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General Allen discusses CX, retention

The enhancement of our ground and air forces must be accompanied by a capability to move those forces to overseas theaters, said Gen. James R. Allen, Military Airlift Command commander in chief, at a press con-ference here during his first visit to Pope since assuming command of MAC June 26.

As commander in chief of MAC, General Allen is responsible for all



Department of Defense airlift.

At a Sept. 10 press conference with area reporters, General Allen reemphasized the need for the Air Force's proposed new cargo aircraft, the CX, to satisfy the nation's airlift requirements.
"We can transport everything if

Gen. James R. Allen

Museum trip slated for Sept. 26

Active Air Force people assigned to Pope and Fort Bragg are eligible to take part in the wing's monthly Air Force Museum flight. Those taking part in the trip will leave Pope Sept. 26 at about 8 a.m. and return to the base about 5 p.m. The museum is located at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, and the flight will be on a C-130 Hercules. Approval for individual members will be made through the Public Affairs Division and each member's supervisor. Anyone interested in the flight should contact Public Affairs, Ext. 4183 for more information or reservations.

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you're willing to wait until we can get it done," he said. "There are many shortfalls in our ability to deliver forces to an overseas theater on time."

At present, the general explained, the C-5 Galaxy is the only aircraft capable of delivering outsized equipment like tanks and heavy artillery, and only a limited number of these aircraft are available for that purpose.

craft are available for that purpose.
"No one would want to go to war without their artillery," said General Allen. "It is important for the national interest that we do enhance our capability to deliver people and things. and particularly, things which are out-

sized, to an overseas theater."

McDonnell Douglas Corp., Long Beach, Calif., was recently selected as the Air Force's prime contractor to develop the CX after an intensive sixmonth source selection. The aircraft will be wide-bodied, air-refuelable and capable of landing on a short, unimproved landing strip.

General Allen, calling the CX design a very splendid aircraft, would not prejudge the project's chances of surviving the administration and congress's budget review.

The logic behind the need for additional airlift capability, including outsize configuration, is very strong," he said. "I hope we can be successful in conveying that logic to Congress.

"There is no question in my mind that if you're going to realize the full potential, in terms of deterrence and war-fighting capability of Army and Air Force forces based in the continen-tal United States, you've got to have a way to move them and move them quickly and responsively to points of crisis and confrontation," he added.

"My total concern is for the national interest and that includes a concern for the impact upon taxpayers and the national budget," he said. "...it just so happens that there are no commercial airplanes that can carry outsized equipment."

Although he would not be directly responsible for supervising the quality controls placed on the CX project, General Allen said that he would be a very interested spectator and that in his view lessons learned from the development of the other aircraft would insure rigorous quality standar-

general added that it was premature to talk about an increase of people at Pope in connection with the CX.

When questioned about the Air Force's retention outlook, General Allen cited a direct correlation between the retention rate in the Air Force and the unemployment rate in the civilian economy. He also noted recent

slowdowns in the airline industry have reduced the drain upon the Air Force's

General Allen identified an increased awareness, population, within the American congress and administration, that "in order to retain people, we must provide them with a decent wage and decent living and working conditions.

"It doesn't make good economic sense to pinch pennies on salaries we pay our people and then lose them and have to start training all over again."

General Allen said that he was on a campaign to visit all the bases and units in the Military Airlift Command.

"Without exception, I have been terribly impressed with the quality of the officers, senior noncommissioned officers and junior airmen that I have met," he said. "They are first class men and women out there doing a heck of a fine job for their country."

In addition to his press conference, the general toured various base facilities, while at Pope, including the Combat Control School, maintenance

complex and flying squadrons.

General and Mrs. Allen departed
Pope at 8 a.m. Sept. 11 en route to
Charleston AFB, S.C.



CINCMAC briefing

Gen. James R. Allen, commander in chief of the Military Airlift Command, briefs Pope aircrew members at the 39th Tactical Airlift Squadron briefing room during his visit here last week. For more on the visit, see photos on page 3. (U.S. Air Force photo by 2nd Lt. A.V.

