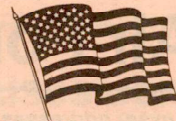


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"Let terrorists be aware that when the rules of international behavior are violated, our policy will be one of swift and effective retribution. We hear it said that we live in an era of limits to our power. Well, let it also be understood there are limits to our patience." -- President Ronald Reagan, 1981.



## 36 days to Open House

The U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Team, the Blue Angels, performs a 'bomb burst' as part of their demonstration routine. Thirty-six days remain until the joint Pope/Fort Bragg Open

House April 18 which will feature the Blue Angels at Pope. Also featured at the event will be numerous display aircraft, parachute demonstrations and tactical airdrops. (U.S. Navy Photo)

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

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## Pope supports Little Rock ORI

Pope supported Little Rock AFB operational readiness inspection last week when 1,100 people from the Arkansas base arrived here.

The support given to the Little Rock ORI was, "somewhere between fantastic and excellent," says Maj. Lynn Feterle, Pope Command Post.

"We coordinated working space by bringing in a couple of trailers plus our own command post trailer for their use as command post, offices, etc.," he said. "We arranged for billeting in the ROTC quarters on Fort Bragg and supplied 29 cars and eight or nine buses."

The team from Little Rock brought their own food service people to augment the Pope dining hall staff.

The Pope green ramp was turned over to the Little Rock people during the inspection. "The entire ramp area was cordoned off and became a secure area for the week which virtually stopped our operations there," the major continued. "We also made arrangements for all their communications needs -- telephones, autovon lines, teletype, etc."

Col. Charles R. Skinner, vice commander, 317th Tactical Airlift Wing said, "Over all, we supported the ORI very well-- but that's our job."

Pope supported 14 ORIs and exercises in 1980.

## MAC showcase performs Sunday

An all-star cast of 22 Air Force members from ten Military Airlift Command bases will present the second annual MAC Talent Showcase at the base theater Sunday at 8 p.m. The traveling show is made up of winners of MAC talent contests who will go on to participate in final competition for a place in the Tops in Blue show. The performance is free. Children must be accompanied by and must remain with a parent.

## Equipment malfunction

Between March 5-11 the recording mechanism for the Commander's Forum telephone line was out of order. Several callers attempted to call the line but were unable to get through. The device has been repaired and is now recording all calls. If you attempted to make a call during this time and were unable to get through, please try again at Ext. 4357 (HELP). We regret any inconvenience this may have caused.



# Air Force News

## General Huyser addresses what's good about America

SCOTT AFB, Ill. (AFNS)-- Despite its problems and mistakes, U.S. citizens should not lose sight of "what's good about America," the Military Airlift Command commander told Air Force members here.

In a message given as part of National Patriotism Week, Feb. 16-22, Gen. Robert E. Huyser spoke of the strength of the American people and the nation.

The week marks a time when Americans should pause and reflect upon the heritage and sustained achievements of the nation and the people, the general said. "Ours is the oldest continuously existing republic on earth operating under its original constitution....We have stood the tests of time.

"We have endured and prevailed... And we should not lose sight of what's good about America."

General Huyser, whose parents immigrated to America, added that the nation sometimes tends to focus too much on America's negative aspects. While the country has problems and makes mistakes, on the whole Americas positive points far outstrip its shortcomings.

Having been all over the world and around the country, meeting a gamut of people and leaders, General Huyser said he found U.S. citizens still committed to bedrock principles, still dedicated to the nation, still eager to serve others, in short, still great Americans.

## Air Force Institute enters records book

GUNTER AFB, Ala. (AFNS)-- The extension Course Institute here is now officially recognized in the Guinness Book of World Records as the leader in correspondence education.

Guinness' 1981 United Kingdom edition lists ECI with an annual enrollment of 235,000 students as the world's largest correspondence school.

ECI supports formal training and educational programs of the Air Force, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve. It also provides career-broadening courses to Department of Defense military and civilian personnel.

The institute is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of the National Home Study Council and is an affiliate

member of the National University Extension Association.

Established in 1950, it has processed more than 8 million new enrollments and nearly 5 million course completions.

## Actor turns Air Force

COLUMBUS AFB, Miss. (AFNS)-- Second Lt. Dean P. Martin, son of entertainer Dean Martin, is taking undergraduate pilot training here as a member of the California Air National Guard. Lieutenant Martin said he decided to join the Guard after attending an Edwards AFB, Calif., open house.

The lieutenant plans to turn an interest in flying helicopters and single- and multi-engine aircraft into piloting Ontario, Calif., ANG F-4 Phantom IIs.

After he graduates from pilot training Nov. 27, he'll continue acting, except for one weekend a month when he'll be on active duty.

## ROTC needs instructors

RANDOLPH AFB, Texas (AFNS)-- Air Force ROTC needs 256 rated and non-rated officer instructors starting the summer of 1982.

Projected needs are 41 lieutenant colonels as professors of aerospace studies and detachment commanders and 215 majors and captains as assistant professors of aerospace studies.

Requirements are in Air Force Regulation 36-20. They include:

- At least a master's degree,
- Five years' retainability, and
- An outstanding military performance record.

Overseas applicants and those serving controlled tours should have a tour completion date before October 1982 for summer 1982 openings.

Interested officers should apply through their base personnel offices. Applications should arrive at the Air Force Manpower and Personnel Center here before June 1, 1981.

## 597 saved in 1980

SCOTT AFB, Ill. (AFNS)-- A total of 597 lives were saved by Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service units worldwide during 1980. Maj. Gen. Cornelius Nugteren, Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service commander, said the worldwide rescue and coordination centers were involved in 2,227 search and rescue missions.

A total of 13,158 sorties and 22,954 flying hours were expended on these missions by the military services and civilian agencies.

The rescue and recovery units participated in 621 missions, flying 1,505 sorties and 2,161 hours.

The Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service is headquartered here and is part of the Military Airlift Command.

## 24-hour service available at AFMPC

Service members stationed overseas have 24-hour telephone service available with the Air Force Manpower and Personnel Center at Randolph AFB, Texas. Service members can call Autovon 487-5861 any time. Just leave your full name, grade, Social Security number, Air Force specialty code, mailing address and Autovon number along with specific details of problem or request. An AFMPC representative will get back with you.



## Working force

A1C Muriel Harris, an administrative specialist in the Reserve Affairs Office, has been in the Air Force since August 1979 and at Pope ever since with the exception of basic and technical training. She says, "I like my job. I specifically like it because I get to meet people." Airman Harris wants to travel while in the Air Force. (U.S. Air Force Photo by TSgt. Dave Skeen)

# Pope captain promotions reach 100 percent mark

Every Pope 1st Lieutenant eligible for promotion to captain by the 1981A captain promotion board received it according to a recent captain promotion list.

