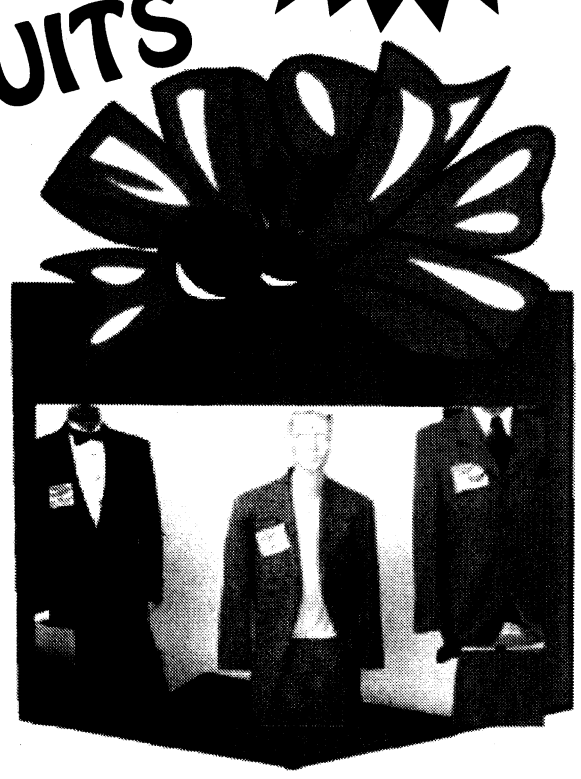

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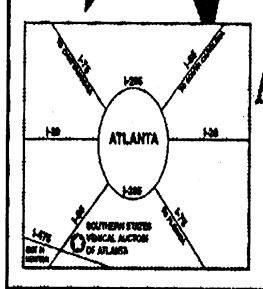

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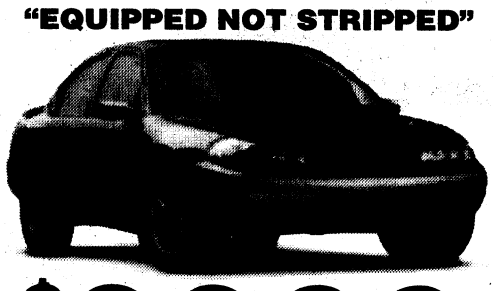

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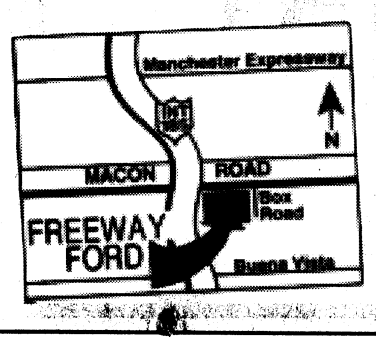

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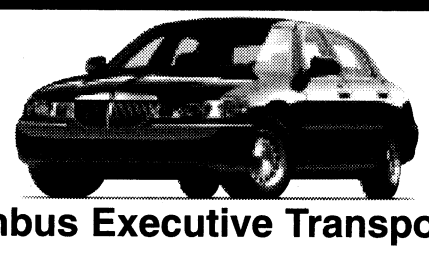

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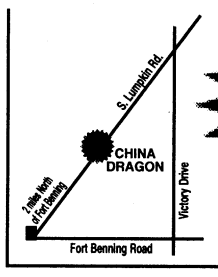

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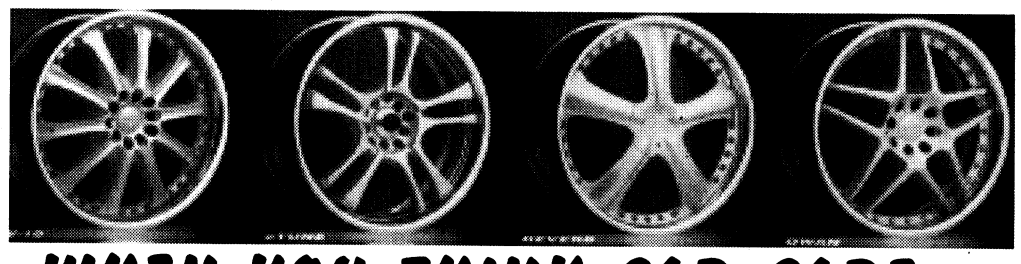

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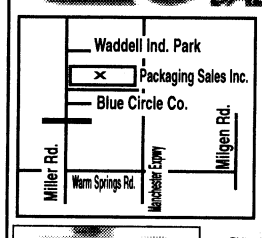

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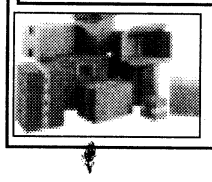

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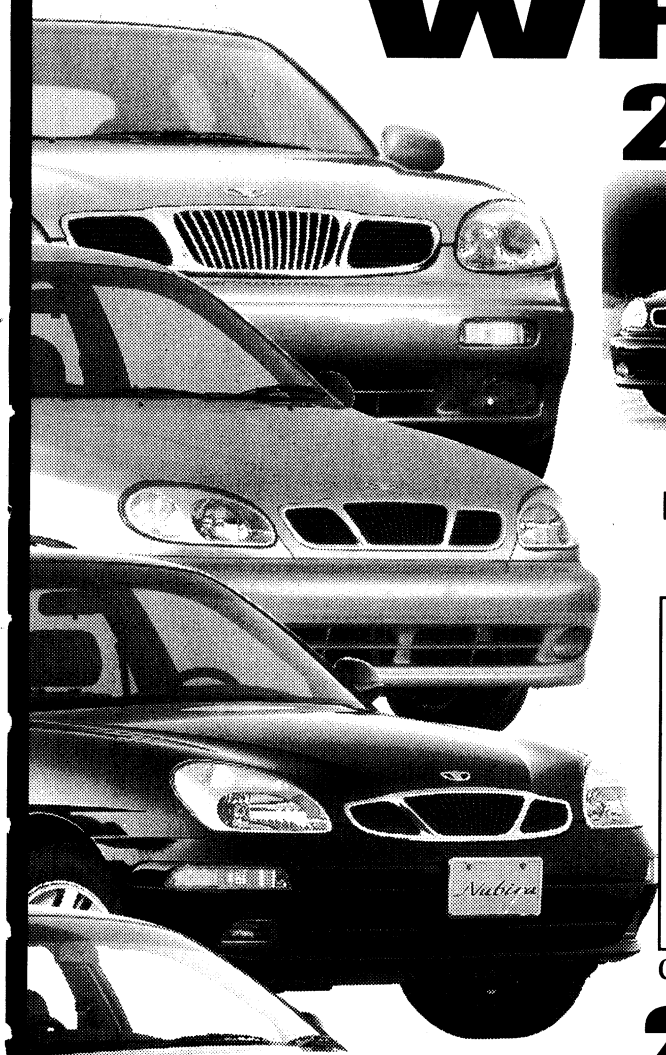

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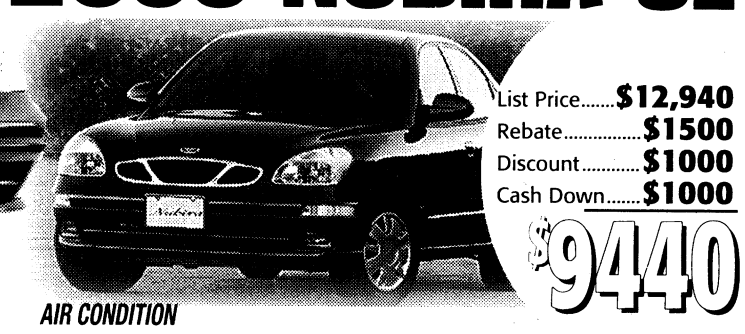

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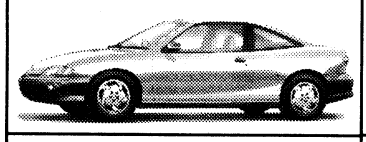
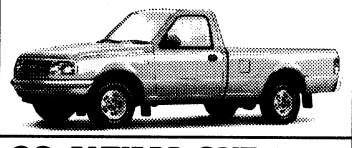
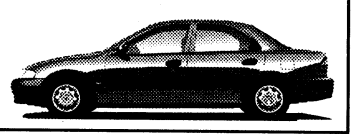
99 CAVALIER 4DR $7995 	99 RANGER SPORT $7995 	99 ACCENT $5995 	99 ELANTRA $7995 	99 SEPHIA $6995 	99 PROTEGE $7995 
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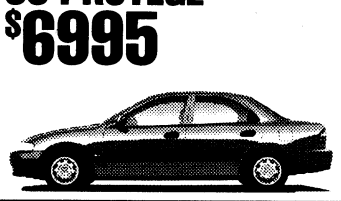
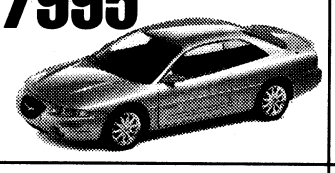
98 ECLIPSE $8995 	98 PROTEGE $6995 	98 GRAND CHEROKEE $13,995 	98 EXPLORER $14,995 	98 ESCORT $6995 	98 CAVALIER $7995 
97 SKYLARK $5995 	97 LUMINA $5995 	97 SEBRING $7995 	97 STRATUS $7495 	97 TAURUS $5995 	97 RODEO $12,495 
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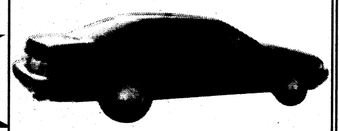

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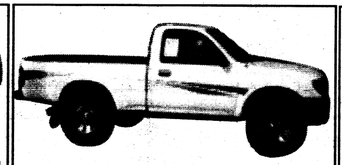

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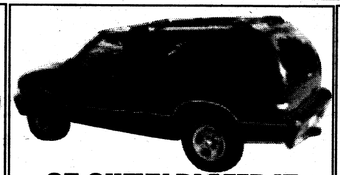

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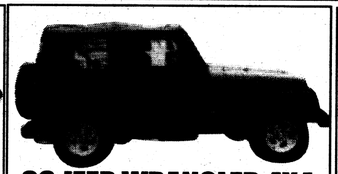

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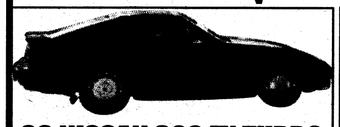

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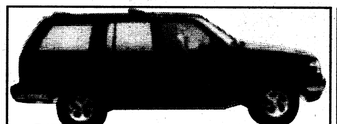

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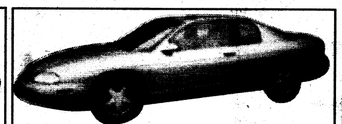

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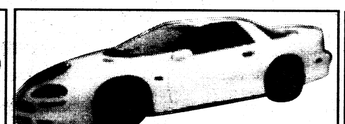

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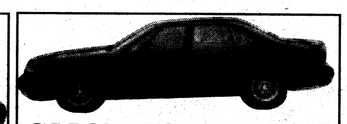

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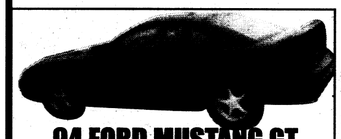

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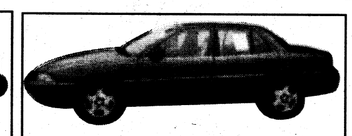

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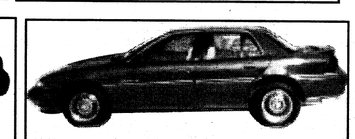

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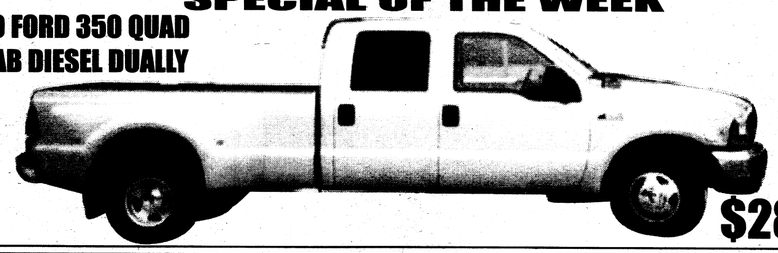

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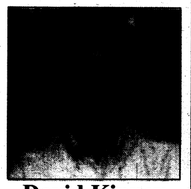

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DoD focuses on moving blues

Fort Benning to participate in pilot program

Sally Shutt
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Fort Benning is one of 23 military installations that will participate in a two-year pilot program designed to improve the moving process for service members and their families.

The Full Service Moving Project, which kicks off Jan. 8, is a joint effort between the Department of Defense and the transportation industry to provide better service through enhancements such as time-specific pick-up and delivery, a simplified claims process and full reimbursement for the replacement of lost or broken items.

The intent is to get beyond the method of selecting a carrier based solely on the lowest bid, and to move the military toward a more value-oriented approach. Under the test program, a variety of criteria will be studied, including input from customer surveys on performance, the DoD said.

The DoD is the moving industry's largest customer, accounting for nearly one out of every five moves, or more than 650,000 personal property shipments each year at a cost of more than $1.2 million.

But, customer satisfaction is low because of a high incidence of loss and damage, and the DoD reports that out of every four shipments, one will result in a claim.

A private California-based company, the Pasha Group, has been awarded the contract to serve as the Move Manager at Fort Benning for all outbound shipments during the course of the test.

"We have been contracted to provide move-management services — to be a single-point of contact for the service members from the beginning to the end of their move.

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Loaded 45 nabs drunks



Pfc. Mark Watson

Staff Sgt. Kyle Jenkins, 71st Military Police Detachment, keeps an eye on the suspect while he counts $662 confiscated along with a 9 mm pistol, which was loaded, and 1 ounce of marijuana. The suspect tried to flee the scene but Jenkins detained him with the help of a passing motorist.

Campaign keeps roads safer

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

In an all out effort to keep drunken drivers off Fort Benning roads military police increased the number of patrols and are battling the menaces with a "Loaded 45."

"Loaded 45" is an annual 45-day campaign that takes place from Nov. 19 to Jan. 2 in which the MPs' mission is to take drunken drivers off the roads.

"During the holiday season there are a lot more vehicles on the road," said Staff Sgt. Kyle Jenkins, a Fort Benning traffic accident investigator. "We step up our patrols to deter drunken driving and to make the roads safer."

As of Saturday, MPs made 60 arrests for driving under the influence on Fort Benning since the beginning of the fiscal year. Nearly half occurred during the first 17 days of the "Loaded 45" campaign.

Saturday night, Fort Benning traffic was, for the most part, "driving safely," Spc. Anthony Foxworth, a traffic accident investigator, said. The MPs of the traffic section made several stops, but traffic was lower than normal.

Although there were fewer vehicles, MPs were on the lookout for dangerous drivers.

"We are looking for defective headlights or tail lights, improper lane changes, people driving too

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Army offers online ed

Fort Benning one of three test sites

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Fort Benning Soldiers will be able to enroll in the Army's new tuition-free online education program Jan. 16.

They will receive laptop computers and technology packages through the Army University Access Online.

Sgt. Christopher Jones represented Fort Benning, one of three test sites for the program, during a ceremony in Washington, D.C., Dec. 14. He is enrolled in the program and received his laptop computer and printer from Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera.

Jones, assistant regimental schools NCO, 75th Ranger Regiment, will use the computer to take college courses on the Internet, and at the end of two years, it will be his to keep if he completes 12 semester hours within that window.

"I plan to take the laptop with me to work, and during my lunch break, work on my courses. Any free time I have at home will be spent working on my degree," Jones said.

"I couldn't pass up this chance, especially with the Army covering the tuition costs," he said.

Caldera first announced plans

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Early retirement approved for post

VERA gives employees more options

Shannon S. Walsh
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There's good news for some of Fort Benning's federal employees who may be displaced by the upcoming reduction in force.

The Department of Defense have approved the post Civilian Personnel Advisory Center's request for Voluntary Early Retirement Authority. VERA allows federal workers to retire early from their jobs even though they do not otherwise meet the criteria for optional retirement.

"The VERA approval is good news for Fort Benning," said Kathleen Kenna, director, CPAC. "It provides an opportunity for employees to retire early and it will enable us to reduce the number of involuntary separations."

These separations will be a factor for many civilian employees over the upcoming spring and summer. Kenna said the reduction in force will affect approximately 800 post employees.

The most significant impact will be in the Directorate of Logistics and Directorate of Public Works.

"Ken (Strumpler) and I both consider the recent receipt of installation approval for the Voluntary Early Retirement Authority as a positive offering to the work force," said Col. Keith Stelzer, director of Public Works. "In August when the initial decision was announced, many went on the record stating that we — Fort Benning — would do what we could for this great civilian work force."

"The RIF process creates a ripple effect as one employee's job is abolished. The employee may then displace another employee who may also be able to displace someone else," Kenna said.

Stelzer said the VERA announcement gives employees some control over their futures.

"By receiving the authority for VERA, and last month's authorization for of Voluntary Separation Incentive Program, we place a number of decisions back in the hands of our employees who can take voluntary action that is right for their particular circumstances," Stelzer said.

This means the employees get a clearer picture of who will be affected by the RIF.

Although the program is voluntary for the employees and places some of the decision making back in their hands, Stelzer said the approving authority is the organization and mission requirements are taken into consideration when reviewing the requests.

"The organization has to weigh the mission needs because, in each case, the loss of the employee cannot be filled through another recruitment," Stelzer said.

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Ideal holiday includes sprinkles

Sally Shutt
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commentary

This is the season to be jolly, but if you are running around a little stressed, I bet part of it stems from trying to live up to some ideal Christmas you've pictured.

It's that picture in your head of a perfectly decorated tree that never leans to one side, much less falls to the floor. Under the tree are the gifts you've carefully selected, paid cash for and wrapped weeks ago — the gifts everyone will love and not return Dec. 26. Christmas cards, including a beautiful portrait of the family all dressed in holiday wear, have been mailed, and the smell of homemade goodies fills the air.

I'm stressed just writing about such Martha Stewart perfection because it's the closest I'll ever get.

Thank goodness my children don't seem to mind that the Christmas cards are still on the dining room table, and that I have shopping still to do. I take comfort in the fact that their standards are more forgiving sometimes than my own.



They can live with a less than perfect tree, as long as there are lots of lights blinking constantly. As for homemade treats, sugar cookies can be sliced from a tube. What matters to my girls is the amount of frosting and sprinkles they can pour on top.

As a result, I've adopted the philosophy that as long as your heart is in the right place, any imperfections can be covered with blinking lights, icing and sprinkles. You just have to be sure to have plenty of all three — and a dose of patience — on hand.

After 13 Christmases as an Army wife, and traipsing across the country trailing wrapping paper and gasoline fumes, I've found that everybody's ideal is different.

For example, there's the whole manner in which gifts are opened on Christmas morning. In my husband's family, the method is long and drawn out. One person opens a gift while everyone else watches and waits his or her turn. Each opening is an event, carefully documented on film by my mother-in-law. The photographs then appear in photo albums and scrapbooks for generations of Shutts to see.

I learned after my first Christmas there to get up early, change out of my pajamas and put on makeup.

That's not the scene at the Smith house in North Carolina. We drag out of bed, enter the den, and assign a young person to pass out and stack the gifts in front of each recipient. Once all the gifts have been handed out, everyone starts opening and talking at once. Paper, bows and thank-yous fly all over the room. It's chaos, and I love it.

The mission is accomplished rather quickly, and we all move to the kitchen where attention is turned to the other big highlight of the day — the food.

My mother's ideal is a perfectly orchestrated holiday feast, featuring the favorite dishes of her loved ones and topped off by the unveiling of her Christmas fruitcake — a dense concoction of nuts, food-colored fruit and no telling what else.

She and my dad are the only ones who ever eat the thing, yet she still goes to the trouble of baking one each year for him.

I don't eat fruitcake, yet it's still a part of my ideal Christmas. I treasure the memories of my parents sitting at the table, eating fruitcake and drinking coffee on Christmas, offering to share the cake with all of us, but getting few takers.

To me, being with family makes Christmas perfect. And, if the tree, decorations, gifts and food all meet some preconceived standard, that's great. But, if not, pass the sprinkles and frosting.

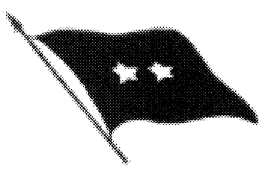
Celebrate, remember those away

The holidays offer all of us a chance to celebrate in our varied and rich traditions.

I join with all command members and families of the Fort Benning community in wishing you the best for your 2000 holiday season. Each of us possesses our own unique ways of celebrating Christmas, Hanukkah and the New Year. The richness of our diversity, and the celebrations we embrace, add meaning and purpose to all of our lives.

As we celebrate, let us remember those families that are separated, those countries at war, those Soldiers deployed and the untold numbers of families struggling for their freedoms as a democracy.

We are indeed a privileged nation and have many reasons to celebrate this season.





Our religious roots lend to our ability to celebrate even in the gravest of times. Our world is fragile and our mission of peace is challenging. We continue to defend and preserve the freedoms we cherish and the people we love.

At Fort Benning, we hold a unique place in the role of peace and goodwill toward our world. We should all be extremely proud of that role we play in training and molding superb Soldiers. We continue to be extremely proud of all our command members who work so hard to make Fort Benning the great installation it is.

The coming new year will usher in the opportunity to highlight the successes of 2000, while looking forward to 2001 with a sense of excitement and optimistic spirit. Let us continue to pursue excellence in all our endeavors and make a real difference in our world.

I look forward to another year of work, service and celebrations with you.

Enjoy your holidays!

Maj. Gen. John Le Moyne
Commanding General

Soldiers' contributions deserve thanks

As the first year of the new millennium comes to a close, we pause to reflect on the remarkable contributions that American Soldiers have made to the nation and the world throughout our history.

More than 225 years ago, our forefathers ushered in a new era dedicated to democracy and liberty. The spirit of independence that they kindled produced a nation that today is acknowledged as the greatest testament to the human spirit in the history of man: a nation so committed to the blessings of peace, hope, and liberty that it sends its best sons and daughters into harm's way to keep the flame of freedom burning for all mankind.

Preserving liberty requires tremendous personal sacrifice. Like our forefathers, many of whom gave their young lives to the cause of liberty, today's Soldiers willingly shoulder the heavy burden of standing guard on the frontiers of freedom.

Each day, from Kosovo to Korea, from Saudi Arabia to East Timor, and in more than 60 other countries, men and women of the U.S. Army face the possibility of danger; they willingly sacrifice the comforts of home and family so that others may remain safe and secure.

The men and women of the U.S. Army are the best at what they do. Highly trained and highly motivated, they know that the freedom and security of our nation — and that of our friends and allies — depend on their ability and dedication. They serve out of a love for what America represents — liberty, justice, and respect for human dignity. They serve because they know that they are mankind's best hope for bringing peace, order, and stability to the most troubled areas of the world.

America is profoundly grateful and indebted to you, the American Soldier, for everything you do.

As you celebrate this holiday season, many of you deployed far from home, may each of you find joy and satisfaction in the knowledge that because of you, America is a safer and better place; that because of you, America remains a shining beacon of hope to the less fortunate peoples of the world who look to us for leadership.

We wish you a happy and safe holiday season and a peaceful New Year.

Louis Caldera
Secretary of the Army
Gen. Eric K. Shinseki
Army Chief of Staff

letter

Dec. 15 about 5:45 p.m. I went to the PX. When I reached the ID checker I encountered an officer going shopping before his unit's formal Christmas party.

How did I know it was formal? The way the officer was dressed. He was wearing dress blues pants, white shirt with bow tie and engineer-red suspenders.

