

# Pope does well in Volant Rodeo

By SrA. Tanya L. Lalramore

The 317th Tactical Airlift Wing took top honors in C-130 shortfield landings and Combat Control Team competition in the worldwide Volant Rodeo held here last week.

The 314th Tactical Airlift Wing from Little Rock AFB, Ark., was named best overall wing and the 38th Group, RAF Lyneham, United Kingdom, earned the best allied team award.

"As a team, the CCT had good team integrity," said SSgt. Eddy Clark, a member of the 317th CCT team. "That's what it's all about, team work."

The 317th TAW Security Police team won three out of five events and came in second in another. Overall, the Security Police team took third place.

"I think the Security Police should especially be congratulated for their efforts," said Lt. Col. Harold Keck, Volant Rodeo team chief. "On every event that was team related we beat every other team we came up against. Even though we came in third, with the performance they had, they should be congratulated."

The Engine Running Onload/Offload team was in second place, only 14 seconds behind the winning time of the British team. The next closest team was 60 seconds behind the 317th's score.

The wing's air crew placed eight and the maintenance team took 12th place. The score the joint inspection team tied for fourth place with several other teams.

Colonel Keck added that each year the competition gets tougher as the competing teams get stronger. "The rodeo is only in its third year. As the years go by, the teams get stronger," he said. "There were 30 teams out there; we just were outmatched in some areas. As time goes by, we'll get stronger, too."

"Our team did very well!" he added. "They worked very hard."

"We'll do better next year," he concluded with a smile.

## Memorial dedicated to airlifters at club

Pope Air Force Base's Airlifter Memorial was officially dedicated in front of the NCO Club June 12.

Col. Edsel R. Field, commander of the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing, accepted the memorial on behalf of all airlifters, calling the ten-foot-high, five-and-a-half-ton monument "...a real tribute to professional airlifters."

The Airlifter Memorial, a global sundial supporting three aircraft silhouettes, was presented to Colonel Field by SMSgt. Daniel D. Hignight, president of Chapter 367 of the Air Force Sergeants Association.

"This tribute is to all those people who have displayed consistently the dedication, the enthusiasm and the fortitude that needs to be shown in this country today," said Sergeant Hignight.

Lt. Gen. Thomas M. Ryan, vice commander in chief of the Military Airlift Command, delivered the dedication address, reminding the audience of MAC's vital contribution to the nation's welfare over 33 years of service.

"Since its earliest beginnings, this command has been the most powerful airlift force operating on a global basis," General Ryan said. "Our worldwide humanitarian deeds and our support of free nation military forces are legendary both in peace and war. Today the Military Airlift Command is the vital backbone of the combat elements that keep peace and preserve freedom for all Americans."

General Ryan acknowledged the great human sacrifices made by airlifters during both the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

"Freedom often carries the highest price," the general said. "One hundred thousand Americans sealed their bond of brotherhood with us with their blood. Airlifters are well represented in that group."

"God bless present and future airlifters," he concluded. "God bless those who served before us in the name of freedom and the sovereignty of this great nation."