The list reflected a 100 percent promotion rate for Pope eligibles. In addition, a large percentage of those selected were also selected for regular appointment.

Those selected for promotion and regular appointment are: Philip E. Adams, Edward A. Hayes, Virgil W. Kleve, David R. Leccs, Christopher Livingston, Paul A. Maas, Charles E. Meacham, James L. O'Neal, Richard

G. Smith, Brian W. Sokolowsky, Christopher Stuhldreher, Steven P. Svrcek and Russell R. Walker.

Some who were selected for promotion were also selected for indefinite reserve status. They are: William M. Altman, Donald E. Barwick, Steven V. Breiner, Clifton C. Capell, Robert L. Humphries, Michael L. Neil, Scott D. Sucher and Jerry H. Williamson.

Others selected for promotion are: Glenn D. Bardy, Robert J. Eddy, Richard R. Hymer, and James B. Zazas.

# 'The MAC Flyer' sponsors flying safety writing contest

"Don't wait until the last minute," is the word this year from **The MAC Flyer** concerning the 1981 MAC Flying Safety Writing Contest.

March 31 is the deadline for entries in the contest.

Contest entries can be either in story or poetry form and must contain an aviation safety message. All entries must be original, unpublished, and postmarked no later than March 31. Stories must be between 1,000 and 3,000 words long; poetry should be about 75 to 100 lines.

Manuscripts must be double-space typed and submitted in two copies. The article will be identified by title only, and a coversheet must be attached showing the author's name, address,

phone number and unit. The coversheet should also contain a brief autobiography.

The contest is open to anyone, and entries qualifying under the above rules earn their author a free C.R. T-shirt and a one-year subscription to **The MAC Flyer**. However, contest prizes (desk sets and plaques) may only be awarded to military and civilian employees of the Department of the Air Force or Air Reserve Forces. Other entrants may be selected for honorable mention in a special category.

All winning stories will be published in **The MAC Flyer**. Entries should be addressed to: Writing Contest, HQ MAC/IGFE, Scott AFB, Ill., 62225.

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# Editorials

## Commander's Forum, Cook cutback causes concern



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By Col. Edsel R. Field  
317th Tactical Airlift Wing Commander

If you have a question or recommendation you want to bring to my attention, dial 4357 (HELP). Your message will be recorded and your question with answer will be published in the newspaper or will be answered personally as soon as practicable. Please clearly give (or spell) your name to insure a reply. If you request anonymity, your name will not be used in answer preparation. I would like to use this column, however, to select those questions which pertain to more than the individual involved.

### Take-outs cancelled

I work in Transient Alert and would like to know why take-out orders are discontinued at Dining Hall 2. Sometimes it gets pretty busy out here and we don't have time to sit down to a meal. We just pick up something and run - that way it benefits the Air Force and us - and doesn't take up our time.

The reason that carry-out service and weekend service was cancelled in Dining Hall 2 is the sheer fact of manpower. Carry-out service at Pope was instituted in July 1979 when Food Service had 52 cooks and could provide the service. Now that attrition has taken place, these extra services must be removed to free the remaining personnel to provide service to the Inflight Kitchen which is priority-one and to feed base personnel at a somewhat normal schedule in Dining Hall 1. In fact, the U.S. Army has assigned two cooks to special duty here to help feed our people during this critical manning period.

### Gas prices

Regarding the base service station, it is my understanding that when they switched from one oil company to the other the purpose was to eliminate price increases. Since the changeover, prices have gone up about a nickel-a-gallon. Recently, I went off-base and purchased regular gas for \$1.22.9 per-gallon and on base it was \$1.31.9 per-gallon. I would like to know what the reasoning behind this is and do you anticipate gas prices going down at the base service station.

This should answer several inquiries on cost/pricing of gasoline at the base service station. Two factors are key to understanding the recent changes in pricing. First, the vendor was changed in January because the original vendor elected not to renew their contract option. Second, the President's decision to deregulate the gas industry resulted in a free floating price which would be controlled by supply and demand.

The new vendor is attempting to limit the number of price increases but cannot eliminate them. In determining their prices, the Army and Air Force Exchange Service takes a weekly 20-station survey of major oil companies in the local community. This survey serves as a basis for price comparison. Usually, about half of the survey stations are above the exchange price and half below.

For example, recently the survey for unleaded was \$1.34.6. The exchange price for gas from the new vendor was \$1.26.2. To this cost the exchange has to add .0828 cents for their cost of handling that gallon of gas. This leaves a profit margin of .0012 cents and the customer would pay the same as the survey price. Regular gas is two cents above the survey price with a profit margin of .0012 cents. Super unleaded is two cents below survey price with a profit margin of .0072 cents.

So the bottom line is that AAFES can only provide a service and convenience because they are economically operating in a non-profit mood.

We don't know when the price will level off or if it will stabilize. The petroleum industry indicates the price could be as high as \$2 per-gallon by Labor Day weekend.

### Pay problem

I was recently a patient at Womack Army Hospital. I was registered as a patient but through the holiday season was signed out on a pass so that I could be at home with my family. The problem is a sizeable chunk of my separate rations was taken out of my last leave and earnings statement for the meals I supposedly ate at the hospital. My check is not big enough to be giving away large pieces of it for food I never got. This is really not fair and I think something should be done.

Whenever a patient is assigned to a military hospital and meals are available regulations prohibit paying separate rations. In this case you, though on pass, were still assigned to Womack where meals were available. Availability of meals, whether or not eaten, is the determining factor on withdrawing separate rations.

### Housing problem

I am calling in regards to the new thermostats recently installed in the housing area. I am sure you are aware of the problem that the housing area is poorly constructed and even at their best and peak performance the heating units just don't heat adequately. I realize that the Air Force has to exercise all sorts of conservation of its utilities but not at the sacrifice of the people utilizing the housing area. I think it should be directed in

another area - doing maintenance on the houses and installing storm windows, etc. If it were in better repair, it really wouldn't matter if they cut the thermostats down. At least the heat would stay in. They keep sacrificing the comfort of the people in the housing area for conservation and I don't think it's fair. We have flooding problems, water leaks and a number of other things wrong. I would like to know what is going to be done about it.

The Base Civil Engineer has several contracts in work to help eliminate the problems you mention.

As you are well aware, energy conservation is upper-most in everyone's mind these days and it is a prime concern for maintenance and operation of the base. The thermostats, storm doors, storm windows, weatherstripping, and added insulation are all keyed to saving energy and providing additional utility and comfort to the customer.

You must consider the accelerating cost of energy in today's environment. The Air Force is spending more and more of hard-to-come-by money on electricity, gas, and oil with a corresponding reduction in other needed projects keyed to readiness.

