

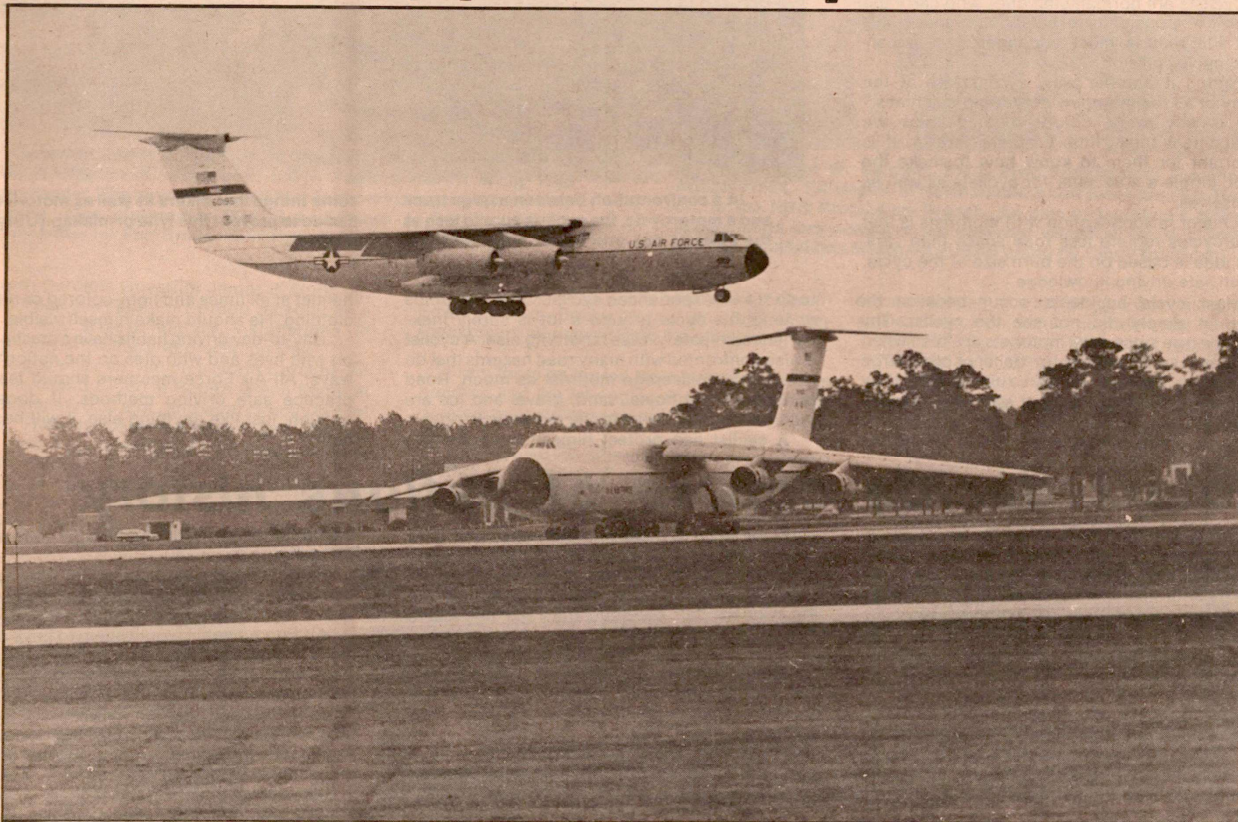
# HERCULES HERALD

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## Airlifters appear at Open House



### C-5A Galaxy and C-141 Starlifter

The Air Force's C-5A Galaxy and C-141 Starlifter are two of the many aircraft featured at this year's Open House, co-sponsored by Pope AFB and Fort Bragg, April 12 and 13.

The C-5 is the largest aircraft in service anywhere in the world today. It's capable of airlifting loads up to 214,000 pounds, such as two M-60 tanks or three CH-47 Chinook helicopters.

It can accommodate a crew of five, has a rest area for 15 crewmembers, and can haul 75 troops and 36 standard cargo pallets or assorted vehicles, or an additional 270 troops.

Between December 1969 and May 1973, 81 of these giants were delivered to the Military Airlift Command.

With its four General Electric engines generating 41,000 pounds of thrust each, the C-5 can carry its huge loads over transoceanic ranges.

The C-141 Starlifter has been a work horse for MAC since April 1965.

It played a key role in the civilian evacuation program in South Vietnam and Cambodia.

The Starlifter carries a crew of four, 154 troops, 122 paratroopers, or 64,000 pounds of cargo. Its four Pratt and Whitney engines generate 21,000 pounds of thrust each.

A new lengthened version of the C-141 is now in production called the C-141B. The new model is a modification of the C-141A, longer by 24 feet. The conversion was made to increase the aircraft's cargo capacity and provide in-flight refueling capabilities.

Plans call for the new C-141B to be on display at the Open House.

Also highlighting this year's Open House will be the "Blue Angels" Navy Flight Demonstration Team, and the "Golden Knights" Army Precision Freefall Parachute team.

Many other activities are scheduled including static displays, refreshment stands, and a civilian fly-in April 12.

Admission is free and more information concerning the Open House can be obtained by contacting the Public Affairs Office, Ext. 4183.

## Wing gets new vice commander

Col. Charles R. Skinner became vice commander of the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing March 20, replacing Col. Alexander K. Davidson.

Colonel Skinner, formerly the 317th Tactical Airlift Group commander, assumed the position when Colonel Davidson left Pope to become commander of the 463rd TAW at Dyess. He replaces Col. Robert B. Patterson, who will take the reins of the 317th TAW in formal ceremonies tomorrow morning.

### Pope AFB — We put the Air in Airborne

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## Motorcycle safety concern grows

By SrA. Bob E. Tobias  
Public Affairs Division

Motorcycles and other two-wheeled vehicles are becoming more numerous on the nation's highways with each passing year. Recent price hikes for gasoline and other petroleum products make driving these vehicles for some a necessary fact of life.

