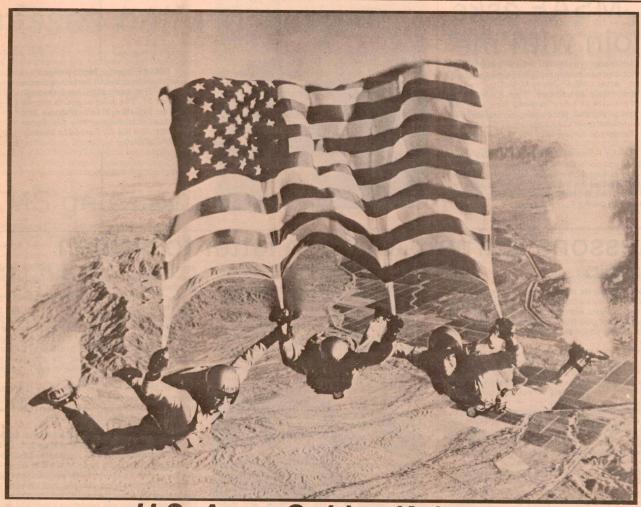
Open House features Golden Knights



U.S. Army Golden Knights

They plunge earthward at speeds reaching more than 160 miles-per-hour, sketching red

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pratterns in the sky with smoke emitted from grenades attached to their boots.

The "Golden Knights" Army Parachute Team will entertain visitors at this year's Open House, cosponsored by Pope AFB and Fort Bragg, April

The "Golden Knights" have presented more than 2,700 live parachuting demonstrations throughout the United States and around the world.

The parachutists perform more than 200 exhibitions of aerial acrobatics and precision

ree-fall techniques before an annual average audience of 10 million spectators.

In 20 years of performing, they have won more national and international honors than any other parachute team, military or civilian, in the history of sport parachuting.

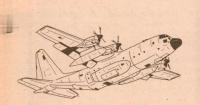
Also highlighting this year's Open House will be the "Blue Angels" Navy Flight Demonstration Team, who will perform two air shows. This aerial ballet team has performed for 34 years to

audiences around the world

Numerous aircraft will be on display including the Air Force's C-5A Galaxy, the worlds largest aircraft. The C-5 is capable of airlifting up to 214,000 pounds of cargo over trans-oceanic

A civilian fly-in is scheduled for April 12, with approximately 500 to 700 aircraft expected.

Exhibits, displays, demonstrations and refreshment stands will be available on the flightline for visitors.



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Pope AFB — We put the Air in Airborne

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CMSAF asks 'join with me'

"In recent years, Air Force people have contributed generously to the Air Force Assistance Fund," wrote CMSAF James M. McCoy in a letter to senior enlisted advisors. "I am confident this past trend will carry forward into the 1980 campaign and that, once again, our members will demonstrate their 'Committment to Caring.'

"I urge you to join with me in spreading the word"

The Air Force Assistance Fund drive began Feb. 28 and continues through March 31 with the goal of raising \$2.8 million. The three Assistant Fund Affiliates are the Air Force Aid Society, the Air Force Enlisted Men's Widows and Dependents Home and the Air Force Village.



CMSAF James McCoy signs his contribution to the Air Force Assistance Fund. The campaign runs through March 31. The fund supports the Air Force Enlisted Men's Widows and Dependents Home, the Air Force Village, and the Air Force Aid Society. (USAF photo)

Lessons learned: an open letter to airmen

By Col. Donald Post Air Force Personnnel Council

It has been six months since I sat on my first Discharge Review Board. I'd like to share a few of my experiences with you in the hope that I can stop some of you from doing something stupid --something you may regret for the rest of your lives.

Before I start, however, let me explain what the Discharge Review Board is. Simply stated, it's a board that acts for the secretary of the Air Force in reviewing less than fully honorable discharges of ex-Air Force members for possible upgrading to better type discharges.

Now that that's out of the way, let's get down to the most common and sadest story of them all. This is the one about the ex-airman who, for whatever reasons, decided he wanted out the easiest and fastest way possible and didn't matter how, even if it meant a General or an Under-Other-Than-Honorable Conditions Discharge.

Now, I'm not going to philosophize or run off at the mouth about Air Force policy. I'm giving you a composite of hundreds of real-life cases I've heard in the past half year.

The first feeling is one of elation and freedom
-- "I'm out and now I can do what I want to when I
want to do it." That feeling may be real for a week,

a month or even a year, but believe me, it doesn't last.

Regret, sorrow, shame, guilt and any number of other negative and self-destructive feelings and emotions quickly follow.