Additional programs are underway to eliminate the water seepage problem in the Hillcrest area. Energy conservation is everybody's business, and we need each and every individual to do his or her share to help conserve our valuable resources.

## Professionalism - key to successful service

By 1st Sgt. Sam Kimble  
Transportation Terminal Unit  
Lajes Field, Azores

Professionalism must be the heart and soul of every non-commissioned officer. It calls for initiative, desire, will, courage, strength, patience, enthusiasm, loyalty, truthfulness, fairness and faith.

Rapid technological and social changes have created a highly complex leadership role for the NCO. While today's young service members are as effective a fighting force as our country has produced, they are more challenging to lead for two reasons:

- the complexity of the skills they must master in order to perform their duties effectively, and
- their attributes and variant values brought about by the technological and social changes of the last 15 to 20 years.

The NCO must demonstrate to subordinates that he or she is a well-qualified leader, competent in all phases of his or her duties and responsibilities. Today's service members expect answers--rank and position alone will not automatically gain their admiration and respect.

Webster defines "professional" as engaging in worthy standards; pursuing an activity in an intensive, calculating manner. NCOs must make every effort to strive for professionalism in everything we do. There is no place in the services for lukewarm NCOs. There can be no compromise for inefficient and ineffective leadership. The services need professional NCOs with high stand-

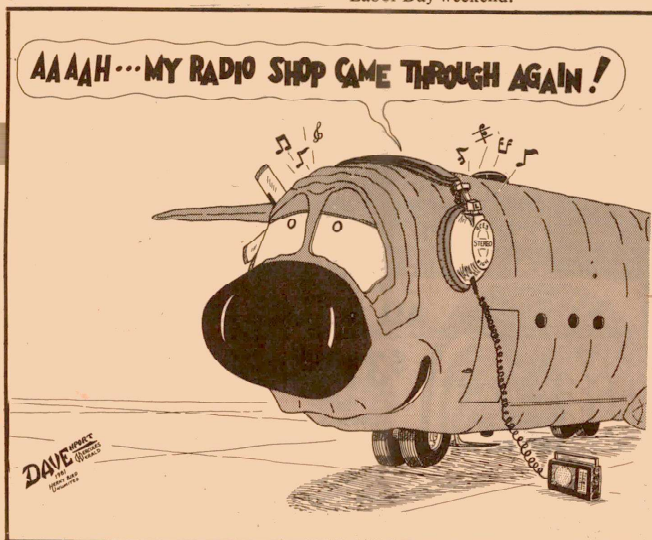
ards. The challenge facing today's NCO is greater than ever.

The young soldier, airman or sailor whose ultimate goal is to become a part of the professional NCO corps certainly can expect an increase in pay and allowances, as well as additional privileges, but before reaching this milestone you must be willing to accept an equal share of the responsibility for maintaining and upholding the high standards and traditions of which the corps is proud.

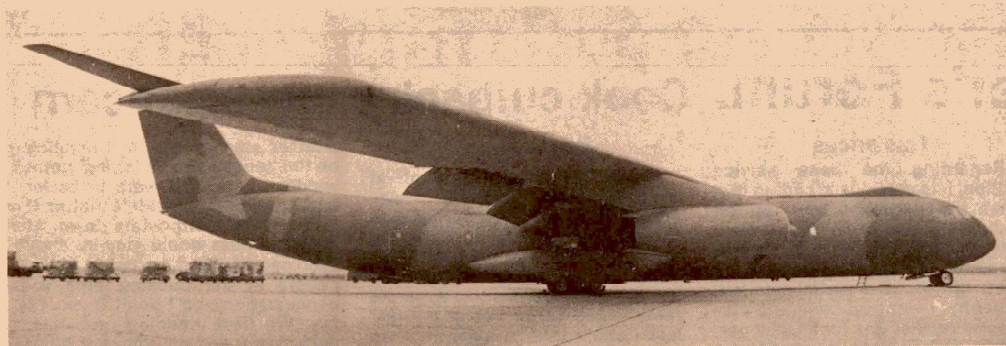
When accepting this important position of authority, there is a demand that you be watchful of your conduct, exemplary in the performance of your duties, and emphatic of the NCO's major role--leader, trainer, supervisor.

No one can become a successful leader until he knows his own capabilities and limitations. The professional NCO constantly looks inward to analyze objectively his or her own strong and weak qualities, working diligently to overcome the weak ones while strengthening the strong ones even further. When an NCO appears in an unfavorable light before a subordinate, the mutual confidence and respect that exist between them will be destroyed.

Professionalism cannot be gained cheaply. To become a professional NCO calls for making many personal sacrifices, much hard work, and total devotion to and beyond the call of duty. Professionalism means assuming your duties aggressively and carrying them out with vigor and pride. The noncommissioned officer -- leader, trainer, supervisor, -- professional.







New paint scheme  
A camouflaged C-141B, the Air Force's stretched, refuelable C-141 Starlifter, shows how the entire C-141 fleet will look in the near future. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

## It's your pay

# Finance explains travel

By 2Lt. Phillip L. Cales  
Deputy Accounting  
Finance Officer

Recently a number of travel vouchers have been submitted to the Accounting and Finance Office for computation and payment. They appeared to contain gross overstatements of actual expenses incurred while the member was on temporary duty.

Claims for actual expenses are filed on the Statement of Actual Expense form. This form should be attached to the travel voucher when travel has been to an area designated as a high cost area.

The Statement of Actual Expense form is designed to let the traveler file for reimbursement for actual expenses incurred for lodging, meals, laundry, local transportation, and other miscellaneous expenses. Anytime actual expenses in a designated high cost

area exceed the normal per diem rate, this form should be filed.

If expenses do not exceed the normal per diem rate, only the travel voucher should be filed for reimbursement at the normal per diem rate.

Per diem is authorized to help offset expenses incurred by a military traveler while absent from home station on official business. Regulations require that a traveler be as prudent with these expenses as if he or she were spending his own money.

The United States Code and the Uniformed Code of Military Justice provide severe penalties for willfully falsifying government documents. Everyone submitting vouchers for payment must be careful to ensure accuracy.

Anyone who has a temporary duty assignment in their near future and has questions about information needed to complete a voucher, should contact the Finance Travel Section, Ext. 4711.

## Suggestion to stop losses award

Mr. William C. Weeks, 317th Civil Engineering Squadron, was recently selected by the Pope Loss Prevention Working Group as the Loss Prevention/Suggester for the first quarter of fiscal year 1981.

Mr. Weeks submitted his idea to prevent loss of government property on an Air Force Form 1000 to the Base Suggestion Office. All suggestions pertaining to the security of government property are screened by the Suggestion Office and forwarded to

the chairman of the Loss Prevention Working Group for initial evaluation. If the suggestion has merit it is referred to the local responsible office for final determination.

