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Soldiers from the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 508th Infantry Regiment train in Honduras.

Sgt. Eric Hortin (U.S. Army)

508th to case colors

Units pitch in for smooth inactivation as Treaty Implementation Plan materializes

by Maj. Ira Watkins
1st Bn., 508th Inf., Commander

FORT CLAYTON - Saturday marks the official casing of the colors for the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 508th Infantry — a big step toward the drawdown of U.S. troops in Panama.

The official ceremony will close another chapter of the 508th's historical lineage that began in October 1942 at Camp Blanding, Fla.

The Red Devils of the 508th, which was activated in Panama in July 1987, participated in many significant conflicts, such as the Normandy invasion, Dominican Republic, Vietnam, Grenada and most recently, operation "Just Cause," here.

For the past seven months, however, the 508th's focus has not been war fighting, but inactivating. The mission sounds simple — pack up and go home—but in all actuality it's very complex and requires the support of many outside agencies.

The effort began with a 620-plus man infantry battalion, complete with all the equipment required to go to war. Before reassigning any soldier, the chain of command realized all the paratroopers had certain needs and some required special attention with unique situations.

Soldiers with families were moved to follow-on assignments during the summer months so their children could settle in to a new school at the beginning of the semes-

ter. From there, the remaining soldiers were scheduled to leave, prioritized by job positions and special assignment instructions.

Officer and Enlisted Strength Management catered to the 508th's overall personnel plan.

In addition to soldiers moving on to new assignments, soldiers completing their time in service were aided in many ways by the Separations Section of USARSO's Personnel Action Center. They also processed an onslaught of PCS awards and evaluation reports in a very timely manner.

The Transportation Division, where soldiers received their port calls and also coordinated for household goods pick-up, supported the 508th by adapting to an increase of 100 out-processing soldiers per month.

The Air Mobility Command, located on Howard AFB, provided a professional mode of transportation back to the states for many of the Red Devils and their families.

In addition to the men of the battalion moving on, all equipment and property of the 508th had to be turned in or transferred to other agencies or units.

More than 4,000 pieces of furniture were either turned over to the Defense Reutilization and Market Officer or laterally transferred to units such as the 536th Engineers and 5th Battalion (Light), 87th Infantry.

Instrumental in these transactions was the Furniture Management Office who conducted pre-inventories, and classified and

coordinated for the movement of the furniture. The Materiel Movements Section served as the link between the 508th and the civilian contractors who actually moved nearly 400,000 pounds of furniture to new locations.

The 508th property books were filled with close to 2,000 major end items such as vehicles, weapon systems, communication and automation equipment and tactical field gear.

The 93rd Materiel Management Center, located on Corozal, directed the transfer or turn-in of all items, while the 167th MMC, Army Reservists out of Homewood, Ala., physically moved the equipment back to the states.

The buildings the 508th called home during its seven-year stay at Fort Kobbe were turned over one by one to the Directorate of Engineering and Housing, for restoration in order to allow new units to take over the structures.

Throughout the inactivation process, many items and soldiers were transported from one place to another. The 142nd Medical Battalion and the Transportation Motor Pool provided external transportation which enabled the soldiers of the 508th to get the job done.

As the 508th cases its colors Saturday, the Red Devils will keep in mind many others who contributed to this inactivation mission just as in many training and real world missions in the years prior.

Faxes speed AMC sign-ups

HOWARD AFB (24th Wing/PA) - Space available travelers now may place their names on sign-up lists before they even reach an Air Mobility Command terminal. In fact, they can even make their reservation from another country.

Remote sign-up is possible through electronic transmission of the necessary documents via fax machine. The documents may be sent via U.S. mail as well.

Travelers need to send their leave form, authentication of travel eligibility (or letter of request for retirees), and selected destination(s) to a port of origin or other terminal of departure. First names of family members desiring travel should be included also.