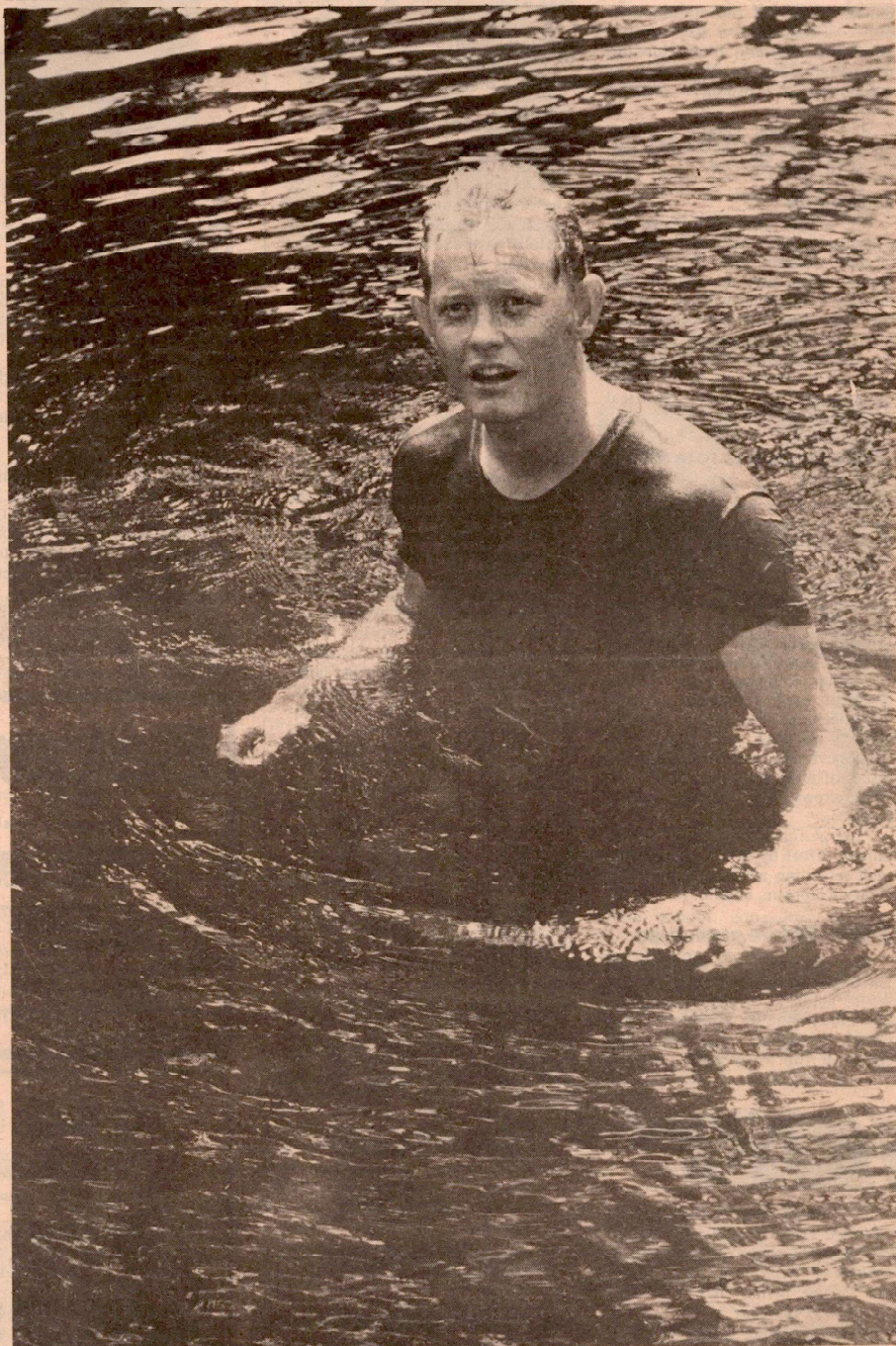
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Second Lt. Wayne Gardner of the 317th Combat Control Team takes a refreshing dip after having run Fort Bragg's rugged recondo course. This combat endurance run is the most grueling portion of the Volant Rodeo Combat

Control Team competition. Lieutenant Gardner and his teammates took first place in this year's competition. For more pictures of the Rodeo see page 5. (U.S. Air Force photo by 1st Lt. Brian Hoey)

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# News Briefs

## 1st AES hosts Early Dawn

The 1st Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron recently hosted the 139th Aeromedical Evacuation Flight from Schenectady, N.Y., and the 156th AEF from Charlotte for a field training exercise known as Early Dawn II.

The exercise is part of a three year plan to familiarize Air National Guard units with the operation of the Tactical Aeromedical Evacuation System. It provided an opportunity for the simulation of evacuation of casualties from a combat area.

Sixty National Guard members and 20 members of the 1st AES participated in the exercise.

## Energy tip

Try to use energy-intensive appliances such as dishwashers, clothes washers and dryers, and ovens in the early morning or late evening hours. This will help reduce the peak load for the base's electrical system which usually occurs in the late afternoon or early evening hours. This represents direct dollar savings in the base's electrical demand charges.