Mr. Weeks will be presented an engraved desk set and a month of free car washes compliments of a Spring Lake businessman.

The Suggestion Office welcomes ideas. A few minutes of time to put ideas on a form 1000 can become an active part of Air Force management.

## Pope students place in science fair

Two junior high school students from Pope have placed in the science fair held last week at Irwin Jr. High School.

Susan Earp, 14, daughter of SMSgt. and Mrs. George W. Earp, took second place in the Earth Science

exhibit. She is in the eighth grade.

Timmy Leffel, 12, son of SMSgt. and Mrs. Lacy R. Leffel, placed third in the Physical Science exhibit. Leffel is in the seventh grade.

All participants in the fair were students at Irwin School.



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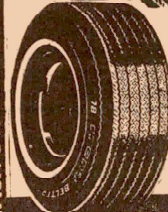
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# Weather observer supports Army exercise

SCOTT AFB, Ill. (MNS)-- As A1C Mark Findley crawled along the snow-covered ground, he had to wonder what he was doing there. He had joined the Air Force, not the Army. His recruiter never told him about living in tents, eating C rations and jumping out of "perfectly good aircraft."

As an air weather observer assigned to Detachment 3, 5th Weather Squadron, Fort Bragg, N.C., Airman Findley had a very special job; providing weather support to the 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group also from Fort Bragg.

One of the most important missions of the Military Airlift Command's Weather Service is their daily support of other Department of Defense Forces.

Recently, MAC's weather people had the opportunity to prove, once again, the vital service they provide; this time traveling to the country's most northern state - Alaska - to participate in exercise BRIM FROST 81.

This joint training exercise, sponsored by the U.S. Readiness Command, is designed to test the performance of selected Air Force, Army and Navy units in an arctic setting. The exercise involved more than 12,000 people.

One of the main concerns of both BRIM FROST 81 planners and participants was weather. The quick-changing Alaskan weather can force a change of plans at any time, so accurate weather information was essential. Airman Findley, as one of the members of the special forces operating base weather team, was definitely qualified to provide that essential information.

Airman Findley, along with Capt. John White, staff weather officer, and SSgt. Phil Abel, weather forecaster, is assigned to the weather detachment from Fort Bragg, specifically tasked with providing weather support to the special forces unit.

The members of MAC's weather detachments assigned to Army units must be trained for the mission of that unit as well as qualified weather observers or forecasters. In this case, the members of Detachment 3 are all

jump-qualified so they can travel with their Army unit wherever they may be called upon to serve.

Once in the field, Airman Findley, as the weather observer, accumulated weather data, which he relayed back to Elmendorf AFB where MAC's 11th Weather Squadron acted as the main weather support unit for the exercise.

Members of the 11th Weather Squadron received the raw weather data from field locations such as Air-

man Findley's formulated a weather forecast and passed that forecast on to exercise planners. This is the same procedure that would be used in the event of an actual conflict.

Though the Alaskan climate hardly reached arctic conditions, with temperatures ranging from zero to 30 degrees, BRIM FROST 81 provided a real training environment where Airman Findley and all of the exercise participants could practice to be ready for any conditions...anytime...anywhere.



A1C Mark Findley prepares to take a weather reading while forces from the 2nd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, N.C., provide ground protection, during exercise BRIM FROST '81. Airman Findley, assigned to Military Airlift Command's Air Weather Service, journeyed to Alaska as part of the Special Forces operating base weather team. Airman Findley is assigned to Detachment 3, 5th Weather Squadron, Fort Bragg, N.C. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

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# Mathis: Mood toward military changing

"I sense a changing mood in the American people indicating respect for the military and better understanding of its role," said Air Force Vice Chief of Staff, Gen. Robert C. Mathis.

Speaking to reporters at Randolph AFB, Tex. General Mathis said, "When the president talks about power and being able to deal with world problems, one of the major aspects of power he's talking about is the military, and I think that people are beginning to see that 'The mood has changed over a period of years. Certainly the low point was the Vietnam War, when a number of people felt that somehow the military was responsible for that war."

"But we don't make national policy," he said, "we carry it out."

"The president has respect for the military and the strength it gives him in his negotiations, and that respect is

being reflected in the country. People are starting to appreciate what the military is all about," the Vice Chief of Staff said.

That feeling is important now, because, "This country has never needed strong and capable armed forces more than today. The dangers to this country are real."

The Soviet Union, he stated, has emphasized a military build-up.

"That's the only place they're really successful--the production of raw military power. They don't do well with their economy. The standard of living of the average Soviet citizen is lowest of any industrialized nation--lower than most of their East European allies. Sixty-three years after the revolution they're still unable to feed themselves. Three out of the last five years they've had to import large

quantities of food. What they have focused on is a rapid buildup of raw military power. In order to be able to counter that we need to make sure we're ready and professional in what we do," General Mathis said.

Stressing quality people as the key to readiness, the vice chief of staff described efforts to improve pay and entitlement.

"Most of the pay raises we've had in recent times have been to take care of inflation, but we've had some caps along the way, so we're behind, even though we got the 11.7 percent raise. Pay still doesn't measure up. We're requesting a 5.3 percent raise in an attempt to get back on track."

"I think what the chief of staff is looking for today is a situation whereby we can pay our people enough so that they have an adequate living and can live with dignity. That's really

what we're after."

Readiness also requires effective weapon systems, General Mathis said.

Asked which aircraft or system is the most important, he replied, "Which is more important, breathing in or breathing out? They're all important. But I think the most important is modernizing our strategic nuclear force. The M-X has to be the most important."

"The big thing about nuclear force is that it's a deterrent--the best missiles are those that are never fired. Our national policy is one of never striking first. But, potential aggressors must understand we'll be prepared and able to retaliate, that they cannot knock us out with the first strike. So we have to have a survivable missile force."

"We do have viable forces today," he emphasized, "I'm sure we'll be able to do whatever is needed."

## Pope recognizes award winners

### Meritorious Service Medal

Maj. Wesley Broers, Capt. Keith Fennell and SMSgt. William Tuttle, 39th Tactical Airlift Squadron.

### Top people of 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron

MSgt. Harry Henderson, senior NCO of the quarter; A1C Thomas Rydberg, airman of the quarter; Sra. Chuck Gange, administrator of the year and TSgt. Thomas Tatlow, NCO of the quarter.

A1C Ronald Andersh, apprentice of the year; Sgt. Gerry Mashaw, junior manager of the year; SSgt. Samuel Gullett, manager of the year and MSgt. Marshall Fitzgerald, senior manager of the year.

Sgt. Wesley Boyer, junior technician of the year; SSgt. Kenneth Douglas, technician of the year; TSgt. Thomas Tatlow, senior technician of the year and TSgt. Herbert Causey, diamond award.