I wish you could be there with the board when we listen to people who come before us as much as 30 years after their discharge and relate their shame and sorrow. How they have hidden their discharge from their wives, children, friends and even employers, and how they live in fear that someday their loved ones may find out -- may look down on them or even turn their backs on them completely.

And believe me, this fear is justified. Others have come before us looking for absolution because their long hidden secret became known, and they did, in fact, lose jobs, friends and even family.

A very recent applicant's tale is truly heartrending. He carried his secret with him for years, burning in his gut, and finally decided to tell his two children about his discharge and the circumstances leading to it. He told them, and they haven't spoken to him since.

We've had similar situations with parents, brothers, sisters, other relatives and friends. That doesn't say much for relatives and friends,

especially at a time when the individual was looking for and needed understanding and compassion.

Another very common story we hear is, "I've been told that after six months I can get my discharge automatically upgraded to honorable."

Now, listen, because the statement I'm about to make might seem harsh, but it is absolutely true. If anyone, regardless of their position or authority tells you your discharge will be automatically upgraded in six months, a year or even 10 years, don't believe it — it's just not true.

First, there is no such thing as an automatic upgrade, and second, there is no magic minimum time involved in the upgrade process. I can't say it any more simply or straightforward.

In closing, let me give you a piece of advinte easiest thing in the world is to serve your full enlistment and receive an Honorable Discharge Certificate. You really have to work at receiving anything else. The formula for success is simple.

If you're not career-minded, just do your job satisfactorily, obey the regulations and stay out of trouble. If you are career-minded, put out a little more effort so that you can advance both professionally and personally and look back on a rewarding career. Your future is in your hands, nobody else can do it for you.





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Assistance Fund drive passes halfway point

As the 1980 Pope AFB Air Force Assistance Fund Drive passed the halfway point Monday, three base units had contributed more than 100 percent of their goal. The total base contribution as of Monday stood at \$7,189.70 for 51 percent of the \$14,000 goal.

The Airlift Center, which has a separate goal from the rest of the base has contributed \$473 for

110 percent of its goal.

The 317th Supply Squadron led the way for all base units, contributing \$1,115.50 for 141 percent of their goal. They were followed by the 317th Security Police Squadron, which has contributed

\$497, for 116 percent of the squadron's goal.

Some base units have not contributed to the campaign yet because of special fund raising projects they have planned. Included among these are; a car wash by the 317th Transportation Squadron, a bowling tournament sponsored by the consolidated base personnel office, and the "Geritol Classic," to be held this weekend.

The Pope Officers Wives Club contributed \$200 they raised at a special "goods and services mini-auction" to the fund. Other clubs and organizations are expected to contribute in the

ear future.

AMS gets new commander

Maj. Robert F. Guy became commander of the 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron Monday as Lt. Col. Harry P. Bayley departed the unit to become chief of the Logistics Division of the U.S. Air Force Airlift Center here.

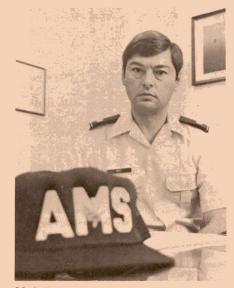
Major Guy, formerly a maintenance supervisor with the 317th Organizational Maintenance Squadron, arrived at Pope in 1978.

He is a graduate of Boston University and Officer Training School, receiving his Air Force commission in 1967. He has since earned a master's degree from Webster College and completed Air Command and Staff College and Squadron Officers School.

His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

Colonel Bayley assumed command of the 317th AMS in April, 1978. He was commissioned in the Air Force upon graduation from East lina College in 1962. He has since obtained a master's degree from East Carolina University, attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Air Command and Staff College, and Squadron Officer School.

Among his awards and decorations are the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster and the Air Force Commendation Medal



Maj. Robert F. Guy

Local happenings

Squadron holds car wash

The 317th Transportation Squadron is sponsoring a car wash Thursday at the vehicle maintenance compound, with proceeds going to the Air Force Assistance Fund.

Cars, vans and trucks will be vacuumed, washed and dried for \$1 and \$2 respectively.

Clubs offer free meal

The Pope Officers and Noncommissioned Officers Wives Clubs offer a free home-cooked meal to base airmen in the grades E-4 and below Thursday in the Recreation Center at 6 p.m.

The annual event is open to single and married airmen and their families. For more information call the Center staff at Ext. 2779.

USO sets activities

Tonight the United Service Organization, located at 333 Ray Avenue, offers Open House activities.

