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Recycling schedule



The recycling pickup for Wednesday, April 25, is plastic, glass and metal. Put items in blue bags and place them on the curb.

Evening bus service curtailed

Effective 1 May, the Edgewood and Aberdeen Friday night, Saturday and Sunday afternoon and evening bus service will no longer be operated. For more information, call Charlie Cunningham, 410-306-1602.

Band performances booked directly

The 389th Army Band (AMC's Own) began maintaining their own schedule of performances as of April 11. This had been done by the garrison's Directorate of Plans, Training and Mobilization. The new point of contact is Staff Sgt. Kay Reynolds, 410-278-7953 or fax 410-278-4470.

No lunch at Top of the Bay May 1

Lunch will not be served at Top of the Bay on May 1. Two other major functions will prevent normal lunch service that day. Sorry for any inconvenience. For information about other happenings at Top of the Bay, call 410-278-2552 or 3062.

Safety reminder for walkers

With spring finally arriving, more and more folks are going to be walking around post during the lunch hour.

"While I applaud those who use the lunch time to get out of the office for exercise," said Col. Robert J. Spidel, Aberdeen Proving Ground garrison and deputy installation commander, "we must not forget that these roads are primarily for vehicles."

To make sure employees fully understand the safety issues of walking around Plumb Point Loop and Spesutia Island, here are a few safety reminders.

Walkers are not to be more than two abreast, walking should be in the direction facing traffic and walkers cannot be wearing a radio/compact disc player with headphones.

"Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated," Spidel said.

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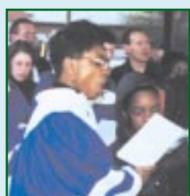
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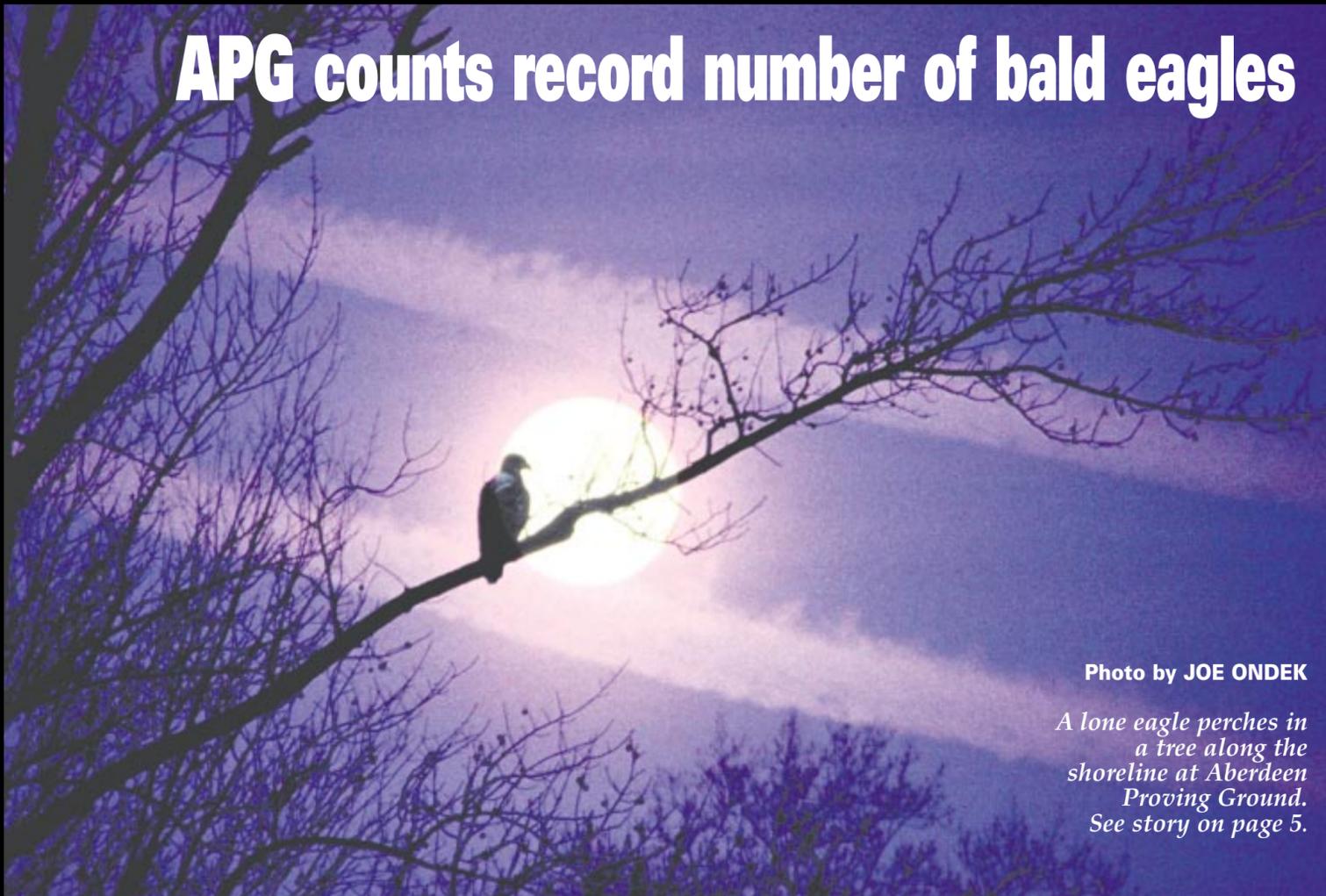


Photo by JOE ONDEK

A lone eagle perches in a tree along the shoreline at Aberdeen Proving Ground. See story on page 5.

Key Volunteers hold first annual egg hunt for Marine families

By Judy Hannon

Marine Corps Detachment volunteer

On Saturday, April 7, the Key Volunteers for the U.S. Marine Corps Detachment held their first annual Easter egg hunt at the Recreation Center on APG.

Activities for the children included a bunny ring toss, ball toss, beanbag toss, decorate a cookie, face painting, make a card, and plant a flower. There was also a drawing for a large stuffed Easter bunny and hand decorated bunny cake. The main event of the egg hunt sent children age 12 and under scattering in all directions for the 600 plus eggs.

Amie Przygoda, event coordinator, enlisted the support of other Marine family members to help bring the activities together.

"Without the Marines and their spouses who donated baked goods, filled eggs, drinks, snacks, and

their time, this would not have been a success," Przygoda said. "We are truly excited about the response we've had to this and we hope to be able to organize more family events in the near future."

The event was the first for the Key Volunteers, a newly established organization in support of the Marine Detachment.

The primary purpose of this group is to lend support to the Marine families stationed in the area.

"As with most military families, they are away from home, but even more, they're not stationed at a Marine Corps base and the support it traditionally gives," Przygoda said. "The Key Volunteer program will hopefully fill that void."

Any Marine spouse who would like to get involved should call the Key Volunteers at 410-293-9096 or 410-297-8888.

Photo by SHAWN PRZYGODA



Sgt. Mark McClure, artillery specialist, assists children of members of the U.S. Marine Corps Detachment as they run for the eggs during their first annual Easter egg hunt at the Recreation Center at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Orange, red -- the colors to remember on ozone action days

By Rachel Swearingen
DSHE

When outside temperatures reach high degrees, air pollutants heat up to produce ground level ozone. Ground level ozone can lower resistance to diseases such as colds, asthma and pneumonia. It can damage lung tissue, intensify heart and lung disease and cause coughing and throat irritation.

May through September each year is the ozone season. Ozone is a colorless gas in the air that is created when volatile organic compounds mixed with oxides of nitrogen heat up in the presence of sunlight. In the upper atmosphere ozone shields us from the sun's

ultraviolet rays. But at lower levels, it interferes with breathing and is harmful to people with respiratory diseases such as asthma, emphysema and bronchitis.

Ozone is also harmful to the elderly, children and healthy adults who perform physical exercise or manual labor outdoors.

Ground-level ozone (also known as smog) is produced by a variety of sources such as cars, boats, lawn mowers, paints and solvents.

Ozone is a serious air quality problem in the state of Maryland because the air quality exceeds the federal health standard for ozone on numerous days in the summer. For this reason, Aberdeen Proving

Ground has been a participant in the Ozone Action Days program since 1996 when it became one of the first members of the "Endzone Partners," a group of government, businesses, private organizations and individual citizens that take extra steps to reduce ground level ozone.

Color codes have been assigned to help alert citizens of the amount of ozone in the air and how it affects people.

Code "red" is the most unhealthy ozone situation, characterized by hazy, hot and humid, with little or no wind and temperatures in the mid - 90 to 100 degrees. During code red days,

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**Child abuse prevention month
in the military: 2001**

"Children today, leaders tomorrow"

One of the most important campaigns to support military families is the campaign against child abuse. Child abuse must be prevented, not only because it is the right thing to do, but it is also the humane thing to do as well. The children of today are our most precious resource for a brighter tomorrow. We need to nurture children, protect them, defend them and see in them all the promise and hope of our communities and our country.