I approached him and suggested he return to his car for his uniform jacket. He protested. He said as long as he wasn't wearing the jacket he was not in uniform, and he can go or do what he likes. I informed him he was incorrect and out of uniform. At this point he walked away and went shopping. No one else in the store approached him to make the correction. Who was wrong?

The engineer captain in the jewelry department just looked at him. A lieutenant colonel with the medical corps said he was out of uniform but did not say anything to the offender. There were several sergeants major and other NCOs who commented on him being out of uniform but did nothing to correct the situation. Unfortunately, I have no influence to make corrections. Given this chain of events, I ask, "Who was wrong?"

The answer is all of the above. If you see an infraction and your ethics do not direct you to make the correction you are wrong.

I find it embarrassing that one would have to correct a Soldier for such a glaring error, regardless of rank. My fear is someone has to put this officer in charge of other Soldiers. Does his lack of pride in self and his careless attitude carry over to the way he cares for Soldiers?

Does the fact that so many others let him walk around without making corrections indicate there is a deeper problem in the ranks? One that a black beret will not fix?

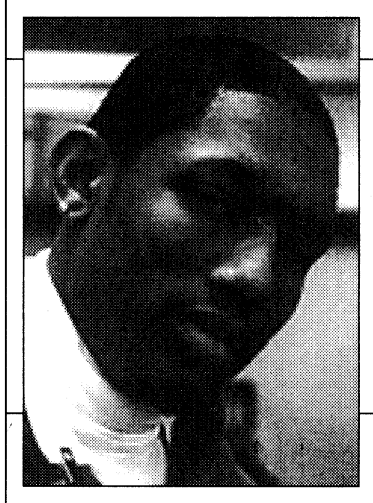
Soldiers, this is your Army. It will become what you make of it.

The officers that were in the PX and saw this infraction and did nothing should hang their heads.

Bryan I. Newman
U.S. Army retiree

VARIOUS VOICES

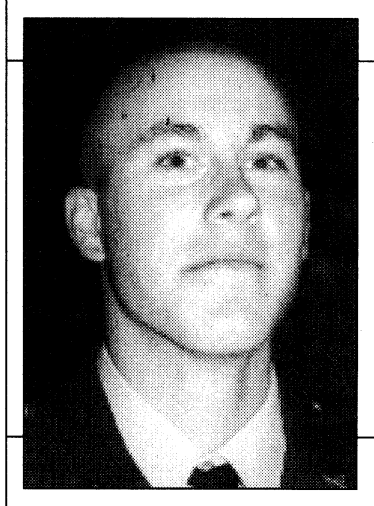
What holiday food traditions does your family enjoy?



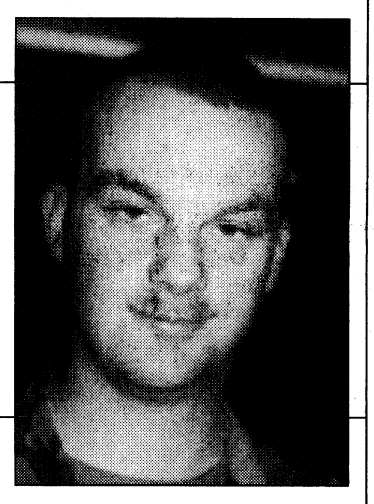
Brett Hicks, family member — "My mom makes a traditional meal, with turkey and dressing, on Christmas Day. She makes the best dressing."



Jenny Lowes, family member — "Dad lights the fireplace on Christmas Eve, and we all sit around it and drink homemade eggnog."



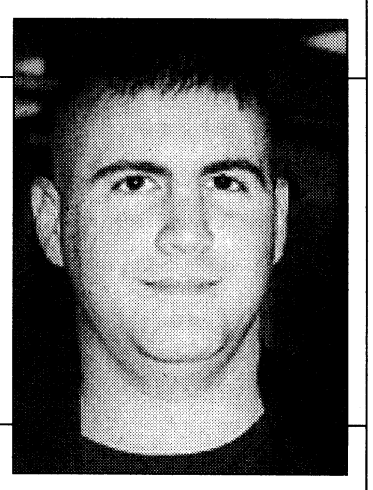
Pvt. David White, A Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade — "My grandmother makes all kinds of pies for Christmas. That's my favorite part."



Pfc. Benjamin Osborn, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, 3rd Brigade — "Anything chocolate. I could eat it by the chunk. I like to get it and give it as a gift."



Auxana Malmgren, family member — "I like to bake Christmas cookies with my mom. Then I like to eat them."



Spc. Nicholas Pietrosante, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment — "We have Christmas Eve dinner with my family, and then visit my wife's family on Christmas Day."

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School of the Americas closes doors

Officials say school brought nations closer

Staff Sgt. Alberto Betancourt
USARSA Public Affairs Office

Under cloudy skies and a Southern Georgia chill, more than a half-century of military tradition in the Western Hemisphere came to an end Dec. 15.

Before a group of distinguished U.S. and Latin American officials gathered outside historical Ridgway Hall, the U.S. Army School of the Americas furled its flag, concluding a vibrant history of cooperation with our Latin American neighbors.

"This school brought our nations closer together in a common quest for peace and prosperity in our own hemisphere," said Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera, guest speaker for the closing ceremony. Caldera said the school's history provided a strong foundation for the establishment of a new and different institution dedicated to meeting the new challenges our hemisphere will face in the 21st century.

The Department of Defense Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation will open at Fort Benning Jan. 17.

Looking back in history, Caldera said USARSA drew its roots from the experiences of our nation in World War II, where the U.S. came of age as a world power with global responsibilities, and Axis powers were attempting to project influence in the Americas.

"The U.S. Army stationed colonels in every South American country to foster and strengthen our relationships," he said. "Hitler's entreaties failed. In the end, Mexico sent an air force squadron to fight with the Allies in the Philippines and Brazil sent forces to Italy. Later, Argentina sent forces to fight by our side against tyranny in Korea."

He added that the Cold War brought threatening challenges to the democratic stability of the region and that engagement and alliances with Latin America was critical to meeting those threats — primarily that of communism — from taking root in the Western Hemisphere by force of arms.

"The struggle was not easy," Caldera said. "Sadly, the history of the 20th century is full of the loss of innocent life in the struggle against tyranny. But in the end, freedom prevailed."

He said today thanks to U.S. engagement policies, we can rejoice in how far Latin America has come.

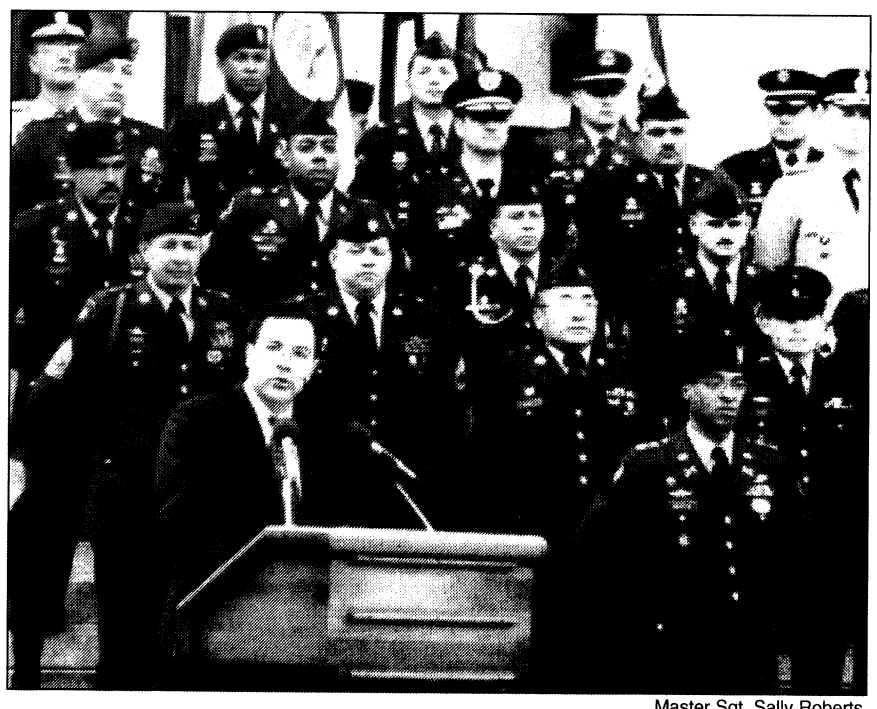
"Every country in Latin America — save Cuba — is now governed by elected leaders accountable to their people," he said.

He acknowledged that although South America still has a host of problems including border disputes, narco-trafficking and environmental degradation, democracy, free markets and human rights are a key part of the political landscape.

He emphasized that through combined efforts those problems can be resolved peacefully.

"I believe that because of our visionary leaders who pursued a policy of engagement and developed the School of the Americas to mold leaders who would support the rule of law and their democratic, freely elected governments, Latin America is far better off today than it otherwise would have been had Marxist-backed governments prevailed," Caldera said.

The secretary honored the more than 60,000 graduates of the school, and thanked the school's Soldiers and faculty, past and present, who upheld American values and served as a force for good.



Master Sgt. Sally Roberts

Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera speaks during the U.S. Army School of the Americas closing ceremony Dec. 15. "This school brought our nations together in a common quest for our own hemisphere," Caldera said.

He also sent a message to those who criticized the United States' role in Latin America during the difficult period of the last half-century and wrongly accused the school of teaching torture and training dictators.

"Let me say very clearly that any soldier in Latin America, who had even the most remote connection to the School of the Americas, who has ever committed a human rights violation, did so in spite of the training they received at the School of the Americas and not because of it," Caldera said.

As he's said before, Caldera believed the critics' quarrel against the school was not really with the school itself or with the U.S. Army.

It was with the U.S. government's role in Latin America and the fact that the U.S. was called to support our friends and allies in their struggle for security.

Looking into the crowd as the secretary finished his speech, one could see the emotions stirring on the faces of so many people who had committed themselves to upholding the school's values — Soldiers, civilians, Latin American guest instructors and family members.

However, Col. Glenn Weidner, commandant of USARSA since 1998, said the closing ceremony was not an occasion for sadness, but one for anticipation for a brighter future.

"Today peace, democratization and a redefinition of civil-military relationships are on the march in the Americas after decades of bitter conflict," Weidner said. "Each of these accomplishments lay at the heart of the mission of the School of the Americas since its inception."

He said the scope of the institution had continually changed and grown with the dramatic events of the last 50 years.

"Today is but the latest and yes, the last chapter in that evolution," he said. "It is a day that marks the completion of a job well done — the job of securing this hemisphere from internal strife and the threat of foreign aggression."

He said it was a celebration of the democratic peace and the associated democratic progress that has come to define our converging goals.

Weidner said he was proud to have served as commandant of the school, and thanked everyone who made his mission complete by supporting the school's goals.

He presented certificates of recognition to some of those major pillars of support who were present during the ceremony including Columbus Mayor Bobby Peters; the International Friendship Ministry; Hosts of Latin Americans; Friends of the Americas and Glenwood School of Phenix City. He also recognized Walter Santamaria and Mauricio Lawson, for their more than 87 years of service combined.

Mother Nature, who gave the ceremony a bit of Jack Frost, seemed to be thanking the school for the contribution to our hemisphere, as seconds before the furling of the flag, she allowed the sun to break through the thick clouds, bringing warmth to the cool atmosphere.

Amidst a sea of green, blue, brown and beige uniforms representing USARSA's international family, and in a halo of sun light, the flag was furled and carried away where it will be stored at the Center for Military History.

Immediately thereafter, the sun disappeared — it was cold again and USARSA was a part of that history.

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Program: Provides laptops for tuition-free, online courses

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for the Army University Access Online program in July. Fort Benning, Fort Campbell, Ky., and Fort Hood, Texas, were selected as the initial sites.

The Army awarded a $453 million contract to PricewaterhouseCoopers to provide distance education for an estimated 80,000 Soldiers during the next five years.

"I'm very excited for our Soldiers about this Army University Access online because what it is saying to young people in America is you can come into the Army and serve your country and still get that college education from leading universities across our nation, just as if you had stayed home and signed up for your local university," Caldera said Friday morning at Fort Benning, where he attended the closing of the U.S. Army School of the Americas.

Caldera sees the program as important to recruitment and retention, especially since "75 percent of our high school graduates go to college," so we need to give them a learn-while-you-serve option," he said.

"It will be good for retention because Soldiers won't have to leave the Army in order to get the education they feel they will need for the future job they will hold when they leave the Army," Caldera said.

The program is one reason Jones decided to re-enlist in February for three more years, the Ranger said.

"This program is very important for enlisted Soldiers. Most NCOs get out of the Army so they can earn their degrees. With this, you can take your courses online and still stay in the Army and receive your pay and benefits," said Jones, who one day plans to become a teacher.

PricewaterhouseCoopers is scheduled to have the web portal open in mid-January, and Soldiers will be allowed to register at the Education Center for the program Jan. 16, said Elaine Livingston, education service officer at Fort Benning. The center, Building 2602, is located in Soldiers' Plaza.

"Fort Benning is motivated and excited about this new educational incentive, and we are doing everything possible at the Education Center to get the information to the Soldiers," Livingston said.

"We see this as a state-of-the-art opportunity for Soldiers to achieve their college and academic goals any time, any place, anywhere," Livingston said.

To be eligible, Soldiers — privates to sergeants major — must have three years of service remaining. If they do not have three years, they may extend their enlistment to meet that requirement, Livingston said.

The Army will pay for all tuition, course fees and books. Students who complete 12 semester hours, usually four courses, within 24 months will be allowed to keep the laptop computers, Livingston said.

"We hope they will continue on in their pursuit of education and life-long learning," Livingston said. "A better educated Soldier is a better trained Soldier."

The Army University Access Online technology package includes a Compaq laptop computer and printer distributed by TurboTek Computers, a standard suite of software and Internet browser, Internet connectivity by Fiberlink, and 24-hour call center support by Precision Response Corporation.

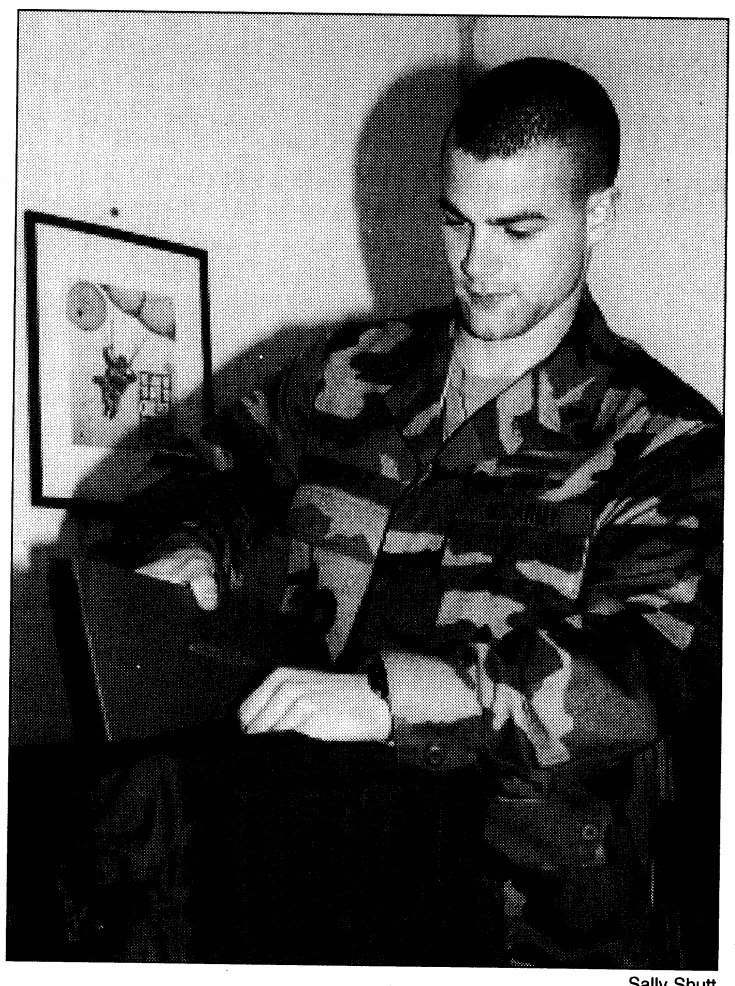
The set of about 25 institutions who have signed on as academic partners for the program include Florida State University in Tallahassee, Kansas State University in Manhattan, Troy State University in Alabama, University of Alabama in Birmingham, University of Texas at Arlington, University of Washington at Seattle and Utah State University in Logan.

Caldera is confident Soldiers will find the time to earn their degrees "anytime, anyplace."

"I know that all we have to do is put this tool in their hands, and they're going to take advantage of it," he said.

For more information, call the Education Center at 545-6114 or 545-4863. Or visit the Web site at www.earmyu.com.

Editor's note: *Master Sgt. Sally Roberts contributed to this report.*



Sally Shutt

Sgt. Christopher Jones, 75th Ranger Regiment, packs the new laptop computer he received from Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera.

Moving: Becomes easier next year

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We are there to interface with the moving companies and hold those carriers to commercially accepted standards and practices," said Fran Vollaro, Fort Benning's move manager for the Pasha Group.

Service members who are scheduled to begin planning their outbound moves at the Transportation Office, Building 280, on or after Jan. 8 will have their shipments handled by counselors working for the Pasha Group and will participate in the program.

Any outbound moves that have already been booked, and all incoming shipments — except from the other 22 test sites — will fall under the current system and be handled by Transportation Division employees.

The FSMP is one of three pilot moving programs being tested throughout the DoD — each designed to apply commercial standards to military moves and improve the quality of life for service members.

Features of the new program that will appeal to service members include:

- A move manager who acts as a single point of contact from the counseling appointment through the delivery. Customers can call a 24-hour toll free telephone number or access the Internet for information on their shipments.
- Full replacement value protection, with settlements based on a fair market value, not on a depreciated value.
- A streamlined claims process. The move manager will assist in getting estimates. The responsibility and cost will no longer fall on the customer. Once a claim is submitted, it must be processed and paid within 45 days. A quick claims settlement option will also be available for claims under $500. The goal is to have those paid within five working days.
- A guaranteed arrival time for packing, pick-up or delivery. Carriers must arrive within two hours of the scheduled time and on the agreed date, or face making a compensation payment to the service member for any inconvenience.

Compensation would cover items such as childcare or missed workdays, Vollaro said.

- Feedback. Two weeks after a move, the Gallup Organization will call the service member and conduct a customer satisfaction survey to find out how the system is working and rate the carrier's work.
- Binding estimates. Before a move occurs, service members will be told if they will exceed their entitlement and what the excess cost to them will be.

Entitlements, such as weight allowances, will not change under the test program, Vollaro said.

"If they ask for services that are not covered in their entitlement, they will have the option of paying for that based on a binding estimate given upfront from the carrier for the cost," she said.

- Optional relocation services available at a cost to service member.

"I think this is what the Soldiers have been asking for over the years," Linda Kelley, chief, Personal Property Section, Transportation Division, said of the test program. "Not that the present service wasn't a good service, but they more or less wanted to go commercial with it."

Shelley Marley has moved four times in the last 13 years, and she said changes are needed to reduce the stress felt by military families faced with moving frequently.

"Often it falls on the spouses to handle things because the service member has already had to go ahead and report for duty," she said.

Marley, whose husband, Cory, is a sergeant first class, has gone through the lengthy claims process for missing and damaged items and felt the frustration of receiving a depreciated value, rather than a fair market value for replacement. For example, she once received $3 for a broken Gorham crystal goblet, which sold at the post exchange for $55.

"To them, it was a just a glass. I'll never forget that," Marley said.

For more information about the FSMP, visit the www.dodfsmp.com Web site. For local information, call Linda Kelley in the Transportation Office at 545-4881.

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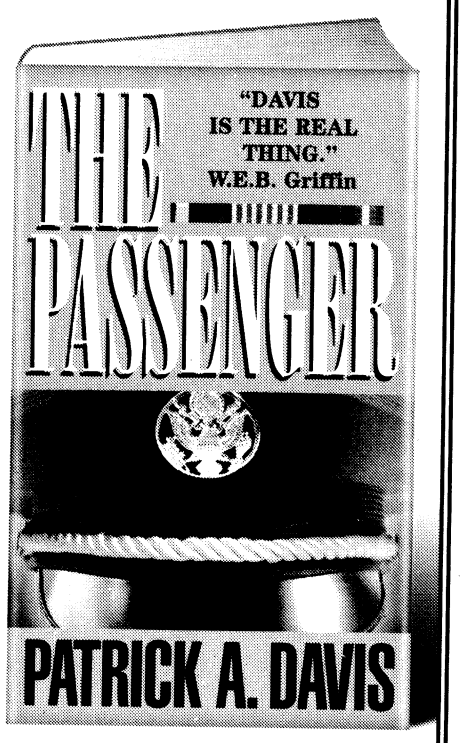

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Soldiers offer advice on professional reading

Web site offers Army chief's reading list

Pfc. Chris Bray
29th Infantry Regiment

Back in the days when he was still a lieutenant, Maj. Tim Karcher's second company commander gave him a book. It wasn't much to look at.

"The binding was gone, the pages were yellow," Karcher said. "And he said, 'here, you need to read this.'"

That book was *Once an Eagle*, Anton Myrer's 1968 novel about two Soldiers who rise through the ranks on very different paths, driven by distinctly different values. Karcher's captain was on to something; the book, Karcher said, conveys the experience of service "probably better than any book I've ever read. It goes deeper into the motivations of military professionals."

Today Karcher, the chief of Tactics Team 3, CATD, still regards Myrer's novel as a compass that can provide meaningful direction to a Soldier who faces the daily test of values that military service represents.

"In light of current attrition," Karcher said, "it emphasizes for me the importance of sticking with what you really believe in. You just read that book and understand that good and bad comes with everything, but the dedicated Soldier continues to lead."

Someone else also thinks *Once an Eagle* is worth reading: Gen. Erik Shinseki, the Army chief of staff. Shinseki has placed the novel on his professional reading list, citing it as a book that has "profoundly influenced the shape and character of the post-Vietnam Army" and calling it a "must-read for those young leaders contemplating a career in the profession of arms."

"We can never spend too much time thinking about our profession," reads the Army Web site that lists Shinseki's recommended books. "There is no better way to develop the sure knowledge and confidence required of our calling than a disciplined, focused commitment to a personal course of reading and study."

That's exactly right, said Command Sgt. Maj. George R. Monk, commandant, NCO Academy — and it's true for Soldiers in every rank. For years, Monk said, officers were given professional development reading lists and encouraged to keep learning about their role. Only in relatively recent years, though, have enlisted Soldiers and NCOs been given the same direction.

"I thought it was about time," Monk said. "If we don't take the time to get educated, then we're going to be left behind."

Monk, who holds two master's degrees and is working on a doctorate, has his own favorite books for professional growth. Army field manuals represent the "types of things we need to be successful NCOs," he said, and several of Stephen R. Covey's books, such as *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, provide a perspective on leadership that are relevant despite coming from the civilian world. A recent book on the way that young people learn and communicate, Don Tapscott's *Growing Up Digital: The Rise of the Net Generation*, is a good choice for leaders who want to understand the generation behind them. "It's just a different time in life," Monk said. "Now I'm the old guy."

For some Soldiers, reading about their profession can do more than provide useful lessons; it can also provide a reminder of the value of their work. Capt. Mickey Jett, chaplain, 29th Infantry Regt., works in an office with overflowing bookshelves in three different corners. Books about the history of Army chaplains, he said, "help confirm for me that what we do, even though it's under the surface, is so valuable to the Soldier. If a Soldier's spirit hasn't been nurtured, he'll eventually fail his country. I believe that."