MSgt. Harry Henderson, senior NCO of the year; TSgt. Thomas Tatlow, NCO of the year and A1C Wiley Hilley, airman of the year.

### Golden Bolt

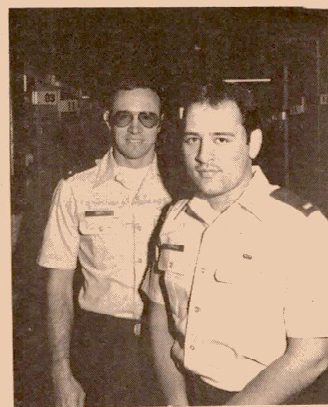
SSgt. Walter Voelker, 82nd Aviation Battalion A Company and Sra. Benjamin Jackson, 317th Organizational Maintenance Squadron, were recent recipients of the Golden Bolt award.

## Three gain new commands

Three Pope commanders gained new commands last week.

Maj. Phillip Harris relinquished command of the 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron and gained the position in the 317th Organizational Maintenance Squadron.

The Golden Bolt is hidden on the ramp area for flight line workers to search for while picking up debris which might lead to FOD--foreign object damage.



First Lt. Richard G. Smith (left) is the 21st Air Force junior supply officer of the year and 2nd Lt. Jose Rodriguez is the Military Airlift Command and 21st Air Force junior fuels officer of the year. They are assigned to the 317th Supply Squadron. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Bob Bailey)

Lt. Col. Robert Fletcher arrived from McGuire AFB, N.J. to take command of AMS.

Lt. Col. Norman Hull, relinquished command of OMS to become the assistant deputy commander for maintenance.



Colonel Hull



Colonel Fletcher



Major Harris

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First Lt. Brian Sokolowsky with art at Arsenal House show. (U.S. Air Force Photo by A1C Tonya L. Lairmore)

## Artist teams hobby with career

First Lieutenant Brian Sokolowsky of the USAF Airlift Center Operations Support Division had always been interested in art. So when he received Air Force ROTC scholarship, he decided to go to Brigham Young University and study art.

The first two years at the university, he developed skills in drawing, painting and other mediums. "My hardest class was pottery," he said. "I'm not very good with my thumbs."

Between his sophomore and junior years, Lieutenant Sokolowsky took two years off from his studies to go to Germany on a mission for his church. While in Germany, he became interested in art from a historic viewpoint. "In Europe you're surrounded by all this cultural art," he explained.

After he returned to Brigham Young, he concentrated his studies on

art history and graduated in 1977. He graduated from navigator school in 1978 and was assigned to the 41st Tactical Airlift Squadron.

After being taken off flying status due to medical reasons, Lieutenant Sokolowsky was assigned to the U.S. Airlift Center as an administrative officer.

"I have more free time to use on my art since I'm working in the Airlift Center," he said.

Lieutenant Sokolowsky continues to study and work with art. He takes evening art classes whenever available and enters his work in local shows.

He had a composition accepted in a juried show at the Arsenal House Museum in Fayetteville last summer and recently had three paintings displayed in the military art show there.

## AAFES offers new private labeled battery

Service stations operated by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service are offering a new private label battery--the Go Power battery.

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# Grassroots

## Colonel Hoffman: 'Not a day of broken service since birth'

(Editor's note: The following "Grassroots" story is the second in a series of articles featuring personal insight to Pope's leaders. The series includes a look at Pope's top officer and enlisted people.)

Story and Photos  
By A1C Tanya L. Lairmore

"I was born and raised in the United States Air Force," said Lt. Col. Peter Hoffman. "I haven't had a day of broken service since birth."

Colonel Hoffman is commander of the U.S. Air Force Clinic at Pope AFB, N.C., which is in keeping with family tradition. His father is Maj. Gen. Archie A. Hoffman, USAF (Ret.), who served for 30 years in the Air Force Medical Corps.

Colonel Hoffman's childhood was highlighted by numerous moves to the places where his father was stationed. The family lived in Puerto Rico, Georgia, Mississippi, Texas and twice in Washington, D.C.

"We sort of settled down in Bethesda, Md.," he explained. "My father spent the last 15 years of his career at Andrews AFB and in the Pentagon."

While still a student at Walter Johnson High School in Bethesda, Colonel Hoffman entered the Navy Reserve

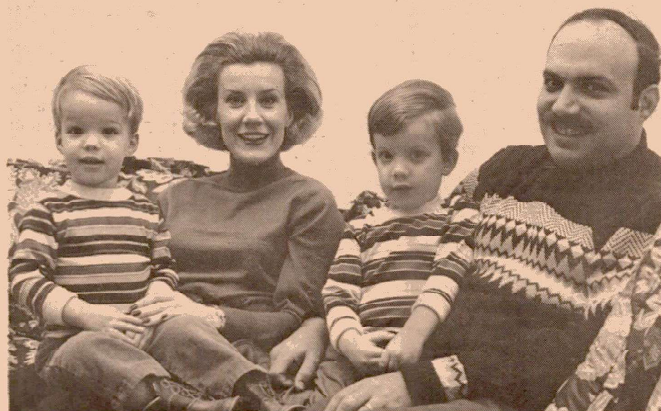
and attained the rank of E-5. He served in the hospital corps until 1966 when he entered the Medical College of Virginia and became an officer in the Air Force.

"I was the first Air Force '36-13' student," he said. "That was a program which is no longer in existence called Medical Education for Medical Education for Medical Service Corps Officers, a fully sponsored program for medical students."

"The Air Force paid my tuition, bought my books and equipment, and then paid me the full salary of a second lieutenant," he explained. "I was on active duty all the way through medical school and all my subsequent training."

The colonel graduated from the Medical College of Virginia, in Richmond in 1970, then stayed in Richmond until 1975 for further medical training. "I took a straight medical internship for one year, followed by two years of residency in internal medicine," he said. "The next year I was one of the chief residents in the Department of Medicine while I also took some courses in graduate school, all at MCV."

In 1975, he left Richmond and moved to Rockville, Md. where he spent two years at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md. and completed the thesis requirements for his doctorate degree and the



Colonel Hoffman's favorite hobby is his family...  
...Zachary, Cecilia, Grayson and himself

fellowship requirements for his fellowship in Allergy and Immunology.

He was awarded his doctorate from MCV in basic science, microbiology and immunology in 1977.

"After completing my doctorate and fellowship programs I was assigned to the USAF Medical Center at Scott AFB, Ill.," Colonel Hoffman continued. "I was the head of the Division of Allergy and Immunology and later was chairman of the division of Internal Medicine."

"In August of 1980 I was selected to be the commander of this facility and moved to Pope."