Tomorrow a free movie, "The Fly' starring David Hedison starts at 7 p.m.

Sunday, a free movie is offered along with disco and skate dancing. The activities start at 7 p.m.

The USO is open Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 10:30 p.m., Sunday from 2 to 10:30 p.m., and Monday telephone information is available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 483-3179.

Safety meeting set

The Pope NCO Club is hosting the monthly mandatory flight safety meeting March 26 at 3 p.m.

Western band performs

The Pope NCO Club will host a membership appreciation buffet Sunday.

Members may bring one guest free while others pay for their meal.

It's Western night Wednesday with the "Show-man", a country band from Fayetteville, and Thursday, the band, "Mellow Madness" will perform at the Club. Cover charge is \$1.

O-Club offers entertainment

The Pope Officers Club offers live entertainment tonight at 7. "Keytar", a local band, will play a variety of music.

The Club serves breakfast Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., open to all ranks.

FOD prevention efforts pay

Airman finds Golden Bolt, gets \$50 bond



Col. Charles R. Skinner, 317th Tactical Airlift Group commander offers his congratulations to SrA. Michael Winglewich of the 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron. Airman Winglewich recently found the "Golden Bolt" and was awarded a \$50 savings bond. (USAF photo by Cindy SrA. Michael Winglewich, 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron, found a "Golden Bolt" on the flightline recently and is now \$50 richer because of his efforts.

The "Golden Bolt" is a Foreign Object Damage prevention tool used by the Maintenance Quality Control shop. It came as a result of more than \$38,000 damage to 317th Tactical Airlift Wing aircraft last year because of foreign objects ingested by aircraft engines. Air Force-wide losses created by FOD last year totaled more than \$7 million.

The Quality Control people "plant" the "Golden Bolt" on the flightline periodically to keep up FOD awareness. IT is appropriately inscribed with instructions for the finder to follow and receive recognition and a \$50 savings bond.

Airman Winglewich found the object during a routing flightline police-up that his squadron was involved in.

The Monroe, Ohio native entered the Air Force in June, 1977 and received his present assignment to the 317th AMS Instrument Shop Sept. 4, 1979. Prior to coming here, he was stationed at Kadena AB, Japan.

As a member of the Instrument Shop, Airman Winglewich performs maintenance and repairs on all C-130 aircraft instruments. He works both on the flightline and inside the shop.

takes strongman title

By SSgt. Dave Skeen 317th TAW Public Affairs Office

Bodybuilding, a very demanding sport, had its rewards recently for SSgt. Billy Powell of the 317th Security Police Squadron.

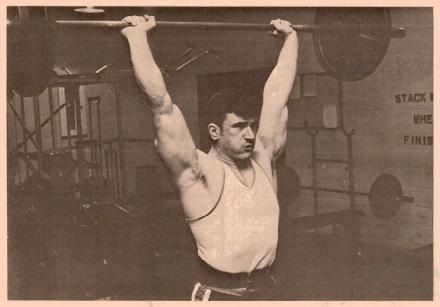
Sergeant Powell won the "Mr. Armed Forces" and "Most Muscular" titles during the Eastern Military Physique/Powerlifting Champion-ships, held at Charleston AFB, S.C., March 8.

Representatives from the Air Force, Army Navy and Marine Corps participated in the event that saw five lifters win trophies.

"This is the first time people from Pope AFB have competed in this type of contest," said Sergeant Powell. "The only one with competitive experience is me. We finished in fourth place team-wise, which I think was a good showing for our first effort," the sergeant added speaking of the team from Pope.

Sergeant Powell began bodybuilding three years ago after he had injured his knee playing football. He lifted weights to strengthen his legs to help them regain their original condition. The conditioning was so helpful and he enjoyed it so much, he continued "pumping iron.

Since that time, he has won in three other events and built himself a more than 51-inch chest, 18-inch biceps and a 28-inch waist.



The thrill of victory was sweet for SSgt. Billy Powell of the 317th Security Police Squadron when he won first place recently during the Eastern Military Physique and Powerlifting Championships held at Charleston AFB, S.C., March 8. Powell has worked out for the past three years and sports a 51 inch chest, 18 inch biceps and a 28 inch waist. (USAF photo by SSgt. Dave

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He works-out six days a week for one and a half hours, working on a different part of his body each day.

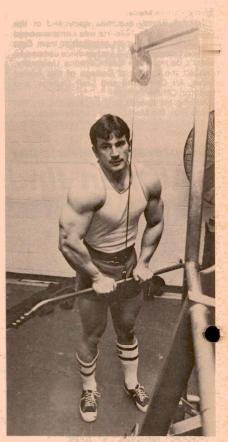
The sergeant is also the president of the Pope weightlifting team. The team currently has 65 members and 10 people on a list waiting to join.