Among Jett's favorite books on Army chaplains are Claude D. Newby's *It Took Heroes*, on a chaplain serving in combat in Vietnam, and *Battlefield Chaplains*, Donald F. Crosby's book about Catholic chaplains in World War II.

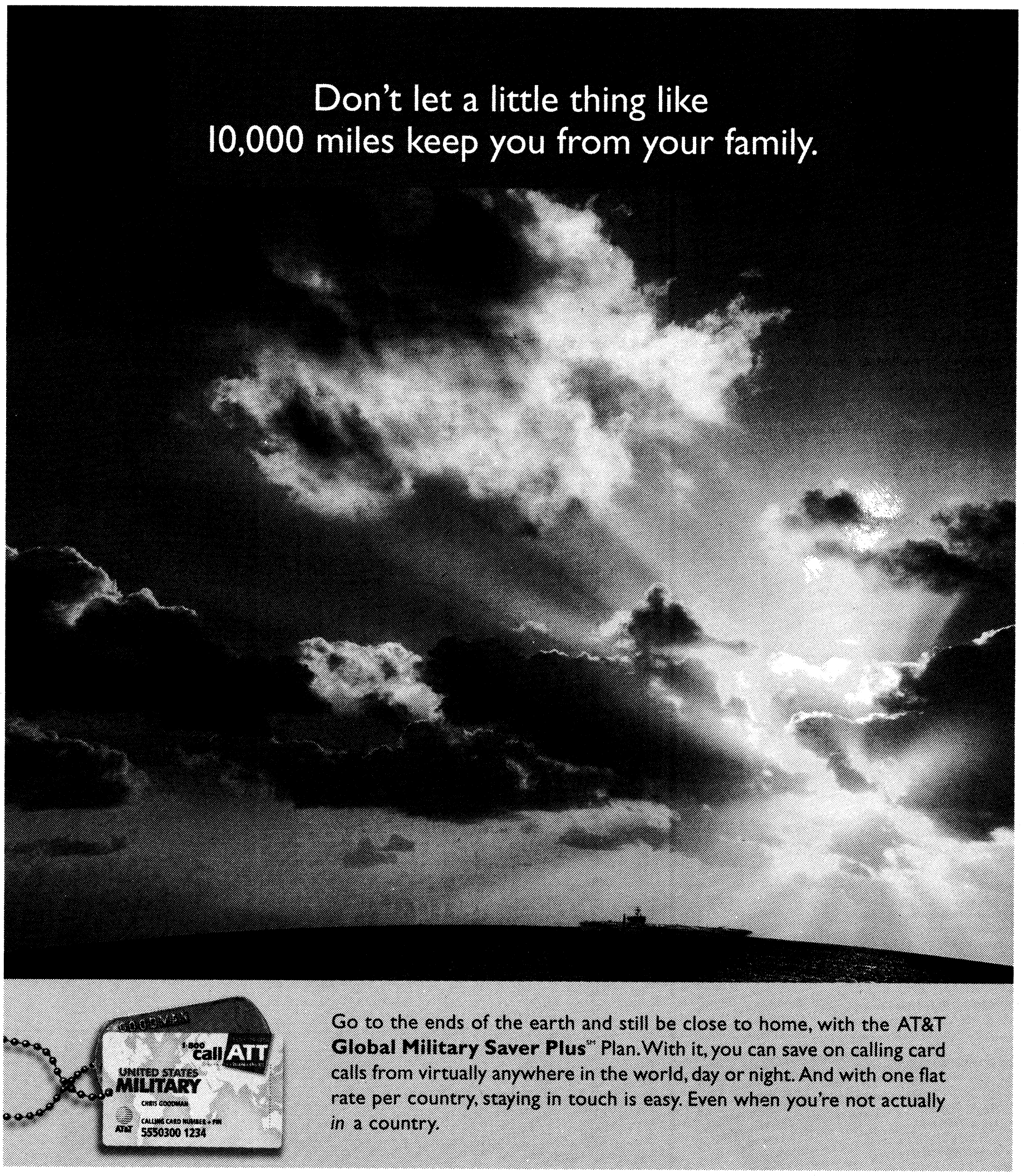
"That statement about 'there are no atheists in foxholes' is attributed to an Army chaplain," Jett said.

Soldiers also use books on the military to develop and maintain a sense of personal standards. *Once an Eagle* tells the story of a leader who "looked at his Soldiers as something of great value, and as people," Karcher said, but it also tells the story of a leader who was a cold careerist.

"It's rarely that black and white in reality. But despite what we want to think, there are people like that in every organization, including the military," Karcher said, and every Soldier has to occasionally find a way to put personal feelings about a leader aside in order to get the job done. More importantly, though, the two characters represented in the book can also be seen as competing sides of every individual's personality. In that sense, Myrer's story can be seen as a lesson about personal behavior.

"It gives a caution sign about yourself," Karcher said. "If I ever see that growing in me, I'm going to kill it."

The chief of staff's complete reading list can be found on the Internet at http://www.army.mil/cnh-pg/reference/csalist/csalist.htm. Many of the titles on the list can also be found at the Donovan Research Library in Infantry Hall shelved on the mezzanine in a special section. The selection is incomplete, said Dr. Germaine Pavlova-O'Neill, library director, due in part to theft, but will be completed pending the arrival of new funds.



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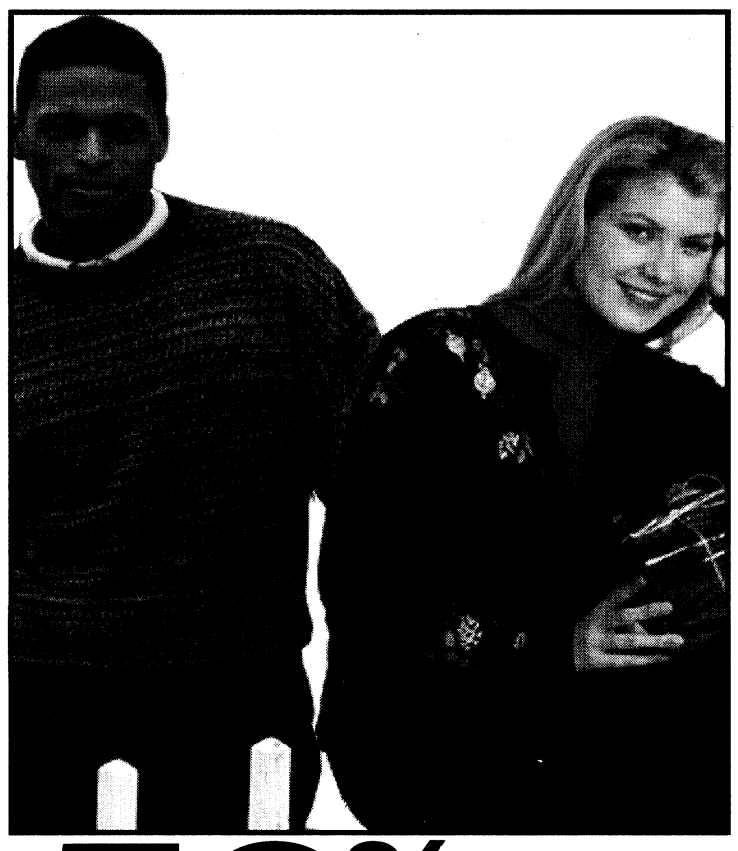

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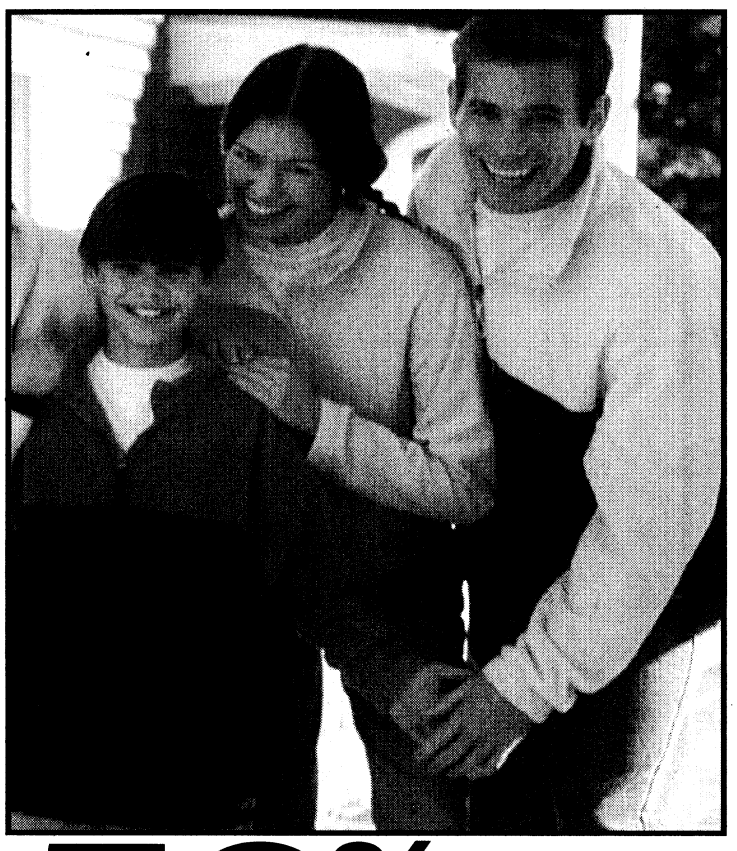

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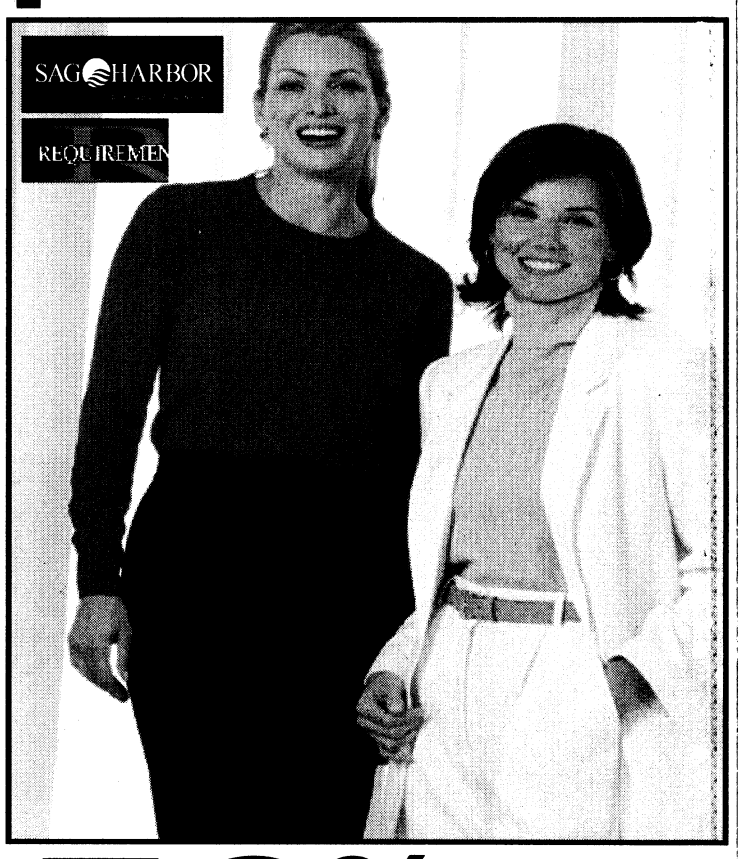

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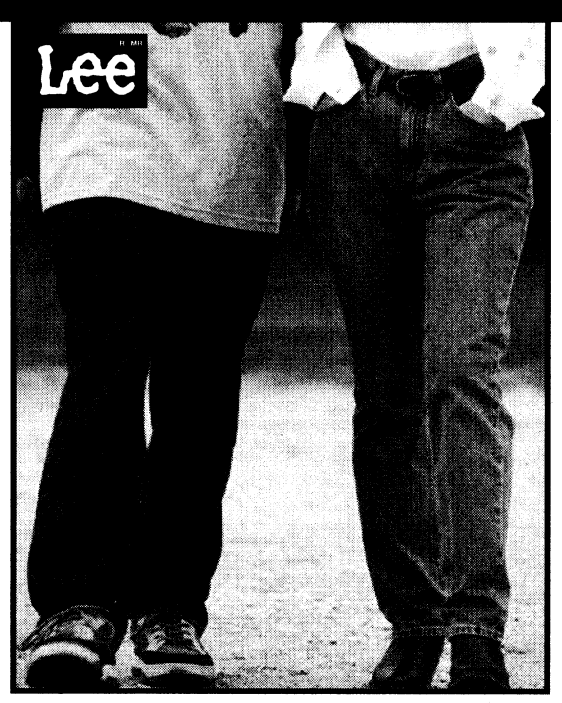

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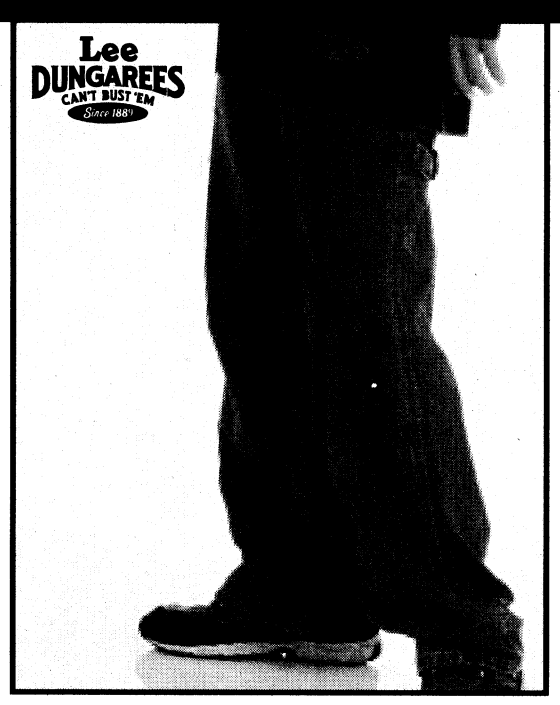

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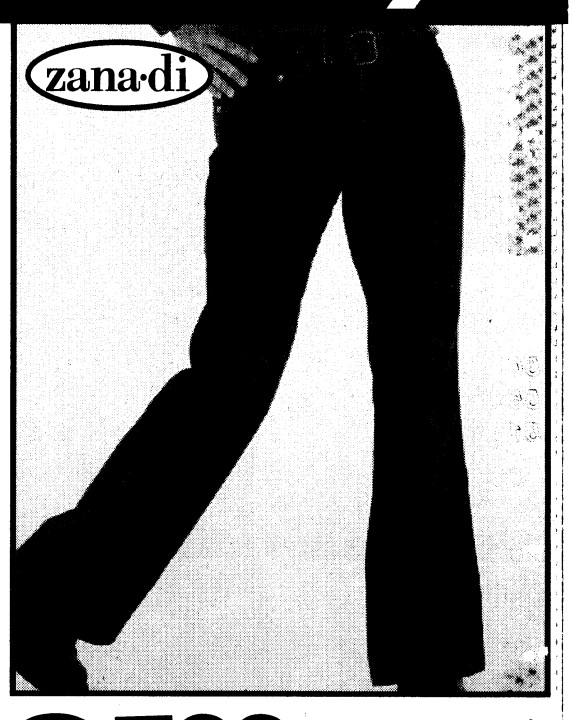

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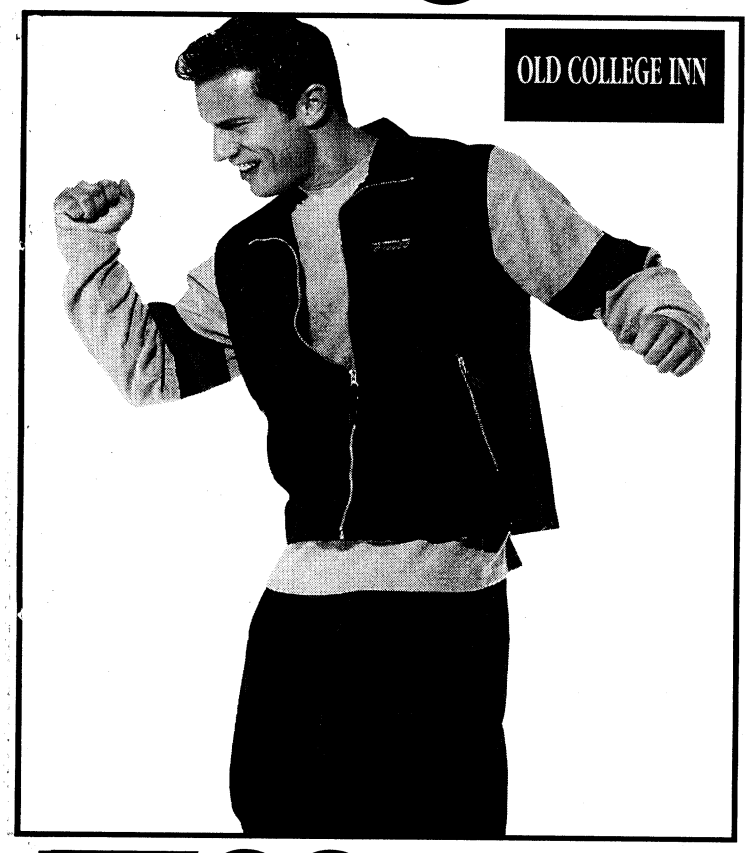

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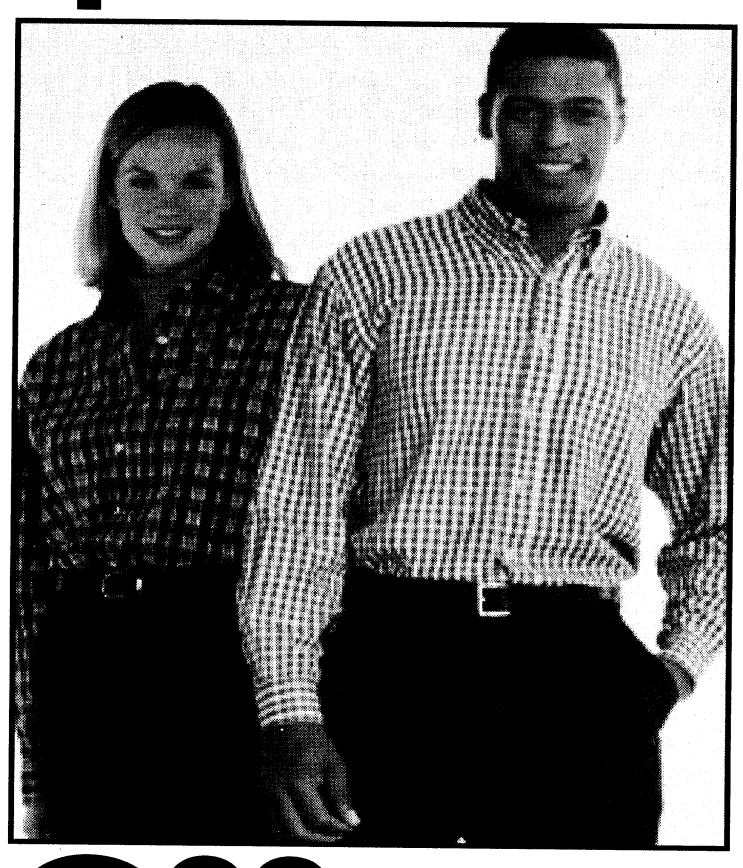

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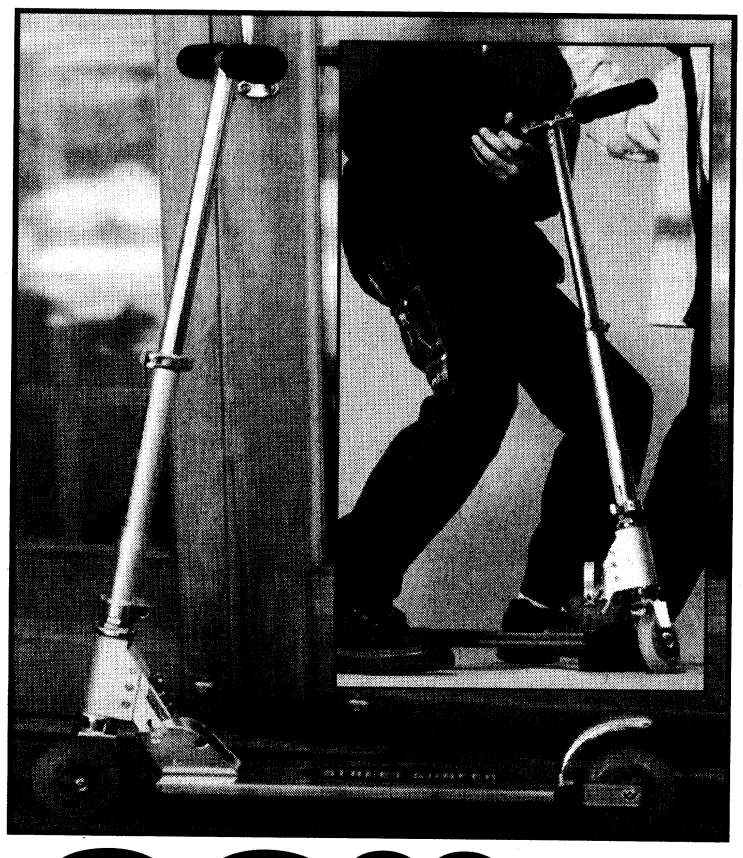

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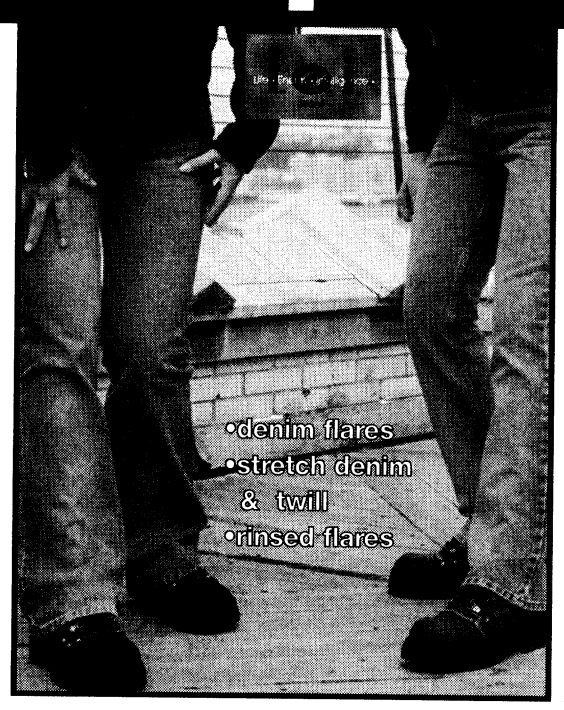

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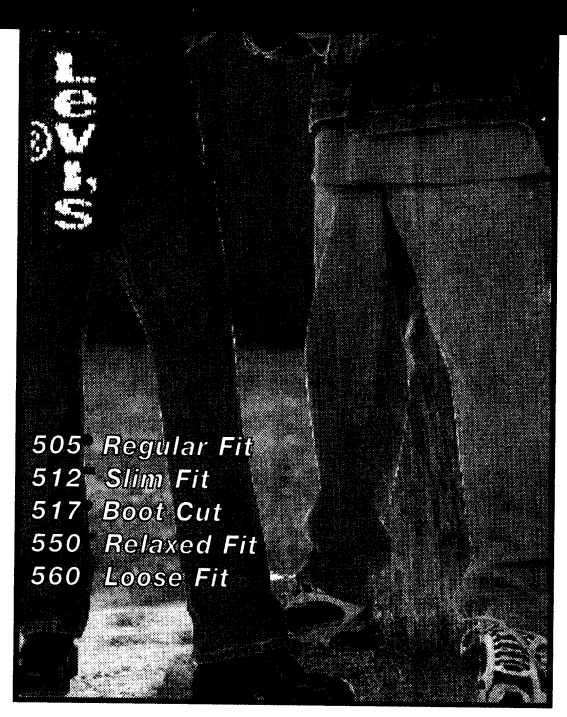

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Fort Benning's new post command sergeant major in-processed Monday — officially taking over for Command Sgt. Maj. Mack H. Vereen who retired Dec. 14.