Authentication of travel eligibility is defined as a statement from the traveler that he or she has all the documents needed to travel to a desired country. It may be typed or written on leave forms.

Telefaxes cannot be sent before the effective date of leave; therefore, the telefax data header will establish the basis for date/time sign-up.

For mail-in sign-up, the day the documents are received will determine the date/time.

For more information, call the AMC passenger terminal at Howard, 284-4306/3608.

Cedras arrives in Panama

PANAMA CITY (Reuters) - Haiti's deposed military leader Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras arrived in Panama early Thursday to begin his life in exile from the nation he ruled brutally for three years.

Cedras and Brig. Gen. Phillippe Biamby—two of the three leaders who toppled exiled Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide in a 1991 coup—and their families arrived in Panama City at 4:10 a.m. from Haiti aboard an American Trans Air Boeing 757 chartered by the U.S. military.

Panama agreed to take in the former coup leaders after Aristide asked Panama's government to give them asylum, paving the way for Aristide's imminent return to Haiti three weeks after U.S. forces occupied the nation to restore democracy.

Cedras arrived at Panama City's Tocumen airport wearing a dark blue suit instead of his traditional military uniform.

"We thank the President of Panama and the Panamanian people. We are a family that is passing through a difficult time. We hope to live here in Panama in pure peace and tranquility," Cedras said.

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**Tropic Times late?
Call 269-3220**

People who live in quarters on a Pacific area military installation and have not received a *Tropic Times* by 6:30 a.m. Friday should call 269-3220.

'Trick or Treating' hours established for Clayton

The established hours for "Trick or Treating" at Fort Clayton are 5-8 p.m. Oct. 31. The age limit is 12 years old. Teens, 13 years and older are encouraged to participate in the Directorate of Community Activities events.

People who have a valid installation pass can escort five immediate family members only for Trick or Treating on Fort Clayton. People with vehicles registered with the Provost Marshal Office can drive their vehicles onto any installation to an authorized parking area.

Sponsors are accountable for the behavior of their guests while on the installation. Failure to control guests will result in action taken against the sponsor. All visitors to Army installations must be off post no later than 9 p.m. For information, call Master Sgt. Scott Carr at 287-3716.

Howard to measure for mini blind installation

Measurements for the installation of mini blinds in the Howard AFB tropical housing area is as follows: Monday-Oct. 21, Qrts. 651-675, 12-39 and 191-199; Oct. 24-28, Qrts. 41-99; Nov. 1-4, Qrts. 100-154; and Nov. 7-11, Qrts. 156-199. Workers will stop by between 9 and 11 a.m. For more information, call 185-5392.

'Fiesta night' celebrates Hispanic heritage

A fiesta night will be held Oct. 15 to recognize Hispanic heritage. The event will be from 5-10 p.m. at the Hotel Plaza Paitilla in Panama City. Cost will be \$5 and door prizes and two-for-one drinks will be offered. For more information, call 1st Lt. Jaime Adames, 284-5663, or Staff Sgt. Miguel Villanueva, 284-4837.

Workshop targets parents of teenagers

A STEP class for parents of teenagers will be held Tuesday from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Chapel Annex on Howard AFB. Free child care is available. For more information, call 284-6410/6457.

Navy MWR needs program instructors

Rodman Morale Welfare and Recreation needs instructors in various fields to expand their programming. The MWR Outdoor Recreation needs individuals qualified to teach open water scuba. For information, call Valerie Van Essen at 283-3150. The MWR Community Recreation Department needs foreign language instructors qualified to teach Spanish and French. Instructors should have prior experience teaching elementary and conversational courses. For information, call Navy MWR at 283-4301.

AMC flight schedule

All flights listed are subject to change because of cancellations, additions or for priority mission requirements. Check with the passenger service section for updates on flights by calling 284-4306/3608.