"We had to put a limit on the number of people we could have on the team," said the sergeant. "It gets really crowded in the weight room at times and it would be impossible for everyone to be in

There are plans for the club to sponsor its own competition in June. The contest would be for novice bodybuilders only. In this event, weightlifters who have never competed before will have a chance to compete for trophies in the Bench Press and Physique divisions. It will be open to military and civilians and, according to Sergeant Powell, should be interesting for the competitors and fans alike.

In the future, Sergeant Powell plans to open a gymnasium in the Fayetteville area and promote bodybuilding.

With the success he's had and his knowledge of the sport, it seems to be a promising future for the dedicated bodybuilder.



Dedication and hard work paid off for SSgt. Billy Powell recently when he won the "Mr. Armed Forces" and "Most Muscular" titles during the Eastern Military Physique and Powerlifting Championships held at Charleston AFB, S.C., March 8. (USAF photo by SSqt. Dave Skeen)

Six-week-olds on May 1

Child Care Center starts new infant program



Being prepared is a trademark of Virginia Green, Pope's Child Care Center director, as she teaches class to her staff in readiness for the infant care program slated to start May 1. The minimum age will be six weeks and Ms. Green and her staff are ready for the change. People on Pope who need the infant care services are requested to contact Ms. Green as soon as possible to discuss details about the new program. (USAF photo by SSgt. Dave Skeen)

A new policy will be implemented by Air Force Child Care Centers May 1, when they begin caring for six-week-old infants.

The new policy resulted from a 90-day test recently conducted by Air Force officials at Kelly AFB. Texas.

According to the officials, all Air Force Child Care Centers will be able to start their infant care program, with some on a limited basis.

"We can handle a maximum of eight infants," said Virginia Green, Pope's Child Care Center director. "Thats due to the size of our building and the limited space we have. The infants must have a totally separate environment from the older children."

Pope people who need infant care on a weekly basis are asked to contact the Child Care Center as soon as possible to make advance reservations. The Center staff needs people to make reservations so they can all plan their program more effectively.

"We can still take drop-in children if space permits," Ms. Green continued. "But we need 72 hours advance notice for drop-ins."

The Center staff anticipated the minimum age to change several months ago. During that time Ms. Green instructed her staff on infant care. The staff has almost completed the course and, according to Ms. Green, are prepared and looking forward to it.

"I hope people who need our services get in touch with me now so we can discuss details about what our program offers," concluded Ms. Green. "I'll also be happy to answer any questions anyone may have about the infant care program."

Village offers relief of pressures and anguish

It's called a period of adjustment. But the pressures and anguish that a young widow ounters after the death of her husband can always be simply met. That's one reason why the Enlisted Men's Widows and Dependents Home is there. To provide a place where a person can go to find others with the same experience. To find

other members of the Air force family at a time when it matters most. Established in 1975 by a private, non-profit

Established in 1975 by a private, non-profit organization, the Widows and Dependents Home, or Teresa Village as it is also known, contains 113 apartments.

At its Fort Walton Beach, Fla., site, Teresa Village houses widows and widowers who are age 55 or older. Young widows with children are eligible to stay up to one year, allowing the widow to make plans for the future. Retired enlisted people, age 62 and older, and their spouses are also eligible.

Nominal rent is charged for Teresa Village apartments. In a number of cases this payment is subsidized on the basis of need -- with Air Force

Assistance Fund contributions.

Right now, there's a waiting list for admission, and new requests come in at the rate of four or five a day. Both facts show the Home is meeting a need.

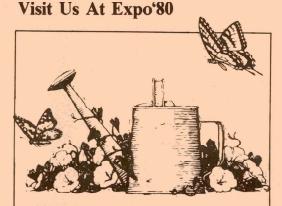
Officials are working to provide more quarters. President Carter recently approved transfer to Teresa Village of some 79 acres from near by Eglin AFB, but this is not a gift. Funds will be needed to cover the cost of the land and the projected building that will create another 100 apartments.

This money will come from the Air Force Assistance Fund drive being conducted Feb. 21 through March 30.

Campaign contributions also support the Air Force Aid Society and the Air Force Village.