Since 1974 we have been committed by law, regulation and by action to take an active role in making sure that child abuse and maltreatment are eliminated. When a child is abused or neglected it undermines the potential for supportive care giving and leadership in the next generation.

Nurturing and protecting children start with the family, but cannot end there. Everyone has a part to play in preventing child abuse and protecting our children, tomorrow's leaders. Our military and civilian professionals have specific responsibilities to assure the safety of our children; however, the nurturing of our children requires contributions from everyone. Only caring communities can produce caring, competent children and youth. Each child is special and every child deserves the chance to grow and mature to become part of a peaceful world.

The Aberdeen Proving Ground Family Advocacy Program is a key resource for preventing and treating child abuse and neglect. It is important that each member of the APG community is fully aware of the services available to support our families. Contact Ms. Celestine Beckett, Family Advocacy Program Manager, (410) 278-7474/7478, for additional information.

Protect our children; protect our future.

JOHN C. DOESBURG
Major General, US Army
Commanding

APG joins the battle against child abuse

By Celestine Beckett
ACS

Since 1983, National Child Abuse Prevention Month has been observed every year in April. The goal of this month-long observance is to increase awareness of child abuse and its prevention. Child Abuse Prevention Month allows individuals, schools, businesses, hospitals, religious organizations and social service agencies across the country to join forces in the battle against child abuse.

Reports estimate that nearly a million children are abused and neglected each year, and further,

that three children die each day due to abuse. Child maltreatment continues to be a major threat to the well being of the nation's children; but many communities are becoming more involved in activities and events that promote the message that child abuse can and must be prevented.

Child Abuse Prevention Month offers opportunities for those who are concerned to become involved in preventing child abuse right in their own community. The National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse offers the following suggestions:

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Restoration Advisory Board scheduled for April

The Installation Restoration Program will hold its monthly Restoration Advisory Board meeting on Thursday, April 26, 7 to 9:45 p.m., at the Edgewood Senior Center on Gateway Road. The topics will include an update on the Lauderick Creek chemical warfare materiel removal action, the Other Edgewood Areas study area, and the munitions assessment processing system. Board meetings are open to the public. All Aberdeen Proving Ground employees and citizens are invited.

For more information, call the information line at 410-272-8842 or 1-800-APG-9998.

Lt. Gov. to speak at Law Day luncheon

To commemorate Law Day 2001, the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate and the Harford County Bar Association will host the annual Law Day luncheon Tuesday, May 1, at Aberdeen Proving Ground. This year's theme is "Celebrate Your Freedom: Protecting the Best Interests of Our Children." Lt. Gov. Kathleen Kennedy Townsend is the guest speaker. The event begins at 11:30 a.m., at Top of the Bay, building 30. Make reservations no later than April 20 by contacting the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, 410-278-1107.

Technology expo to be held April 24

The U.S. Army Garrison, Aberdeen Proving Ground Directorate of Information Management and the Corporate Information Office, U.S. Army Soldier Biological and Chemical Command are hosting the Spring 2001 Information Technology Products and Services Expo, Tuesday, April 24 at Top of the Bay, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Exhibitors include Avaya, Canon, CDW-G, Charrette, Comar, Compaq, Dell, FAA/ICE-MAN, Future Enterprises, Gateway, GTSI, Hewlett-Packard, iGov.com, Intelligent Decisions, Logicon/FDC, Micro GCS, NEC/Mitsubishi, Oce' USA, Panja, PictureTel, Professional Products Inc., Ricoh, Telos, Westwood Computer and more that haven't registered yet.

The expo is free to all Defense Department government or contractor personnel. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call the Federal Direct Access Exposition toll-free line, 1-877-332-3976.

APG to salute volunteers

The week of April 22 marks the start of a month of recognition and specials for the volunteers of Aberdeen Proving Ground. A reception and ceremony honoring all APG volunteers is scheduled for 7 p.m., April 26 at Top of the Bay, building 30. At the free event, open to everyone on APG, the top Volunteer of the Year in the military, family member, retiree, civilian and youth categories will be announced. In addition, entertainment will be provided and prizes and refreshments will be available. The recognition continues through May 22, as volunteers will be treated to special discounts at activities throughout the installation. See next week's issue for more information, or call Installation Volunteer Coordinator Alice Surette, 410-278-5469.

Tutors needed for Freestate Challenge

Volunteer tutors are needed for the Free State Challenge Military Youth Corps. Tutoring is scheduled for Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Subject areas are math, social studies, science, literature and writing. If interested in volunteering for this program, contact Dr. Webb at 410-278-6605/4541.

USO-Metro sponsors essay contest

Enlisted servicemembers who enter the USO-Metro's annual Mother of the Year essay contest may win a trip for his/her mother and a guest to Washington and a \$300 cash prize.

The contest, a 500-word essay on "Why my Mother Should be Honored on Mother's Day," is open to all active duty enlisted personnel permanently assigned to the greater Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area. Entries must be submitted by April 23 to USO-Metro, Attn: Mother's Day Essay, Building 59, Room B-6, 204 Lee Avenue, Fort Myer, VA 22211. The winner will be announced on April 27.

The winner will be awarded \$300 and his or her mother and a guest will be flown from any major airport in the continental U.S. via U.S. Airways to the DC/Baltimore area, transported by A-1 Limousine Service to the Ritz Carlton in Pentagon City and honored on May 13 at a reception at the annual USO-Metro Mother's Day celebration at the SOSA Recreation Center, Fort Belvoir.

Army Acquisition Corps briefing

Officers interested in joining the Army Acquisition Corps should mark their calendars for Monday, April 23, 1 to 3 p.m. Maj. Jeannette Jones, Acquisition Career Management Office, and Capt. Moises Gutierrez, Acquisition Management Branch, PERSCOM, will provide an information briefing in building 305, main conference room. For more information, contact Chris Hignutt, 410-436-5697.

AF recruiter in Festival at Bel Air

There is no longer an Air Force Reserve Recruiter on Aberdeen Proving Ground. The closest recruiting office is at the Festival in Bel Air. Senior Airman LaTonya LaSala is available to answer questions and talk about concerns and Air Force Reserve benefits in joining. For more information, call 410-569-2254.

Barracks phone service

On April 1, AAFES/Sprint introduced a fourth option to the Barracks Telephone Program, the Nickel Night Program. Customers who sign up for this program pay 5 cents a minute for all dial-1 state-to-state calls every night from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. At all other times, customers pay 10 cents a minute. In-state rates may vary. The monthly long distance cost for this option is \$5.95.

As with all of the other Barracks Telephone Programs, all soldiers will be provided with free call waiting. With advance notification, customers will not be charged when TDY for 30 or more days. Room and building charges are at no expense to the soldier or the U.S. Army.

Sign up for any of these programs at the Barracks Telephone Office, building 4311, 410-273-5362.

New AA Thrift Shop hours

Effective May 1, the hours of operation for the Aberdeen Area Thrift Shop will be Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., with consignments being taken from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with consignments being taken from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and the first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., with no consignments being taken on Saturdays.

For more information, call 410-272-8572.

BRL to host blood drive May 24

The American Red Cross will conduct a blood drive at the Ballistics Research Laboratory Hall, building 330, on May 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. If you can donate, call or e-mail Staff Sgt. Laing at 410-278-5843 or dlaing@arl.army.mil for an appointment.

To donate blood you must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, have no tattoos that are less than one-year old, and have no sore throat, runny nose, or productive cough. To clear the 56-day limit between donations, you must have given on or before March 29 to donate on May 24.

BRL Hall, building 330, is located at the intersection of Longs Corner Road and Tower Road, and is normally in a secured area. For this blood drive, BRL Hall, building 330, will be directly accessible from Tower Road without having to go through normal security procedures.

Microsoft-USO Defenders 10 Mile Run

Microsoft, GEICO, Comprint Military Publications, and QMZZ 98.7, will sponsor the Microsoft-USO Defenders 10-mile Run on Sunday, May 6. The race will begin at the Pentagon at 8 a.m. Awards totaling \$10,000 will be presented to the top male and female finishers. Participants will be allowed use of the ChampionChip(r), a certified, fast course, pre-race expo at the Sheraton National Hotel and course entertainment.

First place male and female finishers will each receive \$2,400 and special awards will be given to the first place male and female from each branch of service. Individuals and teams are encouraged to participate. Team categories include military (male, female and co-ed), embassies, Corporate Challenge, Open (male, female, co-ed) and Masters (male, female).