Command Sgt. Maj. Gerald E. Klein comes from the 24th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Riley, Kan.

"Command Sergeant Major Klein is first and foremost a warrior," said Command Sgt. Maj. Mike Kelso, Ranger Training Brigade, who first served with Klein in 1988. "Whether in training or leading his men in war, Command Sergeant Major Klein gives 100 percent."

He said Klein always put the Soldier first.

"Before Command Sergeant Major Klein reaches a decision, he first considers the impact of that decision on the Soldier," Kelso said.

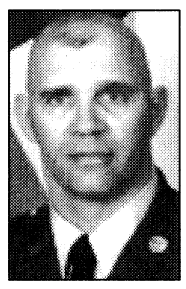
Klein said it feels good to be back at Fort Benning.

"It is an honor to have been selected for this job," Klein said. "What better place to be to put so much into the future of our Army — to add to its ethos and values!"

He said one of his goals to develop the "one Infantry" concept, the merger of 11B and 11M.

"Once on the battlefield, whether a paratrooper from Fort Bragg or a Soldier coming off a Bradley from Fort Hood, he's an Infantryman," Klein said. "There are just different ways to get him there — Ranger, Airborne, Air Assault, light or mechanized."

The Army's transformation to the Objective Force — the lighter, more mobile and lethal force — will be another challenge he said he feels the Infantry will meet.



"While there may be questions such as what type of Soldier he will be and what skills he will have, there will always be one constant — people," he said. 'We will instill the war-fighting ethos into Soldiers and the indomitable spirit to win against all odds, which the American fighting man has done throughout history."

His style by which he will help the Infantry move forward will not change.

"I will continue to be caring and compassionate — able to empathize with Soldiers," Klein said.

Those attributes have helped him get to where he is, and he plans to continue that style.

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>
> **Command Sgt. Maj. Gerald E. Klein**
> Post command sergeant major

"I'm just a simple country boy from Minnesota who never thought I'd get this far in the Army," Klein said.

The 48-year-old 1972 draftee said Soldiers doing the right thing makes him content.

"What frustrates me is when Soldiers are not challenged by their leaders; nor held accountable for their actions by their leaders; and leaders who don't treat Soldiers with the respect and dignity they deserve," Klein said. "We are given America's greatest resource — the men and women who serve their country.

"We must treat them with respect and dignity, teach them the skills necessary to do their job in all conditions, and, when called upon, deploy them in harm's way and bring them home safe."

Another challenge Klein foresees is the Army's ability to continue to train Soldiers and develop leaders, because many are leaving for higher paying jobs.

"Being a Soldier is not about money," Klein said. "It's about taking care of people and instilling the Army values into the next generation of Soldiers so that they can step in and take our place."

He said his biggest accomplishment was being a good Soldier, and he plans to use his 28 years of experience to help lead the Infantry into the 21st century.

"It's great to be here," Klein said. "I look forward to the challenge of being the command sergeant major of the Infantry."

Klein's previous assignments include the command sergeant major position at the 3rd Ranger Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment.

He is a graduate of many military schools, including Ranger, Pathfinder and Special Forces Under Water Operations schools.

He is about to complete his bachelor of arts degree in history and government from Columbia College, Mo.

Guard helps Alabama recover from tornadoes

Soldiers help cleanup debris from storms

Master Sgt. Bob Haskell
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Chainsaws, front-end loaders and dump trucks were the among the tools of good will with which 110 Alabama National Guard troops helped civil authorities restore some peace on earth to thousands of their state's citizens afflicted by unseasonable killer tornadoes a week before Christmas.

The Army National Guard force, and two members of the Alabama Air National Guard, focused their round-the-clock efforts on the section of Tuscaloosa devastated at midday Saturday by a tornado reported to be about 12 miles long and up to a half-mile wide.

Eleven people, including two children, were killed by the F-4 tornado that generated winds between 175 and 200 mph, according to a Birmingham meteorologist. F-5 is the most severe tornado measured on the Fujita Scale.

Another person was killed when a smaller twister hit Geneva County in southeastern Alabama.

About half of the Guard Soldiers called out for state emergency duty during the weekend were clearing and hauling away debris, explained Col. Gil Dudley, the state's plans, operations and military support officer, on Monday morning.

Military police helped civilian law enforcers seal off damaged areas and medical citizen-Soldiers helped provide care for dozens of injured victims.

"It is catastrophic. About 350 homes have been damaged or destroyed," said Dudley, while surveying the scene hit by the deadliest twister in the country this year.

The twister that hit Tuscaloosa, famous for University of Alabama football and legendary coach Paul "Bear" Bryant, ravaged the sprawling Bear Creek Trailer Park south of the city.

Christmas decorations littered the landscape, "hanging from trees, toppled roofs and in driveways," reported the *Montgomery Advertiser.*

"We always do the best we can," Dudley said about the National Guard's timely response to the emergency caused by the weekend's atypical storm system that clobbered other parts of the East with high winds, torrential rains and heavy snow.

Army Guard troops were staffing generators in Arkansas, where 100,000 people were without electrical power, and nine citizen-soldiers were pulling generator duty in Louisiana, according to a spokesman at the Army National Guard's Readiness Center in Arlington, Va., on Monday morning.

Alabama, however, was ground zero for National Guard troops after leaders were notified on Friday, Dec. 15, that their services might be needed during the weekend, one official explained.

"These tornadoes caught people by surprise because the season generally runs from the spring to late summer," said Staff Sgt. Norman Arnold.

"This is a tragedy beyond words," Gov. Don Siegelman told reporters Sunday about the worst twister to tear into Tuscaloosa since 1932 when 100 people were killed.

"When you lose two children and nine adults and see the fright in the eyes of those who survive, it makes you want to do more to help them."

Editor's note: *Master Sgt. Bob Haskell is a member of the National Guard Bureau public affairs team.*

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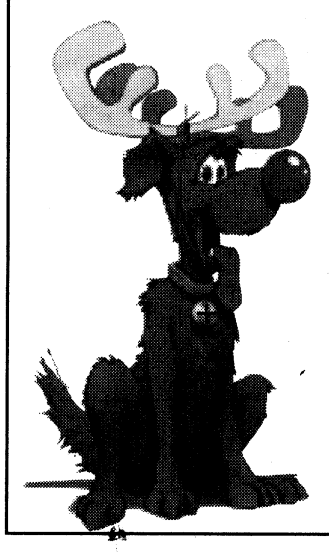

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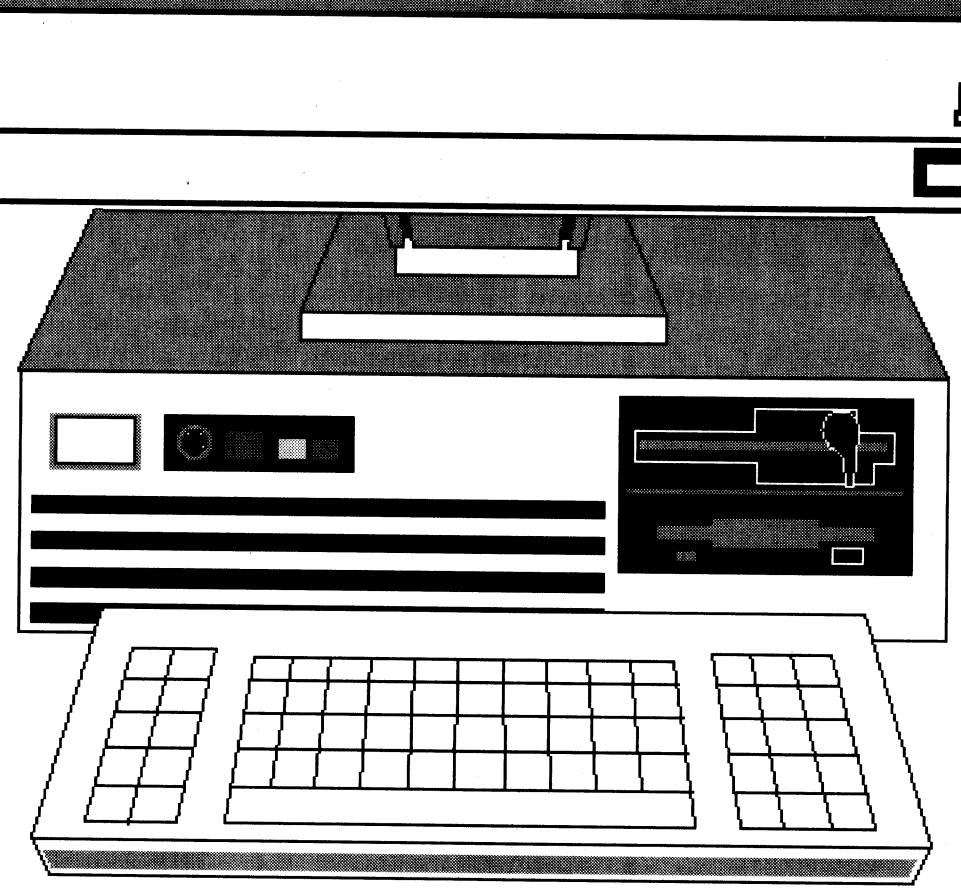

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Army grounds attack helicopters

Military finds faulty tail rotor; stops flights

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army directed the grounding of all AH-64 Apache helicopters Dec. 14 as a precautionary measure following the discovery of a faulty tail rotor swashplate assembly.

The problem was discovered during a preflight inspection of an Apache helicopter at Fort Bragg, N.C., said Dan O'Boyle, spokesman for the Army's Aviation Program Executive Office at Redstone Arsenal, Ala.

The faulty swashplate assembly — a key component of the helicopter's flight control system, according to O'Boyle — was found on an Apache helicopter belonging to the 3rd Battalion, 229th Aviation Regiment, at Fort Bragg. Another battalion of the same regiment, the 1st Battalion, currently has a number of Apache helicopters deployed to the Balkans, officials said.

The order that grounded the Apaches calls for a serial number inspection of all 742 AH-64A and D Apache aircraft worldwide.

The inspection will determine if specific swashplate assemblies are on the aircraft, O'Boyle said. He explained that certain serial numbers have been identified as being potentially faulty and will be replaced.

An investigation will determine the status of the remaining swashplates, he said.

Failure of a swashplate assembly could result in the loss of an aircraft and crew injuries, O'Boyle said.

Army leaders said the grounding was taken as a prudent measure to ensure the safety of Soldiers.

They said the ongoing investigation will determine the cause of the faulty swashplate and how many of the 742 aircraft are affected.

The Army will work to get its priority, first-to-fight units returned to fully mission capable status, officials said.

The U.S. Army Program Executive Office, Aviation and the Army Aviation and Missile Command — both located at Redstone Arsenal, Ala.— will gather the inspection data that will identify discrepant parts.

The inspection data will result in the development of a replacement timeline, O'Boyle said.

British college students conduct training

U.K. soldiers conduct warfare simulations

Spc. William A. Graves

Bayonet staff

Approximately 160 officers from 48 different countries concluded the land element of the British Joint Services Command and Staff College's, Swindon England, Joint Course today.

The college chose Fort Benning for the course's two-week exercise because weather in the U.K is poor this time of year, and Fort Benning offers a better educational opportunity for land-warfare simulations, said Lt. Col. Sandy Malcolm, coordinator of the Land Directing Staff.

"This package was the culmination of close-operation (brigade and battalion level) training that moves the officers onto divisional and corps level operations," Malcolm said.

He said Fort Benning looked after the officers well. It accommodated the course with everything the officers needed to have a successful mission, such as office facilities, transportation and food.

"The exercise went very well," Malcolm said. "We achieved all our objectives — bringing the students up to the correct level of expertise in close operations."

He said the course was thankful to the private land owners in the Fort Gaines area, southern Georgia, for the use of their land in the tactical exercise without troops. Officers used the land to help visualize the exercise's mock scenario.

"The local southern Georgia hospitality was marvelous, and the landowners played a major part in the mission's success," Malcolm said.

He said all the officers — who came from places like the U.S., Australia, Germany and the Far East, had a good time here.

Officers enjoyed their time off in Atlanta as well as a successful battlefield tour on the grounds of the 1863 Battle of Chickamauga, near the Tennessee River. Officers stayed at the National Guard Camp Catoosa for two nights while learning about the battle.

"They had a chance to walk around the battlefield and learn a lot," Malcolm said. "The lessons they derived from the trip helped them see the relevancies such battles still have today. It also furthered their understanding of how war changes over time."

Maj. Gino S. Van der Voet of the Netherlands said the course is of the highest quality.

"It teaches all the fundamentals you need for surviving in the armed services," Van der Voet said. "The joint and intercultural nature of the class — officers from 48 countries who are in the army, navy, air force or marines — is of great value."

He said all military operations, be they peace support or crisis response, are joint. Training with officers from different countries will help lead to successful real-world missions such as Bosnia, Kosovo and the Gulf War.

"That's the future of the military," Van der Voet said. "This is how we should train."



Spc. William A. Graves

Maj. Ed Brain, a British student participating in the land element of the British Joint Services Command and Staff College's two-week exercise, talks strategy to fellow students.

The exercise did come with its own set of unique challenges.

"The scale and scope of Georgia is much bigger than England," Malcolm said.

The officers had to cope with a new mapping system and the roads, or lack there of, in the field. In England, soldiers have tarmacs on which to travel everywhere, but tank trails serve as pathways here.

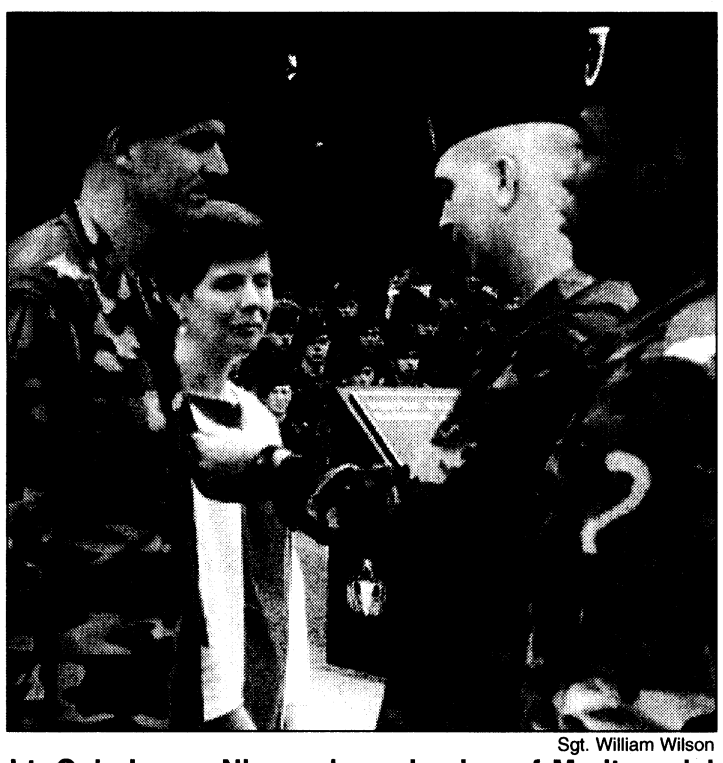
"It gave them a chance to see how unknown terrains effect operations and a glimpse of different ways of doing business in general," he said. "This package sets the students up with the knowledge and understanding of realistic close operations."

He said Brig. Gen. Graeme Lamb, commander of the course's land element, was pleased with the exercise.

"He is confident that the officers are ready to move on to divisional and corps level operations," Malcolm said. "They will be capable of doing business when required."

"As a result, we're grateful to Fort Benning," he added. "We hope to return next December for the next series of TEWTs."

Rangers' top NCO retires after serving 24 years



Sgt. William Wilson

Lt. Col. James Nixon pins a Legion of Merit medal on Command Sgt. Maj. Kevin P. Connell (left) Dec. 8.

Soldier leaves Army, teaches troubled teens

Capt. David Doyle

3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment

Command Sgt. Maj. Kevin P. Connell, the 3rd Ranger Battalion's Command Sergeant Major, retired after 24 years of active federal service at a ceremony at the Ranger Memorial at Fort Benning, Georgia on Dec. 8

He concluded his career after serving in the 3rd Ranger Battalion since May 21, 1999.

His previous assignments all were with units on Airborne status.

Connell dedicated his entire career to training and developing Soldiers at every level in special operations units and in conventional forces.

When asked why he began his journey in the U.S. Army he responded by saying, "I wanted to do my civic part for my country, by volunteering for military service to the nation."

His perspective on his 24-year career is shaped primarily by the men he served with. "I met some of the greatest Soldiers in the world during my 24-year career. I also feel honored that I remained on jump status my entire career serving only in airborne assignments."

The Army has changed dramatically from the one he joined as a private. "The biggest changes I've seen (in the Army) include the way non-commissioned officers refocus their efforts in taking care of Soldiers.

"I've also seen more emphasis placed on reception, integration and treating a young Soldier with dignity and respect. There have also been dramatic improvements in the quality of living conditions and quality of life areas."

The most difficult challenge Connell faced during his career was in the area of training. "As a senior NCO staying current and proficient with all tactics, techniques and procedures for light Infantry and special operations, is key. To be a master trainer you have to be the expert on all skill level tasks. If you aren't you lose credibility with subordinates."

Connell decided to retire for a number of reasons.

Contributing factors included the combination of an outstanding job opportunity, the possibility of an overseas follow on military assignment, and health issues after five major surgeries in the past five years as a result of 24 years of Airborne service.

As a humble and understated man, Connell credited his mentors with the successes he accomplished. He specifically thanked his mentors, 1st Sgt. Tom Wilburn, Command Sgt. Maj. Doug Carron, Command Sgt. Maj. Mike Hall, Lt. Col. Dan Allyn, and Lt. Col. Keith Antonia.

After retiring Connell will continue to train and develop young men. He will work as a senior instructor with a wilderness program for high-risk boy ages 13-17 in Dahlonega, Ga. He wants to contribute to these teens in the same way he contributed to America's finest Soldiers by setting an example and challenging them to achieve all that their potential will allow.

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Pvt. Jason Taijeron
Talofofo, Guam
A Company, 3rd Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment, Basic Combat Training Brigade

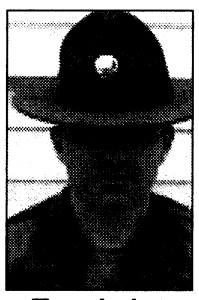
Taijeron

Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I am a military brat. My father is retired Army and my brother is serving in the Army as well, so that pretty much got me interested in the Army.

Not only that, but I wanted to make something out of my life.

Why were you chosen as honor graduate? I put 110 percent in all that I do. I help others who are in need of help.

I try my best to help out as much as possible. I never just sit around, I like to keep myself busy.

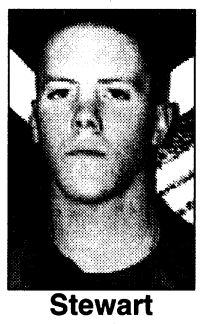


Staff Sgt. Andrew Tsoukalas
Daytona Beach, Fla.
A Co., 3rd Bn., 47th Inf. Regt., BCTB

Tsoukalas

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. I am always direct and straight to the point.

What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? As a drill sergeant I receive satisfaction by taking a civilian and turning him into a Soldier.



Pvt. John Stewart
Vacaville, Calif.
A Co., 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt., BCTB

Stewart

Award: Soldier of the Cycle
What made you join the Army? I joined the Army for the chance to serve my country and also to receive the training necessary to further my career once I leave the Army.

Why were you chosen as honor graduate? My practice of the seven Army core values, expert rifle qualification, confidence in myself, setting the standard and my leadership qualities.

Sgt. 1st Class Darrin Jefferies
Doerun, Ga.
A Co., 1st Bn., 38th Inf. Regt., BCTB

Award: Drill Sergeant of the Cycle
Define your leadership style. The circumstance or situation determines the leadership style that I would use.



Jefferies

What gives you satisfaction from being a drill sergeant? As a drill sergeant there is no greater reward than to see a new recruit going through the rigors and challenges of Basic Combat Training and developing into a highly motivated, well trained Soldier in the U.S. Army.

Campaign: Curbs drunken drivers during holiday travel

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slowly or people speeding," Foxworth said. "Also we are looking for people weaving or making wide turns."

Violators with mechanical problems were warned verbally and told to get the problem fixed, to slow down and to be safe.

Shortly after midnight Jenkins pulled over a suspected drunken driver and made a call for backup.

Jenkins issued a field sobriety test to the driver, who failed, and was then arrested. Jenkins took the intoxicated driver to the MP station where the driver failed a Breathalyzer test on the Intoxalizer 5000.

With closing time for the local bars and clubs nearing, traffic increased on the post roads and the MPs continued patrolling them.

Within minutes of leaving the MP station with Jenkins, Sgt. Chris Johnson, also a traffic accident investigator, spotted a vehicle swerving and crossing the lines. He suspected the driver was drunk.

Johnson tested the driver and then placed the dangerous motorist under arrest.

Shortly after 2 a.m. Sunday a call for help came over the radio. Foxworth, along with other MPs rushed to offer assistance.

When Foxworth arrived at the scene, Jenkins was placing a man under arrest.

Later Jenkins told his story.

After clocking the man driving 80 mph in a 55 mph zone, Jenkins attempted to pull the driver over.

The man ignored the flashing blue lights of Jenkins patrol car, but finally pulled over after weaving back and forth on the road. Jenkins suspected that the driver was intoxicated.

"He opened the door of his car, and I could tell he wanted to run," Jenkins recalled. "I told him to get back in. He did. I approached the car and could see a pistol in his lap."

Jenkins said he told the man to get his hands out the window and then called for backup. The man got out of his car and took a step back and began to flee. After an altercation in which the man hit Jenkins twice, Jenkins pinned the man to the ground and waited for back-up.

A passerby, Spc. Felix Gomez, B Company, 317th Engineer Battalion, 3rd Brigade, saw the altercation and offered his help to Jenkins.

"I saw (the man) jump out and start to run," Gomez said. "I turned around and went back where I saw (Jenkins) on the ground with the man. I didn't think he could handle it by himself so I asked if he wanted me to help."

Jenkins accepted and together they handcuffed the man.

After searching the man, Jenkins and his fellow MPs found $662 in cash, the pistol with a full magazine and a round chambered and 1 ounce of marijuana.

Jenkins took the man to the MP station where he refused to take a urinalysis to test for drug use and he also provided false information to the law enforcement officers.

Jenkins said the man would be charged with failure to drive on the road, fleeing and eluding, simple assault of a law enforcement officer, possession of a controlled substance, possession of a loaded firearm, DUI refusal, driving with no driver's license and providing false information.

Jenkins added that being an MP definitely has its moments.

"It can go from a routine traffic stop to this in a matter of seconds," Jenkins said. "It can be a matter of impounding a vehicle then hearing someone screaming for help over the radio."