Col. Tom Boe, base commander, accepts a \$200 donation from Mauverneen Smitley of the Pope Officers Wives Club. The club raised the money through their annual goods and services "mini-auction." (USAF photo by Suzun Willis)



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Care and patience is needed when changing an engine on a C-130 Hercules. This C-130 from Little Rock AFB, Ark., received an engine change by members of the 317th Field Maintenance Squadron with

assistance from the 3rd Mobile Aerial Port Squadron recently. The plane's engine wouldn't restart after landing at the Sicily Drop Zone during a mission there to off-

load troops and equipment. Working around the clock for two days, the job was completed and the Hercules was back in action. (USAF photo by Suzun Willis)

Pope crews rescue stranded Hercules

A Little Rock AFB, Ark. C-130 received some quality maintenance here recently when members of the 317th Field Maintenance Squadron and 3rd Mobile Aerial Port Squadron combined to replace an engine at the Sicily Drop Zone on Fort Bragg.

The crews worked around the clock from Monday morning to Tuesday midnight to complete

the job and get the Hercules back in action.

The aircraft arrived at Pope to participate in a mission at the Sicily Drop Zone. It landed there to off-load troops and equipment. The pilot couldn't get the engine restarted and Pope was called for help.

"The engine was newly installed before it left

Little Rock," said MSgt. William Mariotti, NCOIC of the Engine Dispatch Section, who was in charge of the operation. "It had about 7.5 flying hours on it and was on its first mission."

"At first we thought it was the speed switch. We changed it but the engine still wouldn't start. So we checked the fuel control, and then noticed no oil pressure indication. When we checked further, we found a bearing in the accessory case was bad causing a loss of power to the accessories. The only alternative was to replace the engine there."

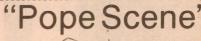
Getting the 3rd MAPS to assist by hauling and handling the equipment, was the first thing Sergeant Mariotti had to do. They also handled the crane used to hoist the engine up to the wing.

Quite a few sleepless hours later, the new engine was mounted and the aircraft ready, thanks to some hard-working Pope people.



It was a long slow process but the job was completed as members of the 317th Field Maintenance Squadron and 3rd Mobile Aerial Port Squadron make final adjustments to a C-130 engine. The Pope crews changed the engine due to a bad bearing in the accessory case when the Little Rock AFB,

Ark., bird landed at the Sicily Drop Zone to off-load troops and equipment and wouldn't restart. The men worked around the clock for two days to finish the job and get the Hercules back in action. (USAF photo by Suzun Willis)





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high-quality recruits this year.

Seven of these recruiters, people whose performance earned them the title best-of-theyear, have been named as the Top Recruiting Team of the Year. Ceremonies in Washington and New York will honor them in the joint recognition program sponsored by the Air Force and the Air Force Association.

The top seven are impressive -- collectively and individually. Five are active-duty members The other two are from the Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserve.

Asked about the secret of his success, TSgt. James B. Mamone, 3552nd Recruiting Squadron, in Parkersburg, W. Va., said, "Oh Lord, I don't know. I guess it's just being flat honest with people."

Correspondence course replaces 9-level exam

Master sergeants will not be required to take the U.S. Air Force nine skill-level upgrade examinations after this month.

Instead, they will be required to successfully complete the Senior NCO Academy correspondence course before they can be awarded the level as a primary, second, third or fourth Air orce specialty.

Master sergeants desiring to take the 9-level exam should do so before the end of the month. After that it will no longer be available -- except by waivers granted from the Air Force Manpower and Personnel Center -- and completion of the correspondence course will be mandatory

The correspondence course is more comprehensive than the exam, and the course is completed by the vast majority of master ser-

The change has no effect on promotion eligibility as possession of the 9-level is not required for selection for promotion.

Current policy allows only senior and chief master sergeants and senior master sergeants selectees to attend the Senior NCO Academy in

The changes is expected to reach the field in June when Change 2 to Air Force Regulation 35-1, "Airmen Classification Regulation," is distributed.

Guard's Top Recruiter, now in Toledo, Ohio, said, "First, I have an overwhelming desire to serve. Second, I try to have the patience and the courage to survive any unpleasant thing, and third, I have the ability to enjoy whatever I'd doing."

One of the unpleasant things German-born

Sergeant Siebert survived was his escape from

Communist East Germany in 1953.

A former soldier, the Air National Guard's Top Recruiter, like two others on the team, was in another service before joining the Air Force.

And like many on the team, he frequently sees

workdays that begin before 5 a.m.
Sgt. Clark E. Jarrett, a recruiter with the 3534th Recruiting Squadron who works in Granite City, III., said, "It's not the kind of job a lot of people think it is, sitting around with your feet on your desk. It's like being on a police force. When you have to go, you go.