## MWR welcomes rote home

Although last week's primary concern at Pope was Volant Rodeo, to the families and friends of the 41st Tactical Airlift Squadron "Welcome Home" was the motto of the day.

Returning C-130s began arriving June 8 from the squadron's rotational tour at RAF Mildenhall, England, and Morale, Welfare and Recreation volunteers were on hand to greet each returning aircraft. Volunteers of the MWR division handed out 432 soft drinks, 576 other beverages and more than 400 pieces of fried chicken to the returning crews and their waiting families.

"I hope this is the first of a continuing effort by MWR to welcome each returning airplane," said Mr. Henry Robinson, chief of MWR.

## Embry-Riddle graduates

The Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Graduate Center at Pope AFB held its 1981 graduation ceremony June 10. Fourteen students were invited to a graduation luncheon at the Pope AFB Officer's

Club in their honor. Those students completing the Master of Aeronautical Science degree were: CWO B. M. Allen, Maj. F.G. Gross, Capt. J.L. Kimberly, Capt. K.J. Koehn, CWO P.F. Nelepovitz, Capt. J.M. Pretz and Capt. F.J. Roddy.

Those students completing the Master of Aviation Management degree were: Maj. F.M. Ashmore, Capt. H.A. Burrows, Capt. J.L. Karpinski, Maj. J.W. Taylor, CWO W.W. Thompson, SP/5 M.S. White and SP/4 B.E. Zimmerlich.

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Sgt. Eida Gasbarro translates for Italian CCT

## She made it work for the CCT

The first day of Volant Rodeo was likely the "roughest" for Sgt. Eida Gasbarro as she trudged along with the Italian Combat Control Team. It wasn't the competitive obstacles facing the group that made the Italian native's throat go dry, it was her interpretation of the situation which caused the lump in her throat.

Sergeant Gasbarro is now an American assigned to Detachment 21, 7th Weather Wing at Pope. She was tasked for the Rodeo to help the Italian CCT as a go-between, interpreting for the American Rodeo instructor. All of the allied teams entered in competition spoke English expect the one.

"I had not spoken Italian for almost 10 years," she said. "But, you never forget your mother tongue."

About the second day she had

caught on to the language, although many times she didn't understand what she was talking about. "Some times the words were very technical," she continued, "but the Italian team and the instructor seemed to understand."

Sergeant Gasbarro has served in the Air Force for five years with the last two in the weather service. In her role as interpreter, she found herself in a difficult situation because of the competition between U.S. forces and the Italian team she was working with. She says she often found herself cheering for both sides.

"The Italian team members were surprised that the U.S. Air Force employs women," said the sergeant. "I'm sure they had that attitude because their military does not recruit women."

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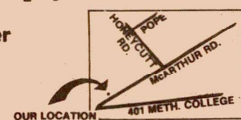
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# Editorials

## Gov. Hunt, Mayor Finch proclaim General Huyser Day in state, city

Governor James B. Hunt and Fayetteville Mayor Beth Finch proclaimed June 14 Gen. Robert E. Huyser Day in Fayetteville and all of North Carolina in honor of the commander in chief of the Military Airlift Command.

General Huyser, who will retire July 1, was cited by Governor Hunt for his "lasting contribution to the nation through nearly four decades of courageous and dedicated military service" and standing as "one of the nation's most respected and honored military leaders."

Approximately half the nation's states recognized the retirement through similar proclamations, awards and congratulatory messages.

Mayor Finch lauded General Huyser for "his brilliant career in the service of this country" and ability to bring "inspiration to all who know him." She also noted the coincidence of Flag Day falling on June 14 this year--the

same day as the general's 57th birthday.

During his tenure at MAC, General Huyser has been especially vocal about the need for greater pay and benefits for military members. He has repeatedly testified before Congressional committees concerning those subjects, as well as the need for a new transport aircraft called the C-X which would bolster America's severe airlift shortfall.

The general's command also encompasses aeromedical evacuation activities, such as the missions flown returning the American hostages from Iran. Additionally, he oversees the Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service, Air Weather Service and Aerospace Audiovisual Service.