While processing the man, another MP brought the fourth drunken driver of the evening into the MP station.

"Fort Benning has zero tolerance for driving under the influence," Jenkins said "Many times people say 'I've only had one or two beers.' It doesn't matter. How can we explain to your family or son or daughter that you are dead because you had one beer.

"If you drink, don't drive," Jenkins said. "If you do drink and drive, we will catch you."

Of the 26 DUIs as of Saturday, the average blood alcohol content has been .11 to .13 milligrams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood. Georgia's legal limit is .08.

"All it takes is taking your eyes off the road one time for an accident to happen," Johnson said.

Beyond the possibility of causing an accident, Soldiers who are convicted of drunken driving can face prosecution and receive a $1,000 fine and up to one year in jail, said Capt. Paula Harrison, a prosecutor in federal magistrate court.

"The information of the conviction can be sent to the state where they are licensed. They receive a letter of reprimand from the commanding general and they can receive (discharge from the Army)."

Harrison said driving privileges can be revoked on post.

Not only do Soldiers face fines and prosecution they may face the cost of higher insurance, the cost of traffic school and the cost of bailing their vehicle out of the impound lot.

For those who go out and drink, designate a driver who will not drink.

Those people with no safe ride home can call the SafetyCab. The cab will travel to destinations both on and off post. SafetyCab's number is 660-6069.

SafetyCab is a good option, Jenkins said and, "There is no excuse for drinking and driving."

A CLOSER LOOK

■ Georgia's legal limit is .08 milligrams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood.

■ Soldiers who are convicted of drunken driving can face prosecution and receive a maximum fine of $1,000 and be sentenced to one year in jail.

■ Soldiers also face the possibility of discharge from the Army.

■ People convicted of drunken driving can lose the privilege of driving on post.

■ A drunken driving conviction is expensive. Costs include insurance increases, traffic school and the vehicle towing fee, to cite just a few.

■ SafetyCab runs through Jan. 1. The number is 660-6069. Most bars offer free, nonalcoholic beverages to designated drivers. Use one.

■ "There is no excuse for drinking and driving," said Staff Sgt. Kyle Jenkins, a military police traffic accident investigator.

VERA: Gives employees control

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The requests for VERA are reviewed in comparison with all applicants, draped across the needs of the installation.

"It is not a first come, first served decision," Stelzer said. "We will review all the requests, analyze the mission requirements and determine which applications we can afford to approve. Based on the termination of so many civilian positions later next year, we are postured to approve the requests. However, the mission needs are an important deciding factor."

Kenna said this is the first time VERA notification was received well in advance of the scheduled RIF.

"This gives employees more time to consider their options and plan for their futures," she said.

This decision should mean the most for post workers who are close to, but have not yet met, the criteria for optional retirement.

To be eligible for this, a worker must be at least 55 and have given 30 years of service, age 60 with 20 years of service, or age 62 with five years of service.

Under VERA, employees who have reached 20 years of service and are at least 50 years old, or workers of any age who have given 25 years of service are eligible to retire.

Kenna anticipates CPAC will be able able to offer enough VERA approvals to benefit those workers who need them.

"Our total of 225 VERA approvals should be sufficient to cover employees impacted by the RIF," Kenna said.

Army Career Alumni Program is conducting career counseling for civilians, and a job fair is scheduled for spring. For more information, call 545-2308.

Employees interested in VERA or VSIP should contact 545-5562.

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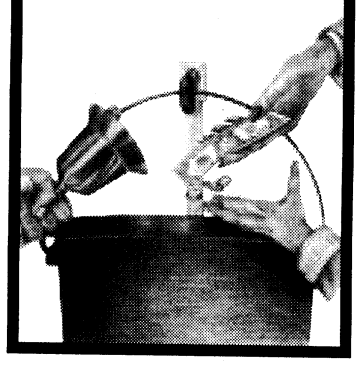

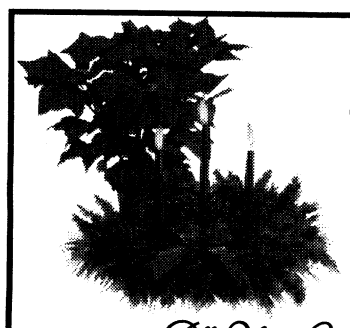

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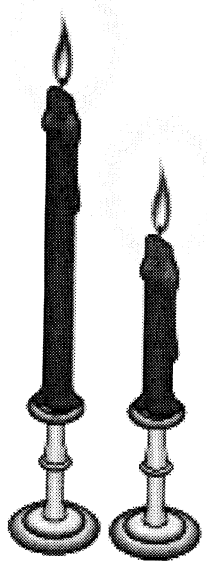

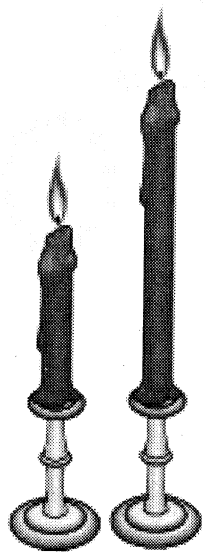

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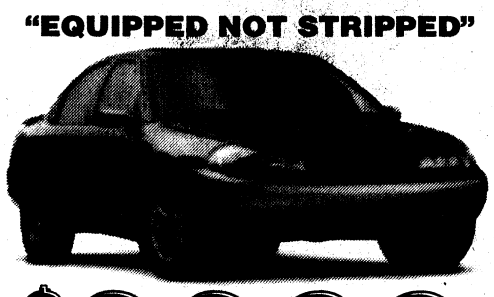

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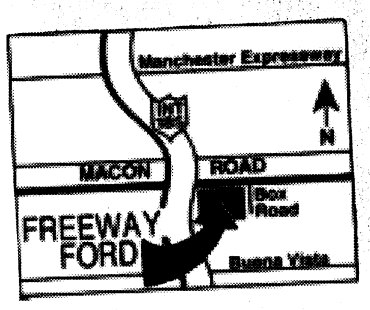

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COMMUNITY

SECTION B

Post uses community to fight suicide

Leaders get proactive with tough problem

Shannon S. Walsh
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Whether you're looking at statistics for the nation, the state we live in or the Army, suicide is a problem.

According to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, it's the eighth leading cause of death in this country.

Statistics from the Georgia Department of Human Resources Division of Public Health show that from 1994 through 1998, an average of 848 people per year died from suicide. In 1999, the Army confirmed more than 70 suicides among the ranks.

Fort Benning has a community approach to suicide prevention with active involvement of key senior leaders, and a coalition of Army community agencies, said Yvonne Wilbanks, Fort Benning alcohol and drug control officer and suicide prevention manager.

"All Soldiers are encouraged to know the warning signs of suicide and get help for themselves and their buddy," she said.

Soldiers who commit suicide may do so for the same reasons as anyone else. Suicides are often a response to an overwhelming personal crisis. This act is usually characterized by feelings of loneliness, hopelessness and helplessness.

"Shame and guilt can play a part if the person has done something that adversely affected their military career," said Chaplain (Maj.) Ray Koop, Family Life Ministries Center.

Those most at risk for suicide get to a point where they don't think things can get better, said Capt. Douglas Lane, chief, Community Mental Health Services, Martin Army Community Hospital.

"It's often hard for them to see there are opportunities out there and people who can help," he said.

There are signals that may help indicate a person is in danger of committing suicide.

Common warning signs include a dramatic drop in job performance, the loss of a loved one, job, status or money, unkempt personal appearance, a family history of suicide or previous suicide attempts, abuse of alcohol or drugs, reckless behavior, loss of interest in hobbies and withdrawal.

Immediate danger signs such as talking or hinting about suicide, obsession with death, finalizing personal affairs or giving away personal possessions may also show that a person is at risk for this behavior.

For Koop, the real danger sign is when he finds a person he's counseling has really thought out how to commit suicide.

"When you ask 'if you were to commit suicide, how would you do it,' and they have a plan and the means to do it, we stop everything and make sure the person is safe," Koop said.

For those contemplating suicide who need to seek immediate help, contact 911 or go to the nearest emergency room, Lane said.

Soldiers can also contact Community Mental Health Services at Martin Army Community Hospital. Civilians, dependents and retirees can go through outpatient psychiatry there as well. The number in both cases is 544-3690.

If you know someone who might be thinking about committing suicide, there are preventive measures you can take. The American Association of Suicidology recommends the following courses of action.

- Be direct. Talk openly and matter-of-factly about suicide.
- Be willing to listen and be non-judgmental.
- Get involved and become available. Show interest and support of the person.
- Don't dare him or her to commit suicide.
- Don't act shocked. This will put distance between you and the person in need.
- Don't be sworn to secrecy. Seek support.
- Offer hope that alternatives are available but do not offer glib assurances.
- Take action. Remove means, such as guns or stockpiled pills.
- Get help from persons or agencies specializing in crisis intervention and suicide prevention.

"Don't keep the secret," Koop said. "Bring that person to a competent individual like the unit chaplain, a social worker, the emergency room or someone in command."

One resource on post is the Gatekeeper's Suicide Prevention course. This free training will be offered from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 13 at the Officers' Club.

"Gatekeepers are those squad leaders, platoon leaders, drill instructors and other helping personnel who identify high-risk Soldiers and 'open the gates to help'," Wilbanks said.

The course is opened to anyone who is interested. Topics covered will include relationship issues and signs of depression.

For more information or to register, call 545-1138.

Book-worms devour 'Big Book'

Faith students share gift of reading

Bridgett Siter
special to the Bayonet©

What started as a "big idea" 13 years ago, has become a holiday tradition for students from Faith Middle School and Dexter Elementary.

More than 100 students from Anne Trawick's sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade literature classes hosted a Christmas party Dec. 13, and presented 40 Dexter kindergartners with a personalized "Big Book," created specifically for, and written about, the younger student.

Trawick first introduced the "Big Book" as part of a lesson plan designed to hone creative and technical writing skills. Students cut and pasted pictures and typewritten stories on 12 by 18 inch sheets of construction paper — hence the name "Big Book."

Thirteen years later, the actual dimensions of the books have decreased, but advanced technology has given new meaning to the name "Big Book." Students are cutting and pasting on the computer, superimposing digital photographs of the main character into each book and creating 21st century storylines about superheroes and Grinch-like characters. The final product is laminated and bound between colorful tag board covers.

"As we've incorporated more and more technology into this project, our books have evolved and become more sophisticated," Trawick said. "They definitely reflect our culture. Besides the obvious improvements because of technology, they've become more exciting, more action-packed. Their ideas have gotten bigger and bigger."

Take, for instance, the book created for 5-year-old Dylan Williams by a team of sixth-

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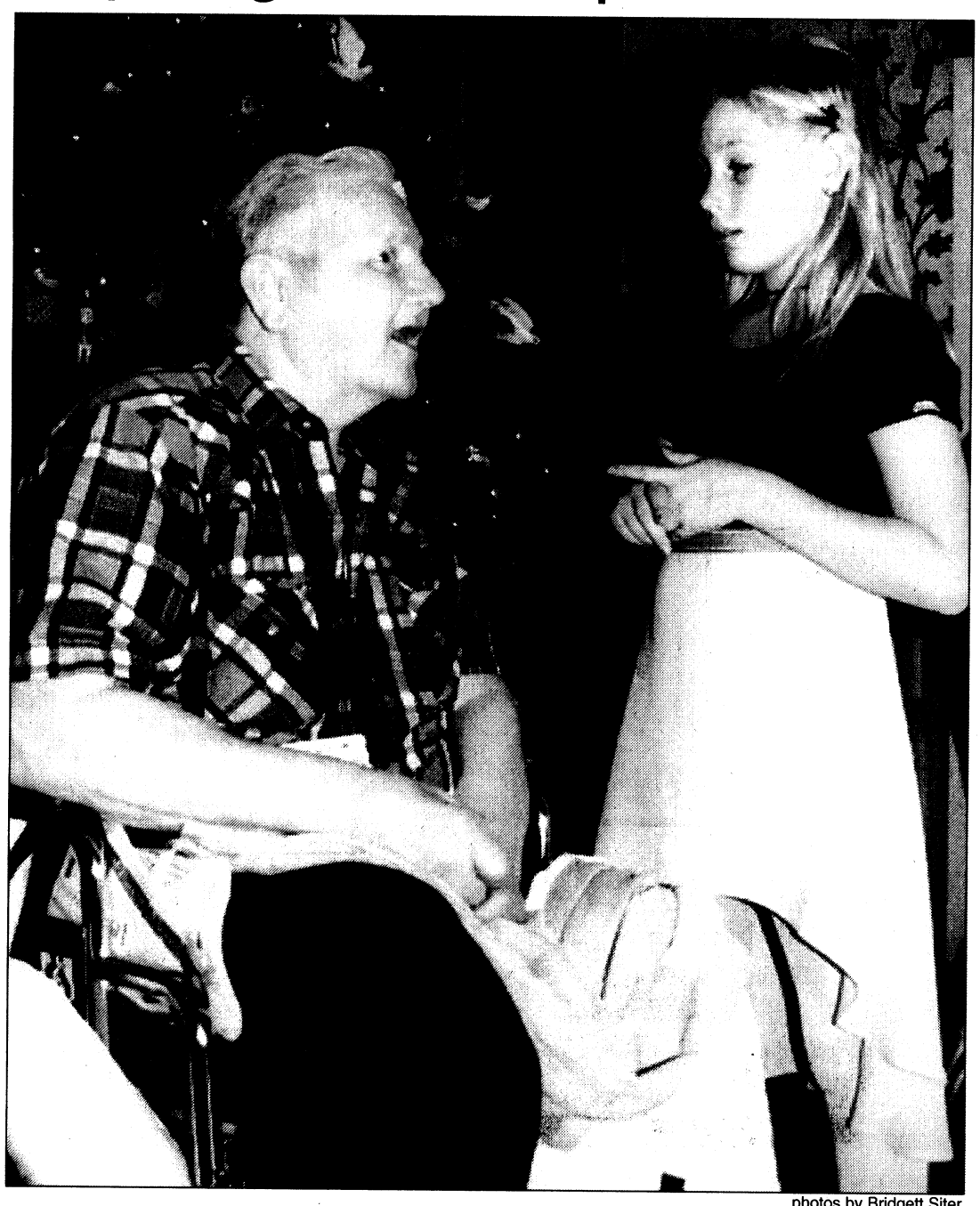
Aspiring dancers perform at local nursing home



photos by Bridgett Siter
Brittany Hayes visits with Clyde Pyner at Pine Manor Nursing Home.

Youngsters make seniors smile, cheer

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At the age of 7, Daniela Cowan dreams of becoming a dancer. Recently, the first-grader got her first opportunity to perform for an audience other than a room full of dolls and stuffed animals.

"It was cool," Daniela said. "It was even more fun than I thought it would be. It made me feel good."

Daniela's one of 11 aspiring Fort Benning dancers who took their show on the road for local nursing home residents. Under the tutelage of former dancer — turned teacher, Elizabeth Gladden, the girls, who range in age from 4 to 11, donned tap shoes and ballet slippers and danced to the beat of holiday tunes from their grandparents' — maybe great-grandparents' — generation.

Last summer, Daniela learned that her neighbor used to teach a touring dance class in California. She begged Gladden to consider starting a squad here at Fort Benning. She even enlisted a few friends, mostly beginners, who were willing to perform for senior citizens in Columbus.

Gladden conceded, and in October the group began to meet

See **DANCERS**, B-5



Alison Dillon, 5, left, and Ariel Gibson, 4, right, dance for seniors Dec. 9.

Cousins reunite at White House reception

President hosts family at celebration

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Like many Fort Benning families, Elizabeth Gladden and her four children drive hundreds of miles to celebrate Christmas with their relatives. This year marks the fourth time they've joined the family celebration at her cousin's home in Washington, D.C.

It's a tradition the Gladdens have come to cherish. Unfortunately, policy and politics have put an end to the annual family gala, and as the Gladden family embarked on the two-day drive from their Davis Hill home to the White House Dec. 15, they acknowledged the likelihood this would be the last time they will sit for supper with the president.

Her mother is Bill Clinton's cousin, making Gladden second-cousin to the president of the United States, and therefore an honored guest at the annual holiday reception. But she admits she didn't even know who Bill Clinton was until he ran for president.

"My parents used to go to the Christmas party at the Arkansas governor's mansion, but I just thought he was some distant relative," Gladden chuckled. "My granny is his aunt. They're very close. I didn't really understand the true nature of the relationship until he became a candidate, and I didn't meet him until we were invited to the White House the first time."

Sunday evening the Gladden family, minus Robert Sr., who's stationed in Korea, joined a host of brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, cousins and aunts and uncles for the last family reception before Clinton's presidency ends in January.

See **SPOUSE**, B-5



Courtesy photo
Elizabeth Gladden introduces her daughter Bryanna to her cousin, President Bill Clinton, last year at the White House during a holiday family gathering.

Many lose sight of true Christmas spirit

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott F. New
1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

reflections

From the time we were young "Merry Christmas" was a phrase that brought excitement and great anticipation. In the hearts and minds of the young, and not so young children, is the curiosity of "What am I getting for Christmas?" My son, one Christmas, was so excited he would open each present and respond by saying, "Oh, just what I always wanted!" After making this response with one gift, he then said, "What is it?" Sometimes we are so excited about getting gifts, we forget that Christmas is a time of giving. I believe every parent enjoys the opportunity of giving their children a gift that is wanted.

When I was a young parent, I had difficulty mixing the Christmas story and Santa Claus. There is a religious message on TV this year that has Santa rushing to houses, delivering gifts on Christmas Eve when he falls over a piece from the Nativity Scene. He takes a moment, takes his hat off and bows his head in respect.

We talk about getting into the Christmas spirit. The stores get in it by decorating and building their inventory before Thanksgiving. Shoppers get in it by shopping until they drop for a month! But what is the Christmas spirit? Spirit is a feeling or a sense that leads one to action. To experience the true Christmas spirit, it is important to be aware of God's spirit and recognize what he modeled in his gift. With the remembrance of the birth of Jesus we acknowledge the true Christmas spirit. We give because God gave. We can celebrate as the angels celebrated that first Christmas Eve.

This Christmas as you put up your trees and decorate your houses and go shopping for the many gifts for all those special people, take time to pause for a few moments and remember the significance of Christmas.

And when you do, your spirit may touch God's spirit. I hope each of you have a very blessed and Merry Christmas!

Holiday services

Catholic

Sunday	8 p.m.	Mass Main Post Catholic Chapel
Monday	11:30 a.m.	Christmas Day Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel
Jan. 1	11:30 a.m.	New Year's Day Mass Main Post Catholic Chapel

Protestant

Sunday	11 a.m.	Worship Service and Dinner Custer Terrace Chapel
Sunday	6 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service, Sightseeing Road Chapel
Sunday	7 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service, The Infantry Center Chapel
Sunday	11 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service, The Infantry Center Chapel
Dec. 31	10 p.m.	Watchnight Service, Sightseeing Road Chapel

Jewish

Services at the Synagogue or Temple in Columbus.

Profanity defames name of God

Chaplain (Maj.) Ray Koop
Family Life Ministries Center

We've all heard it. In today's society, we can't avoid it. I am disturbed that strangers, neighbors and coworkers will take the name of God in vain, even in the presence of women and children.

Profanity debases and defiles what is sacred and holy. It is sacrilege to make common what is divine. To use the name of God in an irreverent manner is a form of blasphemy.

Profanity defames the name, attributes and character of God. It often shows contempt and may be used to revile what is sacred and holy.

This year several people in Michigan have been convicted of swearing.



In the military, our communication skills are part of our rating scheme for officers and sergeants. Unwholesome speech may indicate either a lack of education or poor leadership. It demonstrates a lack of respect for spiritual, national and Army values, as well as for other people.

Gen. George Washington admonished, "...the foolish, and wicked practice, of profane cursing and swearing (a vice heretofore little known in an American Army) is growing into fashion; he hopes the officers will, by example, as well as influence, endeavor to check it, and that both they, and the men will reflect, that we can have little hopes of the blessing of Heaven on our Arms, if we insult it by our impiety, and folly; added to this, it is a vice so mean and low, without any temptation, that every man of sense, and character, detests and despises it."

In line with Washington's directive, the expletive, damn, should be avoided. It is a curse word that implicates the name of God and can be interpreted as, "God damn you to hell."

Good speech also refrains from using God or Jesus Christ as interjections. Words like, gee, gosh, golly, jeez and jeepers are euphemisms for God and Jesus and should not be used.

You can put an end to profanity. Counseling is available. Call the Chaplain Family Life Ministries Center at 545-1760 or e-mail me at USArmyChaplain@aol.com.

For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11

Fort Benning Religious Activities and Services

PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Praise and Worship
9 a.m.	11th Regiment, Airborne Chapel, Building 2766, Traditional
9:30 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101 Traditional
10 a.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200, Traditional
11 a.m.	The Infantry Center Chapel, Main Post, Building 101
11 a.m.	Sightseeing Road Chapel, Building 2820, Gospel Service
11 a.m.	Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023, Soldiers' Sledgehammer Service
11 a.m.	Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080, Traditional

Wednesday Worship Services

Noon	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:30 a.m.	Religious Education, White School, Building 1050
5:30 p.m.	Junior High and Middle School Protestant Youth The Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101
7 p.m.	Senior High, Club Beyond the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101

Thursday

9:30 a.m.	Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), Custer Terrace Chapel, Building 1080

CATHOLIC

Weekday Mass

Noon	Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel

Saturday Mass

5 p.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel with Confession, 4 p.m.

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
11:30 a.m.	Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
1 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel, Building 1681
7 p.m.	Martin Army Community Hospital, Building 9200

JEWISH

Friday Sabbath Service

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Torah Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

MUSLIM

Friday Isha Evening Prayers

6:30 p.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

Sunday Koran Study

9:30 a.m.	Soldiers' Chapel, Sand Hill, Building 3420

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Saturday Worship Service

7 p.m.	Seventh Day Adventists, Regimental Chapel, Building 2766

Sunday Worship Services

8 a.m.	Latter Day Saints, Sand Hill Recreation Center, Building 3308
9 a.m.	Samoan, Kelley Hill Chapel, Building 9023
12:15 p.m.	Episcopal-Lutheran Service, Regimental Chapel, Building 3220
1:30 p.m.	Apostolic (United Pentecostal), Regimental Chapel, Building 3220

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New Year means new chances

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott F. New
1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

reflections

New Year's is a great time of the year. It is a time for both reflection and goal setting. For the last few years, my wife, two sons and I would plan a skiing trip. I would take an opportunity to ask each son what they learned about themselves and about their relationship with God in the past year and I would share my answers with them as well. I also asked what their goals were for the coming year. It was very enjoyable and yet at times challenging to respond.

How important it is, as we approach the new year, to recognize what was accomplished and what is the baggage we are carrying into the next year. For some there were good-byes either through death, divorce or PCS. For others there may have been hellos through weddings, births or making new relationships. These events significantly impact our lives.

How about your relationship with God this year? Has anything happened? How have you seen his presence in you or your family's life this year?

In many families it is difficult to talk about our relationship with God to one another because our family members see us not only when we go to chapel, but when we are not in chapel.

And yet if we grow in our faith, often family members will contribute to that growth.

This can also be a time to look ahead with great anticipation. Even though we do not know exactly what tomorrow may bring, we can look forward to accomplishments at work. Many leaders have opportunities to intentionally mentor those they lead. What a great challenge to be able to positively influence Soldiers' lives both professionally and personally.

It is also a great challenge to intentionally, positively, influence your family. Have you looked at what you could do differently this year to expand your family's cohesiveness? There are a lot of issues that attack the hearts of families and each family member has the responsibility to openly raise issues and come to resolution on controversial issues.