5:45am	Saturday	5:40am	C-141 Howard AFB	Belize City, Belize
	B727 Howard AFB		Lima, Peru (CC)	Howard AFB
	Atlanta IAP, GA (C)		Santiago, Chile (O)	Oct. 21
	Charleston IAP, SC		La Paz, Bolivia	
1:45pm	C-5A Howard AFB		Wednesday	
	Charleston AFB, SC (O)	6:10am	C-130 Howard, AFB	C-130 Howard AFB
	Kelly AFB, TX		Bogota, Colombia (CC)	San Salvador, El Salvador
	Sunday		Howard AFB	(V,CC)
3:45pm	B-757 Howard AFB (C,O)	5:40am	C-141 Howard, AFB	Soto Cano AB, Honduras (CC)
	Soto Cano AB, Honduras		Kelly AFB, TX (M)	Howard AFB
	(CC)		Charleston AFB, SC	
	Monday		Thursday	
5:40am	C130 Howard AFB	5:45am	C-5A Howard AFB	
	Tegucigalpa, Honduras (CC)		Soto Cano AB, Honduras (CC)	
	Soto Cano AB, Honduras (CC)		Charleston AFB, SC (O)	
	Howard AFB		Dover AFB, DE	
8:40am	B757 Howard AFB	11:40am	C-141 Howard AFB	
	Atlanta IAP, GA (C)		San Jose, Costa Rica	
	Charleston IAP, SC		Guatemala City, Guatemala	
	Tuesday		(CC,O)	

A- Active duty only
US- U.S. passport
O-Overnight
C-Commercial Contract
V-Visa
M-Medevac
CC-Country Clearance

Volunteers needed for Black History Month

Rodman NS needs volunteers to help plan activities for the 1995 Black History Month observance in February. Committee members are also looking for guest speakers, donations and facilities for functions. People interested should call Petty Officer Patricia Wallace or Petty Officer Angelia Huff at 283-4400/4300.

Howard AFB officials need volunteers to plan and organize activities for Howard's Black History Month observance. Two volunteers, in the grade of E-7 or above, are also needed to chair the committee and to act as alternate. Anyone interested in volunteering to participate in or chairing the committee, call Tech. Sgt. Jim Johnson at 284-5358.

Spot bid sale to be held Wednesday at Corozal

A spot bid sale will be held 9 a.m. Wednesday at Building 308, Corozal. Inspection of the items will be 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday. For information, call 285-5417.

Ammunition point closed for one week

The Rodman Ammunition Supply Point will be closed Oct. 23-27 for inventory. All units with scheduled training should call 283-5643/5806 to reschedule issues and turn-ins.

Sweet Adelines women's chorus needs singers

The Crossroads Chapter of the Sweet Adelines women's barbershop chorus needs singers in tenor, baritone, bass, lead and melody to participate in a variety of community activities. Rehearsals are held 7 p.m. Mondays at the Balboa Lutheran Church hall. For information, call 252-6017 or 221-3874.

24th Wing, AAFES set 'no smoking' policy

All dining rooms in 24th Wing clubs and AAFES facilities have been designated as "no-smoking areas" by the wing

commander, Brig. Gen. Richard E. Brown III. After three-month, the policy will be reviewed for its impact on customers.

24th Wing PAO will broadcast holiday cheer

The 24th Wing Public Affairs office is sponsoring a program to help make the holiday season a little brighter for relatives in the United States. People can record an audio holiday greeting to be broadcast on a radio station in their relatives' home town. The program is free and open to all U.S. military and family members. For more information about the program, call the 24th Wing PAO at 284-5554.

Education center sets many new test dates

The Army Education Center announces test dates for Graduate Record Exams, Graduate Management Admission Tests, National Teachers' Exams and Automotive Service Excellence exams. The dates are 7 a.m. Tuesday and Oct. 25, and Nov. 8, 9 and 15. GRE and NTE subject exams will be given at 1 p.m. For information, call 287-5856.