Previously in the Navy, now assigned to Travis AFB, Calif., MSgt. Ruth Webb-Fuchs agreed. "Liking it is the only way you can do it. Usually I'm in the office at 7:00 until 7:00, depending on the need. An average week is 50 to 55 hours." Sergeant Webb-Fuchs used her "average" weeks last year to earn the title of Top Recruiter in the Air Force Reserve.

Legal students get JA assignments

The Air Force judge advocate general's office has announced a joint program with the Air Force Reserve Office Training Corps to assure judge advocate assignments to law students who complete the new graduate law program.

The program is open to law students enrolled at any American Bar Association-approved law school that has an Air Force ROTC program available.

Students must have two academic years of study remaining on campus when they enter the program. They must also meet the Air Force ROTC eligibility requirements outlined in Air Force Regulation 45-48.

Applications may be made at Air Force ROTC detachments and will be accepted until April 15. Selection will be made by the judge advocate general after recommendation of a selection

Successful applicants will attend an Air Force ROTC summer field-training encampment and may begin the program the following fall by entering the ROTC professional officer corps.

Upon graduation from law school and completion of legal licensing requirements, they will be called to extended active duty as judge advocates. Application details are outlined in

The ability to work one on one is the key that explains the group's success. "I can relate with people," said SSgt. Henry R. Daniels, a 3566th Recruiting Squadron recruiter working out of Sacramento, Calif. "It's easy for me to talk to young people.

TSgt. George W. Richards, Pensacola, Fla. recruiter for the 3531st Recruiting Squadron, said, "The hardest part of the job is when I'm out with the family. I can't resist recruiting some young person I meet when I see he doesn't like his

(present) job.

When winning is the topic, a competitive spirit emerges from all in the group. TSgt. Thomas D. Fluent, a former Marine who now recruits with the 3541st Recruiting Squadron in Kansas City, Mo., is typical.

"I enjoy the limelight," he said. "My friends tell me that I work 364 days just to go to a banquet on the 365th.

Sergeant Fluent admits "you have to sacrifice a lot of time," to be good at a job like his, but claims, "I love recruiting, that's number one."
What else motivates them? "I believe in the Air

Force, " said Sergeant Jarrett. "There are a lot of people who are not getting anywhere. It is a chance for a lot of young people to get the tools they need to compete in the working world.

Noncoms asked to forego retirement

Several Pope noncommissioned officers may be asked to forego retirement and remain in the Air Force longer because of plans to offer some holding critical skills the opportunity to remain on active duty an additional two years beyond their mandatory retirement dates.

Air Force Manpower and Personnel Center officials said some retiring as early as April may be given the opportunity to extend their enlistments under an extended high-year-of-tenure

The new policy is expected to help raise experience levels in the enlisted force. At the same time, continuing the high-year-of-tenure rule outside the controlled extensions will insure proper promotion opportunities and help reduce staffing imbalances.

Staff through master sergeants who are affected will normally be notified two years prior to their high-year-of-tenure date that they will be considered for voluntary continuation.

However, due to the short lead time for those scheduled to retire this year, earlier notification was not possible. Those selected will be notified by the base personnel office.

Noncommissioned officers approaching their high-year-of-tenure service dates in 1982 will be identified this July for voluntary extensions.

The final decision on extensions does not rest with the Air Force Manpower and Personnel Center. The Center will identify people in shortage skills but each major command will screen, select and notify those selected for voluntary retention.

Veterans Administration explains benefits

Many people getting out of the Air Force now were the last ones entitled to full Veterans Administration benefits when they entered the service. However, many of these same people do not know where to get the information they need

on their rights and benefits.

The VA Office is the best place to go. They can answer all types of questions, including the ones they have prepared below:

Q. -In buying a house, can closing costs be included in the amount of money the government guarantees on a GI home loan?

A. -No. All such costs must be paid in cash. Q. -How long after the death of a veteran does a survivor have to request a burial allowance from the VA?

A. - The claim must be filed within two years after the permanent burial or cremation. This may be done at the nearest VA benefits office.

Q. - People just entering military service are

no longer eligible for GI Bill education. Is there another education plan for them?

A. - The Post-Vietnam Era Veteran's Educational Asistance Program was started when the GI Bill expired. New service members entering on active duty on or after January 1, 1977, may participate. Under this plan, the member contributes to a special training fund each month while in service. The government later contributes \$2 for each \$1 invested. Both the VA and the Education Office have full details.