Although Air Force safety programs have caused a noticeable reduction in motorcycle accidents, this trend is subject to change any time cyclists or motorists disregard safe driving habits.

Cyclists are normally the ones who carry the primary responsibility for safety. They must -- it's their life that is most endangered in a car-motorcycle collision.

Putting it another way, cyclists are at the mercy of all the motorists in the "big machines." That is why every motorist should know the predicament their "little brothers" are in. It is important for them to know how to make the traffic jungle a little safer for cyclists as well as themselves.

A major misconception with motorists is that motorcycles require less road space than cars. This idea is based on the pure size of the cycle, not on safe driving knowledge.

Most cycle accidents occur because the motorist simply did not see the cyclist. This could be true since most motorists are keen when it comes to spotting a tractor-trailer or other large vehicle. Is there a written rule saying they shouldn't be just as sharp at spotting a motorcycle? NO!

A key to becoming a safe motorist is learning



In a confrontation between a large truck and a motorcycle, the cycle is sure to lose as the rider of this one found out. There are

some things that bikers as well as motorists can do to prevent this type of mishap. (USAF photo)

to spot an inexperienced cyclist. One who jumps or jerks his cycle around a lot is surely inexperienced -- safety-wise if nothing else. A cyclist is also confronted with many road hazards that do not affect the average motorist as much. Road conditions, pot holes, sand, gravel and ice are much more dangerous to the motorcycle rider.

A cyclist can protect himself by wearing a

helmet at all times and light-colored or reflective clothing. He should make himself visible.

Day-to-day driving habits have a drastic impact on who lives and who dies on the nation's highways. All Air Force members should learn and practice safe driving methods. If done often enough, just like anything else, it will become a habit.

## Voters decide course of nations history

Primary battles in Massachusetts and Vermont reveal evidence of a shocking conspiracy. A small but determined group of individuals, not more than a handful, are responsible for the decisions that shape the course of our nation's history.

Who are these people? What gives them the right to decide for the rest of us how our foreign, economic, employment and defense policies will be shaped?

They're voters. No more than 598 of them. That's the number of ballots that separate some front runners in the recent Vermont primary. In Massachusetts, a relative handful of 1,236 voters were all that separated one party's front runners,

A mere 200 of these intrepid individuals held ballots decisive in the destiny of the fifth, sixth and seventh place finishers. Though lower on the lists, these spots could be even more important as the winners can continue the race but losers frequently abandon it.

What are the results telling us? Like it or not, the people who hold decisive power in the presidential contests are limited to those who bother to vote.

This is not really a new idea. Candidates have long known that the difference between winning and losing is not so much the appeal of a mass-

media campaign as the ability to get support at the polls.

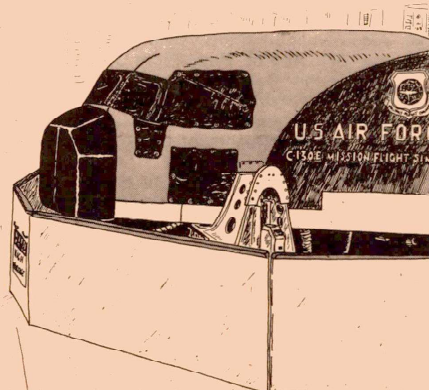
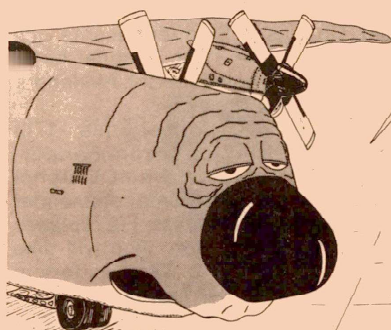
Frequently, the car keys or the subway token that gets the voter to the booth are more important than a high-level endorsement.

Air Force people would seem to have more at stake in these elections than the average citizen. Pay, entitlements, retirement, facilities and mission are in the hands of elected leadership.

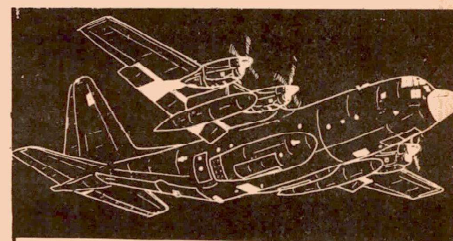
So if you can spare the 10 or 15 minutes it will take to register locally or by Federal Postcard Application for absentee ballot, you can take part in the decision-making process.

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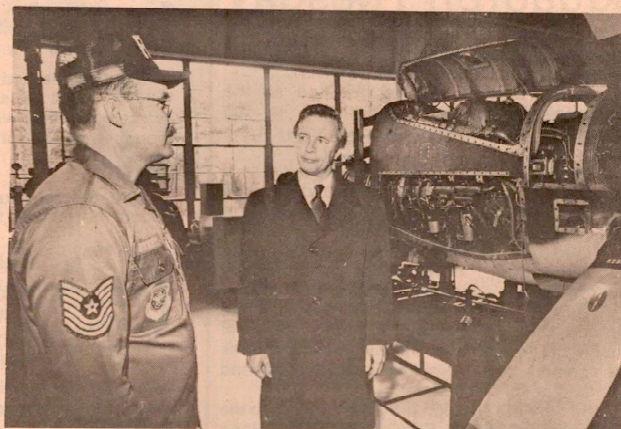
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# Governor Hunt visits base



Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., is greeted on the Pope flightline by Col. Alexander K. Davidson, 317th Tactical Airlift Wing vice commander. The governor visited here to show his support for military people. Also pictured is Maj. Gen. Edward A. Partain, deputy commander for Fort Bragg. (USAF photo by Cindy Burnham)



MSgt. James W. Bennett, 317th Field Maintenance Squadron, explains the C-130 engine to North Carolina Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., in the FMS Propulsion Branch. As part of the state's Military Appreciation Day activities, the governor visited all North Carolina military installations March 18. (USAF photo by Cindy Burnham)

North Carolina Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., visited Pope AFB and Fort Bragg recently on a tour of the state's military installations in recognition of "Military Appreciation Day."