Holiday season will affect postal delivery

Post office officials remind members stationed in Panama that the holiday "rush" usually means the mail moves slower than normal. As a result, they've noted the following recommended "mail by" dates, as determined by the final destination of the packages.

◆ To get holiday packages to the continental United States by Christmas, members should mail them first class, priority, or space available mail by Dec. 2. When sending them 4th class, officials recommended mailing packages by Nov. 1. International mail sent by air or air parcel post to Africa, Australia, the Caribbean, Central or South America, Europe, the Far East, and others should also arrive on time if sent by Dec. 1. Items sent by boat should be mailed a month earlier, except those sent to Africa and Southeast Asia, which should be mailed immediately.

◆ With the advent of the 1994 holiday season, postal officials need volunteers to help with the tremendous influx of letters and packages. People 16 years and older who have authorized postal privileges may apply.

◆ The best way to lose APO privileges is to abuse them, and this includes sending illegal or unauthorized items through the system, or using it for personal gain. Postal personnel are using a variety of means to identify and report members misusing their postal service privileges, and this includes X-raying all items that enter the system. People who abuse the system may be

fined, permanently lose APO privileges and may even spend time in jail.

For more information or answers to any postal questions, call 286-4214.

Clayton Dental Clinic closes for training

The Fort Clayton Dental Clinic will be closed Oct. 28 for mandatory unit training. Patients may report to Gorgas Dental Clinic for emergency treatment during normal duty hours. After-duty emergency patients may report to the Emergency Room.

Amnesty Day supports Safety Awareness Day

In conjunction with USARSO Safety Awareness Day, the 36th Ordnance Detachment will conduct Amnesty Day 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Oct. 28 at the following areas: Luzon Field, Fort Clayton; the softball field, Fort Davis; Building 533, Corozal; Building 734, Howard AFB; and Ammunition Supply Point 1 at Rodman Naval Station.

Rodman ammunition supply enforces policy

Customers of Rodman Ammunition Supply Point are required to update company access rosters every 90 days or as personnel changes dictate. Starting Monday, units will be denied access to ASP if rosters are not updated. For information, call Staff Sgt. Juan Gomez at 283-5806.

Florida State offers late registration for term two

The Florida State University, Panama Canal Branch, will hold late registration for term two noon-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday in Building 808, Albrook AFS; and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday and Tuesday in Building 235, Fort Davis. For information, call 285-6922/5222.

Rodman Marina has wet moorings available

Rodman Marina has wet moorings available. Active duty military will be given priority. For information, call the Rodman Marina office at 283-3147.

Command stresses prompt return of surveys

If you were mailed the U.S. Air Force Services Market Survey, fill out the survey and return it promptly. Military members are encouraged to seek family input on the survey. The survey is an information tool that will help the Services Squadron on your base focus on the community's specific needs. For more information, contact Cynthia Ritchie at 285-5991.

Weekend weather

Pacific
Saturday

Temperature: High: 89
Low: 73
Tides: 12:57 p.m. at 14 feet
6:58 p.m. at 3 feet
Sunday: High: 88
Low: 73
1:50 p.m. at 14.5 feet
7:52 p.m. at 2.6 feet

Forecast: Partly to mostly cloudy with afternoon showers and isolated thunderstorms.

Atlantic
Saturday

Temperature: High: 91
Low: 71
Tides: 3:09 p.m. at 1.4 feet
10:49 p.m. at 0.3 feet
Sunday: High: 89
Low: 71
4:04 p.m. at 1.4 feet
11:38 p.m. at 0.3 feet

Troops restore sight

Team performs eye surgery on Hondurans

by Staff Sgt. Robin Brown
 JTF-Bravo Public Affairs Office

SOTO CANO AB, Honduras - The old saying that eyes are the window to the heart has taken on a new meaning in Comayagua, Honduras. With the help of surgery, a team of military specialists can see hearts rejoicing through the eyes of some locals.