All proceeds from the race go directly back into USO-Metro programs and services for military personnel and their families. Cost of race registration is \$20 until April 23, and \$25 after April 23. Online registration is available.

On race day, volunteers are needed from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. for course set-up, course marshalling, medical and first-aid and water stations. Volunteers will receive a complimentary T-shirt, food, and tickets to area events. Call Sharon Reynolds, 703-805-2464, to volunteer.

For more information on the Microsoft-USO Defenders Ten Mile Run, call Beth Bradner, 1-703-696-3279, or visit www.runwashington.com

Passport, DA photos taken at Photo Lab

The Aberdeen Proving Ground Garrison Photo Lab takes passport photos every Thursday, 2 to 3:30 p.m., on a walk-in basis. DA 201 File photos are taken by appointment only every Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Head and shoulder (i.e., chain of command, wall display) photos are by appointment only on Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

For information about this and other photographic services, call 410-278-3391.

Red Cross offers "The Shining Star Tribute"

Is there a very special person who has made a great influence on your life? When was the last time you acknowledged that fact? The American

Red Cross offers "The Shining Star Tribute" to recognize the influence and inspiration they made on your life. For every \$25 donation, you can recognize an individual and let them know how much he or she has meant to you. They will receive a certificate, suitable for framing.

All submissions must include name of the person to be honored, their address and relationship to you, your name and address, and any special remarks you would like mentioned and a check payable to American Red Cross. Send to The Shining Star Tribute, American Red Cross, 122 South Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014. All proceeds received through this project will benefit the programs and services of the American Red Cross. Contributions are tax deductible.

For more information, call 410-838-4568.

Ambulance transfers for pediatric patients

Children treated at the Harford Memorial Hospital Emergency Room who require hospitalization will be transported to Upper Chesapeake Medical Center in Bel Air. TRICARE beneficiaries may be charged a copayment for the civilian ambulance transfer to Upper Chesapeake Medical Center for pediatric admissions. However, if your child should require emergency medical services for life threatening conditions such as poisoning, convulsions, high fever and other acute conditions, call 911 or seek care at the nearest civilian hospital emergency room.

Local amusement park tickets available at ITR

Information, Ticketing and Registration Office has tickets available for the National Aquarium, Maryland Science Center, Hershey Park and Paramount's Kings Dominion. All other park tickets will become available closer to their park's opening dates.

As a reminder, tickets for Colonial Williamsburg are special order (just like the Disney Passes). Call 410-278-4011/4612 or stop by building 3326.

NAACP seeking nominees for award

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is seeking military personnel and Department of Defense civilians as nominees for the Roy Wilkins Renown Service Award. This award is for someone who made a significant contribution to his or her country in the area of civil or human rights, race relations, equal opportunity, affirmative action, human resources or public service. Nominees may include supervisory or non-supervisory personnel at any grade or occupational level and any ethnic group.

If you are interested in nominating someone else or yourself, call Penny White, equal employment opportunity specialist, 410-278-7074. Nominations must be received by May 21.

GSA seminar for federal personnel

GSA 101, a free comprehensive seminar for federal civilian and military personnel interested in learning more about General Services Administration products and services, is scheduled for May 2 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Wyndham Hotel, 700 King Street in Wilmington, Del. Learn to use the on-line shopping and ordering system, GSA Advantage, and the GSA Schedules E-Library, the on-line source for complete multiple award schedule contract award information.

For more information, call Angela Griffin, 215-656-3872. Register on-line at www.midatlantic.gsa.gov/fss/seminars or by e-mail to midatlantic.seminars@gsa.gov.

Volunteer Connection seeking help

If you are 55 or older, looking for adventure, a chance to meet new people and use your talents and skills while helping the community, Volunteer Connection RSVP needs volunteers.

For opportunities as tour guides, arts and crafts assistants, partners in reading, or helping with community safety, call Sally Drumm or Dale Neeper at 410-638-4444, or fax 410-638-3069, or-email rsvp@co.ha.md.us.

Wealth-building classes offered by ACS

Army Community Service is presenting the last in series of classes on how to manage money, live debt-free, and invest for the future at the ACS, building 2754 on Rodman Road:

April 25, Retirement Planning, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Classes are free and open to all civilians, active duty personnel, retirees and family members. Space is limited. Call Tricia Jewitt, 410-278-4372 to reserve your seat. (Bring a lunch.)

547th Engineer Battalion Reunion

The 547th Engineer Battalion (Cbt) Association and its attached units (552nd and 1328th) will hold its 15th annual reunion Thursday, Aug. 2 through Sunday, Aug. 5, at the Radisson Governors Inn, Durham, N.C. The Radisson Governors Inn is located on I-40, Exit 280 at Davis Drive, Research Triangle Park.

For reunion pre-registration, call John Joyner, 919-596-7940, 2114 Baltic Ave., Durham, N.C. 27707; or Ursula Allen, 253-582-4649, 9111 Forest Ave. SW, Lakewood, WA 98498. For hotel reservations, call 1-919-549-8631 or 1-800-333-3333.

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Maj. Gen. James F. Fretterd (left), adjutant general of the Maryland National Guard, presents a Meritorious Service Medal and accompanying citation to Col. Ronald L. Eaton of Fallston at a recent staff meeting at the Sergeant First Class John H. Newman Armory in Chestertown, Md. Col. Robert D. Schweitzer, chief of staff of the Maryland Army National Guard, participated in the proceedings. Eaton received the recognition for spearheading the successful completion of the deployment and redeployment and execution phases of Operation New Hope, involving relief support missions to El Salvador following Hurricane Mitch. Eaton is the director of aviation and safety for the Md. Army National Guard at the State Area Command Headquarters in Baltimore.

MWR UPDATE



Edgewood Arts & Crafts is a Morale, Welfare Recreation facility and is open to active and retired military, civilians, and contractors working on Aberdeen Proving Ground and their dependents. We are located in building E-4440 next to the military police station near the troop store. Hours of operation are Thursday, 1 to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 410-436-2153 during listed hours.

Ceramics class

A basic ceramics class will be held May 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This class teaches the basics of mold pouring, glazing, and painting. Cost is \$7 plus supplies.

Porcelain Dolls

A porcelain doll class will be held on May 3, 10 and 17 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$30 plus supplies. Class participants will make a Sugar

Britches doll, a great gift for friends or family. Class size is limited and pre registration is required. This is a progressive class so participants should plan on attending all three sessions.

Woodshop Orientation

The woodshop will hold a safety orientation May 5 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is the \$3 user fee. This class is required in order to use the woodshop.

Stained Glass

A beginning stained glass class will be held April 21 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and May 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Students will make a simple suncatcher using the copper foil method. Cost is \$25 and includes supplies.

Framing Class

A beginning matting and framing class will be held April 26 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. and May 24 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Students must bring an 8 inch by 10 inch picture to class to frame. Register in advance, because class size is limited. Cost is \$15 plus supplies.

CHESAPEAKE CHALLENGE OPENS FRIDAY



Photo by SHEILA LITTLE

David Spinder negotiates mini-golf at last year's Chesapeake Challenge.

The Chesapeake Challenge, featuring go-karts, miniature golf and batting cages begins weekend opening hours this Friday. Hours are Friday, 5:30 p.m. to midnight; Saturday, 1 p.m. to midnight and Sunday and holidays 1 to 8 p.m.

Beginning June 1, Chesapeake Challenge will be open daily.

Significant MWR monies were expended this year to get new and upgraded go-karts, and repair the batting machines.

Go-karts cost \$4 for a five-minute ride. Mini-golf is \$3 per person over 5 years old. Cost for younger kids is \$1. Batting cages are 50 cents for 12 pitches.

Customers are reminded that inclement weather can result in a closed facility, especially if there is lightning in the area.

SUMMER CONCERT SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 16



Photo by LAMONT HARBISON
Another big crowd, like this one from the Alabama concert last August, is expected June 16, when STYX, KANSAS and Survivor come to APG. Purchase your tickets, see below, or volunteer to help. The event raises money for the military community. Volunteers needed for the day of the concert include personnel willing to work the gates, sell tickets, work concessions or act as drivers. Special "perks" are part of the package. Call 410-278-4402 for volunteer information or 410-278-4011/4621 for tickets.

This year's talent for the Aberdeen Proving Ground Classic Rock Concert is STYX, Survivor and KANSAS.

Tickets are on sale at Ticketmaster or at the Information, Ticketing and Registration office. Other MWR offices start selling tickets on April 23. Hard copy tickets should be available by April 23.

Gates open at 6 p.m., June 16, with the show starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets in advance are \$25, or \$35 at the gate.

This is lawn seating on Shine Field in the Aberdeen Area. The concert will take place rain or shine.

For more information, call 410-278-4011 or 4621.