Q. - Does the VA provide job-finding assistance for veterans?

A. - The VA provides information about job marts, on-the-job, and apprenticieship training opportunities, plus other employment information, through all VA regional offices.

Q - I was notified that I was entitled to VA compensation about a year ago and I waived a portion of my retired pay. Will I be taxed the full amount of retired pay for the past year?

A. - No. You will be taxed only on the retired pay that exceeds the compensation to which you were entitled.

Q. - If a veteran purchases a home under the GI Bill and sells it, can he or she obtain another GI

Yes. A veteran or service member may qualify for restoration of loan guaranty entitlement if the VA has been relieved of liability on the previous loan. VA is relieved of liability when the loan is paid in full and the property has been disposed of through sale. Eligibility may also be restored when another veteran agrees to substitute his or her entitlement for that of the original veteran buyer

Q. -May a veteran in school under the GI Bill re-enroll in a subject for which he or she has previously received a failing grade and still receive VA benefits?

A. - Yes, provided overall progress requirements are met

Base improvements save money, energy and environment

By SrA. Bob E. Tobias 317th TAW Public Affairs Office

Saving energy, the environment, and more than \$3,000 a month are just a few benefits reaped by the base upon completion of an improved fuel and oil waste handling system.

These improvements, which took 18 months to complete, included the construction of a new storage area, finding new ways of using the wastes, and improved methods of waste segregation. The changes will enable the government to get an increased return from the wastes and will help Pope AFB comply with new hazardous waste regulations expected to be issued soon by the Environmental Protection Agency

One major improvement occurred at the waste oil storage area located behind the 317th Field Maintenance Squadron's Engine Test Cell. A team of builders from the 317th Civil Engineering Squadron poured concrete slabs and built concrete boxes around the fill pipes of the existing oil storage tanks. They also installed an oil-water separator, a drainage pit, and a fence before grading the hill to prevent a water build-up.

The oil storage area is operated by the 317th CES. The Civil Engineers are responsible for insuring the right material goes into the right tank and that drums of waste are properly This area is currently open from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m., on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Units needing to empy waste containers during other times can call the Engineer Service Call Desk at Ext. 2568 for emergency service.

Segregation and use of these wastes was the second area where improvements were made. A new burner, installed near the aircraft wash rack, uses JP-4 jet fuel as a heating source. Previously, the only local use for contaminated JP-4 was for fire-fighting training by the base fire department.

All contaminated oil (engine, hydraulic and synthetic) is transported to Fort Bragg and burned in the 82nd Airborne Division's heating plant, the oil is burned for fuel, creating enough heat while still meeting federal air emissions standards. Savings to the government from using these wastes in this manner amount to more than \$3,000 a month.

Major improvements have also been made in the segregation and collection of these waste products. The 317th CES has engineers working with units that use fuels and oil to ensure that every bit of it is collected.

When the new EPA regulations take effect, all hazardous wastes that cannot be burned, sold, or recycled must be shipped to a hazardous waste landfill. The nearest landfill site for these wastes is in Alabama. The cost of shipping alone is enough to necessitate separation of wastes so that only the most hazardous will be sent to the

As a means of getting rid of some of the wastes, the 317th Supply Squadron's Contracting Office is looking for contractors who recycle wastes. As buyers are found for specific waste materials, Civil engineers work with shops which produce that type of waste to keep the waste free of contaminates which would reduce its value and render it useless.

With the ever-rising concerns over a three part problem - energy, environment, and economy the base has come up with a major portion of the solution - improvements.





SrA. Steven L. Johnson, 317th OMS, (standing) and SSgt. Leo Beaucage, 317th CES, empty a container of contaminated JP-4 jet fuel into one of the storage tanks in the waste oil storage area. The compound is

run by the 317th Civil Engineering Squadron and is open to all base units who have contaminated waste products. (USAF photo by Suzun Willis)



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Pope bowlers win at Bragg

representing the local Army, Air Force and retired military communities, converged on Fort Bragg's Bowling Center No. 1 Saturday and Sunday to participate in the 26th annual Bragg-Pope Bowling Association Championships.

The competition over the two-day classic included five-man, singles two-man and all-events features, in both the actual and handicap

When the last pin had fallen late Sunday evening, three actual division titles belonged to A strong 642 performance by Don Larson on Saturday led a quintet that included Falcon bowlers Rich Marohl, Mike Callahan, Jerry Long and Vic Zaldo to the actual five-man team title Larson, an avionics specialist and the only retired member of the squad, rolled games of 225, 254 and 163 during the event, with Callahan and Zaldo chipping in with 578 and 574 totals, respectively. The teams 2,836 performance was 69 pins higher than last year's winning total.