So what will 2001 look like for you? What goals have you set for yourself? Has your family set any goals? Will you have a new family member? Or will you have an "empty nest?"

What place will God play in you and your family's life in 2001?

I hope each of you have a very blessed and happy New Year.

chapel notes

Military Council of Catholic Women — The Military Council of Catholic Women meets at 10 a.m. Fridays at the Main Post Catholic Chapel at Vibbert Avenue and Sigerfoos Road.

The program begins with the Rosary and is followed by Bible study. Child care is provided.

A refreshment time is held after the program.

For more information about the group, call Marty Terhune at 687-0308 or Marge Connelly at 682-2754.

Sunday School

The Fort Benning Sunday School meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at White Elementary School on First Division Road.

There are classes for students from 3 years of age through adults. Everyone is invited.

Child care for children of parents who are teaching or attending Sunday School classes is provided at The Infantry Center Chapel.

If you need a ride, call the Religious Education Center at 545-4715 and transportation will be scheduled for you.

Club Beyond — The Junior High and Middle School Youth meet Sundays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at The Infantry Center Chapel Annex. The Senior High group meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursdays at Custer Terrace Chapel.

All students in these age groups are invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

For more information, call Bruce Mulford at 545-2359.

community notes

on post

Housing Division closures — The Housing Division, Directorate of Public Works, will be closed for Christmas and New Years Day. The offices will also be closed on the training holidays — Dec. 26 and Jan. 2.

For more information about the closures, call 545-2988.

Newcomer and spouse orientation — The next newcomer and spouse orientation briefing is 8:45 a.m. Jan 11 at the FUN Center, Building 359. Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. Child care is available at Tot Town. For more information, call 545-4485.

Red Cross volunteers — The Red Cross is recruiting for the following volunteer positions:

Station Chairman — The chairman is the volunteer partner of the station manager, and assists in supervising the overall management of the Red Cross activities at Fort Benning.

Personal Services Volunteers — Volunteers provide contact and assistance to the patients at Martin Army Community Hospital.

Receptionists — Volunteers needed to answer phones and greet clients at the MACH and Soldier's Plaza offices.

Pig control — The Natural Resource Management Branch has set up traps in the wooded areas throughout the installation in an effort to control the feral swine population on post.

For more information, call Pete Swiderek at 544-7077.

off post

"Mission Possible" — Faith Tabernacle Full Gospel Outreach Church will conduct a new millennium rally designed especially for young people. The "Mission Possible" youth rally will be at 7 p.m. Dec. 29 at the church, located at 801 22nd Avenue in Phenix City.

For more information, call the church's office at 323-6609.

Martin Luther King Pride Month cleanup kick off — The cleanup kicks off Jan. 6 as part of the Martin Luther King Pride Month.

Help clean up the tri community area.

For more information, call Lonnie Jackson at 687-5357.

Toll-free number for Korean War issues — A toll-free number, (866) KOREA50 is now active. The new phone number will allow toll-free access to the Department of Defense 50th anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee.

Korean War veterans, families and friends can call to get information on national and international commemoration events or general information on Korean War issues.

For more information about the 50th anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration, call (866) Korea50 or visit the Web site at http://korea50.army.mil/

Christmas meal — The Fourth Street Missionary Baptist Church, located at 222 Fifth Street in Columbus, will serve a Christmas meal at noon Saturday. Christmas Worship service will be held at 7:45 a.m. Monday.

Watch Night Service will be held at 9:30 p.m. Dec. 31.

NAACP banquet — The Columbus Branch of the NAACP will present the 26th annual Freedom Fund Banquet at 7 p.m. Jan. 7 at the Columbus Convention and Trade Center.

The speaker will be Dr. Shirley Bailey Johnson, Ph.D, National Representative for the Federation of Teachers, Miami, Fla.

Donation is $25 per person, patron is $2 per person. Call 322-1437 for ticket information.

Re-entry course — Columbus State University's Adult Re-Entry course "Learning to Learn (CSUS 1105)" will start Jan. 9. Students can choose from a day or evening class.

This is for returning students who would like to brush up on their skills right before jumping into a regular classroom.

For more information, call Tracie Price at 565-7846 or price_tracie@colstate.edu.

Students: Give gift to kindergartners

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graders, including Kyle McKibben.

After meeting and interviewing Dylan three weeks ago, the sixth-graders created a storyline that cast Dylan in the role of a superhero who saved Christmas from a villainous "Santa Clawz," Santa's own alter-ego, who only gives presents to bad little boys and girls.

"I think it was supposed to be a good experience for us, writing a story, and a good experience for Dylan, being around us older kids," McKibben said. "But it was really a lot of fun coming up with the story and sharing it with him."

> "I'm going to let my daddy read it to me at bedtime, 20 times every night."
>
> **Courtney Beaton**
> Kindergartner

Dexter's principal, Vicki Rogers, recognizes the educational value of the project. But like McKibben, she finds real pleasure in the sharing.

"The sparkle in their eyes is priceless," Rogers said. "Their delight in learning that this book is all about them — and it even had their pictures in it — is written all over their faces. That's the best part."

Courtney Beaton, 5-years-old, expects to enjoy her new book, "*How Courtney Saved Christmas*," over and over.

"I'm going to let my daddy read it to me at bedtime, 20 times every night," she said.

After two weeks of work, including many hours after school, Trawick believes her students gained a better understanding of the meaning of Christmas.

"They've put a lot of time and effort into this project, and they really like the outcome. They have a hard time giving up these books," Trawick said.

She added,"In the end I think they get the notion of what it is to give something and expect nothing in return. That's the big idea."

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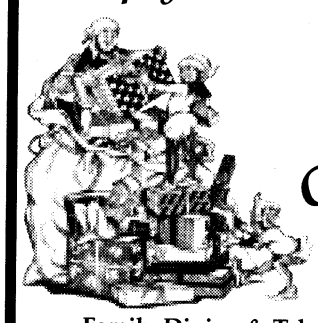
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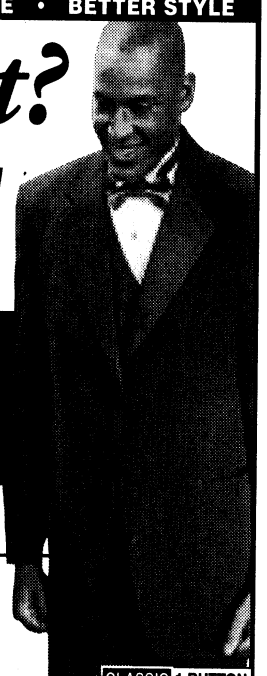
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Post takes part in fire prevention contest

Directorate of Public Safety

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Each year more than 5,000 people die in fires and property loss is estimated over 9 billion. Moreover, many Americans believe "fire can only happen to other people-not to me and not in my home." Yet, more than 80 percent of fire deaths occur in the home, most often claiming the lives of the young, elderly and the disadvantaged.

But for the community of Fort Benning, under the direction of Col. GT Meyers, Directorate of Public Safety, and Fire Chief Arthur Simmons a continuing Fire Safety program is in place.

Every year in the month of October we celebrate Fire Prevention Week. In the last three years the theme has been "The Great Escape." The National Fire Protection Association has sponsored a contest that involves all of North America and Canada.

The contest is to have students in all the schools to draw the fire escape plan of their home and practice EDITH: Exit Drill in The Home. The contest requires the student to show in detail the escape route and all the exits, the location of the smoke detectors, as well as the meeting area outside of their home and the correct number to call for help — 911.

Each year, Dr. Dell McMullen, superintendent of Fort Benning Schools and the staff of assistants, principals and teachers, in partnership with the Fort Benning Fire Department sponsor a "Great Escape Contest." But Fort Benning went beyond that, so the competition would be strong and it was this year, as it was in the past two years.

The first-place winner received a trophy and $75, the second-place winner received a trophy and $50 and third-place also got a trophy and $30. The grand prizewinner had her drawing sent up to the National Fire Protection Association to compete with all winners thorough out North America and Canada.

The first-place winner was Brittany Hutchison, a fourth-grader from White Elementary School.

The second-place winner was Ariel Tucker, a third-grader from McBride Elementary School and the third-place winner was Raymond Rivera III, a fifth-grader from Stowers Elementary School.



Courtesy Photo

From left to right, contest winners Ariel Tucker from McBride School, Brittany Hutchison from White School, and Raymond Rivera III from Stower School, show off their awards.

Lieutenants connect with community through service

Soldiers lay sod for Habitat for Humanity home

2nd Lt. Michael Starz
2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment

On a cold November morning, a group of Soldiers from the Infantry Officer Basic Course gathered on 26th Street, downtown Columbus, to help complete a house for Habitat for Humanity. They spent eight hours preparing the soil and laying sod.

The simple labor provided lessons as important to their development as their Infantry field training. To be effective, the Army has to represent the strength and ideals of its people. The IOBC Soldiers got the opportunity to meet a collection of citizens who these Soldiers defend and represent.

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit ecumenical Christian organization with a mission of building affordable housing for low income people. Beyond just building homes, Habitat is an organization that builds communities. Habitat for Humanity works tirelessly for a very real and difficult problem facing America and the other 50 countries it services. Many families have inadequate housing or no housing and haven't the means to improve their situation.

Habitat buys the land and prepares it for construction, and then builds the house from the ground up. Individuals, corporations, faith groups and others provide financial support.

Sponsoring a house requires a donation of $45,000, but organizations can partially sponsor a home with half of that donation. Sponsors often provide the labor to build the home as well.

> "It's the proudest day when we hand over the keys to the homeowners. They're usually speechless."
>
> **Bryan Miller**
> Project construction supervisor

The labor comes mainly from volunteers, while Habitat provides construction supervisors and a small corps of crew leaders from its assigned AmeriCorps workers.

The local chapter chooses homeowner applicants according to their need, their ability to repay the no-profit, no-interest mortgage and their willingness to work with Habitat. Homeowners are required to complete 500 hours of labor on their home and others in the area.

Carl Hopp is the executive director of the Columbus chapter of Habitat. He estimates that small groups comprising more than 1,000 Soldiers from Fort Benning have participated in the program in the three years that he has served with the organization.

The officers of C Company, 2nd Battalion,11th Infantry Regiment, were in one such group. The Soldiers were required to participate in one community service project during their four-month course. Their mission was to smooth out the ground and lay sod around five Habitat houses.

The highlight of the work was the opportunity to associate with the area residents, including Sarah Carter, who moved into her Habitat home Dec. 2. Carter completed 500 hours, but continues to work on other homes in her community.

"It is the proudest day when we hand over the keys to the homeowners. They realize that it's the nicest thing they've ever had. They're usually speechless," said Bryan Miller, project construction supervisor.

The volunteers said they enjoyed working with community residents.

"Bringing people together was what this day was all about. I enjoyed meeting and working with a variety of the people from our community," said 2nd Lt.Travis Patriquin.

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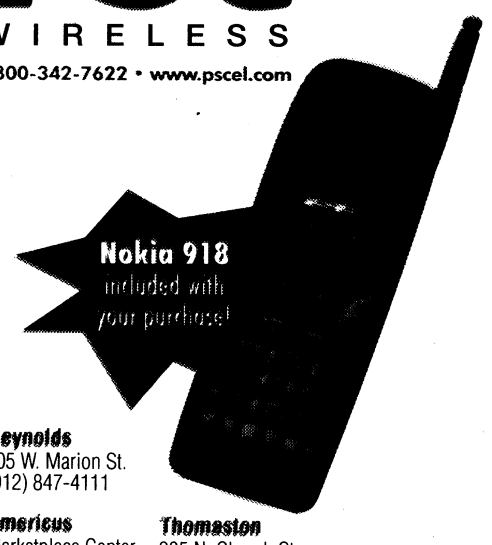

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births

Boys

Charles Edward Bennett Jr. — born Nov. 22 to Annette and Staff Sgt. Charles Bennett.

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Garen Mitchell Cooper — born Nov. 25 to Laura and 2nd Lt. Jeffery Cooper.

Cristian Eliezer Monge Marrero — born Nov. 26 to Nancy and Cpl. Jorge Monge.

Michael Gabriel Thigpen — born Nov. 27 to Norma and Staff Sgt. Robert Thigpen.

Jourdan Myles Watson — born Nov. 28 to Staff Sgt. Pamela and Sgt. 1st Class Victor Watson.

Coby Christopher Shelton —born Nov. 28 to Christena and Spc. Cory Shelton.

Deven Amier Griffin — born Nov. 29 to Sgt. Sonnette and Capt. Timothy Griffin.

Paul Gerald Labbe II — born Nov. 29 to Erin and Staff Sgt. Jamahl Labbe.

Tristin Alexander Sahagun — born Dec. 1 to Crystal and Spc. Landon Sahagun.

Abner Daniel Maldonado — born Dec. 1 to Elyjanette and Spc. Luis Maldonado.

Brandon Paul Stockdill — born Dec. 1 to Megan and Staff Sgt. Jacob Stockdill.

Donovan Xavier Breckenridge — born Dec. 2 to Rachael and Spc. James Breckenridge.

Erik Nathaniel Elder — born Dec. 4 to Spc. Josephine and Brandon Elder.

Daniel Joseph John McCarthy IV — born Dec. 5 to Aimee and 1st Sgt. Daniel McCarthy III.

Darius Lamont Tripp — born Dec. 5 to Sgt. Roshunda Tripp.

Tyler Alexander Hair — born Dec. 5 to Crystal and Pfc. Michael Hair.

Derek Douglas LaChance — born Dec. 7 to Sarah and Spc. Demian LaChance.

Miles Ahmad Ricks — born Dec. 9 to Sgt. Marcella and Staff Sgt. Kevin Ricks.

Conor Joseph Grady — born Dec. 10 to Amy and Staff Sgt. George Grady.

Giovanni Emanuel Benson — born Dec. 10 to Spc. Manuela Fields and Spc. Wallace Benson III.

Joseph Alexander Lane — born Dec. 10 to Chalane and Sgt. Andrew Lane.

Kailyn Matthew Keller — born Dec. 13 to Sgt. Linette and Staff Sgt. Aaron Keller.

Keagn Marcus Green — born Dec. 14 to Gina and Spc. Lorne Green.

Girls

Imani Kiara Gooden — born Nov. 22 to Sgt. LaShonda Thomas and Cavona Gooden.

Latasha Kimbery Jacobs — born Nov. 25 to Sandra and Staff Sgt. Emil Jacobs.

Savannah Nicole Harris — born Nov. 26 to Wendy and Sgt. 1st Class Robert Harris Jr.

Elise Claire LaMonica — born Nov. 26 to Erin and Staff Sgt. David LaMonica.

Christine Evelyn Russell — born Nov. 26 to Summer and Sgt. Aaron Russell.

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Mackenzie Rene Barr — born Nov. 29 to Amy and Spc. William Barr Jr.

Alyssa Ariana Gutzke — born Nov. 29 to Nicole and Sgt. Steven Gutzke.

Aubrie Grace Wilson — born Nov. 30 to Teresa and Spc. Daniel Wilson.

Kayleigh Michelle Shoopman — born Nov. 30 to Shannon and Pfc. Timothy Shoopman.

Angelika Jones — born Dec. 2 to Angelica and Sgt. 1st Class Tony Jones.

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Shea Xyla Swiger — born Dec. 6 to Jenny and Sgt. Edward Swiger.

— Martin Army Community Hospital

ask the judge

Jane M. Winand
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Q: I bought a car in Florida when I was home on leave last weekend. The dealership asked which state I wanted to title the vehicle in. Since I'll be stationed here in Georgia for the next few years, I'm thinking of getting a Georgia title. Does it matter in which state I title and register a new car?

A: There could be serious tax consequences depending on the state in which you choose to title your new car. The state in which you purchase a new car assess sales tax at the time of purchase. If you apply to have that new car titled for the first time in a different state, and the title state has a higher rate of sales tax, the title state can charge you the additional sales tax at the time you apply for the title.

As an example, if you purchase the vehicle in a state with a three percent sales tax, you will have this three percent tax included in the purchase price. If you then apply for a title in a state with five percent sales tax, the title state can charge you the additional two percent sales tax. You were given a credit by the titling state for the three percent sales tax paid at the time of purchase.

This potential "twice taxation" occurs only with new vehicles being purchased in one state and titled for the first time in a second state.

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, a federal law, does provide Soldiers with some protection from state taxes. The Act exempts a Soldier from ad valorem taxation of a vehicle owned by the Soldier and being registered in the Soldier's state of current assignment, provided that the Soldier has a permanent residence elsewhere than the state of assignment.

The ad valorem tax is assessed each year and is based on the value of the vehicle. Soldiers can avoid this tax for their vehicles by obtaining an affidavit from the Legal Assistance Division of the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate indicating that the Soldier is a permanent resident of a state other than the state of military assignment. However, the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act does not exempt Soldiers from paying sales taxes.

Consequently, you should consider the sales tax situation before picking a state in which to title and register your vehicle. Although it may be convenient to title your vehicle here for the next few years, unless you elect to maintain permanent ties with Georgia, you will need to obtain a new title when you move from this state. Some states have annual inspection requirements which can be onerous. You should consider all factors before selecting a state for titling purposes.

For more information concerning sales tax and ad valorem tax, you can make an appointment to speak with an attorney in the Legal Assistance Division.

Appointments are made by calling the Legal Assistance Division at 545-3281 or 545-3282 at 8 a.m. Fridays.

Dancers: Perform at nursing home

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once a week in the gymnasium at Stowers Elementary, where the girls are all students. They practiced choreographed moves to numbers like "*Santa Baby*" and "*Run Run Rudolph*," with the intention of performing solely for senior citizens at the end of December. But last month the school's choir director, Lorri Blanchard, asked the group to participate in the Stowers Singers annual holiday show.

"We had to scurry," said Gladden, who's performed with the Wichita Falls Ballet Theater in Kansas, the Texas Ballet Concerto in San Antonio and the Pueblo Ballet in Pueblo, Colo. "We had to double up on practices to be ready in time for the show, so we decided just to throw ourselves into it and do all the shows before Christmas."

The dancers performed twice for the students and parents before heading for Columbus, where they danced for the residents of Pine Manor and Oak Manor.

"We made them smile," said 10-year-old Brittany Hayes. "I was kind of nervous at first, but they started clapping and singing and it made me feel good. When I got to know them, they reminded me a little of my grandparents."

Mary Nell Norman, an 86-year-old Pine Manor resident, said the dancers' visit also made her feel good.

She stood and danced throughout most of the performance.

"I like music. I like the kids," Norman said, tapping her toes and humming with the music.

After each performance, the dancers distributed Christmas cards decorated by Stowers students.

"I enjoyed it. They're wonderful," said resident Clyde Pyner, a retired printer. "Their parents have taught them well."

Pine Manor's activity director, Wilma McMahan, said the residents always look forward to interacting with children, and activities like the dance recitals benefit both the performers and their audience.

"These children, because they're from Fort Benning, and mostly away from their own grandparents, stand to gain as much from this experience as the residents," McMahan said.

Gladden said she hopes to continue working with the girls after the holidays, with an eye on performing again in the spring.

Spouse: Visits President Clinton

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Elizabeth described the party as a cross between a family reunion and a black-tie affair. She admits to agonizing over the family's wardrobe before the trip, but once they got past the metal detectors and bag checks, she said she felt "at home," surrounded by family, some of whom she's only come to know through the annual event.

"I've met a lot of people I'd never met before, including the president and the first lady, who also invites her own family to the party," she said. "My granny was there this year, as well as three of my sisters and two brothers. It certainly felt like a family reunion."

And though she describes the first lady as "very friendly and likable," the president is surrounded by secret servicemen and literally unapproachable.

"You can't just walk up and talk to him," she said. "You can greet him in the receiving line and get your picture taken, or you can wait for him to approach you."

This year the reception ended with a tour of the West Wing and a personal interview with the president. However, the Gladdens had to leave the party early when Robert Jr. became sick.

> "Seven tables of desserts. That's always my favorite part, next to the jumbo shrimp."
>
> **Robert Gladden**
> 11-years-old

The family also missed the opportunity to have their picture taken with the president this year, something they've made a point to do each year. The kids find this part of the evening, which sometimes takes as long as three hours, tedious and boring. They prefer the movie theater downstairs next to the White House bowling alley. And of course they enjoy the smorgasbord of exotic foods and desserts.

"Seven tables of desserts," said 11-year-old Robert. "That's always my favorite part, next to the jumbo shrimp."

Robert and his 9-year-old brother, Christian, look forward to sharing their trip with their classmates when school resumes. Last year they showed pictures of their White House tour, as well as their visit to the memorials and museums around Washington, D.C.

"It's such a good experience for them," Elizabeth said. "I'm not sure they really understand the significance of the occasion, but one day they will, and the boys are old enough to remember it all."

The girls, Gena-Marie, 4, and Bryanna, 18-months, will relive the experience through photographs.

Elizabeth has documented each year's celebration on film, including photos of each room in the White House and the children with the president.

One photo even shows Robert Jr. upstaging the White House pianist.

"I just told him I could play too," Robert recalled. "And he told me to climb up and play something. It was cool."

The Gladdens hate to see this family tradition come to an end, and Elizabeth's holding on to the hope she'll get another chance to dine at the White House.

"I'm hoping Hillary runs for president," she laughed. "Then we'll go back again."