The governor arrived on a North Carolina Air National Guard C-130 at Pope's Green Ramp at approximately 8:30 a.m., and went directly to Fort Bragg. There he observed parachute riggers at work before presenting five Fort Bragg soldiers military medals.

After arriving back at Pope, the governor went to the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing headquarters building where he presented awards to Capt.

Robert Dalton, SMSgt. Jerry Adams, SSgt. Calvin Edwards, SSgt. Bobby Murray, and Sgt. Shirley Richardson, all native North Carolinians.

From there he toured the new security police building and the jet engine shop where he was greeted by maintenance officials and an honor guard.

A scheduled low altitude parachute extraction system and personnel air drop at Sicily Drop Zone was cancelled due to bad weather.

The governor was greeted upon his arrival at Pope by Maj. Gen. Edward A. Partain, deputy

commander of Fort Bragg; Col. Alexander K. Davidson, vice commander of the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing; and Col. Charles R. Skinner, 317th Tactical Airlift Group commander.

To the military audiences at his various stops, Hunt gave his thanks for their dedication to service and their contributions to the state.

The governor departed Pope at approximately 10:30 a.m., to visit Seymour-Johnson AFB, Cherry Point Marine Air Station, Camp Lejeune Marine Base, and the U.S. Coast Guard Support Center at Elizabeth City.



Col. Alexander K. Davidson, 317th TAW vice commander, escorts Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr., to his aircraft after the governor's visit to

Pope and Fort Bragg. Also with the governor is Col. Charles R. Skinner, 317th Tactical Airlift Group commander and Maj. Gen. William E.

Ingram, Adjutant General with the North Carolina National Guard. (USAF photo by Cindy Burnham)



## Services becomes squadron Tuesday

The Services Division will be activated into a squadron Tuesday, according to Capt. Donna Barnett, present Chief of Services Division.

Captain Barnett will be installed as the squadron's first commander, making her the youngest Services Squadron commander in the Air Force.

Establishment of the Services Division as a squadron is Military Airlift Command directed and is expected to improve the career field and services provided to people at Pope.

"Four bases in MAC are trying it out," said Captain Barnett. "If we get a good positive reaction from it, I'm sure other bases will follow."

"At Pope, we have 41 military people in the Services Division. I know all of them and this will enable me to have real positive relationship as their commander. It's a change for everybody and it should be for the better."

The Services Division provides services to the base through Food Service, billeting, linen exchange, honor guard and others.

Ceremonies to formally activate the division to a squadron will be held in the base chapel, Tuesday at 8:30 a.m.



**Capt. Donna Barnett**

## Base activities raise cash for AF Assistance Fund

Base people had contributed \$11,029 to the 1980 Air Force Assistance fund as the campaign entered its final week Monday. This money brought the base within 20 percent of its \$14,000 goal.

Two different functions over the weekend raised more than \$240 for the campaign. A

personnel sponsored bowling tournament raised \$116 Sunday. The fourth annual Geritol Classic March 21 raised \$125 from fan and player contributions.

Eight base units have reached or exceeded their goals and many others are closing in on their goals.

Units exceeding their goal are:



Unit	Goal	Contributed	Percent of Goal
Supply	\$790	\$1,115.50	141
OMS	\$1,030	\$1,360	132
FMS	\$1,200	\$1,565	130
AMS	\$600	\$726	121
SPS	\$430	\$473	116
ALCENT	\$432	\$473	110
Hq. Sq.	\$1,040	\$1,104.70	106
CES	\$590	\$610	103



## Pope Scouts hold annual 'Pinewood Derby' run-off

Pope AFB Boy Scout Troop 759 held their annual "Pinewood Derby" run-off Saturday at the Pope Elementary School.

In preparation for the derby, all participants were given a block of wood the same size (seven inches long) to cut and make a wooden model coaster. The youngsters were allowed to shape and fashion their own models, with the help of a parent if necessary, to enter into the competition. They were permitted to add weights and ornaments to the models as long as the finished product did not weight more than five ounces and exceed seven inches.

The competition, sponsored by the Non-commissioned Officers Wives Club, was divided into three categories for judging: speed, beauty and originality.

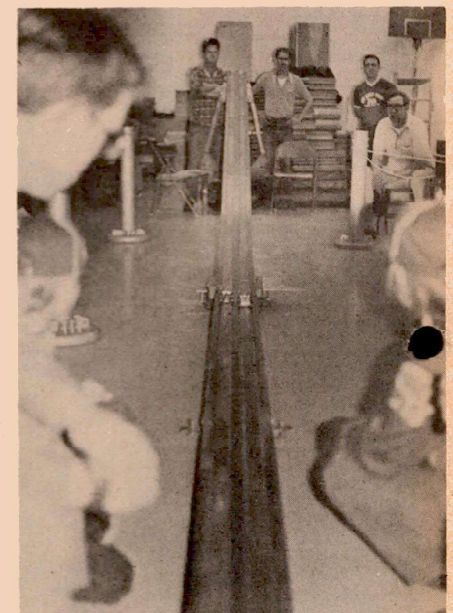
Mathew Stanley won first prize in the speed division. He was closely followed by Danny Yberra and Jimmy Logan, placing second and third, respectively.

The first place award for the beauty category went to Michael Ruotolo, followed by Joey Toranto and Eric Fadeley.

Chris Brackett garnered first place in the originality competition. He was followed by Tom Hodge and Chris West, respectively.