ERC READY FOR SUMMER RENTALS

Visit the Equipment Resource Center, building 2407, and check out the new equipment for 2001, including camping tents, air mattresses, camping chairs, and more plus framed 20 feet by 20 feet and 20feet by 30 feet canopies/party tents, sit-on-top kayaks (no lessons needed!) and games and sports equipment.

The ERC has expanded its children's outdoor game offerings to include wooden egg and spoon sets, jungle walk (variety of bean bag game), and hop-scotch sets.

Fees for the equipment are low and our daily rental period is generous in terms of length of time. The center is located next to the PX with the Arts and Crafts Center.

Reservations for equipment may be made with the payment of a daily fee (active duty military may make reservations 60 days in advance; civilian employees may reserve equipment 30 days in advance).

only). Life jackets and all accessories are included in the nominal fees charged.

More information is available on these and other Outdoor Recreation programs by contacting the staff at 410-278-4124.

AUTO CRAFT SALE

The Installation Morale Welfare and Recreation Fund has the following item for sale: **computerized wheel balancer.**

All interested patrons can view item at the Auto Shop, building 2379, between noon and 6 p.m., Wednesday through

Friday, April 19 through May 3.

Minimum bid is \$500. Sealed bids only will be accepted.

All bids should be mailed or turned into building 305, 1st Floor, West Wing, ATTN: Preston Hill, 410-278-7217, and must be received by close of business May 7.

Payment may be made by check or credit card. Purchaser must remove property within 72 hrs after contacted. There will be no refunds. Item will be sold "as is."

For more information on equipment inspection, contact Cal Adams, 410-278-2884 or 5178.

WATERCRAFT AND ACCESSORIES AVAILABLE DOCKSIDE

The Outdoor Recreation Boat Docks open for the summer season on Saturday, May 26, at 7 a.m. The boat docks provide recreational boating equipment available by the hour or all-day basis. The Aberdeen Area Boat Dock, building 2040, is located off Old Cut Road (near the APG Cemetery). The Edgewood Area facility is located on Skipper's Point Road beside the picnic and camping areas. Both facilities will be open Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Available equipment includes motorboats, rowboats, canoes, sit-on-top kayaks (no class needed), and sailboats (AA

MOVIES

ADMISSION: ADULTS \$3 CHILDREN \$1.50

SEE SPOT RUN

Friday, April 20, 7 p.m.
Starring: David Arquette, Michael Clarke Duncan



Gordon offers to babysit the young son of his beautiful neighbor, but soon finds himself with a new animal in his life: an FBI agent's drug-sniffing dog which has escaped from a witness protection program with local mobsters in hot pursuit. When the runaway canine seeks refuge in Gordon's truck, it's the beginning of a wildly comic adventure that leads to some unexpected transformations for both man and dog. (Rated PG-13)

less killer look like the victim and make them rich, they target media-savvy NYPD Homicide Detective Eddie Flemming and media-naive FDNY Fire Marshal Jordy Warsaw. They film everything to sell to the local tabloid TV show "Top Story." (Rated R)

TRAFFIC (FREE ADMISSION)

Saturday, April 21, 9 p.m.
Starring: Michael Douglas, Don Cheadle

Mexican policeman Javier works on and around the border, with his close friend and fellow policeman Manolo, under General Salazar. Confronted with temptations of power and money, Javier resists them but finds himself and Manolo - caught in a web of corruption that leads to an untenable situation. (Rated R)



15 MINUTES

Saturday, April 21, 7 p.m.
Starring: Robert DeNiro, Edward Burns

When Eastern European criminals Oleg and Emil come to New York City to pick up their share of a heist score, Oleg steals a video camera and starts filming activities, both legal and illegal. When they learn how the American media circus can make a remorse-



LIBRARY BOOK CORNER

The Garrison Library has fiction books for your reading pleasure.

Visit either the Aberdeen Area library or the Edgewood Area Branch library and check out some books.

The Aberdeen Area Library is located at building 3320 Aberdeen Blvd., 410-278-3417. Temporary operating hours are Monday through Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Thursday and Friday, closed and Saturday and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

The Edgewood Area Library is located at building E-4405 Austin Rd., 410-436-3589. Temporary operating hours are Wednesday and Thursday, 12:30 to 6:30 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, closed and Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Boone's Lick by Larry McMurtry

Commitments by Barbara Delinsky

Dreamcatcher by Stephen King

Murder One by William Bernhardt

My Dream of You by Nuala O'Faolain

The Parables of Joshua by Joseph F. Girzone

The Skies of Pern by Anne McCaffrey

Slightly Shady by Amanda Quick

Still Can't See Nothin' Comin' by Daniel Grey Marshall

The Stone Ponies by Tom Willard

Eagle numbers increase dramatically

By Neal Snyder
AEC

Flying in the predawn light of a late January morning, a helicopter followed the shoreline of the northern Chesapeake Bay. It traced the broad creeks and inlets slicing the forested ranges of Aberdeen Proving Ground.

On board, installation fish and wildlife biologist Jim Pottie counted bald eagles.

The flight brought good news about the eagles. They've returned to the proving ground in record numbers. Pottie found 239 eagles. He said he was expecting to see some increase from last year's count of 180 eagles, with 20 nesting pairs, but the record number was a surprise.

Twenty years ago, on his first flight, Pottie found five nesting pairs along the shore of the northern Chesapeake Bay.

According to Pottie, the birds may have moved from Blackwater

National Wildlife Refuge, on the western shore of the Chesapeake Bay, directly across from APG.

"Blackwater experienced a slight decline in its eagle population," he said. "Birds are coming here for sure.

"Bald eagles feed at sun-up, during the first two hours of daylight," Pottie said. "That's when the birds soar out over the water, seeking fish. We take advantage of their feeding patterns and fly back to areas we know they have been."

The last quarter-century has been a rapid recovery period for the bald eagle. The bird chosen as the nation's symbol in 1782 had vanished to the point that biologists could count only 800 nesting pairs in the country by 1974. That was the year Congress passed the Endangered Species Act, including the bald eagle on its initial list.

Protection, conservation, and the outright ban of a once popular insecticide, DDT, helped bring the

national bald eagle population back to 5,700 nesting pairs in 1998.

While Pottie flew over APG's ranges, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was making plans to take the bald eagle off the Endangered Species List.

Pottie made the latest count as part of the national Mid-Winter Eagle Survey. APG reported that number to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. The state sent its information on to the National Wildlife Federation, which monitors the national figures.

Bald eagles are one of more than 200 endangered species on Department of Defense lands. Like APG, installations across the nation are creating habitats for eagles, building platforms for nests, establishing protection zones and monitoring the birds' movements.

"The Aberdeen ranges are

well-suited for eagles, with plenty of fresh water and nesting places where human access is controlled," Pottie said. "The best indicator is the number of nests. This number has been constantly increasing."

The Aberdeen Proving Ground population has in fact grown enough that some eagles are moving into neighborhoods around the installation.

"There is only so much suitable land here," Pottie said. "I think the bald eagles will continue to radiate out from the proving ground to other areas."

APG readies for 2001 ozone action day season

OZONE, from front page

children, elderly and people with respiratory ailments should limit or postpone outdoor activities. Those without health problems should limit strenuous outside work or activities.

Code "orange" is considered approaching unhealthy levels and is characterized by temperatures in the upper 80s to low 90s.

On a declared code "red" or "orange" day the Directorate of Safety, Health and Environment will notify the installation of an ozone action day via e-mail and by hanging ozone flags (white flags with the big orange sunburst) at the APG entrance/exit gates and various locations across the post.

Last year, the ozone daily forecast was available on the APG Web page. These daily notifications will be available again this year.

In addition to hanging the ozone flags, APG reduces or eliminates operations of paint spray booths, military testing using smoke and obscurants, and jet engine testing during code red or orange days.

APG encourages the curtailment of grass mowing operations during these days. The installation has significantly reduced the amount of areas in which grass is cut. Many of these areas were designated as "natural areas" which now, do not require mowing. APG has also converted numerous boilers from No. 2 fuel oil to natural gas and is continuously replacing government fleet vehicles with alternative fuel vehicles.

Some suggestions to help reduce air pollution include telecommuting, carpooling, combining errands to reduce trips, teleconferencing instead of driving to meetings, avoiding lines at drive-thrus, refueling your vehicles after dusk and following gasoline refueling instructions to minimize air pollution emissions, conserving electricity and setting air conditioners to 78 degrees Fahrenheit, avoiding gasoline powered equipment, using gas grills instead of charcoal, using environmentally safe paints and cleaning products and keeping your vehicles well maintained.

These are just a few of the steps you can take to help reduce air pollution.

What we do today, affects the air we breathe tomorrow. Do your share for cleaner air, because together we can make a difference.