Pope AFB—"We put the Air in Airborne"

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News Briefs

No increase in MWR prices

The chief of Morale, Recreation and Welfare, Henry Robinson, at Pope has announced that except for minor in-creases in the cost of child care services there will be no increase in fees and charges at MWR facilities in fiscal year 1982

Although food and beverage prices may increase due to market fluc-tuations, Robinson said that the Pope MWR division is pledged to offer patrons the best facilities, programs and services at the lowest price.

As an example the golf course offers the lowest annual fees at any Air Force installation in the world. The Noncommissioned Officers' Open Mess has one of the largest variety of lunch menus worldwide. The Arts and Crafts Center also offers more classes conducted by professionals than any Air Force

MWR also has the largest funded construction program in its history. Projects totaling over \$3 million are under design and will be completed in

Join Scouting Night

Boys 8-14 interested in Scouting should attend "Join Scouting Night" Sept. 24, 6:30-8:30 p.m., said Marilyn Loomis, District Publicity chairman

for scouting.

Parents should bring boys 8-10 years old to the Pope Elementary School. Representatives from Pope's Pack 759 will explain the Scouting program on Pope and register boys and adults.

Following the Join Scouting Program the pack will hold its monthly meeting. A program is planned to include newly registered Cubs and their parents.

Troop 730 is holding an open house at the Scout Hut on Armistead Street, 6:30-8:30 p.m., for boys 11-14 years old interested in the Boy Scouts. Scout leaders and troop members will answer questions from boys and their parents. Troop members have planned activities

that will let boys see some of the fun scouting at Pope has to offer.

For information about scouting on Pope call 497-8042 or 497-4125

Family life seminar

A family life seminar will be at the Base Chapel Sept. 23 and 24 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The sessions will focus on job and marita! satisfaction retention and problems associated with family separation. Participation is limited to persons per seminar. Commanders, first sergeants and supervisors are en-couraged to attend. Advance Advance registration is required. Call Ext. 2676 to register.

A seminar for the general public will be held Sept. 23 at 7 p.m. at the Chapel. Participation is unrestricted advance registration is not required.

Topics of discussion will include stress of Air Force life and ways to cope with it, the advantages versus disadvantages of military life, child care and other matters concerning Air Force people.

The seminar leader will be Dr. Gary Bowen, a senior member of Family Research and Analysis,, Inc., an organization contracted by the Air Force to study family life concerns. He will present information gathered during two major surveys of Air Force

"The expertise of the resource leader and the growing concern of Air Force people to provide a happy, productive climate in which they can live and work, suggest these seminars will be useful to anyone involved in an Air Force career or working with Air Force people," said a Chapel spokesman.

Pope recognizes people

The following Pope people received awards during the monthly formal

retreat-awards ceremony Aug. 31.
They are CMSgt. Earl P. Davis, Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, 317th Organizational Squadron: Maintenance Robert L. Bolick, Meritorious Service

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Medal. 3rd Mobile Aerial Squadron; MSgt. Paul T. Meritorious Service Medal, 317th Field Maintenance Squadron; and Capt. Truman H. Bolden, Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Detachment 12, 1600th Management Engineering Squadron.

PTA membership drive

The Pope Elementary School Parent Association is having a membership drive. Membership fees are \$2 per family and the drive ends Sept. 25. The class with highest percentage of membership wins a prize. Contact Debbie Guy, 497-6591, for more information.

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By SSgt. Thomas J. Neville 17th Security Police Squadron

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General Allen visits Pope

Gen. James R. Allen, commander in chief of the Military Airlift Command, made his first visit to Pope since assuming CINCMAC duties in late June. He arrived here Thursday morning (lower left) and was welcomed by Col. Edsel R. Field, 317th Tactical Airlift Wing commander, and Col. Jerry W. Angell, 317th Combat Support Group commander. During his brief stay, the general visited many areas including a review of the 317th Security Police Squadron (upper left) at guard change with Capt. Eugene P. Hindle, 317th Security Police Squadron commander. The general talks with airmen in the maintenance complex (above). He also visited the Fuels Branch of the 317th Supply Squadron (below) escorted by 1st Lt. Jose Rodriquez, chief of Fuels Branch. (U.S. Air Force photos by 2nd Lt. A.V. Stephenson)





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Fitness Trail "...great way to relax"

Story, photo by Andrew Knef

On July 20 the "Air Force Times" reported the first new Department of Defense physical fitness directive in 18 years has or-dered all military people to take part in fitness programs regardless of age and that aerobics training is not enough.