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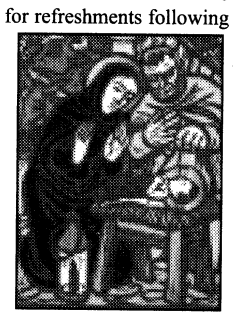

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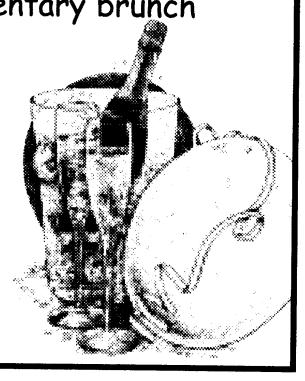

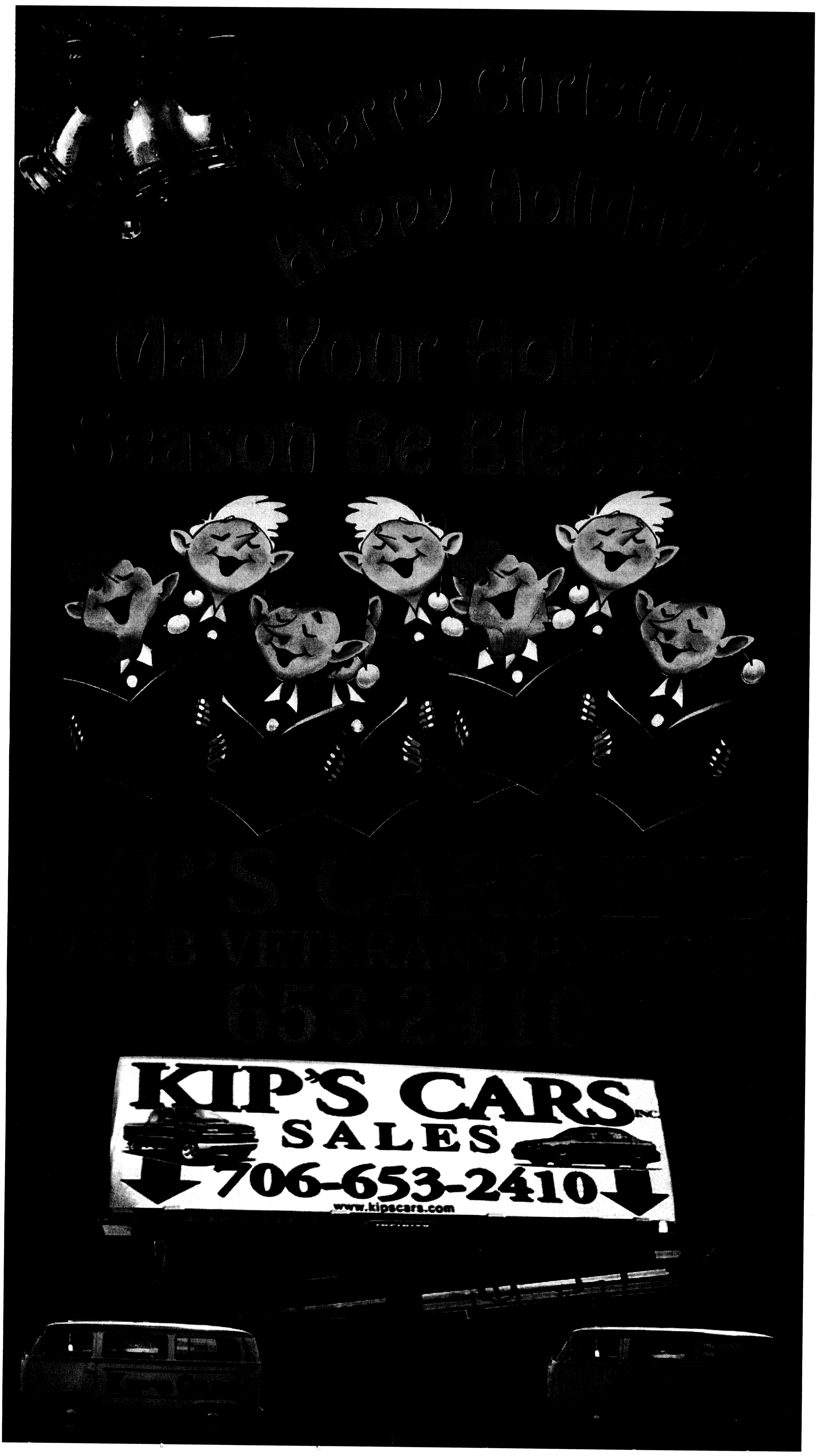
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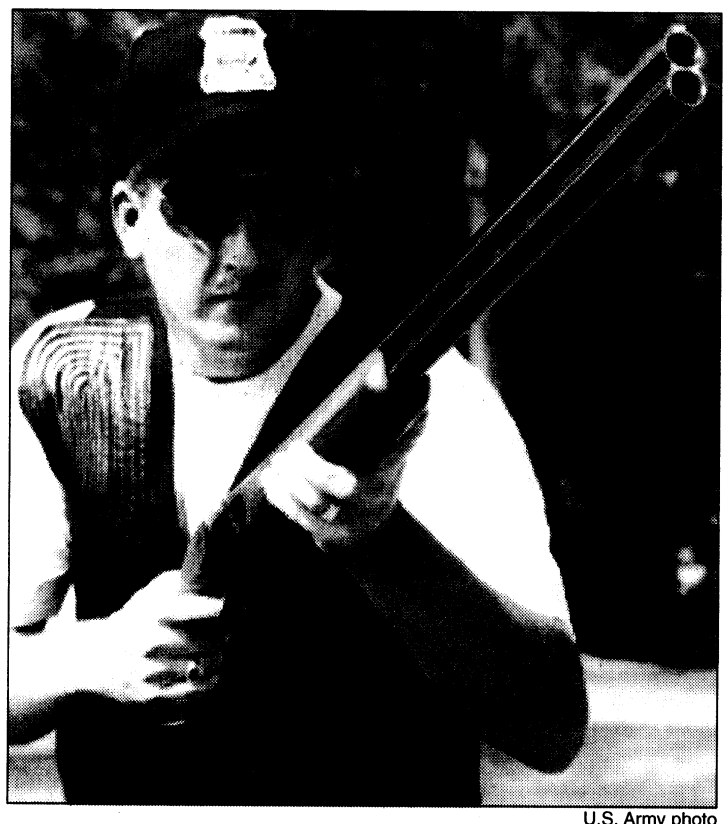

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Sgt. 1st Class Todd Graves recently was named the 2000 U.S. Army Male Athlete of the Year.

AMU shooter named Army athlete of year

Paula J. Randall Pagan
USAMU Public Affairs Office

First he won an Olympic Bronze Medal in Sydney in September. Then he was congratulated by President Bill Clinton who shook his hand at the White House in November. Now, the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Soldier has been named as the 2000 U.S. Army Male Athlete of the Year.

Army shotgun shooter Sgt. 1st Class James Todd Graves will go to Washington, D.C., in January to receive his U.S. Army Athlete of the Year Award at the Pride of the Nation Ceremony, hosted by the U.S. Military Sports Association.

"It is quite an honor to be the Army Athlete of the Year," Graves said. "I owe everything to the Army. If it wasn't for the Army, I couldn't have accomplished what I have. It would have been really hard to make it to the Olympics without the Army Marksmanship Unit. I'm proud to wear the green uniform."

In Sydney, Graves was not only the sole U.S. military athlete to win an Olympic Medal, but he also became the first U.S. men's skeet shooter since 1984 to win an Olympic Medal. Since the Olympics, Graves has been the grand marshal of two Christmas parades, cut a ribbon to open a state fair, was honored in the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and met with Army and Defense chiefs at the Pentagon.

"Meeting the secretary of Defense was great; he was a real likeable guy," Graves said. "The trip to the White House was also a very nice experience. A whole lot of people don't get to meet the commander-in-chief. It was a wonderful feeling to shake the president's hand."

A three-time Olympian, Graves finished 12th in Skeet at the 1996 Olympics and placed seventh in Skeet and 24th in Trap at the 1992 Games.

"In 1992, I was proud to be the first shooter ever to make the Olympic Team in Trap and Skeet. Although I didn't win, I was overwhelmed with pride to be at that level," Graves said. "In 1996, I was excited to shoot on my home turf at the Games in Atlanta; it was a learning experience that definitely helped me in Sydney."

Graves started shooting when he was just a small boy growing up in Laurel, Miss., with his father, James, and his mother, Tommie. One day when he was about 10 years old, he and his father saw a group of people shooting a trap tournament in a field near their home.

At his request, Graves' father let him shoot in the match. When the youngster took third place, little did he know it would start him in a career that would make him a three-time Olympian, an Olympic Bronze Medal winner and the 2000 Army Athlete of the Year.

Graves went on to coach trap shooting and had an offshore rigger job after he graduated from West Jones High School of Laurel in 1982.

Because of his shooting ability, he made a name for himself in the shotgun shooting community.

After he beat one of the USAMU shooters at his father's gun club, Graves was approached by the Marksmanship Unit about joining the Army. One day when he missed the boat to his

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Last minute score key to Eagles victory

203 FSB wins intramural flag football tourney

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

The Eagles soared above Rough Town, 13-6, to claim the title in the post intramural flag football championship game Dec. 14 on Engineer Field.

The game-winning touchdown came with only minutes left on the clock when Eagles' Donald Stray intercepted a pass from Rough Town's quarterback Darrin January.

Both the Eagles, from B Co., 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade, and Rough Town, from 598th Maintenance Company, 36th Engineer Group, entered the finals undefeated in the tournament.

Neither team gained much ground in the muddy seesaw battle of the gridiron during the first half.

Then with only minutes remaining in the first half, Rough Town safety Darrin January intercepted the ball in the Eagles end zone and ran out just beyond the end zone line.

Although Rough Town tried to run the ball out, the tough Eagles' defense kept them at bay and nearly scored two safetys back-to-back.

With one last effort, Rough Town ran the ball out of the end zone as time expired.



Pfc. Mark Watson

Rough Town's Kelvin Lang breaks through Eagles defenders on his way downfield. The Eagles' tough defense beat Rough Town 13-6 to earn the post intramural flag football championship title.

"We should have two safeties," Eagles' center Milton Johnson said during the half-time break in play. "It definitely is a defensive battle. But I think we will overcome. We have a better offense."

An injured Rough Town player, Gary Washington, who was sidelined during the previous game when a player landed on his ankle, watched the game and supported his teammates.

"We are holding them," Washington said. "I think the defense will win the game for us. We just need to hold tight."

As the second half began, January intercepted the ball again snuffing an Eagles' scoring opportunity.

On the next Eagles' drive, Rough Town intercepted the ball for the third time of the game and ran to scoring position.

On the next play, Rough Town ran the ball up the left side and finally scored six points. The extra point attempt failed.

Within minutes, the Eagles answered back when Jimmie Gribson caught the ball and ran more than 40 yards for the score.

With the game tied at six, Rough Town regained control, but on their opening play, Eagles' Stray stepped up and intercepted the ball leaving Rough Town baffled and the Eagles ahead when he ran the ball in for the score.

"They've been throwing short passes all day," Stray said. "I've been waiting for one, and when I saw it coming I just jumped the coverage, and the rest is

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Fort Benning brothers earn 2000 All Bi-City Cross Country team slots

Sally Shutt
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Two pairs of Fort Benning brothers — Columbus High School teammates — were named to the 2000 All Bi-City Cross Country team.

Dan and Paddy Ferriter and Bobby and Joey Fix earned their spots on the team after leading Columbus High to a third-place finish in the state this year.

Cross country is one of the largest sports at the high school, with 65 boys and girls participating.

"That's equal to the football team," said Randy Whitt, cross country coach.

Whitt thinks having brothers on the team is a definite plus.

"You can always find someone to run with, and that makes all the difference in the world," he said.

As for sibling rivalry, Whitt noticed only the positive aspect of older brothers encouraging the younger ones, who aspire to do as well as the more experienced runners.

"It's great having a brother so close in age to me and one who is such a good athlete," Dan Ferriter, an 18-year-old senior, said. "Paddy really pushes me to get out there. He's a workaholic who loves to train any chance he gets. Without him, I don't know where I would be sportswise."

This is the fourth time Dan has made All Bi-City — three times for cross country and once for soccer.

He spent most of the season supporting his teammates from the sidelines due to a stress fracture in his foot, but proved himself in the four races he did run.

"It was reassuring to me that I could still run, that I still had it after being injured," Dan said.

Cross country races are 3.1 miles long, and Dan's personal best is 15:51.

Soccer, however, will be the sport he plays in college, either for Davidson College in North Carolina or Vanderbilt University in Tennessee.

Younger brother Paddy Ferriter, a junior, finished 15th in the Class AAAA this year.

Cross country appeals to Paddy because a race often comes down to "who wants it more," he said.

"If you work hard and are in

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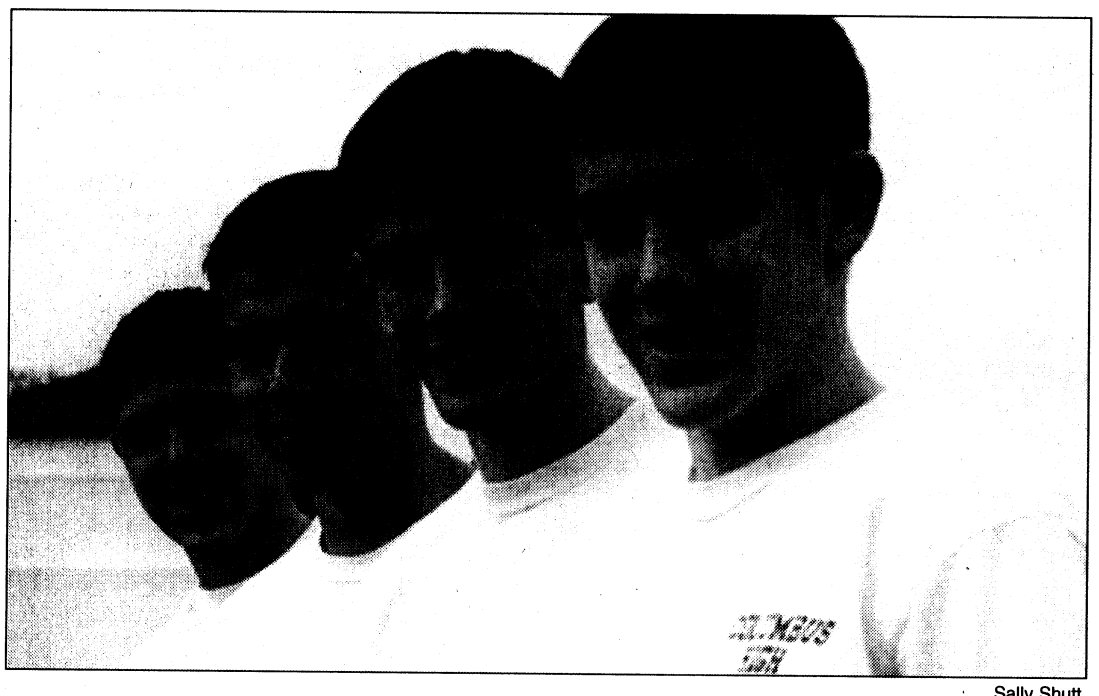

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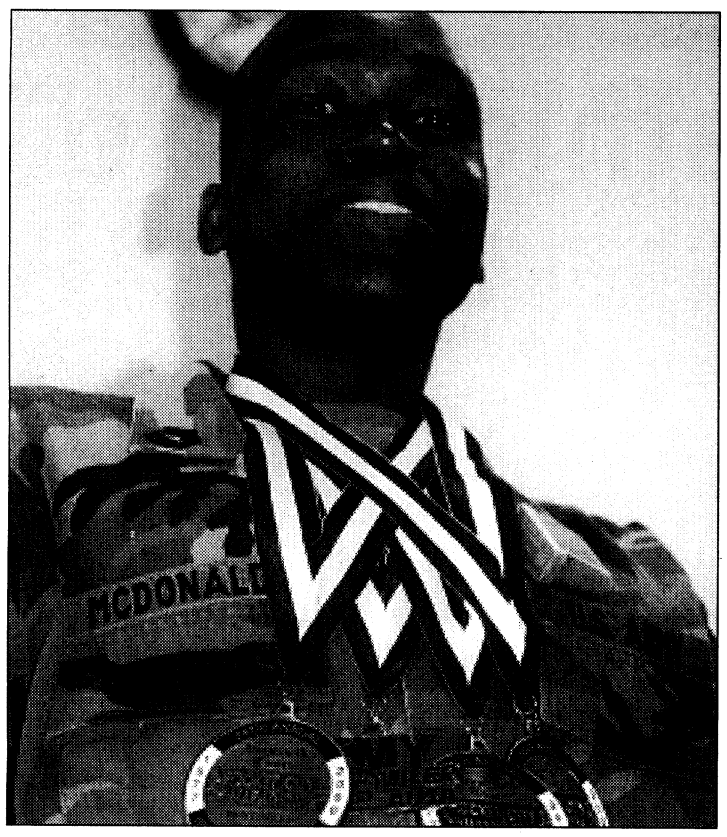
(Left to right) Joey Fix, Bobby Fix, Dan Ferriter and Paddy Ferriter are All Bi-City cross country runners for Columbus High School.

Master sergeant runs to new heights



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Master Sgt. Lloyd McDonald Jr. placed sixth in his division at the Huntsville, Ala., marathon.

45-year-old Soldier qualifies for April 16 Boston Marathon

Pfc. Mark Watson
Bayonet staff

Imagine traveling 26 miles. Now picture yourself running that distance.

Master Sgt. Lloyd McDonald Jr. can and does just for fun.

Recently the 45-year-old ran in the Huntsville Marathon where he took sixth place in the masters division running the 26.2-mile course in 2:48:34.

His ranking qualifies him for the Boston Marathon April 16.

"My time was a very good time," McDonald said. "It will get me a good seed in the Boston Marathon."

Although the seasoned runner has always been athletic, he said he never competed until nearly 20 years ago.

"I never really ran till 1981 when my battalion commander at the time, Lt. Col. James D. George, challenged me to run a five miler to represent the battalion," said McDonald, Infantry Training Brigade's supply NCOIC. "After that the rest was history. That was the encouragement that got me going."

More than racing, McDonald said running is a time for him to think and reflect on life.

"Running brings things into focus," he said. "You can think about your goals in life, what you would like to achieve in life ... and you can set goals along the way.

"I do a lot of praying out there," he said. "A lot of praying and a lot of thinking."

The time to reflect helps him overcome the painful miles.

"Last year I ran the marathon in Huntsville in three hours and 15 minutes and almost fell," he said. "It was a really hard race the whole time. Some races are hard and some you go into and say 'man I feel really good.' This last race was one of those.

"I averaged about 6:24 per mile," he said. "The only time I really felt severe fatigue in this race was like mile 23."

Usually, "after you pass mile 20, that's where the wall comes in," he said. "You have to tell your body to endure the pain because the finish line is coming up."

Now in a recovery phase, McDonald cut back his daily run from 70-75 miles each week to 4-6 miles each day. He also took a PT test on "tired legs."

"I ran an 11:47 this morning on tired legs," McDonald said. "I've run a 9:28 before, but I still haven't fully recovered."

McDonald said his chain of command supports his running, and in return he gives them his very best.

"He is an executer. If something needs to be done he doesn't ask if it needs to be done he just does it," said Chief Warrant Officer Jeanettee Calderon, ITB's supply officer. "He is an outstanding NCO.

"Since I am new here he points me in the right direction," Calderon said. "He is great to work with."

She added if someone mentions running McDonald immediately is interested.

"He gets excited just talking about running," she said. "A lot of the younger guys look up to him. He does things they can't."

McDonald's passion for running can be seen in many of his activities.

"I hope I can run till the day I die," McDonald said. "I love to run. Running helps me to be all that I can be as a person. If there ever is a day I can't run, I hope and pray that I can walk."

Shooter: Earns 2000 Army Male Athlete of the Year

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offshore rigger job, he decided it was fate, and left his rigger's position behind to join the Army's elite shooting team.

Graves enlisted in the Army in January 1984 and was assigned to the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit after he completed Basic and Infantry Training at Fort Benning. In 1990, he was assigned as a team leader with the 20th Infantry Regiment in Korea and then returned to the Marksmanship Unit in 1991.

Since he joined the Army, Graves has had quite an impressive shooting career. He has won medals in every major shooting match in the world and was the 1997 U.S. Olympic Committee Shooter of the Year. Not only does Graves shoot skeet well, but he also excels in trap and double trap, having won medals in all three in Interservice and National Championships as well as at World Cups.

USAMU shotgun shooter Sgt. 1st Class Theresa E. DeWitt, a 1996 Olympian in Double Trap, said that she is amazed that Graves shoots all three Olympic shotgun sports so well.

"I can't imagine having to shoot all three well," DeWitt said. "It's draining enough to put 100 percent into one sport. But when you have to put forth 300 percent effort for three sports, that's an incredible achievement."

Graves is the best skeet shooter in the country and one of the top three in the world, said Sgt. 1st Class Bret E. Erickson, USAMU 1996 Olympic Trap shooter. Erickson and Graves, who both competed in the 1992 and 1996 Olympics, have been shooting together at the Army Marksmanship Unit for more than a decade together and are the best of friends.

"We're all like one big happy family here," Graves said. "I feel like I owe everything to my Mom and Dad who got me started, my coach Burl Branham who contributed a lot to my success, Bret, who's always there for me when something goes wrong, my wife, who is very supportive, and the Army, which gets most of the credit."

"Todd is one of the best international shotgun shooters in the world, and he's also a good Soldier," Branham said. "At one time or another, he has beaten the best in the world — all the Olympic Medalists — so his chances of winning at the Olympics were very good. I was very confident about Todd getting a medal; he did a tremendous job."

"It's a great feeling to win an Olympic Medal," Graves said. "I wish everybody from the Army Marksmanship Unit could have won a medal.

"I'd like to go back to where it all started, in Athens, Greece, in 2004 to win the Gold. Ascension to perfection is an ongoing struggle, but I'm going in the right direction."

He and his wife, Tracy, live in Cusseta, Ga., with their two children, James, 11, and Cody, 9. In his spare time, Graves likes to hunt, fish and coach Little League; he also performs trick-shooting demonstrations for charity, helps Boys Scouts earn their Marksmanship Badges and conducts gun safety classes for youth groups.

The 37-year-old Infantryman said he's going to stay in the Army "as long as they let me."

"All my goals have been fulfilled, except one — Olympic Gold," Graves said.

"Not very many people get it, but as long as I can, I'll keep trying."

Eagles: Soar above Rough Town for 13-6 victory

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history."

With the extra point the Eagles led 13-6 with only a minute remaining in the hard fought game.

With the ball under their control again, Rough Town's January hurled the ball 50 yards down field to cornerback Kelvin Lang who was stripped of his flags.

Although the pass got the team within scoring distance, they turned over the ball and then time ran out before either team could score again.

Rough Town players said there were several factors that contributed to their loss.

"Our defense slipped on a couple plays when we should have stopped them," Lang said.

While the game started slowly for both teams, Eagles' Stray said their defense is what kept them alive.

"We didn't excel on our offense," Stray said. But, "We really played tough defense. It feels good to be a winner."

The battle for third and fourth place took place earlier in the day when 3rd Bn. 75th Ranger Regiment, toppled A Co., 1st Bn., 11th Inf. Regt., 36-6.

Youths: Make top team

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shape, it really shows when you are out there running and doing what you have to do. In the end, it often comes down to a guts race," he said.

Paddy was named to last year's All Bi-City team for both cross country and soccer.

Both Ferriters play club soccer with the Atlanta Football Club's Lighting Soccer Club, which means a two-hour drive to Fayetteville, Ga., several nights a week.

Their mother, Margie, is there to drive so her sons can study, eat and sleep during the four-hour commute.

"She's the real hero here," Dan said. "In addition to everything else she does, she keeps up with all of us and makes sure we do our homework."

The Ferriters' older sister, Meghan, plays soccer for Davidson, and 13-year-old Mary Whitney's soccer team just won the state title for the club soccer league.

Bobby, 17, and Joey Fix, 15, live just around the corner from their teammates.

"It really helps if you ever forget something or need a ride home," Bobby said.

The boys' mother, Deborah, ran at West Point, and Bobby hopes to follow in her footsteps this fall when he arrives at the U.S. Military Academy and tries out for the team.

Bobby, who made the All Bi-City team last year, finished second in the state Class AAAA this year, and his personal best time is 15:36.

For a young man who admits he spent a lot of time in front of the computer while his family was stationed in Alaska, Bobby ran every day this summer, averaging almost 50 miles a week. He will run track starting in February for Columbus.

At 6 feet and still growing, Joey also plays basketball for the junior varsity team.

Bobby is the one who introduced him to cross country.

"When I was in seventh grade, my brother and his teammates encouraged me and took me under their wings," Joey said.

Sibling rivalry has never been a problem, Bobby said.

"If he starts to beat me, then there will be a rivalry," he said.

Then, he added, "By the time Joey is a senior, he will be better than me. He is 10 times better than I was as a freshman."

As for managing their academic schedules at the school, as well as practices and other activities, the brothers shrugged their shoulders.

"We stay up late, wake up early and get as much done in class as we can," Bobby said.

sports briefs

Museum marathon — The fifth annual Museum of Aviation Marathon, Half Marathon and 5K run and walk will be Jan. 20 at the Museum of Aviation in Robins Air Force Base. The marathon and half marathon kick off at 8 a.m. and the 5K begins at 8:15 a.m.

Entry fees are $30 for the marathon, $20 for the half marathon and $12 for the 5K race. People who register after Jan. 6 will be charged $3 more.