Taking action on both codes "red" and "orange" days helps to reduce ozone and prevent ozone creation.

For information on ozone or Ozone Action Days, contact the Directorate of Safety, Health and Environment, building 4304, 410-306-2268, or by fax, 410-306-2272.

ACS offers child abuse prevention suggestions

CHILD ABUSE, from front page

Help parents in your community:

- If you know a parent under stress, offer him or her a break. Take care of the children for a while or organize a playgroup so the parent can relax.
- Establish a parent support group in your area. Plan a regular time when mothers and fathers can get together to talk about and find solutions to parenting challenges.
- Organize a neighborhood event for families; go to the park, zoo, or a ball game.

Respond when you see abuse in public:

- Strike up a conversation with the adult to direct attention away from the child. Say something like, "She seems to be trying your patience" or "My child has gotten upset like that too."
- Divert the child's attention (if misbehaving) by talking to the child.
- Praise the child and parent at first opportunity.

Examine your own parenting practices:

- Praise your child in some way everyday. Kind words will make him/her feel special and will help make him/her into a better adult.
- When pressure builds up, don't lash out at your child in anger. Take hold of yourself before you take hold of a child. Stop and take a deep breath, and then another. Remember, you are the adult. Or, close your eyes and pretend you're hearing what your child is about to hear.

Report suspected abuse or neglect:

- To report suspected abuse, call the military police at APG 410-306-0564/0565 or Edgewood (410) 436-2222/2125

For further information on child abuse prevention issues, contact Army Community Service at 410-278-7474/7478.

APG plans volunteer recognition

Ceremony to honor volunteers, APG activities give month-long discounts

By Sheila Little
APG News

Volunteers play an active role throughout the installation, never faltering when a need arises. Helping with blood drives, serving as coaches, chairing fundraisers to provide scholarships, leading scout troops and raising funds to support community organizations and help in time of trouble are just some of the ways volunteers contribute. Although there really is no way to pay back those who give so much, Aberdeen Proving Ground has made strides in that area over the last several years, holding an annual event during national volunteer week, honoring all APG volunteers, awarding prizes to those judged as outstanding contributors, and offering special discounts to APG's army of volunteers.

The 2001 APG Volunteer Recognition Ceremony and Reception will take place 7 p.m., April 26 at Top of the Bay, building 30. The event will feature a recognition of 33 nominees for volunteer of the year, announcement of the top APG Volunteer of the Year in the military, fam-

ily member, retiree, civilian and youth categories, and entertainment, prizes and refreshments for all attendees.

Alice Surette, APG volunteer coordinator and organizer of the reception and ceremony, said community organizations and individuals can show their support and appreciation for APG's dedicated volunteers by joining in the celebration at Top of the Bay, and supporting volunteer appreciation specials throughout the installation over the next four weeks.

"We can never thank our volunteers enough, but this is a good start," Surette said.

Surette added that budget cuts over the last several years have emphasized the importance of volunteers, and increased the need for talented people willing to help the community. APG volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks throughout the installation. For ideas on how you can best serve the community, call Surette at 410-278-5469.

And the nominees are...

Military category

APG Chapel: Sgt. 1st Class Martin Zapata
U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools: Sgt. 1st Class Robert Holloway, Specs. Shamike Bethea-Brown and Charlotte Otorubio, and Staff Sgt. Cassandra Conners.

Family Member category

Edgewood Area Officers' Wives Club: Lorene Hutchinson
Edgewood Area Thrift Shop: Donna Welch
APG Chapel: Tracy Zapata, Kathleen Santana, Victoria Romero, Janette Patten, Monika McCullough, Cathy Day, and Allison Clark
Kirk U. S. Army Health Clinic: Barbara Davies and Anneliese Rogers
Military and Civilian Spouses Club: Donna Dease
Aberdeen Area Thrift Shop: Irma Stiles
520th Theater Army Medical Laboratory: Marcey Perez
OC&S Tactical Support Equipment Department: Penney Humphrey

Retiree category

APG Chapel: Frank McCulloch, a retired staff sergeant
Directorate of Community and Family Activities Golf Program: John Tornabene, a medically retired specialist

Civilian category

DCFA Youth Services: Judy Hannon
Aberdeen Area Thrift Shop: Donna Moltrup
Freestate ChalleNGe Academy: Patricia Steils

Youth category

Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic and American Red Cross: Jeffrey Sexton
APG Chapel: Alex Rabago, Christina Kovalsick, Jessica Wilson, George Palma, Jenny McCulloch, Richard Gallo, and Ama Asowata.

Volunteer specials April 22 through May 22

Volunteer Appreciation Week, April 22 through 28, marks the beginning of a month of special deals for members of Aberdeen Proving Ground's volunteer community. Volunteers who have received recognition for their volunteerism from participating organizations throughout the installation can present their card and receive discounts from participating businesses in the Edgewood and Aberdeen areas.

Present your volunteer card to participate in the following specials:

APG Bowling Center: Receive 10 percent off Pro Shop purchases. Bowl for \$1.25 per game when lanes are available.
Exton, Ruggles

and Plumb Point golf courses: Play 18 holes of golf for half price

Arts and Crafts centers: Receive 10 percent off any Arts and Crafts Store purchase
Automotive Craft Center: Receive one hour free bay usage fee

Aberdeen and Edgewood Area Health and Fitness centers:

Receive 20 percent off your choice of membership

Chesapeake Challenge Amusement Park:

Play one round of miniature golf for free

Aberdeen and Edgewood Area Youth centers:

Free admittance to one dance

Top of the Bay:

10 percent discount on lunch



LEAVE DONATION

Employees eligible for donations in the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program

Jodie A. Ables (herniated disc)
 Ameneh M. Arasten (maternity)
 Fay Walker Banker (hip replacement)
 Marian Bellis (fracture of left tibia)
 Brenda K. Bielat (car accident, severe pain)
 Barbara Boyd (mother is ill)
 Bonnie Bromley (liver transplant)
 Daniel Brown (father has emphysema)
 Tammy Budkey
 Nancy Coleman-Jones (surgery)
 Tracy H Coliano-Hirsch (maternity)
 Geraldine S. Cragg
 Bonnie K. Day (surgery)
 Tricia Lin Dietz
 Fred Dill
 Surinder K. Dillon
 Joseph R. Dugan
 Messina Enderlein
 Wayne Erb (wife is ill)
 Willa Freisheim
 Penelope K. Galoff (maternity)
 Norman L. Greear
 Rose M. Hill (vertigo)
 Michael L. Hitchcock (surgery)
 Melanie A. Hoffman (parasitosis, fibromyalgia condition)
 Stephen Howard (bone marrow transplant)
 Wayne A. Jaynes
 Evelyn K. Johnson (surgery)
 Carole Jones
 Marlin Julian (heart surgery)
 Jennifer Keetley (maternity)
 Beverly King (caring for husband)
 William Klein
 Michael A. Lattin (heart surgery)
 Yvonne Lissimore (knee surgery)
 Angela R. Little (neck and shoulder injury)
 Edna L. Lobodzinski (eye surgery)
 Rebecca G. Mercer-Leto (heart attack)
 Stacy Miller (maternity)
 Sandra W. Miller (back surgery)
 Mary V. Overstreet (twisted and sprained wrists and legs)
 Cecil Pennington (surgery)
 Debi L. Petosky (back surgery)
 Mary E. Pettway
 Barbara Carol Remines (surgery)
 Michael Reynolds
 Boyd J. Richards (care of mother)
 Denise Robinson (maternity)
 Ricky Ross (heart attack)
 Tami C. Rowland (maternity)
 Allan Scarborough (back surgery)
 Ralph A. Scutti (care of daughter)
 Sherry Schaffer
 Lena Shelton
 Rita R. Sloder (surgery)
 Gail H. Smith (death of husband)
 Motoko Stahl
 Rachel Swearingen
 Ronald L. Taylor (chronic pulmonary disease)
 Frances L. Thomas
 Rosalind Walters Kenion (maternity)
 Cecelia Walton (respiratory problems)
 Charles Young (kidney and pancreas transplant)
 Amber M. Vanakin (care of husband)
 Andrew M. Vaught (brain tumor removed)
 Josephine O. Wojtechowski (care for elderly parents)

**For information
about donating
annual leave, call
Dave Mial at
410-278-1524
or fax 410-278-7877.**

Hospitality race scheduled for April 21

The Aberdeen Proving Ground Area Military and Civilian Spouses' Club will host a 5-kilometer race beginning at 9 a.m. at the Ordnance Center and Schools.

Age categories are 10 and under, 11 to 15, 16 to 20, 21 to 30, 31 to 40, 41 to 50, 51 to 60, 61 and over. The day of the race participants should meet at the APG Athletic Center, building 3323, to pick up their race packet and/or to register. A majority of the race will be run on Plumb Point Loop. The race finish is at Fanshaw Field.