As part of Exercise Southern Hope II, a team of two anesthesiologists, four ophthalmologists, two technicians and an optometrist came to Joint Task Force-Bravo to perform eye surgeries on Hondurans.

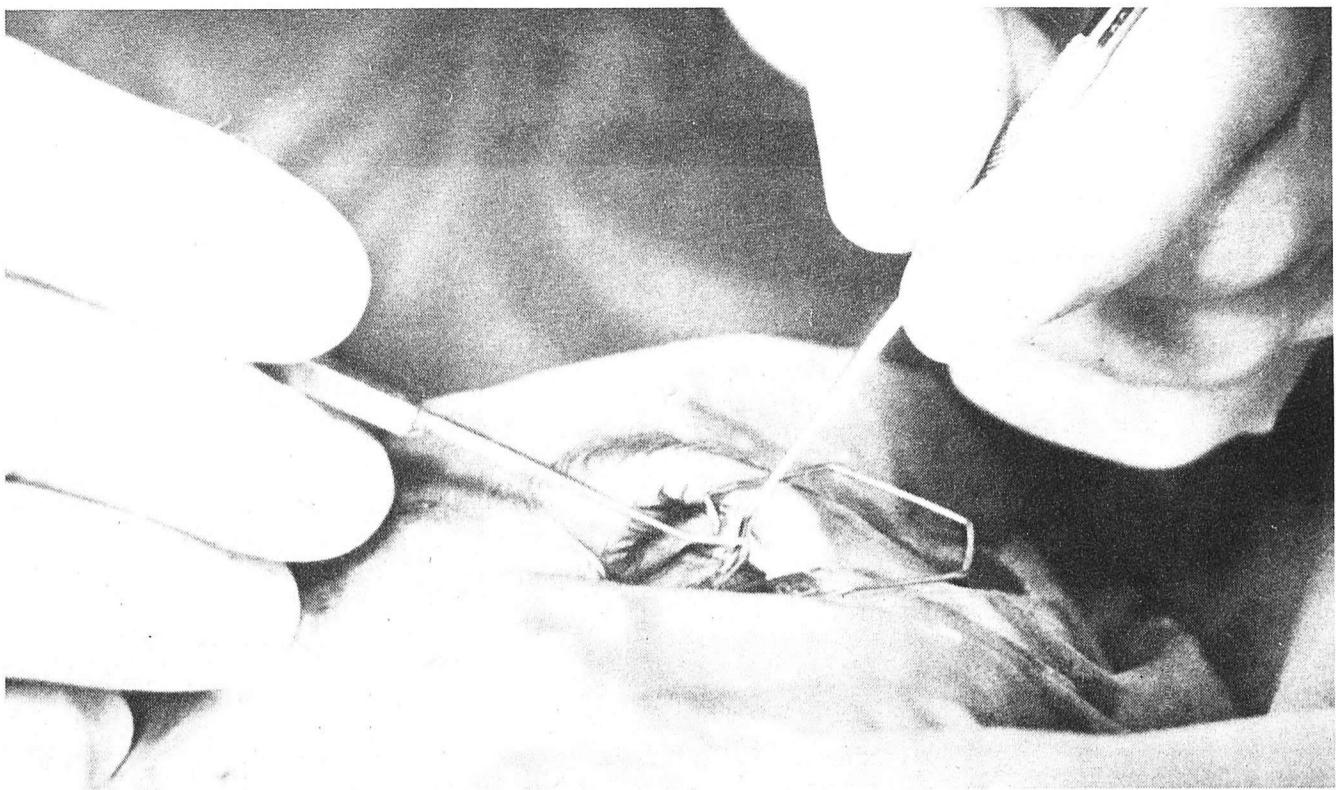
Composed of servicemembers from Wilford Hall Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas and the U.S. Air Force Academy and Fitzsimons Army Medical Center, Denver, Colo., the team treated 300 patients Sept. 14 - 26. The first two days were spent screening patients, followed by six and one-half days of surgery and a day for follow-ups.