For more information, call John Hunter at 926-6686 or 922-1019.

YS accepts applications — Youth Services is now taking applications for winter basketball coaches.

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AMU seeks shooters — The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit is looking for a few good shooters who are interested in competing in pistol competitions in the summer of 2001.

No previous shooting experience is required.

Soldiers in the rank of sergeant first class and below with less than 15 years service who obtain approval from their commanders can travel to Fort Benning in May at the expense of the Marksmanship Unit to participate in the initial training.

The Soldiers are trained in advanced marksmanship skills.

Once that is complete, pistol team officials will select shooters to participate in the Interservice Championships in June at Camp Robinson, Ark., and the National Matches in July in Camp Perry, Ohio.

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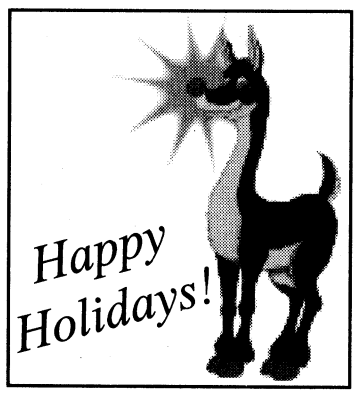

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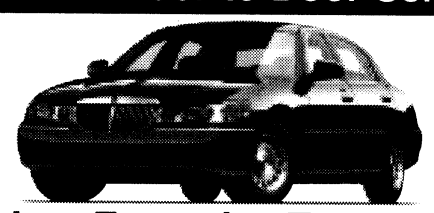

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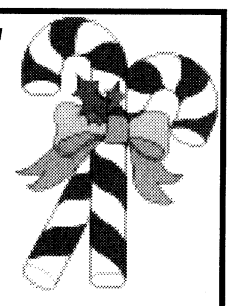

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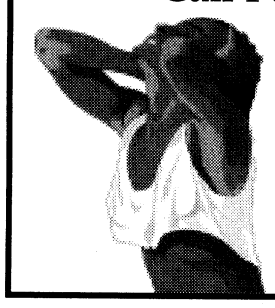

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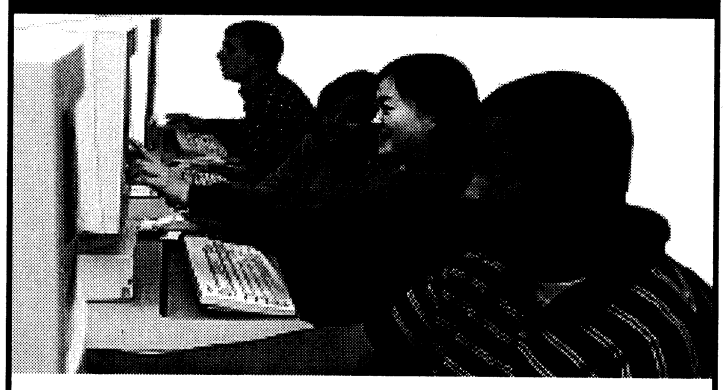

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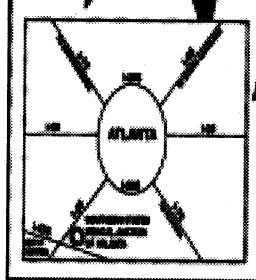

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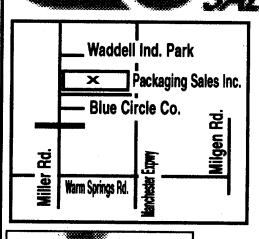

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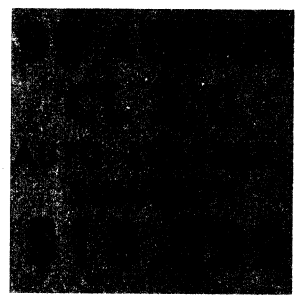

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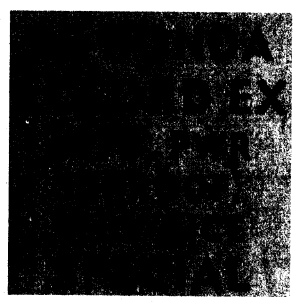

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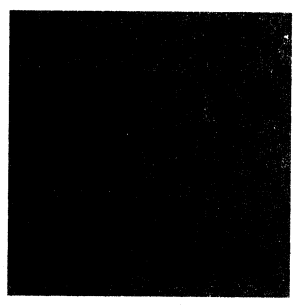

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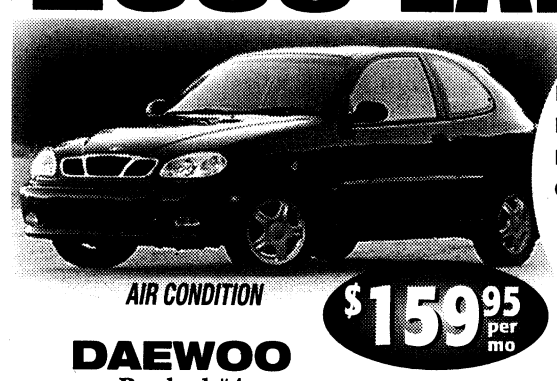

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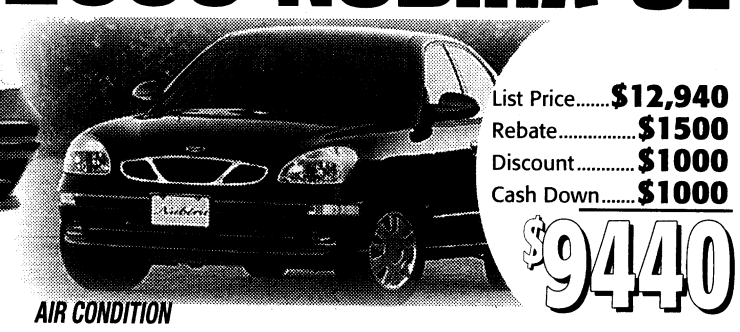

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Rebate.....$1500
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Cash Down.....$1000
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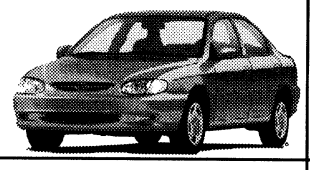

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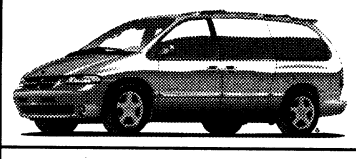

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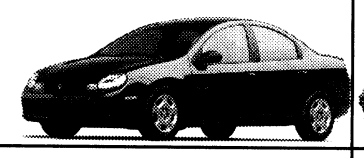

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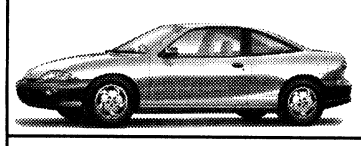

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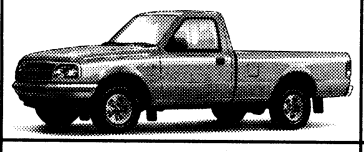

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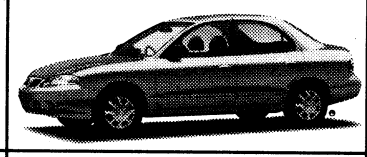

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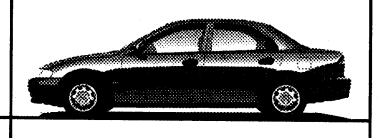

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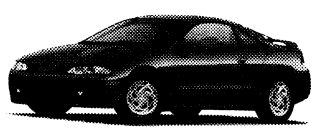

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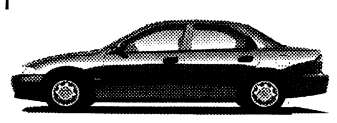

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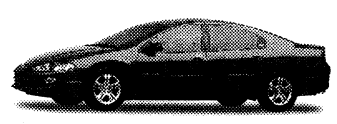

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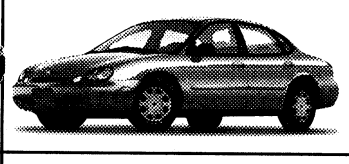

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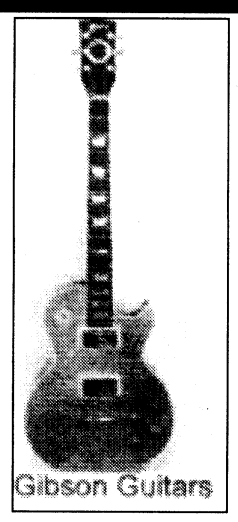

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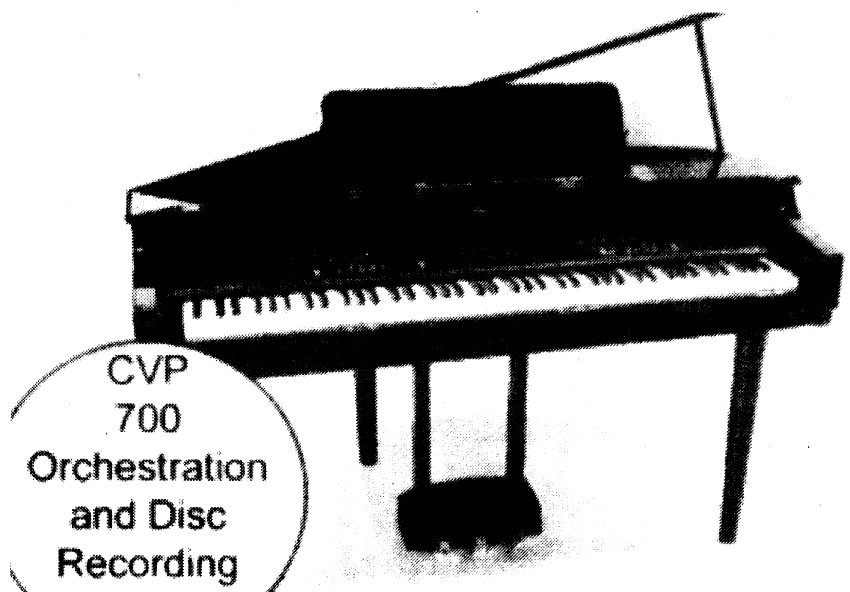

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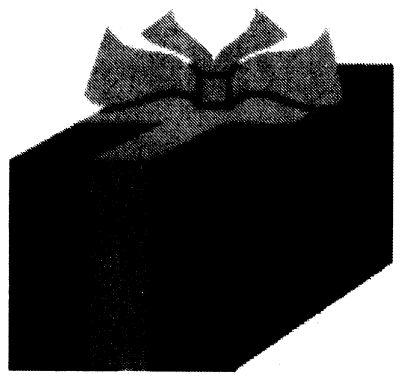

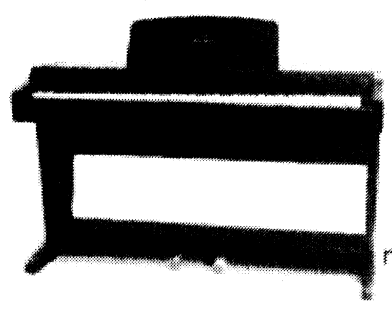

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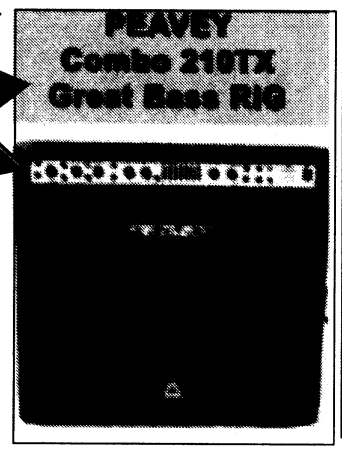

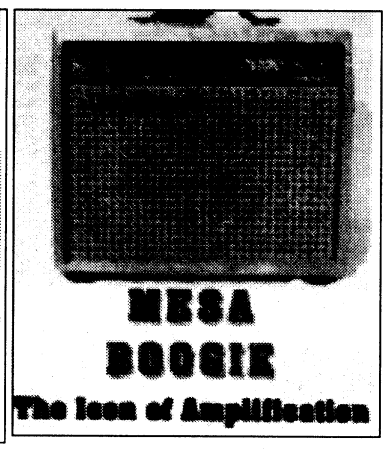

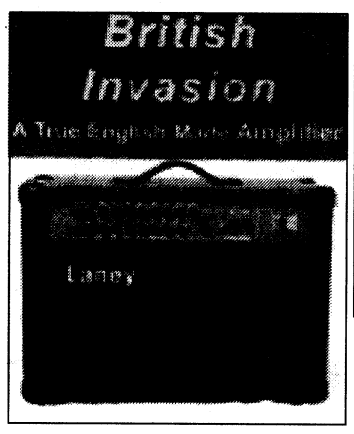

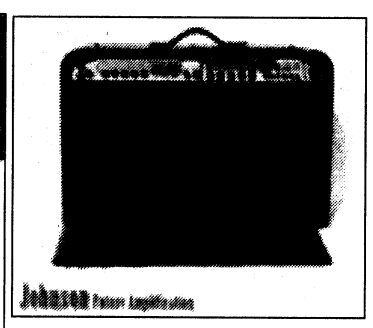

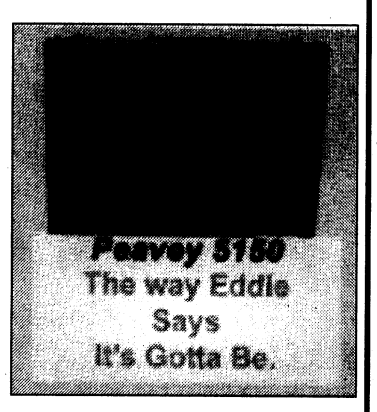

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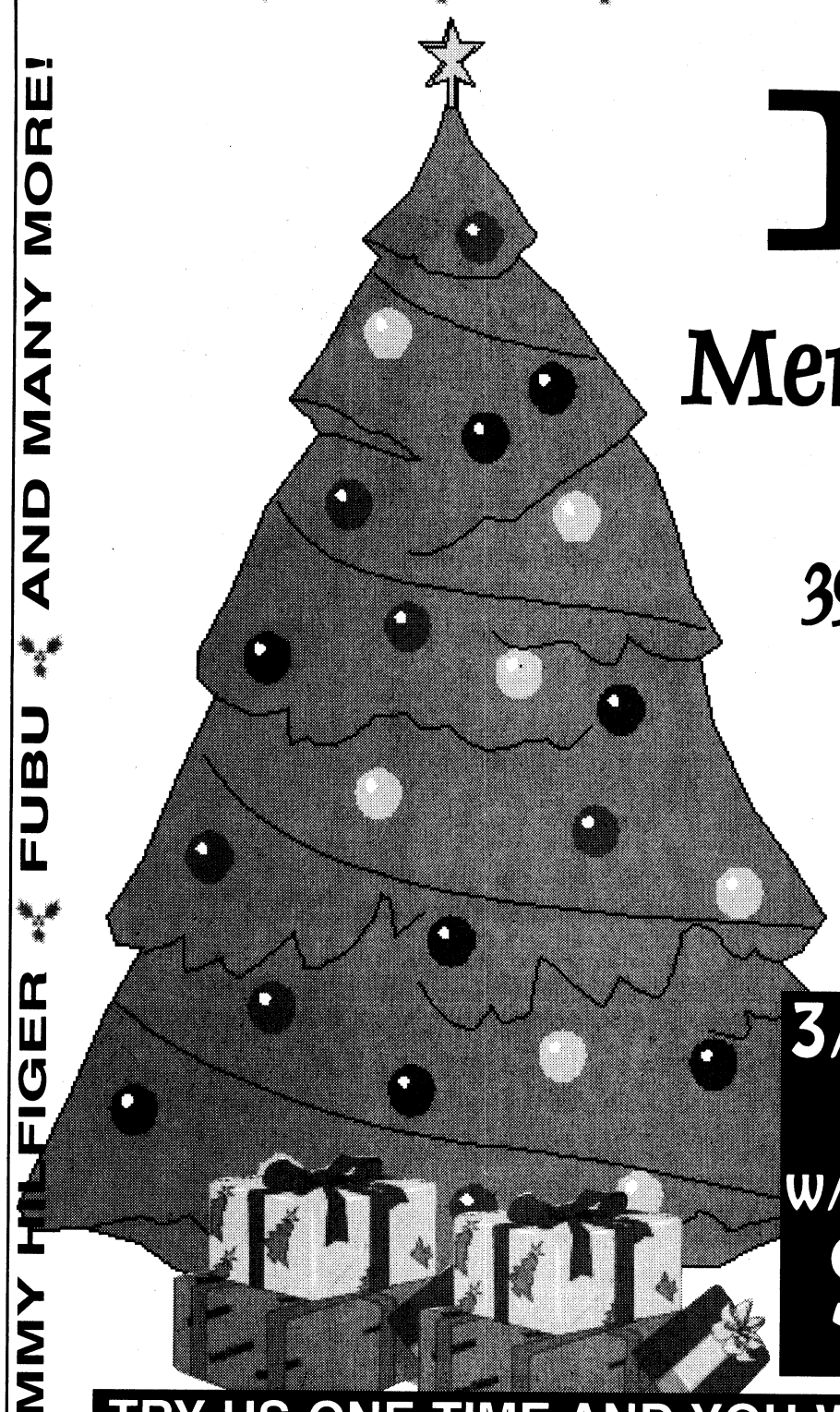

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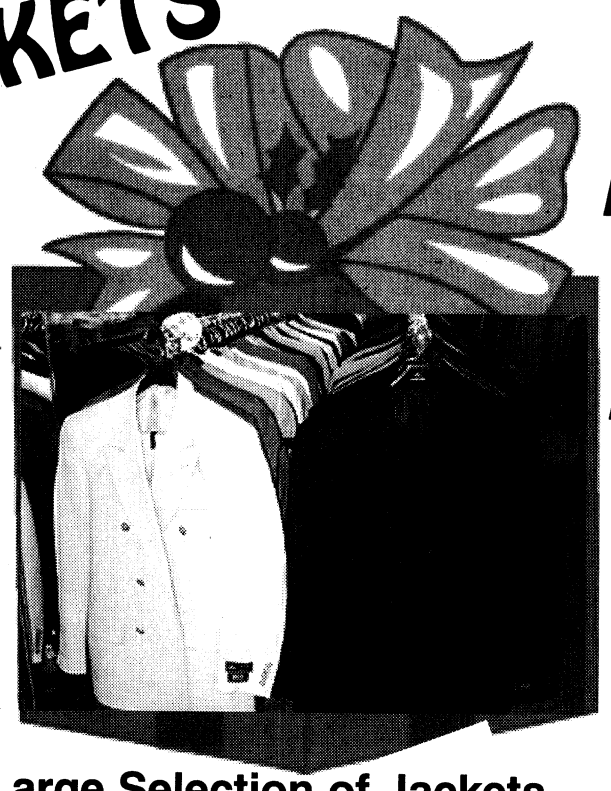

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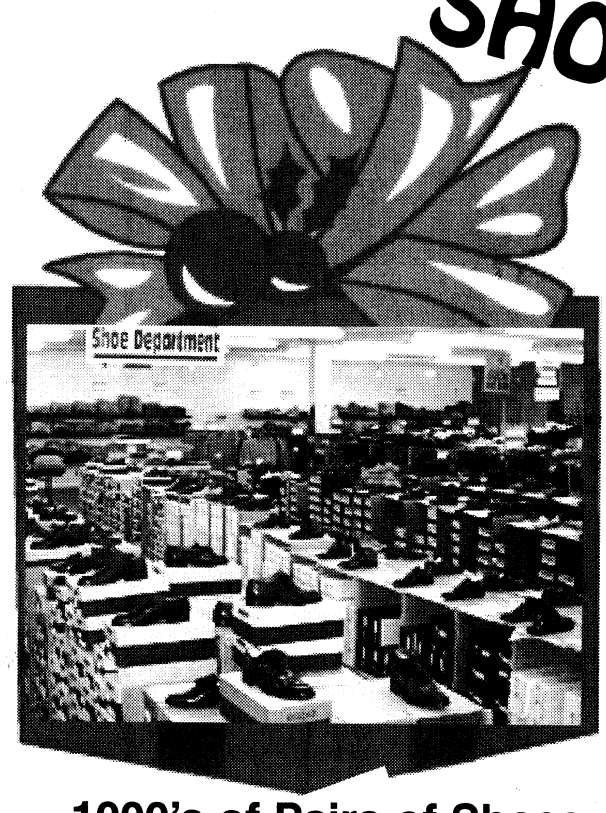

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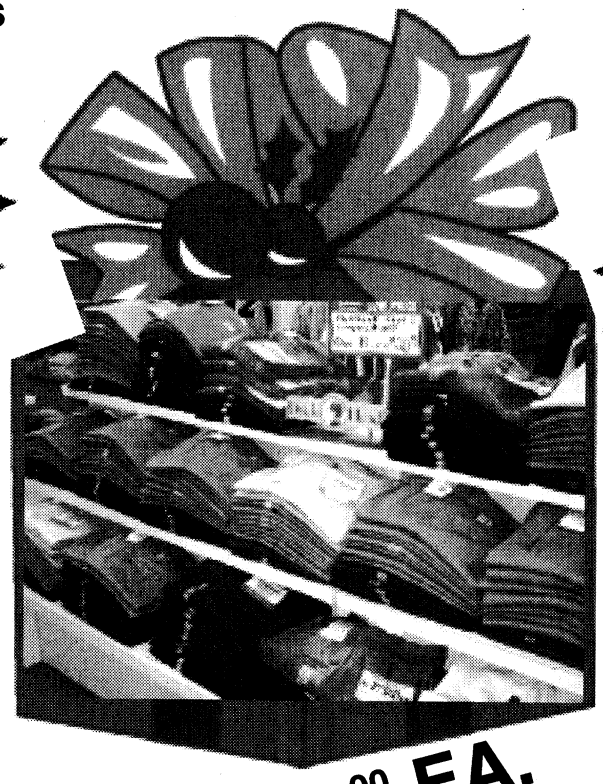

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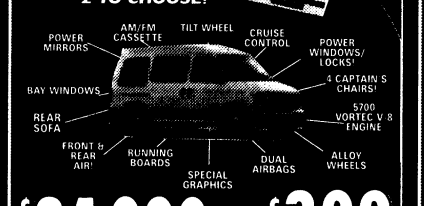

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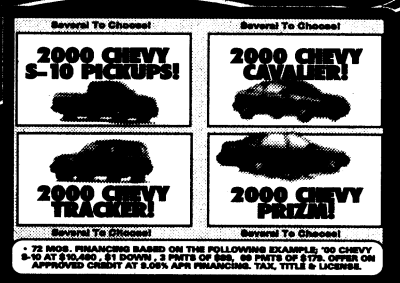

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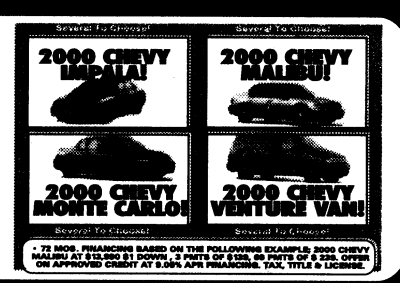

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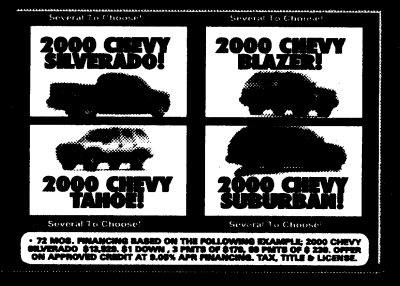

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