The strong effort continued into Sunday's two-man team event as the duo of Callahan and Marohl teamed up to capture the actual doubles title. Marohl, known in the Pope bowling community as "Mr. Dependable" for his steady scoring ability, led the way with games of 204, 238 and 178. His 620 pin total combined nicely with Callahan's 565 pin effort to earn the title. Their 1,185 total pinfall bettered last year's winning total by 54 pins.

Another Pope bowler, George Piervicenti of the 215th Field Training Detachment, won the Actual Singles Title. He rolled a 606 series enroute to the title Sunday.

The team travels to Gastonia, N.C., April 5 to compete in the North Carolina State Bowling Championships.

AFAF bowlers compete Sunday

Pope Lanes Sunday to benefit the Air Force Assistant Fund.

The event, sponsored by CBPO will consist of no tap - no split singles competition in both the men's and women's divisions.

In the men's division, competetors will be awarded a strike each time they record a ninecount, strike or split on their first delivery. All other spare leaves will be shot as normal.

The women will receive strikes based on

similar criteria with an eight-count also being recorded as a strike.

The entry fee for the event will be \$4 per entrant with one-half of all prize money being donated to the Air Force Assistant Fund.

The event will start at 2 p.m. Participants should be present at 1:30.

For additional details, contact Mike Rigney at Ext. 4567. USAF Clinic personnel should contact Bob Phillips at Ext. 2241.

Falcon goalie highlights weekend



Falcon goalie Daniel Shaw goes all out to make a save during practice for an upcoming game. The Falcons will face the Campbell

College soccer team Sunday at 2 p.m., behind the base gym. (USAF photo by SSgt. Dave Skeen)

The Pope Falcon soccer team stayed home over the weekend to face the Amerikan Futbal Klub from neighboring Fort Bragg.

The Falcons, playing with only 10 players, made it a close contest in the first half with goals from Mike Winglewich and Rijent Zenon to end the first half 2-2.

In the second half the visitors, playing with fresh substitutes, began to dominate the Falcons, emerging with a 5-2 win. Highlighting Falcon play in the second half was goalie Daniel Shaw who had more than 10 saves for the game.

The Falcons next test comes Sunday when they meet Campbell College at 2 p.m., on the soccer field behind the base gym

Falconettes face Falcons

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ROTC faculty members teach military-related subjects, recruit cadets from among students, and conduct flight instruction ground school and summer field training.

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Air Force ROTC unit locations are listed in Air Force Manual 10-4. Qualifications include a master's degree program prior to reporting.
Air Force Regulation 36-20 lists qualifications

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Contact the base personnel office for more

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retainability upon completion of training. Those in grades E-5 and below in 3285X or 3045X may also apply and will be considered on a case-bycase basis for waiver

Applicants should include their base of preference in order of priority. Personnel officials will make every effort to honor applicants' preferences.

For more information visit the base personnel

AF news briefs

Custodian meeting set

All building custodians and alternates are required to attend a quarterly building custodians meeting Monday at 1 p.m. in the base theater. Attendance is mandatory.

The objective of the meeting is to improve civil engineering services. Past performance and problems plus new developments will be discussed.

Pope AFB gets \$16 million

The Defense Department has submitted a Military Construction Authorization Bill to Congress for fiscal year 1981 totaling nearly \$5.3 billion. Under the 1981 military construction program, the Air Force will be allocated \$619 million, \$16 million of which is projected to come to Pope AFB. These funds are to be used for a flight simulator facility, a dental clinic, a consolidated base personnel office, a hydrant refueling system, and improvements to unaccompanied personnel housing.





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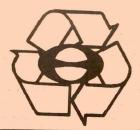
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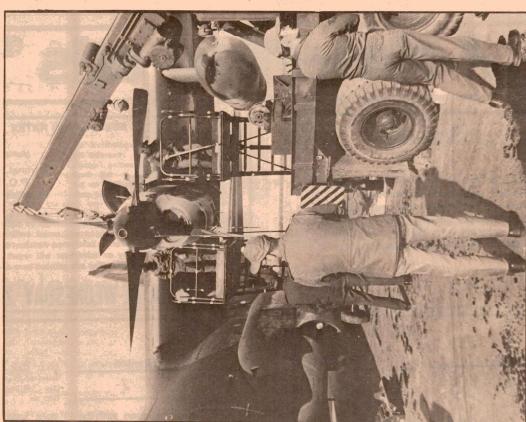
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