To register, mail the entry form to MCSC, P.O. Box 752, APG, MD 21005. The entry fee is \$12 for those registered by

April 20 and \$15 the day of the race from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.



The top male and female finishers will receive \$200 each;

second place female and male finishers will receive \$100 each and third place female and male finishers will receive \$50 each.

Medallions will be given to the first three finishers in each age and sex category. The first 200 participants registered will receive a free T-shirt.

For more information call Diane Wilson, 410-297-8508, or Amy Carlson, 410-939-6429. USPA & IRA, APG Federal Credit Union, Jones Junction of Bel Air and the Ordnance Corps Association are sponsors of the race. MWR is also providing race support.

All proceeds will benefit welfare and scholarship funds.

Support Harvest for the Hungry with run, walk-a-thon April 21

The 5th Annual Harvest for the Hungry Hunger Run/Walk-A-Thon (4 miles), will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, at the Aberdeen Proving Ground Main Gate Route 22. Registration for the run is from 8 to 9 a.m.; the run begins at 9 a.m. Registration for the walk is from 9 to 10 a.m.; the

walk begins at 10 a.m. Proceeds benefit the Harford/Cecil Food Bank.

For more information or to get registration forms, visit the Harford/Cecil Food bank located on 640 South Philadelphia Boulevard, near the Colonel's Choice Restaurant, or call 410-272-1883, or visit the web site at <http://www.harfordfoodbank.org>



Orioles, Deer Park to award scholarships to students for environmental service

The Baltimore Orioles today announced that for the second consecutive year, they have teamed up with their corporate partner, Deer Park Spring Water, to award scholarships to high school seniors in the class of 2002 who have played an active role in improving the quality of the environment.

The Deer Park/Baltimore Orioles Environmental Service Scholarship Program will award three \$5,000 college scholarships based on environmental service and academic achievement.

Scholarship applications are available at Orioles

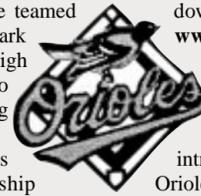
Fan Assistance locations during games and can be downloaded off the Orioles' Web site, www.theorioles.com, under the heading "Community Outreach."

Applications must be postmarked by August 17, to be considered.

The winners will be announced and introduced during an on-field presentation at an Orioles home game in September.

Deer Park is the official bottled water of the Orioles.

For information on the scholarships or for an application, call 410-625-7177.



Company E 16th takes two from USAF

By Yvonne Johnson
APG News

With only six people suited-up to play, Company E 16th Ordnance Battalion had to bring it's A game when it faced the U.S. Air Force Detachment in an April 10 Aberdeen Division Volleyball game.

In the first match, players on both sides committed costly misplays but neither was outdoing the other until Company E went on a scoring tear, breaking it open for a 10-6 lead. Ben Warner, Jose Reyes and Martin Coronado closed out the game, serving to a 14-9 win.

The second match was more of the same as Company E, never giving up its lead, cruised to a 14-1 lead to sweep the series.

"This was not a great night," USAF coach Gary Willis observed after the game.

Noting the loss of two key players, Willis said players differ from week to week, some playing together during the game for the first time.

"It's still a great way to get students out of the dorm, to be around each other in a non school environment," Willis said.

"It was a great game," added Company E 16th coach Eric Hedlund. He added the upcoming loss of key players, Jose Reyes and Louis Zollo, would leave the team "hurting severely."

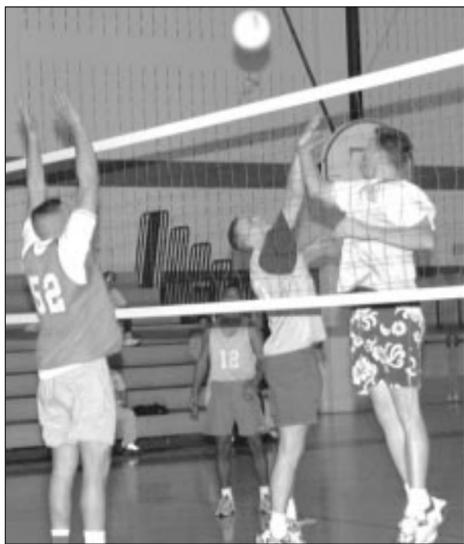
"They're both getting ready to leave," Hedlund said gesturing toward his star players.

Reyes, originally from Puerto Rico, is headed to Korea. Assigned to APG since November, he said he has enjoyed playing with the unit.

"I enjoyed it for the unit cohesion, and for the fun of playing together, Reyes said. "The unit backs us up all the time," he added

Zollo, who is headed to Anchorage Alaska, said it has been great to let out the stress that builds up during the day.

The Brooklyn, N.Y. native added, "There was nothing I enjoyed more than beating USAF."



Photos by YVONNE JOHNSON

Steven Allred, 25, and Aaron Robertson, 00, from the U.S. Air Force Detachment, jump in unison as teammate Enrique Torres, 12 looks on and Company E, 16th Ordnance Battalion's David Hernandez, 52, leaps to defend.



USAF coach Gary Willis, right, goes up against Company E 16th's Louis Zollo, left.

Volleyball update

The following results were reported for Intramural Volleyball for the week ending April 13.

Aberdeen Division Results

April 9
HHC 61st defeated Company C 16th 8-15, 15-6, 15-10
USMC defeated NCOA, 15-10, 15-2

April 10
HHC 16th defeated Company A 16th, 15-10, 15-12
Company E 16th defeated USAF, 15-9, 15-1

April 11
NCOA defeated HHC 61st, 15-13, 15-3
Company E 16th defeated Company A 16th, 15-13, 15-7

April 12
Company C 16th defeated HHC 16th, forfeit
USMC defeated USAF, 15-1, 15-6

Schedule

April 19
6:30 p.m., HHC 16th vs. Company

E 16th
7:30 p.m., NCOA vs. USAF
April 23
6:30 p.m., NCOA vs. Company A 16th
7:30 p.m., Company E 16th vs. Company C 16th
April 24
6:30 p.m., USAF vs. HHC 61st
7:30 p.m., USMC vs. HHC 16th
April 25
6:30 p.m., Company E 16th vs. NCOA
7:30 p.m., Company C 16th vs. USMC

Standings

USMC	5-0
HHC 61st	3-2
NCOA	4-2
Company E 16th	4-0
HHC 16th	3-3
Company C 16th	3-3
USAF	1-5
Company A 16th	0-6

Edgewood Division Results

April 9 HHC 143rd defeated Company A 143rd, 15-5, 15-3
CHPPM defeated Company B 143rd, 15-11, 8-15, 15-8
April 11 HHC 143rd defeated CHPPM, 15-11, 13-15, 15-8
Company C 143rd defeated Company A 143rd, 15-12, 15-8

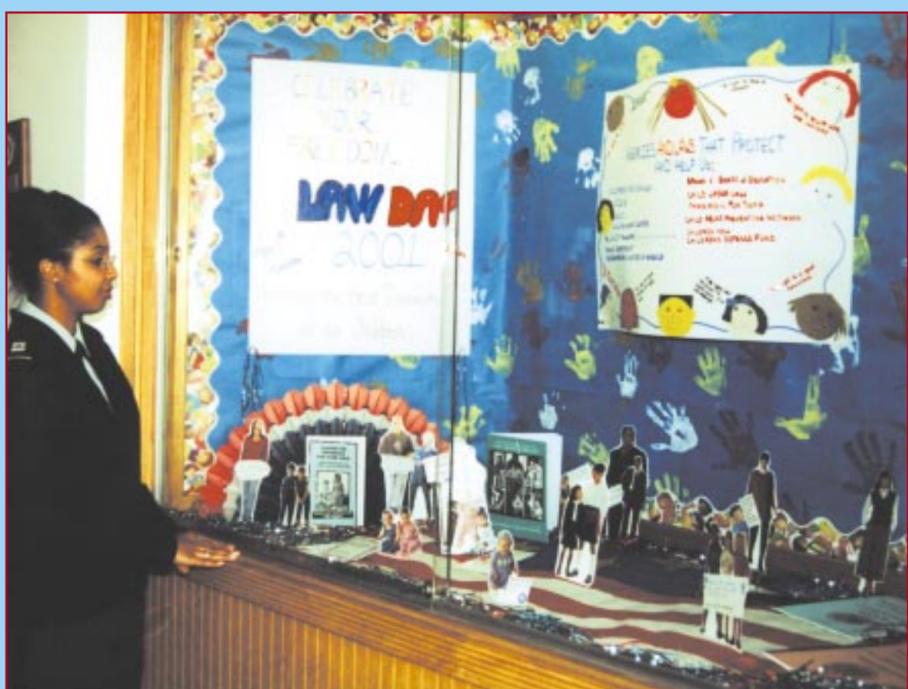
Schedule

April 23
6:30 p.m., CHPPM vs. Company A 143rd
7:30 p.m., Company B 143rd, vs. Company C 143rd

April 25
6:30 p.m., Company A 143rd vs. HHC 143rd
7:30 p.m., CHPPM vs. Company B 143rd

Standings

HHC 143rd	5-0
Company C 143rd	3-1
Company B 143rd	2-2
CHPPM	2-3
Company A 143rd	0-5



Law Day exhibit focuses on children

Photo by SHEILA LITTLE

Capt. Phyllis Brown, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate and Law Day coordinator, reviews the window display located in the foyer of the OSJA, building 310, which highlights this year's Law Day theme, "Celebrate Your Freedom: Protecting the Rights of Children." Looking closely, you may notice that some APG children had a "hand" in providing the background for the display. Law Day will be celebrated with a luncheon at Top of the Bay, May 1, featuring remarks by Maryland Lt. Gov. Kathleen Kennedy Townsend. Reservations for the \$12 luncheon are available through April 20 by contacting the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, 410-278-1107.