The top three finishers from each category will now represent Troop 759 in district competition to be held on Fort Bragg April 19. Other scout troops from Fort Bragg and Spring Lake will be competing against the Pope troop.

The winners from the district competition will go to Raleigh, N.C., May 10 to face winners from throughout the state. This event will determine the North Carolina Pinewood Derby champions.



Spectators gather around to watch the annual Pinewood Derby run-off at the Pope Elementary School. The winners in this event advanced to competition on Fort Bragg. (USAF photo by MSgt. Lacy R. Lefell, Jr.)

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## People count starts Tuesday

Pope AFB people will have an opportunity to stand up and be counted Tuesday when CENSUS 80 arrives.

According to Col. James W. Bushey, 317th Tactical Airlift Wing census project officer, census forms have been given to unit project officers to be presented to each individual of every base unit, whether assigned or tenant. The individuals are then responsible for filling-out the forms and turning them to their unit project officer. The forms will be handed out today and are due back not later than April 4.

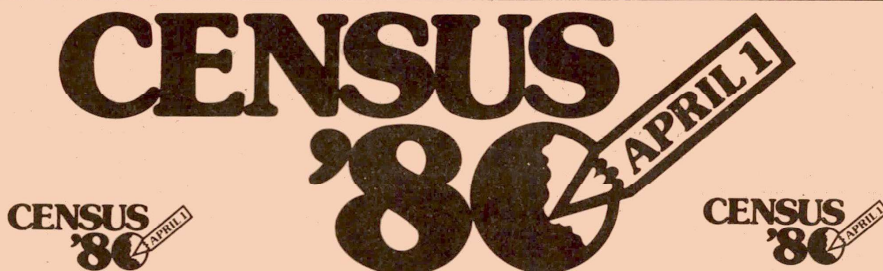
The taking of this census is one of the largest peacetime endeavors ever undertaken. The undertaking is ambitious. By the time the last American is counted, an estimated 222 million residents of some 86 million housing units will have provided more than 3 billion answers to census questions.

Because of the growing number of uses for the census statistics in the government and private sectors, the 1980 census is the most important in the nation's history. According to the Census Bureau, findings will determine how billions of dollars will be spent.

What exactly will the census do? It will:

Measure how well the nation is doing in terms of growth, from a single block to the entire country.

Provide social and economic statistics that



can help business select new sites or evaluate products.

Provide a basis for redistribution of seats in the House of Representatives and state legislatures and for the adjustment of municipal boundaries.

Indicate the changing status of women concerning employment, education, marriage and children.

And provide statistics on minorities including Blacks, Hispanics, Cuban and native-Americans.

The census will ask for basic information about people - age, sex, and occupation - as well as questions dealing with housing, personal transportation and energy use.

Some may seem unusual. For example, one question deals with plumbing facilities.

How big is the bathtub? No, they don't really want to know that, but the plumbing facilities can be an important indicator of housing quality. They do want to know that. Those and other statistics could be key factors in determining which communities receive federal housing assistance funds.

Most people will receive a basic form with 19 questions. One in five households, randomly chosen, will receive a longer version with 46 additional questions.

The census does not want other information, such as Social Security numbers, names, addresses or telephone numbers. This information is requested on the form but it will never be entered into the computer.

Federal law requires everyone to answer the census. It also protects their confidentiality. The only people who see the forms are census employees, who are sworn to secrecy at the risk of a \$5,000 fine and five years in prison.

In the 50 years of the modern census confidentiality law, not one employee has ever been charged with releasing census information. Courts have upheld the Bureau's refusal to divulge confidential information - even to the Secretary of State.

While quill pens have given way to computers, the census, conducted every 10 years since 1790, has monitored the growth of the nation.

## Air Force focuses on reducing fuel use

Air Force energy goals for fiscal year 1980 focus on reducing use of aviation, automobile heating fuels.

In aviation fuels, the goal is to hold to levels of fiscal 1975, the federal energy baseline year.

The goal for automobiles and diesel operations is a 5 percent reduction from last year. That goal is to be achieved by midyear and held to that level for the rest of the year.

In facility energy, the goal is a 2.5 percent reduction from last year.

During fiscal year 1979, the Air Force reduced energy consumption 8.2 percent below the baseline year. This resulted in an equivalent savings of more than 11 million barrels of oil and a cost avoidance of some \$235 million.

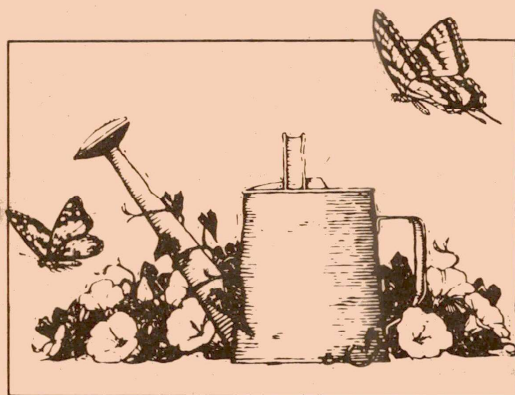
Savings came primarily in the areas of flying operations and facility energy.

In flying operations, savings of 8.9 percent below the baseline year were achieved by the avoidance of flying hours, more efficient operation of assigned aircraft, better training techniques in aircraft operations, and the use of flight simulators.

Flying operations use some 71 percent of total Air Force energy.

Facility energy consumption was reduced 6.2 percent below the 1975 level by such local actions as controlling building temperatures and improving insulation.

Aim of the Air Force energy program is to preserve military readiness under any conditions of energy supply. Air Force activities account for about half of the Department of Defense's annual total energy consumption.



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# Youth activities important part of community



Jeff Watkins takes time out from all the activities available at the Youth Center to practice the piano. The Center has several

different types of recreation available for base youngsters. (USAF photo by SrA. Bob E. Tobias)

All parents want their children to grow up in a good environment. Because of this, dependent youth activities make up an important part of the Air Force community.