A MAC spokesman said General Huyser's future plans include speaking engagements and becoming associated with private industry in some capacity.



Gen. Robert E. Huyser

## General Huyser retires at MAC HQ

Gen. Robert E. Huyser, Military Airlift Command commander in chief, will retire and relinquish his command in ceremonies at Scott AFB next week.

The formal retirement ceremony in front of MAC headquarters will take place at 4:30 p.m. June 25.

Gen. Lew Allen, Jr., Air Force Chief of Staff, will officiate at the formal change of command the next day on the Scott parade grounds. This ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. June 26.

General Huyser will pass his command to Gen. James R. Allen, who comes to MAC after service as deputy commander in chief of the United States European Command. General Huyser will receive the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, First Oak Leaf Cluster.

## Farewell, General Huyser

By Col. Edsel R. Field

The men and women of Pope AFB say farewell to you, Gen. Robert E. (Dutch) Huyser. You have capped a brilliant 38-year military career by serving as our commander in chief. Your accomplishments seem endless for you've done it all with key assignments at Headquarters U.S. Air Force, European Command and many major commands.

But, we'll remember you much more. Your dynamic leadership has given the Military Airlift Command a new dimension--new life. You've been a champion for the troops! Your efforts to increase our pay, equalize enlisted per diem and improve our living conditions told us that you were sincerely

concerned about the welfare of your people.

We appreciate the fact that you just didn't talk about changes for the better--you did something about it. You were vocal and spoke your mind whether it concerned the need for new equipment (like the CX), spare parts or the needs of your people. And, we realize that at times it was unpopular for you to do so.

We'll remember you most for your leadership, but also for being a great American--for rethinking that patriotism and pride in service within us.

We're fortunate that you came our way, for we're better because of you. Our best wishes to you and Mrs. Huyser and God speed on your retirement.

## Thanks for a super Rodeo

By Col. Edsel R. Field

Thank you, men and women of Pope AFB, for your untiring efforts (just plain hard work) in preparing for and executing Volant Rodeo.

It took total involvement for the entire Base to make it all happen. The overall result was a tremendous success. We handled over 1,000 visitors, providing for their transportation, messing, etc.

I especially want to congratulate our Volant Rodeo team members, particularly the Combat Control Team for their first place finish, and the C-130 aircrew members for winning the short-field landing competition.

Thanks again for another job well done!



## Secretary Weinberger: 'No tuition charges'

"No soldier, sailor, airman or Marine will be forced to pay tuition for the public school education of his or her dependants," Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger has replied to plans by some school districts to bill service members for public education if

government impact-aid payments are cut.

A proposal before Congress would end impact-aid payments to school districts where less than 20 percent of the enrollment is made up of service members' children. The proposal

would also stop impact aid to school districts for children of service members who live in the civilian community.

Some school districts are reported considering the tuition charges because of proposed impact-aid cuts. Impact aid reimburses public school districts for a portion of the costs of educating children of service members.

School districts where children of service members who live and work on an installation make up more than 20 percent of the enrollment will continue to receive impact aid at 90 percent of fiscal 1981's level.

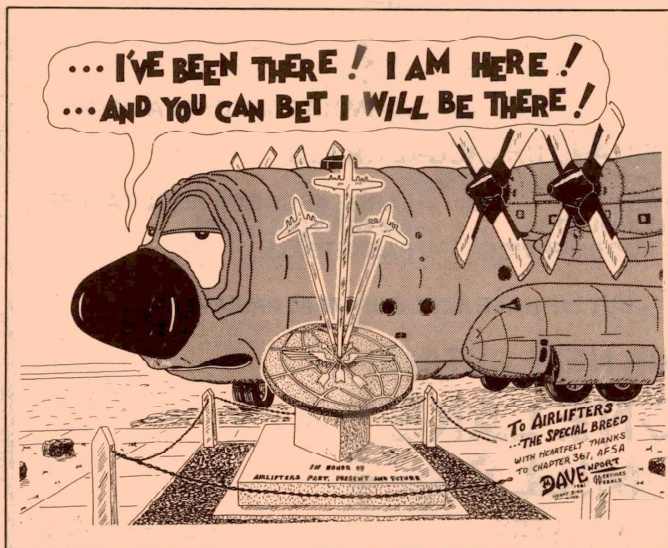
Assuring all military members that the members that the matter had his close personal attention, Secretary Weinberger said, "The administration will use all available legal steps to prevent the imposition of tuition charges on military members for the

public school education of their dependants. We are confident of the strength of our position."