As commander of the Pope clinic, Colonel Hoffman is in charge of a staff of 34 doctors, dentists, nurses and medical specialists. He strives to "optimize the delivery of health care," at the clinic and to "provide the best health care available and the best access to it for the population we serve."

Colonel Hoffman says, "I enjoy managing and administering a medical treatment facility, making things better for the patients and for the staff."

Colonel Hoffman believes the biggest influence on his life has been his father. "Growing up in my house, with my father—no question about it—was the major influence on my life."

"I remember when I went for my interview for admission to medical school," Colonel Hoffman said, "one of the interviewers looked at my records and saw that my father was a doctor. He asked me if I felt his influence had forced me into being a doctor."

"I told him that my father had never forced me to do anything. But it would be foolish to say being brought up in a house with a doctor has had no influence on me."

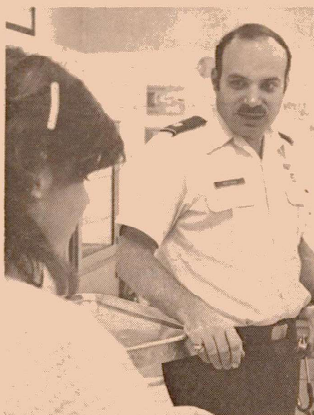
The colonel doesn't follow his father's example in all respects, though. While General Hoffman submerged himself in his work, his son finds time for other interests.

"My number one hobby is my family and my involvement with my church," the colonel said. "Fishing, woodworking and puttering around the house all come after."

Colonel Hoffman met his wife, Cecilia, while a student in Richmond.

They married in December 1974 and now have two sons, Grayson, 4, and Zachary, 2.

The family attends Eutaw Heights Baptist Church where the colonel



Colonel Hoffman...  
...chats with patient

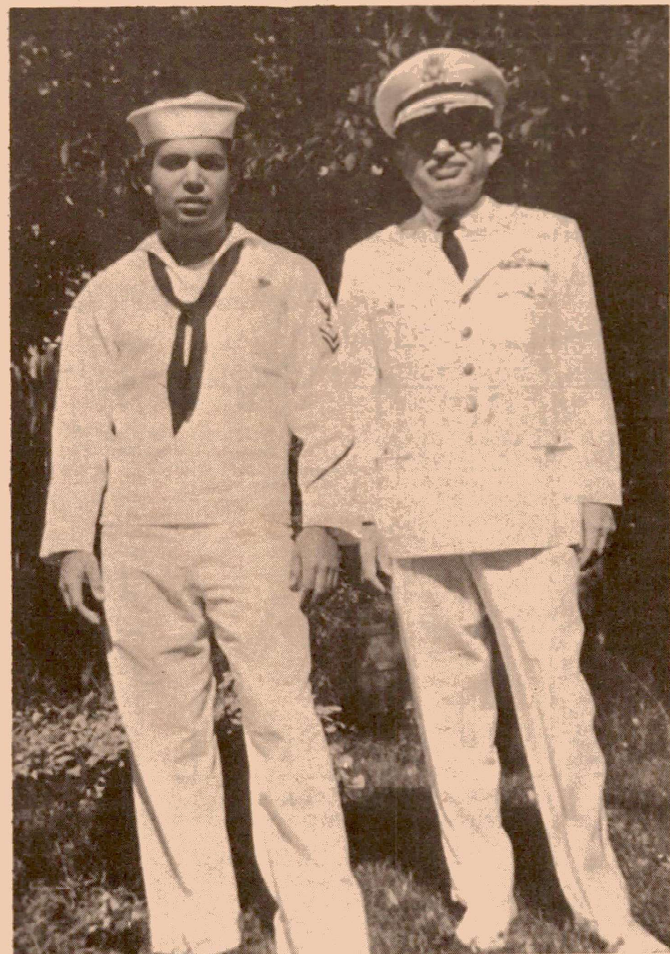
teaches the young married couples' Sunday school class.

They live in Devonwood, a community near Fayetteville, N.C., but plan to retire to the home they built on Lake Anna, Va.

Just how far away that retirement lies is hard to pinpoint. "I intend to stay for at least 20 years in the service," Colonel Hoffman explained. "When I reach the 20-year mark, I'll do what most people do at that point. I'll look around and see what the military has to offer in a continuing fashion. I'll see what my opportunities would be to stay in the service as opposed to my opportunities elsewhere."

So far though, the life of a military doctor has been a good one for Colonel Hoffman. "I enjoy my job immensely," he said. "I can't think of any other job that I'd rather have than the job that I have."

"I can't imagine anything worse than having to get up in the morning and go to a job I hate. I've never had to, and hope I never do."



Colonel Hoffman and his father, Major General Hoffman...  
...the colonel wears Navy reserve uniform, father in Air Force white



# Sports

## Rugby club begins spring schedule

The broken bones from the 1980 season have mended and the wounds have healed; the bandages are removed and the bruises vanished—but not for long. Rugby season has begun again.

The Fort Bragg Rugby Club, comprised of Air Force, Army and civilian members, opened its 1981 season Sunday at Wake Forest. The "All-Americans" tied the A-side (first string) game 16-16 and took the B-side (second string) game handily with a 24-11 victory.

The team travels to Greensboro tomorrow to play the Greensboro city team. They host the cadets of West Point Military Academy Sunday at 2 p.m. The game will be played on the polo fields at the corner of Knox and Randolph streets on Fort Bragg.

All of the club's games are open to the public and "fan support is welcomed," says team match secretary Paul Barsamian. "We hope to have more fans at our games this year," he said. "Rugby isn't a well-known sport in the United States but once people see a game, they find it exciting."

At first glance, Rugby is similar to American football. Both games use an oval-shaped ball. Both games use goalposts at each end of the field and players in both games run with the ball and get tackled. However, the games are different in many other aspects. However, the games are different in many other aspects.

The Rugby ball is almost twice the size of a football. The ball may not be passed forward, only backward. When the ball carrier is tackled, he must release the ball and play continues. Play only stops for a score, a rules infraction, going out-of-bounds or the end of time.

One of the most noticeable differences is that Rugby, unlike football, is played without pads, consequently, there are more injuries.

Rugby originated in England and there is considered a gentleman's

game. The American version "is considerably rougher," says Wayland "Snookie" Parker, president of the club.

"One of the reasons it is played rougher in America is that players in this country have usually participated in football; therefore they have it in their minds that they should hit to hurt and stop the "rigger" (the ball carrier) in his tracks. Most injuries are on shoulders and knees."

The Fort Bragg team has been preparing for the 1981 season since February. They hope to continue their successful ways after placing second in the North Carolina Rugby Championships last Fall. They finished last year's season with a 7-1 record.