These activities consist of organized community recreation programs which are generally available to young people throughout the country. Air Force youths need a program for their leisure activities just as service clubs and recreation centers provide leisure-time activities for Air Force adults.

Air Force youths are constantly uprooted and forced to develop new friendships and new loyalties. Even many adults find this kind of life difficult. It is more difficult for young people, therefore, an organized program of youth activities is needed more than it would be in a stable community.

It is this reasoning that has led the Air Force to develop specific programs, varied and updated as needs change, to serve its young people. All of these programs are not volunteer, therefore, fees and dues are charged to help defray the cost of programs. While fees are kept as low as possible, it is the Air Force's goal that all youth centers pay their own way for programming. Funds are obtained through donations, civic organizations, and charity endowments. Volunteers are used whenever possible, keeping the cost far below civilian recreation center fees.

The Pope AFB Youth Center is currently expanding its programs to encompass more instructional recreation courses and high-interest classes. Programs are adopted whenever expenses can be defrayed and the proper facilities are available.

The center operates with a staff of five full-time employees headed by center director SSgt. Thomas Rector, and several volunteer parents. The center depends on parents not only as volunteers but also as advisors to offer suggestions and ideas on improving youth programs.

The center does not always make a list of programs available to their patrons, since most activities are determined by available funds and youth interest. Some programs offered on a regular basis include free movies, pre-teen nights and teen nights.

All base youth sports programs are sponsored by the center. Parents are especially helpful in these programs because all of the coaches, officials and instructors are volunteer parents. The center is constantly searching for adults who would like to volunteer their time to work with young people.

## Center needs coaches

The Youth Center needs volunteer coaches and umpires for spring sports. Interested people should call the Center at Ext. 4512.

## Class registration under way

The Arts and Crafts Center is taking registration for classes in oil painting, calligraphy, cake preparation and decoration and more.

A new class in ceramics starts April 10 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call Ext. 4192.

## Shop announces hours

The Auto Hobby Shop is open Mondays Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 to 9 p.m. and Friday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Center announces happenings

The Recreation Center hosts a kite flying contest tomorrow at 1 p.m. People can register at the Recreation Center.

The Recreation Center is renting tables for \$1 for a rummage sale to be held April 15 at 11 a.m. For more information, call Ext. 2779.

The Center will also host a pool tournament Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

Weekly winners will compete for the monthly championship trophy.

The Recreation Center will host an overnight bicycle excursion in April or early May. SSgt.

## Local happenings

Mike Williams, 317th Morale, Welfare and Recreation Division is the project officer. For more information, call Ext. 2779.

## Hobby Shop gets equipment

The Wood Hobby Shop, located in Building 373, has a new frame chopper and electric staple gun for making picture frames.

## Players and coaches needed

Women interested in playing volleyball or softball can sign up at the Base Gym.

Coaches are also needed for the volleyball and softball teams.

Deadline for registration is April 5. For more information, call Ext. 2671 or 2892.

## Rec Supply offers equipment

Supplies and equipment are available from Recreation Supply Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., in Building 266. For more information, call Ext. 4730.

## Pizza Parlor begins deliveries

The Pizza Parlor, in the back of Building 289, delivers on base. For delivery service, call Ext. 2377.

## Golf course holds tourney

The Pope NCO Club is sponsoring a "Three Kings and Queen" golf tournament April 26 beginning at 10 a.m.

Entry fee is \$5 for club members and \$12 for non-members. Register before April 25. The fee includes the use of a golf cart and a steak cookout after the tournament at the Clubhouse.

## Pizza Parlor holds contest

The Pizza Parlor will host a "Were you there" theme with registration at 4:30 p.m., during the Pizza Parlor's happy hour.

People will compete for a pizza by being in the right place at the right time.

## Shoppette announces hours

The Fort Bragg Exchange Pines Shoppette operates Monday through Friday from 1 to 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m., and closed on Wednesday's.

## Playhouse presents 'Equus'

The Fort Bragg Playhouse presents "Equus" Thursday at 8:15 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling 396-7555 from 4 to 9 p.m.

## Youth sports begin

The Youth Center is conducting registration for the upcoming baseball season. Deadline for registration is April 5. Cost for registration is \$6 for one child, \$10 for two and \$12 for three or more.

There are five leagues which dependents of all ages can participate. Tee-ball, a mixed league, of boys and girls between the ages of six and eight.



## Art contest offers cash to winners

Pope AFB active-duty military and dependent artists will have a chance to win their share of a \$250 cash prize to be awarded at the "Third Annual Cumberland County Artists Competition."

The event, open to all county residents age 16 or older, is being sponsored by the Arts Council of Fayetteville and Cumberland County.

The purpose of this exhibit is to promote community awareness of the arts. Artists are invited to submit up to five works in painting, drawing, printmaking, photography, pottery, sculpture, fiber and metalwork.

The works selected will be on exhibit April 15-May 26 at the Arsenal House Gallery Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and at 1-5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The exhibit will open with a reception for the artists April 15, and is open to the public.

The Council will accept entries at the Gallery on Arsenal Avenue, Fayetteville, on April 5, 1-5 p.m. and on April 7, 8, and 9 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. For more information, contact the Gallery at 323-1776.



Pope winners in the Military Airlift Command Talent Contest gathered at the Recreation Center recently to discuss the experience of participating in such an event.

Left to right: Stephen Richards, Dwight Dunston, tour director SSgt. Joseph Davis, Josephine Curtis and Clifford Boddy. (USAF photo by Cindy Burnham)

## Truck racing starts at NC Motor Speedway today

Some said it couldn't be done; many said it shouldn't be done - all except the truckers and Jim Donoho, a young promoter from Nashville, Tenn. Donoho, ignoring all the criticisms and pressure, took a handful of professional truck drivers and formed his American Truck Racing Association.