Action by the states, counties or school districts affected by the proposed impact aid cuts "is completely unwarranted and the Department of Defense will take every possible measure to prevent it," the secretary said.

The Department of Defense estimates that some 480,000 children of military service members attend the schools that would not receive impact-aid payments. Of these, about 150,000 children live on military installations in communities where they make up less than 20 percent of the school district enrollment. The remaining 330,000 children live and attend school in the civilian community.

An estimated 3,000 school districts could lose impact aid.--AFNS



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# Stars come out in daytime

by A1C Andraw Knet

During Volant Rodeo, the stars came out in the daytime. No, not the stars of the Milky Way, but 20 of the Air Force's general officers.

Generals from commands within the Military Airlift Command, and one lone north star, Brigadier General Lloyd Scalon of the Royal Canadian Air Force, visited Pope AFB during some phase of the Volant Rodeo competition, according to wing protocol. In all, 20 generals visited Pope during the week's festivities.

Lt. Gen. Thomas M. Ryan, Jr., vice commander in chief of MAC, opened and closed the competition on behalf of General Robert E. Huyser, MAC commander in chief.

General Ryan, with Lt. Gen. Thomas H. Tackaberry, commander of 18th Airborne Corps, Maj. Gen. Thomas M. Sadler, commander 21st Air Force and Col. Edsel R. Field, commander of the host 317th Tactical Airlift Wing, reviewed the aircrews and their aircraft before the start of the competition.

At the opening ceremonies alone, two lieutenant generals, two major generals and five brigadier generals were introduced. That's 30 stars if you count both shoulders.



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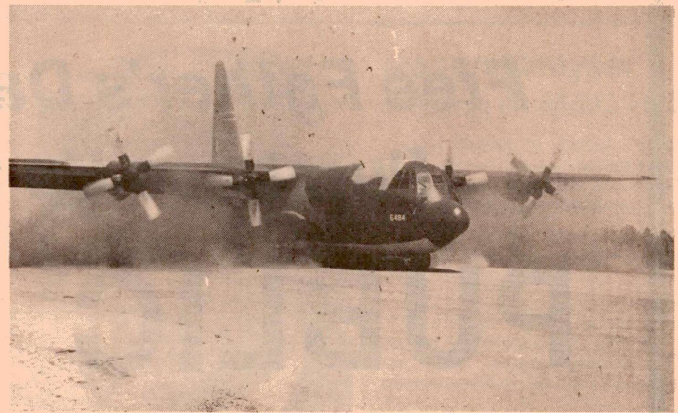
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SrA. Jeff Lawrence, 317th TAW Volant Rodeo Maintenance Team member, inspects the landing gear on Pope's C-130 entry.



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An Air National Guard C-130 Hercules churns up clouds of Fort Bragg dust at Falcon Drop Zone during a Volant Rodeo shortfield landing. Pope's entry won this portion of the competition.



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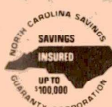
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Ronald McDonald will be on hand to kick off the event which is being sponsored to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House.

Sixteen grueling events will pit men against women in a test of skill and spunk. Some of the events include a tug-of-war, an obstacle course and the 317th Services Squadron's dunking booth. The Junior Officers' Committee will be on hand with refreshment booths.

Some of the men and women who will be participating in the event have been issuing challenges to each other.

"I've never competed with women before," said A1C. Donald Sumner. "I know they'll be very competitive, but no competition."

Second Lt. Julia Holcomb said, "The women are invincible."

But according to A1C. Larry Reynolds, "The women are going to lose big time!"

"The only way the women can win," said SSgt. Clarence Nicholas, "is if the men don't show up."