The team practices at 6 p.m. on

Tuesdays and Thursdays at Pike Field on Gruber Road and membership is open to anyone from Pope. Fort Bragg or the surrounding community. "Team

### Spring Schedule:

March 14  
March 15  
March 21  
March 28  
April 4  
April 11  
April 18  
April 25  
April 25-26  
May 2  
May 8  
May 8

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Jerry Razer of the 40th Tactical Airlift Squadron attracts the attention of several Dan River Region players during the 1980 North Carolina Rugby Championships last Fall. The event was held at East Carolina University. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

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## Sports Shorts

### Youth ball season

The Pope Youth Sports program will sponsor a world Little League affiliated baseball league with the all-star team attending a regional tournament. Little league is for boys and girls 9-13 years old. Players can not be 13 years old before August 1 to play.

Girls softball will also be associated with Little League this year in an effort to provide a higher competition outlet. The age groupings vary as to the final player/team grouping but all girls from 9-16 are eligible.

For older players not on any high

### Coaches needed

Coaches are needed for tee-ball and girls softball, and officials are needed for all sports. Older youth may fill these positions. Volunteers are also needed for the concession stands.

A coaches meeting will be held March 23 at 5 p.m.

### Air Force sponsors soccer camp

RANDOLPH AFB, Texas (AFNS) - For the first time, soccer enthusiasts will have a chance to kick their way to the top in Air Force and interservice competitions.

Morale, welfare and recreation officials need 30 top-notch players to attend a soccer training camp, May 4-23, at Langley AFB, Va. From there, a

school team a senior 13-15 year old little league team is planned. If enough interest develops, a big league team for 15-18 year olds will be sponsored.

Intramural softball at the base gym is also available for all youth between ages 16-20 years old. The only requirement for this is a dependent ID card. Registration for all leagues will end March 30.

For children ages 5 and 6, there will be a tee-ball league and a coach-pitch league.

Tryouts and skill assessments will be held March 25, 26 and 27. A coaches, parents and players meeting will be held March 30 at 5 p.m. on the ball field. Team assignments will be made March 30 after the player meeting.

Team practice will begin April 1.

coach and team will be selected to represent the Air Force in the interservice competition at Fort Gordon, Ga., May 24-30.

Applications are available from the base sports director and should be completed as soon as possible. Include details of past experience, levels of competition and personal achievements.

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# Coast Guard: Auxiliary offers classes for new boat owners

(Editor's Note: This article is one of a series offering tips on boating skill and seamanship prepared specially for the *Hercules Herald* by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.)

By Don Kidd, Vice Commander  
Fayetteville Flotilla  
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

So you're now the proud owner of your first boat.

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enrolling in free public boating courses offered by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

"Actual experience always is the best teacher, but a course in boating skills and seamanship is invaluable to acquiring familiarity with boats, what to expect out on the water, and how to deal with it," says Melvin Boyd, commander of the Auxiliary's Fayetteville Flotilla.

"Too many of today's boating mishaps can be traced to faulty boat handling by the inexperienced, untrained skipper."

As the slogan, "Safe Boating Is No Accident" indicates, accidents on the water can be minimized through education. Without proper training a thoughtless skipper not only may endanger the lives of himself and his passengers, but also ruin the day for other boaters.

Courses offered by the Coast Guard

Auxiliary provide basic boating know-how such as rules of the road, navigational aids, governmental regulations, boat handling and the fundamentals of good seamanship.

Flotilla Commander Boyd notes that if the new boat owner seeks such basic training and diligently tries to fill the role of seasoned skipper, dreams of enjoying recreational boating are most likely to be fulfilled.

He added, "Skippers who have learned to operate their vessels only

through the trial-and-error method, without any boat handling instruction, would gain more pleasure and peace of mind by enrolling in an Auxiliary boating course. Boating is a family affair. Enroll the whole family.

Classes are scheduled regularly. They are conducted by experienced Auxiliarists, and are open to men, women and youths. Family group attendance is encouraged. For further information on upcoming classes, contact your local flotilla at 867-6265.

## Air Force sets '81 training camps

RANDOLPH AFB, Texas (AFNS) -- Nine Air Force bases have been chosen to host 1981 Air Force sports training camps along with three bases chosen to host interservice championships.

Sports officials are looking for the best military athletes in the Air Force to compete for places on Air Force teams. Anyone wanting to be selected to any of the Air Force training camps must be nominated by their major command. This may be based on results of a command championship/training camp or by submitting a request for specialized training available from the base gym.

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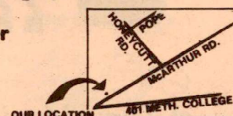
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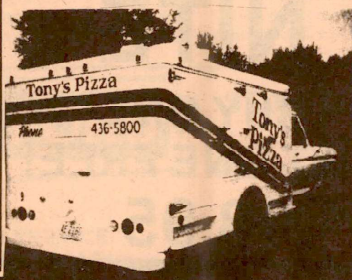
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# Local Happenings

## Cenima Schedule

**Tonight: Caboblanco (R) 7:30 p.m.** A romantic adventure starring Charles Bronson. The story concerns a search for art treasures sunk off the coast of Argentina and the mysterious disappearance of the adventurers.

**Tomorrow: The Great Balloon Adventure (G) 2 p.m.** With the help of a friend, Katharine Hepburn, tow boys set off in an old circus balloon for fun and adventure.

**The Eagle's Wing (PG) 7:30 p.m.** Conflict between a grizzled, experienced white trapper and a kiowa dog soldier over an exceptional horse with the speed and grace of an eagle's wing.

**Sunday and Monday: Popeye (PG) 7:30 p.m.** Action-filled musical comedy version of one of the world's most beloved comic strip stars. Robin Williams (of Mork and Mindy) stars as the spinach gulping sea gob, and Shelley Duvall as Olive Oyl.

**Tuesday: American Gigolo (R) 7:30 p.m.** Julian Kay is a gigolo involved with a senator's wife. Someone is out to frame him for murder and Palm Springs detective Hector Elizondo intrudes on the lovers with his questioning.

**Wednesday: High Anxiety (PG) 7:30 p.m.** A Mel Brooks-eye view of the thrill-packed world of suspense via Alfred Hitchcock. The talents of Madeline Kahn, Cloris Leachman and Harvey Korman are hilariously employed in this pleasantly hysterical film.

**Thursday and Friday: Divine Madness (R) 7:30 p.m.** The screen version of the Broadway show that broke all boxoffice records. Bette Midler entertains with her boundless vitality and sheer virtuosity.

## Rec Center

**Tonight: Air Force Showcase** presents Anthology playing variety music from 8 p.m.-midnight. Bar service will be available.

Free mini-craft class at 7 p.m.

**Tomorrow: Mixed doubles** eight ball pool tournament at 7:30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to winners.