He took his group of over-the-road drivers to Atlanta, Ga., and put on the first 200-mile round-track diesel truck race in history - one of the most exciting and safest races that has ever been seen on that famous track.

When the Department of Transportation in Washington, D.C., heard the race was going to take place, they made some unexpected remarks to the press. One government official said, "You

intend to have a 200-mile race without professional race drivers driving - the race will be a bloodbath."

After the safe and successful Atlanta race, the objectors backed off and adopted a "wait and see" attitude. They still objected to truck racing, but didn't make any more statements to the press.

To Jim Donoho and his truck racers, the only legitimate complaints came from the major tire manufacturers, who sent Donoho a telegram stating that none of them made a truck tire that was safe to run at sustained speeds above 65 miles per hour. Most of the trucks that qualified for the Atlanta race were capable of running around 100 miles per hour, and more.

The truck drivers did have some tire trouble

and two trucks hit the wall at high speeds because of blowouts. But they also found out how to machine shave and heat cure the tires to make them more reliable.

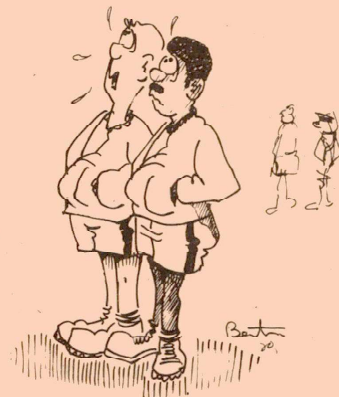
This weekend, Donoho and his trucking friends are racing at the North Carolina Motor Speedway in Rockingham, N.C. Qualifying starts today at 10 a.m., with heat races scheduled for 3 this afternoon.

The feature of the weekend, the "Shoney Bobtail 250," begins tomorrow at 1 p.m. Gates open at 8 a.m. and admission is \$5. The purse for this race is expected to be in excess of \$60,000. Ticket information and reservations are available by calling the speedway at (919) 582-2861.



Goats are normally curious animals, especially if anything new is around, and Roadrunner, left, and Dynamo, mascots for the 317th Transportation Squadron, are no different. They were on hand to check out the Transportation Squadron's new washrack, recently completed at Pope Air Force Base. The washrack, with its two stalls, can handle everything from a staff car to a 10-ton vehicle. Anyone who needs to wash a government vehicle can use it. Roadrunner and Dynamo, satisfied that everything was in order, left the washing to SSgts. Syviney Lasco, on truck, and Evelyn Cooper.

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"THIS IS GOING TO BE ONE LONG GAME DULLBONE!!!"



# Pope cagers set sights on making AF team again

By SSgt. Dave Skeen  
Public Affairs Division

The first day of the Air Force Basketball Training Camp at Maxwell AFB, Ala., 30 cagers, representing bases around the world, tried out for one of 12 berths on the Air Force team.

These included two Pope cagers, Walt Carter and Ronnie Chalmers, who were prepared to spend six hours a day in the gymnasium, working toward that ultimate goal.

Three cuts later, both Pope cagers were on the team, giving Pope the distinction of being the only Air Force base with two people selected for the team.

Both Carter and Chalmers, who played for Pope's Falcon varsity team, had impressive statistics to back up their playing ability. Carter led the Pope team in the rebounding department, while Chalmers led in scoring and was second to Carter in rebounding.

"The first two weeks were spent in a conditioning program," said Carter. "Both of us were in shape, but it was still tough. After the cuts were made, we began preparations for the Inter-service tournament."

Probably one of the hardest things the cagers had to adjust to was playing under international rules. They are the same rules used in the Olympics and are quite a bit different from NCAA rules.

"The camp was quite interesting," said Chalmers. "It was good good experience. The

training schedule was very strict and adhered to. It was rough but worth it."

Part of that rough training schedule included a midnight curfew, practicing three times a day and watching what they ate.

But the hard work paid off as the team finished its short season with a 12 and 3 record that included a tournament title won at Atlanta, Ga.

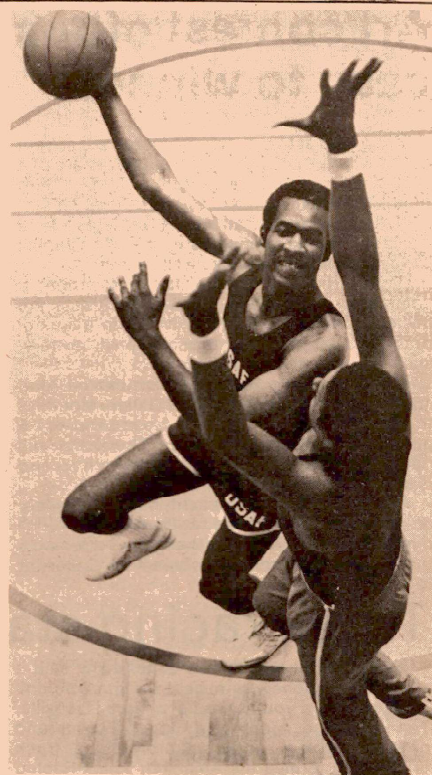
The Air Force team didn't fare too well in the Inter-Service tournament finishing with a 1 and 2 record. They lost to the Marines 85 to 82, lost to Navy 89 to 86 and came back to smother the Marines 98 to 74 in their final game.

"We were too tight during the tournament," said Chalmers. "Walt got hurt in the first game, and couldn't play in the second one. We just couldn't get it going. I think we will take it next year. We learned a lot."

"We would love to go back next year," said Carter. "We made a lot of new friends and the team kind of got the VIP treatment. Everyone got a lot of playing time which will help us. Ronnie and myself have already started preparing for it. In fact, we plan to go back."

Although they didn't win the Inter-service title this year, they gained a lot of experience. With their pride and keen sense of competition, one can count on the Air Force team to be in the thick of things, if these two Pope cagers have anything to say about it.