APG Chapel congregations celebrate Easter outdoors



Photos by SHEILA LITTLE

The Aberdeen Proving Ground Chapel Protestant Choir, top, and service attendees and the Gospel Choir members, above, raise their voices in praise at the Easter Sunrise Service, held at McBride Field in the Edgewood Area, 7 a.m. on April 15. Below, flags line the walk leading to McBride Field Pavilion, the site of the multi-faith service. Nearly 150 people turned out for the outdoor event, celebrating Easter and watching the sunrise near the water's edge.

'Son rise' commemorated at sunrise service

By Sheila Little
APG News

Sunday's sunrise was colored with special meaning April 15, as a crowd of 150 participated in an inter-faith, interdenominational celebration of Easter at McBride Field in the Edgewood Area.

Participants gathered near to the water's edge to watch the morning sun rise in the sky, celebrate the 'Son's' rise from the grave, and join in with APG chapel congregations from Protestant, Gospel and Catholic faiths, praying, worshipping, and singing together.

Maj. Gen. John C. Doesburg, commander of Aberdeen Proving Ground and the U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command welcomed attendees to the multi-denominational celebration which has become an annual event over the last several years. He was joined by APG Garrison Chaplain Lt. Col. Kenneth Kolenbrander, who reminded attendees that although they may be attending services with family members, other servicemen and women on duty elsewhere may be

celebrating Easter in less than ideal circumstances.

"Throughout the world our young soldiers and chaplains are having a similar celebration with God," Kolenbrander noted, "but maybe in the mud or out in the cold, and not with their families," he said.

The chaplain said working and celebrating with others of faith is something we should all strive toward.

"Today we are one in God," he said.

Easter celebration participants, in addition to Doesburg and Kolenbrander, included the 389th Army Band (AMC's Own) Brass Ensemble, the APG Gospel and Protestant choirs, and chaplains Lt. Col. Larry Robinson of the U. S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, Lt. Col. Greg Black, U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine, Maj. Ernest Vermont, 61st Ordnance Brigade, Maj. Michael H. Wallman, chaplaincy resource manager, Capt. Theiring Alexander, 16th Ordnance Battalion, and Father John J. Bauer, Catholic parish priest.



Community Notes

FRIDAY APRIL 20 LONGABERGER BASKET BINGO

The Bakersfield Elementary School Parent Teachers Organization will sponsor Longaberger Basket Bingo, 7 p.m. at the Aberdeen Fire Hall, Rogers St. Doors open at 6 p.m. Food, drinks and baked goods will be available. Cost is \$10 per ticket (three cards), and \$5 for additional sets of three cards. For tickets, call Sandy Pierce at 410-273-7184. Proceeds benefit the Bakersfield Elementary School PTO.

4PM LIVE IN CONCERT

4PM will perform live at the Edgewood High School auditorium, 2415 Willoughby Beach Road, at 7 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Anita C. Leight Estuary Center. The concert is being hosted by Jojo Girard of WMIX106.5 Radio. Special guests include Big Daddy Country and Erica Martinez.

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. To order tickets, call 410-671-7354 or e-mail forpositivemusic@aol.com. 4PM's latest album, "For Positive Music," will be on sale at the concert for \$12.

TUESDAY APRIL 24 HEAT CENTER OPEN HOUSE

An Open House will be held at the Higher Education and Applied Technology Center from 4 to 7 p.m. The Open House will allow participants to explore opportunities in upper level undergraduate and graduate degree programs offered at the site by the College of Notre Dame, Johns Hopkins University Whiting School of Engineering, Towson University, University of Baltimore, University of Maryland College Park and Villa Julie College.

Some of the specializations include Business (B.A.), Education (B.A. and M.Ed.), Engineering (M. Eng.), Nursing (B.S.N.), and Paralegal Studies (B.S.). Representatives from partner institutions will be available during the open house to discuss their programs and answer questions. Representatives from HCC's Business and Community Services Division will be on hand to discuss opportunities in computer certification, MCSE, CISCO, CCNA, A+, Web Authoring and Web Design that are offered at the HEAT Center.

For more information, call 410-638-2500. The HEAT Center is located at Rt. 22 and I-95 in Aberdeen.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 25 UMUC OPEN HOUSE

University of Maryland University College will hold an open house in the Education Services building 3146 on Raritan Avenue, Aberdeen Proving Ground, from 4 to 6 p.m. to showcase its programs and services in Harford County. The \$30 admission fee will be waived for new students who register at the open house for their first UMUC Course. Advisors and representatives will be available to answer questions. Students may complete admissions applications and register for summer classes during the open house. For more information, call UMUC's APG office at 410-272-8269 or 410-278-4632.

THURSDAY APRIL 26 PARKINSON'S DISEASE BRIEFING

The APG Committee for the Disabled presents Rebecca Dunlop, R.N., B.S.N., nurse coordinator for the Parkinson's Disease Center at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She will be speaking about Parkinson's disease: an overview, who is at risk, its effects on patients, family members and caregivers and current treatment options at 3 p.m. in the Gunpowder Club (Osprey Room) Edgewood Area. This session is open to the entire APG community. It is an educational information presentation, and is not an APG endorsement of Johns Hopkins Hospital or its programs and services.

Point of contact is Angela Cheek 410-278-1140.

FRIDAY APRIL 27 PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING

The Aberdeen Athletic Department, Aberdeen High School will host professional wrestling, 7:30 p.m., in the gymnasium at Aberdeen High School. Tickets cost \$18 for ringside and \$15 general admission. There will be eight matches.

Former World Wrestling Federation superstars Jerry "The King" Lawler, former woman's champ "The Kat," and "Superfly" Jimmy Snuka will be featured along with several other superstar wrestlers. Meet and take pictures with the wrestlers during intermission.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Aberdeen High School Athletic Department. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 410-234-9769, 410-273-5500 or visit www.marylandwrestling.com.

BASKET BINGO

Roye-Williams Elementary School Parent Teachers Organization is sponsoring a Basket Bingo at the Aberdeen Fire Hall at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person, extra cards cost \$5. For tickets call Donna Dease, 410-273-1487. Proceeds benefit the Roye-Williams PTO and students.

BOSS COMEDY SHOW

A BOSS Comedy Show and After Party will be held from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Aberdeen Area Recreation Center, building 3326. Entertainment will be provided by APG's own DJ Buggs. Tickets cost \$7 in advance, \$10 at the door and can be purchased at the AA Recreation Center. Dress code is casual; proper ID is required for ages 21 and over.

ST. PAUL'S PLAYERS PRESENTS "OLIVER"

The St. Paul's Players will present its spring production of the award-winning Lionel Bart musical "Oliver" 8 p.m. on April 27 and 28, and May 4 and 5, and 3 p.m. April 29 and May 6 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 201 Mt. Royal Ave. in Aberdeen. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children and may be purchased in advance by calling 410-642-3362 or 410-879-9560. Any remaining tickets may be purchased at the door the day of the performance. For information call 410-272-3111.

SATURDAY APRIL 28 BASKET BINGO

Aberdeen High School, Paradise Road (South Building), will hold Longaberger Basket Bingo at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 per ticket (three paper cards); extra cards are available at \$5 per set. Doors open at 6 p.m. There will be food, drinks and baked goods available. The fundraiser benefits the Aberdeen High School lacrosse team. To purchase tickets, call Brenda Griffey, 410-272-5228, or Vicki Simpson, 410-272-6935.