**Sunday: Eight ball** pool tournament starts at 5:30 p.m.

**Monday: Armchair theater** starts at 7:30 p.m. with free movie popcorn and punch.

**Tuesday: Judging of photo contest** for little boys under 6 years old will be at 5 p.m. All photos must be submitted by 6 p.m. Sunday.

Dancercise class starts at 6 p.m.  
Square dance with the Pope Promenaders from 7:30-10 p.m. Lessons available.

**Wednesday: Newcomers** orientation and new wives welcome begin at 7:50 a.m.

Chess playing Air Force members are needed to compete against the Army in the upcoming Armed Forces Chess Tournament. Details available at Chess Club meeting at 8 p.m.

Disco with the Funkfather in the Pizza Parlor from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

**Thursday: Coupon** swapping meeting from 7-9 p.m.

Dancercise class from 7-9 p.m.  
Spades tournament begins at 8 p.m.

## NCO Club

**Tonight: and Tomorrow: Dance** music by Easy from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

**Sunday: Membership** appreciation buffet from 1-5 p.m. Members and spouse or date free. Small charge for guests and children 2 and up.

A new band, Constant Funk and their Funky Brass Band featuring the Four Sticks of Dynamite plus Miss TNT, plays from 8 p.m.-midnight.

**Wednesday: Country** music with the Good Ole Boys from 8 p.m.-midnight.

## Youth Center

**Tonight: Pre-teen** disco from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Also a Spanish dinner with take out plates for \$1.75 from 4-6 p.m.

**Tomorrow: Teen** dance from 7-10:30 p.m.

**Monday: Free** movie and popcorn.

**Tuesday: Registration** for square dance classes are being taken. Come by or call the youth center at Ext. 4512.

**Wednesday: Square** dance instruction from 7-10 p.m.

## Airman's Wives' Club

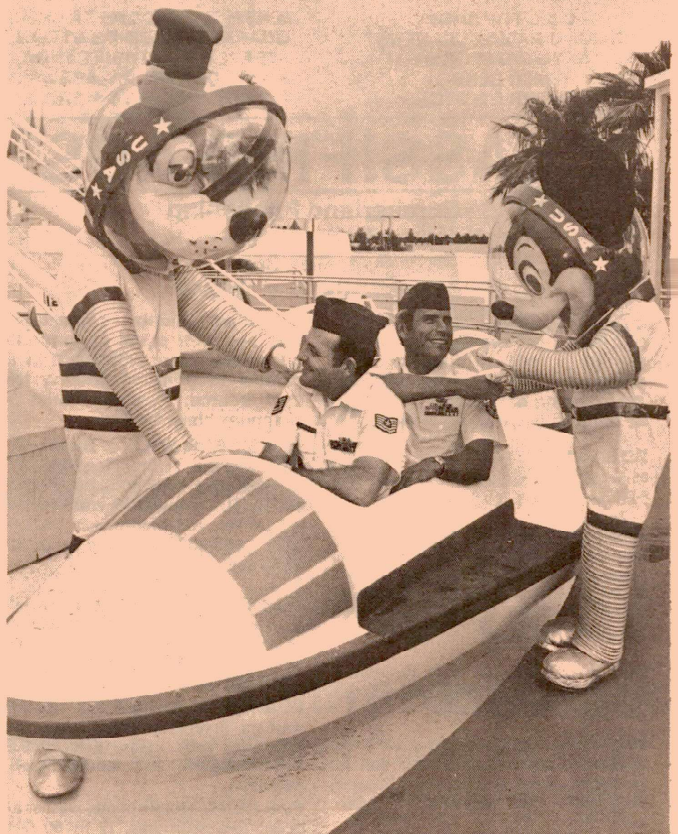
The Pope Airmen's Wives' Club is being reorganized with the first meeting scheduled in April. All wives of E-4s and below can contact the Recreation Center for plans and details.

## Women's exercise class

A free women's exercise class is conducted every weekday except the first and third Wednesdays from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

## Newspaper deadline

News for the local happenings section of the Hercules Herald should be delivered to the Public Affairs office by noon Friday for publication in the



Goofy and Mickey Mouse welcome airmen to Walt Disney World...

...tour planned by ITT for Memorial Day weekend. (Photo courtesy Walt Disney Productions)

next Friday's paper. Copy should be typed, double spaced and must have a reference name and phone number on it. The PA office is located in building 309 room 106. Contact A1C. Tanya Lairamore or Sgt. Glen Gage for further information.

## AFSA banquet

Reservations for the Air Force Sergeants Association installation and awards banquet can be made through MSgt. Jack Paules at Ext. 4681 or 497-3359 until Thursday. The Banquet is March 21 at the Pope NCO Club and starts with a cocktail hour from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The banquet is from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Dress is coat and tie for men, appropriate dress for women. The guest speaker will be Albert J. Conners, Director of State Legislation for the AFSA International Headquarters. Cost is \$6 per person.

## Art Auction

The Officers' Wives' Club will sponsor an international art exhibit and auction tomorrow to raise funds for OWC activities.

The exhibit will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the auction will start at 8 p.m. Admission will be \$1. Refreshments will be served during viewing.

In addition, the Officers' Club will feature a special dinner before the auction.

## Red Cross

The American Red Cross will hold a training class for new volunteers Wednesday in the second floor conference room at Womack Army Hospital. The class will begin at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at approximately noon. Interested persons can call the Red Cross office at 396-1231 or the Installation Volunteer Coordinator's Office at 396-4175 for more information. The

training class is open to active duty members, their families, and retirees and their families.

## ITT Tours

Fort Bragg's Information Tours and Travel Center is planning a trip to Disney World for the Memorial Day weekend, May 22-25. Other trips include a tour to the Asheboro Zoo, April 4 and the Stoneybrooke Steeple Chase April 11.

There will be bands and entertainment before the steeple chase race and families are asked to bring a picnic lunch.

The ITT center has also been allotted 15 Masters' Badges for the upcoming Masters' golf tournament in Augusta April 9-12. In order to be as fair as possible in the distribution of these badges, ITT will take names of interested persons and then a drawing will be held to determine the 15 people eligible to purchase the badges. Cost of each badge is \$50.

A trip to Hawaii around July 4 is being planned. The week-long trip will begin July 2 with a plane trip to the islands and will end July 10 with the return to Fort Bragg. Planned activities include a variety of tours, choice of a day at the beach or on the Pearl Harbor Cruise, the Kodak Hula Show and Mumu Factory. Approximate cost of the trip is \$850.

Discount tickets to Carowinds Amusement Park are available at ITT. The tickets are for March 21-April 26. The regular \$9.90 ticket will sell for \$6.30 and are good only during this time period. After April 26 discount tickets will be sold for \$7.60.

For information on any of these trips or tickets, contact ITT on Randolph Street next to the Dragon Club or call 396-8670.

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