Being named all Air Force is an honor they liked this year and they want next year. No doubt they will both achieve that goal.



"We're going back next year, and I think we can take it," said Walt Carter, with ball, and Ronnie Chalmers. Both Pope cagers made the All Air Force basketball team, Pope was the only Air Force base with two players selected for the team. (USAF photo by SSgt. Dave Skeen)

## Geritol Classic earns \$125 for Assistance Fund

There wasn't a Magic Johnson in the group, but enthusiasm and memories of what used to be were present, as Pope AFB Officers and Non-commissioned Officers squared off in the fourth annual Geritol Classic at the base gym recently.

Three basketball games and a volleyball match

were played with proceeds from fan and player donations going to the Air Force Assistance Fund

The first game pitted the 317th Field Maintenance Wives against the Douglas Byrd High School Teachers, a Fayetteville team. The teachers got 22 points from Pat Gilligan to defeat the FMS wives 47 to 27.

The FMS team, although less experienced and smaller, still produced a good contest behind the deadeye shooting of Diane Waggy, who led FMS with 12 points.

The second game saw the junior NCOs swamp the junior officers 75 to 21, with Michael O'Brian scorching the nets for 20 points. Teammate Wayne Sears added 18 for the winners.

The JOs couldn't stop the junior NCOs fast-paced transition game, which led to their downfall. Ed Henson led the JOs with five points.

Next on the agenda was the long awaited volleyball game between the Eagles and Chiefs. A

lot of pre-game publicity had built this match into the game of the classic.

After 45 minutes of a hard-fought contest, the Eagles prevailed 15 to 8, 9 to 15 and 15 to 4.

The teams split the first two games, but the Eagles completely dominated the final by jumping off to a 13 to 0 lead. The Chiefs made a brief run and scored four points before the Eagles put them out of their misery.

The last game of the night pitted the senior officers against the senior NCOs and saw some of the same volleyball players compete in the basketball game.

After a slow start, the Senior NCOs began to assert their rebounding power, winning 45 to 20.

Larry Barbour paced the NCOs with 18 points and teammate Charles Malloy added 10.

Paul Kessler led the senior officers with six points and Joe Tripp scored four.

The skills may have been slowed some but the enthusiasm was the same. Each game was played with fierce determination and a keen sense of competition.

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# Bowling tournament benefits fund drive

By Mike Callahan

Fifty-one bowlers made their way to Pope Lanes, Sunday, to participate in the first bowling tournament held here to benefit the Air Force Assistance Fund.

Tournament Director, Mike Rigney, explains, "The tournament followed the standard No-tap No-split format with each participant paying a nominal entry fee. After lane expenses were met, the remainder of the funds were divided equally between the bowler's prize fund and the AFAF."

He continued, "Cash prizes were awarded to the top three competitors in each of two divisions, men and women, and a consolation prize was presented to the last place finishers."

An Avionics Maintenance Squadron bowler, Jerry Long, and his wife, Marilyn, both found the range early in the event and went on to capture first place in their respective divisions.

Long, a well known local bowler, put together games of 212, 253 and 278 enroute to his winning total of 743 pins.

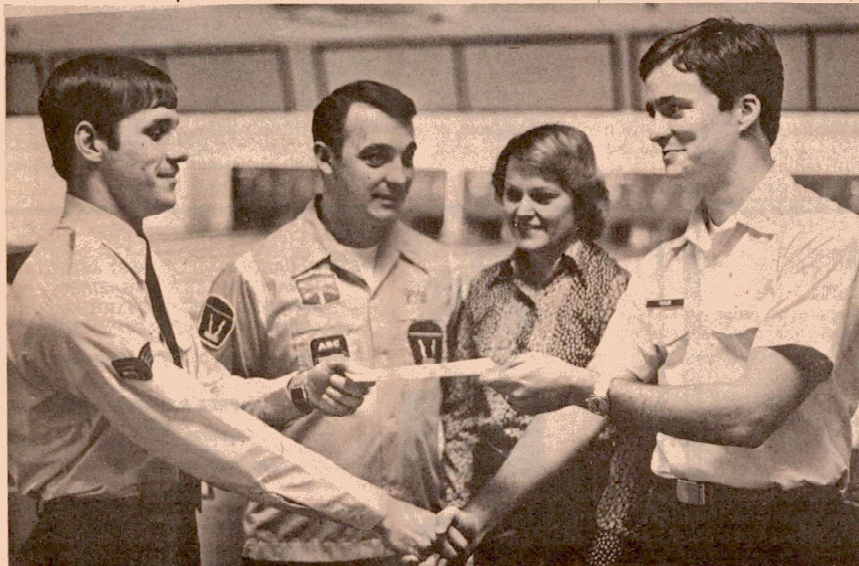
Mrs. Long, herself an avid bowler, earned her title with a total pinfall of 780 pins in a set that included a perfect game of 300.

Don Larson, 718, and the Clinic's Jimmy Nash, 680, finished second and third respectively, in the men's division. Whit Taylor, CBPO, was awarded the consolation prize.

Falconette bowler, Barbara Kennedy, and Ro Callahan finished second and third in their division. Kennedy totaled 739 pins with Callahan registering a 718. Judy Alley received the consolation award.

Rigney summarized, "I can't say enough about the generosity of the bowlers who participated in this event. The turn-out, itself, was gratifying, but to have each of the prize winners donate their portion of the prize fund to AFAF, too, well, words alone can't express our appreciation."

The additional \$41.00 donated by the bowlers boosted the total amount presented to the Air Force Assistance Fund to \$116.00



Sr. Mike Rigney (l to r) Jerry and Marilyn Long present their Air Force Assistance Fund donations to 2nd Lt. Whit Taylor, assistant base project officer. All

prize money from the recent AFAF bowling tournament was donated to the fund. (USAF photo by A1C Tony Ray)

## Falconette keglers defeat Falcons

It was a determined Falconette bowling team that took to the lanes, Sunday, and earned a convincing 2,834 to 2,698 victory over the Falcons.