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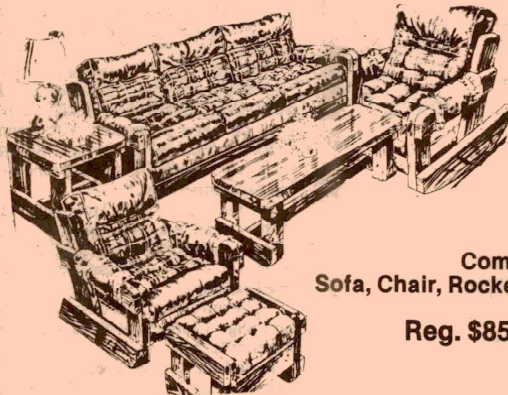
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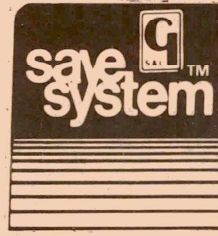
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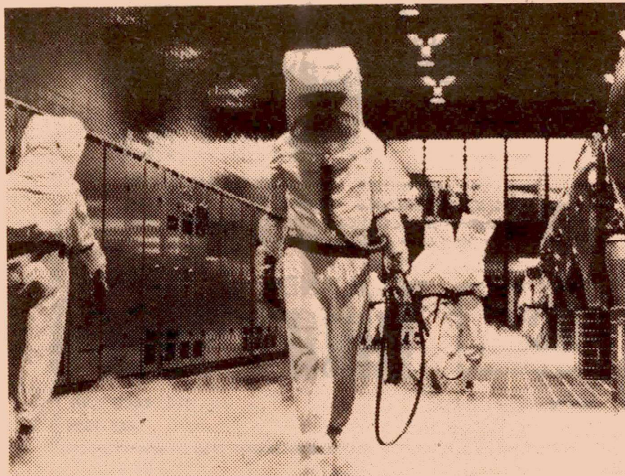
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# Local Happenings



ESP showdown in climatic scene from "Scanners" at base theater Sunday and Monday

## Cinema schedule

**Tonight:** Inside Moves (PG) 7:30 p.m.  
**Tomorrow:** Race For Your Life, Charlie Brown (G) 2 p.m.  
 Final Countdown (PG) 7:30 p.m.  
**Sunday and Monday:** Scanners (R) 7:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday and Wednesday:** The Competition (PG) 7:30 p.m.  
**Thursday:** All Night Long (R) 7:30 p.m.

## NCO Club

**Tonight and tomorrow:** Rick Diamond plays from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.  
 Disco with Jumpin Sunny every Saturday night in the Fox and Hound from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Country night with the Good Ole Boys from 8 p.m.-midnight.  
**Sunday:** Membership appreciation buffet from 1-5 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Airmen's night. NCO Club will be open to airmen. Dial 497-6955 for menus and entertainment information.

## Youth Center

**Today:** Friday special from 1-4 p.m. Roller disco from 7-9:30 p.m.  
**Tomorrow:** Teen field trip. Come by Youth Center or call Ext. 4512 to sign up.  
**Monday:** Monday at the movies, 3-5 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Ping pong tournament from 3-5 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Little League ends.  
 Sign up for summer camp, gymnastics and swimming classes beginning July 7.

## Rec Center

**Tonight:** Life Goes to the Movies at 8 p.m.  
**Tomorrow:** Tour to Virginia's Busch Gardens leaves at 5 a.m. Transportation is 50 cents, admission is \$9.50. No children under 12 will be admitted on this trip.  
**Sunday:** Pinochle tournament begins at 2 p.m. Eight ball pool tournament at 5:30 p.m.  
**Monday:** Armchair Theater begins at 7:30 p.m. with a free movie, popcorn and punch.  
**Tuesday:** Free drama class, open to everyone begins at 7 p.m.  
 Guitar lessons begin at 6 p.m. Group piano lessons start at 7 p.m.

Chess group meets at 7:30 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Airmen's Wives Club meets from 7-8:30 p.m. for wives of E-4s and below.  
 Dancercise sessions run from 7-8:30 p.m.