SUNDAY APRIL 29 NATURE SEARCH AND TREK

Join local Naturalist Bob Chance on a herpetology (reptiles and amphibians) search and mammal trek, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Swan Harbor Farm. Students from ages 8 to 15 and adults are encouraged to attend. Bring binoculars, boots, observation jars and a light lunch. Meet at the Swan Harbor Farm office parking area. The hike costs \$3 for students and \$8 for adults. Swan Harbor Farm is located on 401 Oakington Road, Havre de

Grace. For more information or to register, call the Oakington District Office at 410-939-6767.

WEDNESDAY MAY 2 WEEDON-ELLIOTT LADIES AUXILIARY

Weedon-Elliott Ladies Auxiliary VFW 8126, 300 Lodge Lane, Havre de Grace, will hold their monthly membership meeting and installation of officers for the 2001-2002 year. The installation meeting will be held at 7 p.m. and the membership meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. All members and incoming officers are encouraged to attend.

FRIDAY MAY 4 A TOAST TO THE LADIES

Top of the Bay presents "A Toast To The Ladies," from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Main Ballroom. Music will be provided by Out Da Way Entertainment. Tickets cost \$6 in advance, \$8 at the door. Dress to impress - no jeans, boots, sweatsuits, sneakers or

bandannas. Dress code will be enforced. To purchase tickets, call Sgt. 1st Class Bryan Copeland, 1-877-937-9936. You must be 21 or over and have valid identification to attend.

SUNDAY MAY 6 FASHION SHOW

The Edgewood Area Protestant Service will present its Charm Course Fashion Show, May 6, 4 to 6 p.m. at the Edgewood Area Chapel. The show is the culmination of the free 10-week Christian Charm Course for 18 girls in grades 5-11. The course focused on diet and exercise, facial beauty, fashion and wardrobe, hair styling, etiquette and self-esteem. Local businesses contributing to the success of the course and the fashion show include the International School of Beauty, Beth's Bridal Boutique and Saks 5th Avenue. The show is free and open to the public. A potluck banquet will follow. For more information, contact Audrey Vermont at 410-272-3803, evenings, or the chapel

office at 410-436-4107.

SATURDAY MAY 12 YARD SALE

Weedon-Elliott Ladies Auxiliary VFW 8126, 300 Lodge Lane, Havre de Grace, will have a yard sale on the corner of Green Street and Union Avenue, Havre de Grace, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be served at the Post from noon to 4 p.m. Table rental is \$10. Rain date is Saturday, May 19. For more information, call 410-272-4020 or 410-939-4578.

SATURDAY JUNE 15 BASKET BINGO

The Aberdeen Fire Hall, Rogers Street, will hold a Longaberger basket bingo at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$10 per ticket (3 paper cards); extra cards are available at \$5 per set. Doors open at 6 p.m. The fundraiser benefits the Harford Choral Society. To purchase tickets, call Joanne, 410-939-9642 or Arlene Raymond and Phyllis Gilbert, 410-273-7332.

Shinseki's Earth Day message

The Army is on a course to transform itself into a more agile, efficient, and deployable force. To realize the goals of this transformation, The Army depends upon realistic training on our lands. For this reason, an important part of The Army's transformation is our continued emphasis on caring for the training lands that sustain and enable Army readiness.

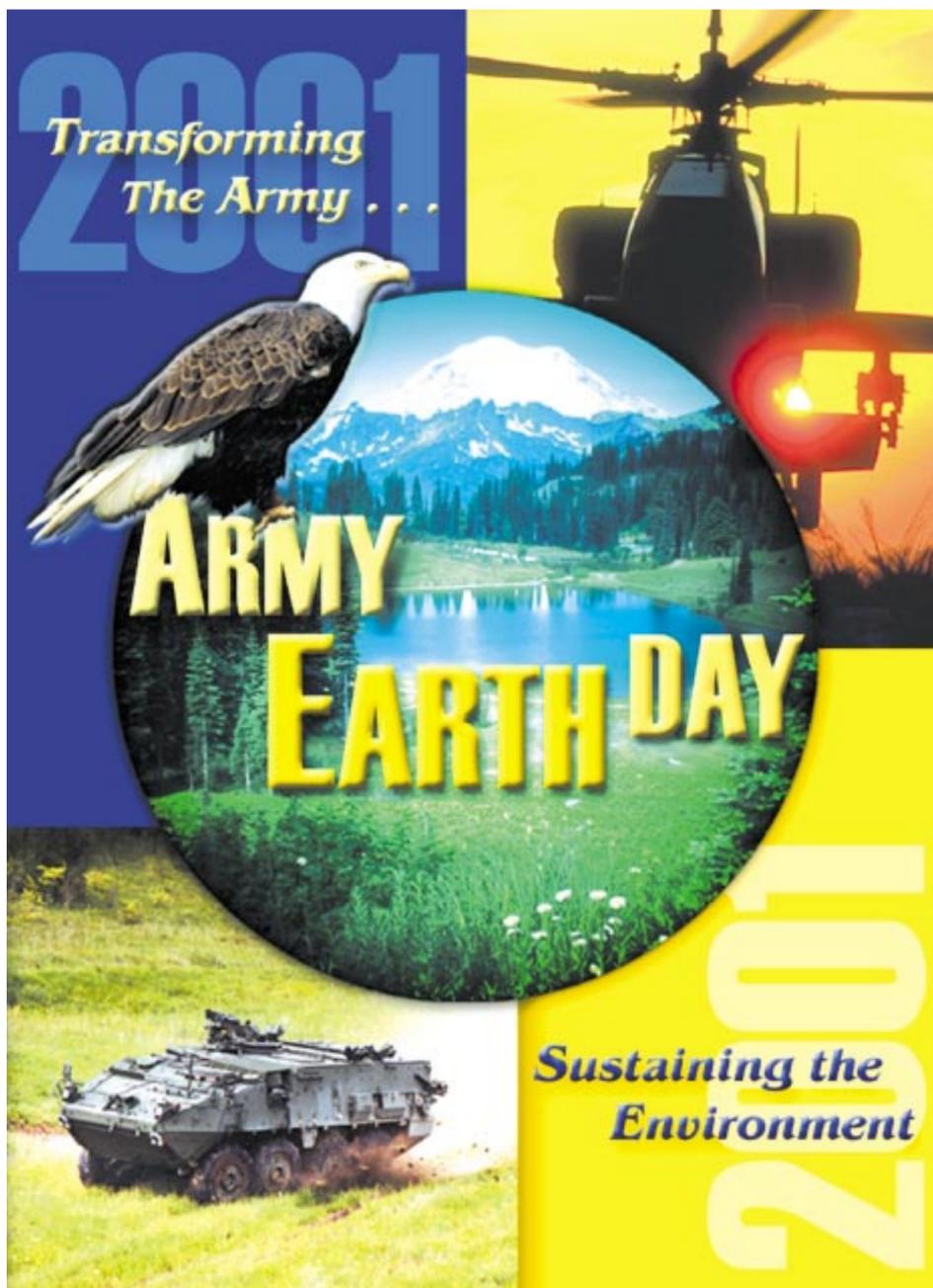
On April 22, The Army will celebrate Earth Day. Our annual observance of Earth Day gives us an opportunity to reflect on the impact of the environment on our mission. It is a chance to dedicate ourselves to the responsible stewardship of our environment, and to show others how The Army sustains the resources entrusted to its care.

"Transforming The Army... Sustaining the Environment" is the Army's Earth Day theme for 2001. It highlights our goals for the future and our continued success and dedication to environmental stewardship on our installations. Our nation has entrusted us with a national heritage of over 14 million acres of land. The importance that we place on caring for these critically important lands is embodied in our many environmental programs.

The Army is one of America's foremost environmentally sensitive stewards of land. Our programs protect endangered species and cultural resources; they ensure compliance with appropriate environmental standards. We lead the way in the employment of state-of-the-art technologies to clean up our lands, and pollution prevention has become a noticeable part of our industrial operations.

Earth Day provides a perfect opportunity to work with our local communities to protect and enhance our environment - to share our successes with others and to increase the well being of soldiers, civilians, and family members. I encourage you to be a part of Earth Day activities at your installation.

ERIC K. SHINSEKI
General, United States Army



APG, Harford County to celebrate Earth Day April 21

Aberdeen Proving Ground is celebrating earth day this year by supporting the Harford County Earth Day event at Swan Harbor Farm in Havre de Grace on April 21, 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Festivities include taking nature walks, a tree planting, tree seedling give-aways, live entertainment, refreshments, participating in children's activities and learning more about Army environmental programs that support readiness, stewardship and

well being.

Organizations from APG and the surrounding community will be on hand to answer questions about the environment.

For more information, and Army Earth Day 2001 materials including children's activities and the official poster (pictured above), visit the U.S. Army Environmental Center Web site at <http://www.aec.mil>.