The Falconettes, spotted 396 pins of handicap by their counterparts, needed very little help in game one as they matched their opponents mark for mark to build an early lead that was never overcome.

Falconette captain, Sandy Massey, led the way for her team, totalling 537 pins. She was followed closely by Lori Lichtenberg with 496 pins. Massey's 203 game was tops for the women.

Falcon Carl Howard turned in the match's top individual effort, recording 617 total pins in a set that included a 255 game.

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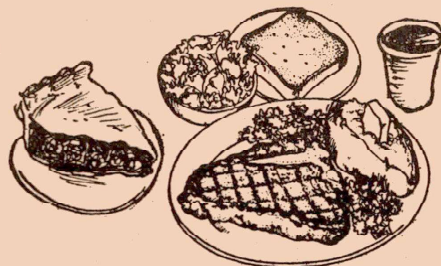
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## Service sidelights

### CCAF students may be disenrolled

Students of the Community college of the Air Force who have not made progress toward their associate in applied science degree in the last 18 months risk disenrollment.

The college is planning a computer screening of all records to identify inactive students.

Registered students who have not made academic progress in the last 18 months will be sent a personal letter. They will have an additional 18 months to show evidence of progress toward their degree or be disenrolled.

Some 10 percent of the 110,000 students are expected to be affected by the screening.

The reductions will benefit active students, because more time can then be devoted to people working toward degrees.

Registrants who have not reported course completions to the college should submit evidence of progress to the local education service center as soon as possible.

### MWR activities to focus on families

More emphasis will be placed on family-oriented morale, welfare and recreation programs

in 1980, recognizing the strong role the family plays in the Air Force member's service life.

Ideas being considered include family nights in open messes, recreation centers and bowling lanes; parent-child contests and family tours.

Plans covering all morale, welfare and recreation activities -- open messes, recreation centers, youth activities, arts and crafts, sports and outdoor recreation -- are being developed to increase the number and type of family-oriented activities and to bring about more family involvement in on-going programs.

### Voting officials clarify Florida form

Florida's Absentee Registration Form (DS-DE-28) has confusing instructions. It calls for the applicant's signature to be witnessed by two registered voters from the county in which the applicant applies to vote. This is an error in the state form.

Anyone outside the county in which they wish to register should disregard the requirement for the two witnesses.

Service people should complete the state form

and have their oath taken by a notary public, commissioned officer or other person authorized to administer oaths. The form should be received by the county supervisor of elections in the county of voting residence 30 days before the election.

Florida's next scheduled elections are the state primary Sept. 9 and the general election Nov. 4.

### Mandatory briefing set for some base NCOs

A mandatory briefing for base master sergeants, staff sergeants and airmen first class has been scheduled for April 4 in the base theater at 7 and 10 a.m., and again at 2 and 4 p.m.

The briefing deals with recent changes affecting the Air Force's two-grade per skill-level policy. Anyone who attended the briefing on this subject in February need not attend. All other of the affected rank must. The briefing is expected to last less than 30 minutes. For more information, call 2nd Lt. David Short at Ext. 4871.

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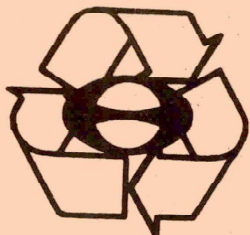
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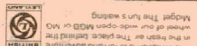
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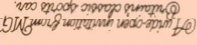
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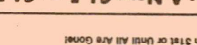
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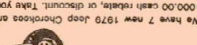
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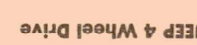
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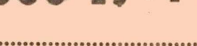
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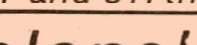
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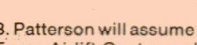
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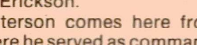
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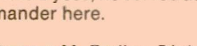
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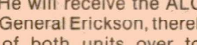
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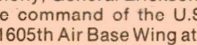
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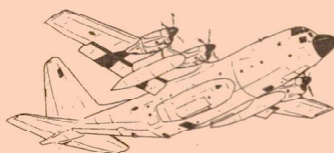
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## ALCENT and 317th TAW

# Colonel Patterson takes command

Col. Robert B. Patterson will assume command of the U.S. Air Force Airlift Center and the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing tomorrow, replacing Brig. Gen. Duane H. Erickson.

Colonel Patterson comes here from Dyess AFB, Texas where he served as commander of the 463rd Tactical Airlift Wing for the past year. Prior to his assignment to Dyess, he served as the 317th TAW vice commander here.

Maj. Gen. Thomas M. Sadler, 21st Air Force commander, will be the reviewing officer during the ceremony. He will receive the ALCENT and Wing flags from General Erickson, thereby turning the command of both units over to Colonel Patterson. Following the formal change of command ceremony, General Erickson will leave Pope to assume command of the U.S. Forces, Azores and the 1605th Air Base Wing at Lajes AB, Azores.

The formal ceremony, complete with a band and parade, is scheduled to begin tomorrow morning at 11 on the wing parade field (between building 309 and the base chapel). The ceremony is open to the public. All guests should arrive by 10:30.

Expected to attend the ceremony are Maj. Gen. Robert F. Coverdale, former 317th TAW commander; Col. (Brig. Gen. selectee) Robert D. Springer, former vice commander of the 317th TAW and current commander of the 435th TAW, Rhein-Main AB, Germany; and Col. Alfred G. Hansen, former 317th TAW deputy commander for maintenance and present wing commander at Little Rock AFB, Ark.

Also expected are local civic leaders including Fayetteville Mayor Beth Finch and Spring Lake Mayor Evelyn Parker.

In the event of bad weather, the ceremony will be in the base theater.



Colonel Patterson