To CMSgt. Ray Stroud, avionics superintendent with the 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron, this is not surprising news.

The chief, a 20-year service veteran, believes the Air Force should place more emphasis on physical conditioning. He has discovered along with his wife and children, a uniquely challenging conditioning program available to everyone at Pope-The Fitness Trail.

The trail is a kind of obstacle course winding through the woods near the Noncommissioned Officers' Club. People jog at their own pace along pine needle-covered paths, stopping at designated points to complete exercises which are explained graphically at the location. Many of the exercises involve apparatus, some of which have been modified to accomodate differences in sex, age and physical ability.

"Not many people seem to know about the trail," said Sue Stroud, a sports enthusiast who recently won the 317th AMS's women's raquetball tournament.
Mrs. Stroud, a housewife and

mother of three, explained that she

likes to run with the whole family

when possible.

"You might say our hobby is physical fitness," she said. "The Fitness Trail is a diversion and great way to relax."

Chief Stroud has lost seven pounds since he began running the trail in

"I can do the trail in 39 minutes," he said. "Someone in top physical condition might do it in 35-38 minutes. If you run the course competitively you can expect to lose about four pounds."

Mrs. Stroud likes to run the trail because she can take it at her own speed. The soft mulch floor provides relief for a persistent back problem.

Chief Stroud believes that run-

ning the course regularly has improved not only his lung capacity,

but his job performance.
"I need the exercise," he said. "I actually get sick and very sluggish if I don't get enough. I know that people smoke and drink coffee all day without ever exercising, and they seem to be sharp. I just can't do it. I have to get my heartbeat and breathing rate up to a certain level be able to concentrate on my

Chief Stroud perfers the peace and solitude of the shaded woods to the bustle and confusion of the open

"No one yells at you to get out of the way in here," he explained. 'You avoid car fumes and even at



Chief and Mrs. Stroud at Pope's Fitness Trail

midday it is much cooler in here than on the road.

"The course, particularly at dusk, is very pretty," he continued. "As you're running the course and performing the exercises, you may even encounter squirrels and rabbits. They've become very tame in here.

Although Chief Stroud would like to see a more active fitness program in the Air Force he is not sure that a program on the scale of the 82nd

Airborne Division's would be prac-

tical.
"We don't have the manpower or the time to have calisthenics on a daily basis," he explained, adding however, that this did not stop in-dividuals from exercising on their own each day.

"In fact I recommend it," he ad-

The chief believes that the trail, seriously, can provide anyone's fitness requirements.



Mrs. Jean McCulloh applies clown makeup to an eager youngster at the clown booth.

Pope Fest '81 4,000 people attend

Four thousand people came out to this year's Pope Fest activities Sept. 11-13, according to Morale, Welfare and Recreation estimates.

More than \$1,600 was raised for recreational activities by MWR, squadrons and private organizations taking part.

The most money was raised by the 317th Organizational Maintenance Squadron and 317th Field Maintenance Squadron which took in \$200 each. Other popular booths were the clown face painting booth sponsored by the Arts and Crafts Center and the refreshment tent run by the Bowling Alley employees. "The Clinic's booth was the best employees. "The Clinic's booth was the best decorated," said Bob Drake, Pope Fest project of-

"Preparation for the carnival involved the support of several squadrons on base," said Sgt. Jan Mc-Clain, assistant project officer. "Without their help, we couldn't host this annual event."

Another event was a softball game Saturday pitting teams made up of Pope Colonels and Chiefs. In the bottom of the seventh inning the score was 15-9 when the Colonels tied things up. The Chiefs came back to win the game in extra innings with a final score of 16-15



A1C Don Rogers, 317th Civil Engineering Squadron, takes out his frustrations for the week at the car smashing competition.