## Hobby Shop

Beginning Tuesday the Multipurpose Workshop, building 373, will be offering the following classes through Fayetteville Technical Institute: Chinese Brush Painting, Craft-A-Week, Oil Painting for Beginners, Cake Preparation and Decoration 1 and 2, Stained Glass 1, and Calligraphy 2. For more information call SSgt. McFall at Ext. 4192 Tuesday-Thursday, 1-9 p.m. or Friday and Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

## Library

The Base Library and Pope Elementary School will jointly offer a five week summer reading program at the Pope Elementary School library every Monday and Thursday from June 22-July 24 between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Registration for the program is Monday. Children should enter the school through the Library entrance at the rear of the building. Details concerning the program will be provided when the child is registered.

The Base Library has the following new books available: **Forever After** a love story by Kate Lazlo; **666** by Jay Anson; **Reflex** by Dick Francis; **The Officer's Wives** by Thomas Fleming; **XPD** by Len Deighton, and **Rabbits**, a book on raising and caring for rabbits by Paul Paradise.

## Cub Scout camp

Cub Scouts 8-10 years old may attend the Tuocs District Cub Scout Day Camp July 13-17 at the 82nd NCO Academy training area on Butner Road, Fort Bragg.  
 The camp program includes arts and crafts, sports, nature and swimming. The program is planned to satisfy requirements in the Wolf, Bear and Webelo books.  
 A \$15 fee covers medical care and insurance, T-shirt, patch, sports equipment, craft supplies and a beverage at lunch. Camp hours are from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
 Registration forms are available through den leaders, committee members or Mr. Charles Bowzer at 396-1278. Deadline for registration is June 30.

# Air Force lifestyle agrees with couple

By TSgt. Dave Skeen

It was a cold, dark afternoon when Maj. Harv Peterson arrived home from work. He knew his wife, 2nd Lt. Donna Peterson, would be arriving home from her job soon and it was his night to do the cooking.

Without hesitation, the executive officer and C-130 Hercules pilot for the 39th Tactical Airlift Squadron, went about his duties in the kitchen, sending the aroma of cooked food into the night air.

Major Peterson has no qualms about sharing the household duties with his wife who is assigned to the 317th Organizational Maintenance Squadron. They both do their military jobs at Pope, and it's not always set who will get home first.

"Couples in the military must have an open mind and the right attitude," said Major Peterson. "We're together here under the joint spouse program. The Air Force is willing to help married military couples, but they in turn must help the Air Force."

"The Air Force has a mission to fulfill and it takes people to do it," said Lieutenant Peterson. "I've heard numerous people complaining about their spouse going on temporary duty and working different hours than they do. If a marriage is having problems coping with TDYs, then I believe the marriage was already in trouble."

The Petersons met at Randolph AFB, Texas, in September 1977. Major Peterson was commander of the 405th Field Training Detachment and his wife was then noncommissioned officer in charge of the Military Airlift Command T-39 Standardization and Evaluation Section. Both units were located in the same hanger.

"We met professionally and stayed that way for about two years," he said. "Then something happened I guess and it became more than professional."

They were married April 22, 1979. The major's new wife, Sergeant Peterson, decided to get out of the Air Force and return to college in August 1978. She wanted to finish her degree

through Air Force ROTC at Southwest Texas State University and then come back on active duty as a commissioned officer. In May 1980 she graduated with a bachelor of arts and science in business management and criminal justice. Lieutenant Peterson was commissioned by her husband the day of her graduation.

"I was fortunate because many people have to wait to come back on active duty," she said. "But, I was able to come back right away. I get credit for my 6½ years enlisted time for pay purposes, too," she explained.

"I was assigned to Pope for a month and was able to go back to Texas and see her graduate," said Major Peterson. "She was able to come back to Pope with me for about three weeks before going on the Maintenance Officer's School at Chanute AFB, Ill. When she graduated, she was assigned to the 317th OMS. She is now officer in charge of Section 5."

Although the Petersons don't work shifts, their working hours do vary. The major's additional duty as executive officer enables him to work days most of the time, but, he flies at least once a week. His missions could be day or night, or a several day TDY trip.

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"We're not able to be together all the time, but we like it that way," the major added. "With us it's a give and take proposition. I don't think it can be said any different except, 'we're happy'."