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Truck totaled, driver walks away

CMSgt. Robert L. Hathcock, 317th Organizational Maintenance Squadron superintendant, was driving on Murchison Road Sept. 10 when a driver, coming from the other direction, allegedly ran a red light and came towards the chief's car for a head-on collision. At the last moment, Chief Hathcock hit his brakes and swerved to avoid a total head-on. Because of his fastened seatbelt, the chief walked away from the wreck without a scratch. A mechanic at the shop where the truck was towed said that he was surprised to see a car which had sustained such a sever impact and yet had no broken windshield glass. (U.S. Air Force photo by SrA. Tanya L. Lairamore)

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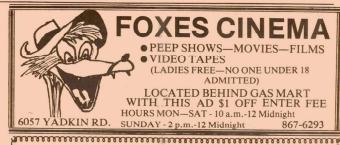
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The Base Chapel's Catholic and Protestant religious education programs will begin soon for the 1981-82 academic year.

The Catholic program will begin Sunday with the following schedule: Pre-school-Grade 6, 11:15 a.m. Sundays at Pope Elementary School; Junior Encounter (grades 7-9), 11:15 a.m. first and third Sundays of the month, Youth Center; Senior Encounter (grades 10-12), second and fourth Sunday of the month, 11 a.m., Chapel Annex; adult, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evenings,

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The Protestant Sunday School began meeting at 10 a.m. Sept. 13 at Pope Elementary School, Classes for 3-year-olds to adults are held (young adults meet in the Chapel Annex), Additional religious education activities include a Sunday Evening Bible Study at 7 p.m. in the Chapel and Logos Bible Study the first and third Thursday at 12:15 p.m. in the Chapel Annex.

Volunteers are needed for full-time and substitute teaching and to provide administrative support. Contact the Chapel at Ext. 2676 for details.

Rec Center

Friday: War games night. Use our games or bring your own. Games start at 7 p.m. Sign up for prefered games.

Saturday: Dungeons and Dragons character generation begins at 1 p.m.

Sunday: Tour to World Golf Hall of Fame in Pinehurs! leaves at 1 p.m. Tour may also go to

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Pinochle tournament starts at 2 p.m. Eightball pool tournament at 5:30 p.m.

Monday: Free Star Trek film, "The Trouble With Tribbles," starts at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Free Jazz dance class from 8-9:30

p.m. Free Christmas decoration making class. Materials supplied, or bring yarn, felt, etc., if you want specific colors.

Wadnesday: Amateur chess tournament star-

ts at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday: See three free consumer education

films at 8 p.m. Coupon swap from 7-9 p.m.

Youth Center

Friday: Teen dance 7-10:30 p.m.
Saturday: Pre-teen disco 7-9:30 p.m.
Monday: Monday at the movies 3:30-6 p.m.

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Tuesday: All members who renew their memberships will receive a free soft drink.

Wednesday: The cheerleaders will be teaching cheers to those at 3-6 p.m. First game will be Sept. 26.

Officers' Club

Mongolian barbecue every Thursday from 5:30-9 p.m.

Live entertainment in the lounge every Friday

Oldies and Goldies

Air Force Showcase '81 will present "Metro" at the Recreation Center Sept. 25 from 8 p.m.midnight playing oldies and top 40 music. Bar service will be available.

Library Film Festival

The Sunday Film Festival at the Base Library begins its 1981-82 season with a feature length animated film, "The Hobbit." The show will begin at 2 p.m., Sunday.

Crafts, Skills Festival

The Malcolm Blue Historical Society will present its 10th Annual Crafts and Skills Festival at the Malcolm Blue farm on Bethesda Road between Aberdeen and Southern Pines Sept. 26-

Traditional crafts people are needed to demonstrate and sell their wares. Admission to the daily activities is \$1 for adults. Children 12 and under are admitted without charge. An evening of bluegrass music, dancing and clogging beginning of the missing of the

beginning at 6 p.m. is free.

For additional information contact Doris
Blue, festival chairperson, 919-692-2959; Joan
Allen, president, Malcolm Blue Historical
Society, 919-281-4153; or Grace or George
Brigman, 919-944-1179.

Jazz dance class

African-modern dance class, consisting of a fusion of African and modern jazz dance patter

Movements and techniques will be choreographed into dance routines utilizing African, pop. gospel and jazz music. The class will provide improved body movement control

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