The populace of 35,000 increased as people arrived daily by horse, donkey, foot and buggy in hopes of being seen by the doctors. Some who weren't treated on the day they arrived often slept outside on the streets and in nearby churches waiting for clinic doors to open again the next day.

"The leading cause of blindness in most developing countries is cataracts," according to Maj. (Dr.) Wendall Bauman, a U.S. Air Force ophthalmologist. "Without a nearby eye doctor, these cases go untreated. Most couldn't afford the treatment even if it was available."

"I am grateful for the North American doctors," said Maria Castro, a 24-year-old diabetic. "I was blind for four months and now I can see out of both my eyes."

Like so many others treated, Castro came in to have her cataracts removed.



An ophthalmologist removes cataract substance from a Honduran patient's eye.

Staff Sgt. Robin Brown (JTF-Bravo)



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Military specialists prepare a Honduran patient for eye surgery.

"Castro never smiled," Bauman said, "until after the surgery."

Cataract is the Greek word for waterfall. The pupils appear white, the same way it looks when water rushes over a fall.

Surgeons numb and stabilize the eye with a local anesthesia before performing the delicate operation. The cataract is removed by incision and replaced with an internal contact lens, enabling the patient to see.

Most patients would squirm if someone put a needle behind their eye, but some of these patients are strong. They lie still until it's over without any complaints of discomfort.

"One 84-year-old woman came in

with cataracts in both eyes," said Maj. (Dr.) Jack Gillis, a U.S. Air Force ophthalmologist. "With her left eye she could not tell if it was day or night. The right eye could not see anything in front of it. After her surgery and the bandages were removed, Teresa Hernandez Galco was crying for joy," Gillis said. "She was so thankful, she kept repeating that God had blessed my hands with this talent. The feeling I got from her reaction to sight makes this assignment worth the working conditions."

Working in a small room without air-conditioning for nine or 10 hours daily is quite different from working in the United States. The team had to adjust to power outages in the middle of surgery, water shortages and old equipment.

"It is a challenge using portable equipment because it doesn't have good quality," said Maj. (Dr.) Stuart Ferris, a U.S. Army ophthalmologist. "But, this is typical for a developing country. Everything may not be as comfortable as home, but they try to give us workable conditions."

"At home we'd have gowns, drapes and constant sterilizing. So, we brought everything we anticipated needing. Except sweat bands—those we bought here to help keep the sweat from running down our arms and onto the patients or equipment," Gillis said. "We put rubber gloves or plastic on the handles of the microscopes used during surgery to maintain our sterility."

The team averaged 12 surgical patients per day with a one-day high of 14. Most were cataract removals, and others were strabismus, eye injuries and congenital birth defects that sometimes cause

blindness.

The eyes of 7-month-old Josue Hernandez were crossed. To correct what doctors call strabismus, Gillis "tightened the muscle around his eyes to improve the balance so they could see straight, as opposed to an eye turning in or out."

Unlike the adults, the children are put to sleep before surgery. "A local anesthetic would not work in these cases," said Bauman. "Children wouldn't tolerate the discomfort or lie still long enough."

Even under these unconventional conditions, these doctors continue to work.

"One day the power went out, but we couldn't stop working," said Gillis, "so we used flashlights to perform the surgeries."

With limited space, the team performed all the surgeries in the same room, two at a time. One of the operations took seven hours, all done without air conditioning.

"The 12-year-old girl had congenital birth defects that prevented her eyes from closing properly," Ferris said. "The bigger she gets, the less her eyelids cover her eyes. Without correction, infection would set in, causing her to go blind."

"What we do here helps prepare us for our wartime mission. The working conditions may be similar and surgeries the same. The appreciation of what we are doing here is felt by all of us," Bauman said. "By providing the humanitarian medical assistance needed, we also strengthen the bond of friendship and trust between our countries."

Popular musicians visit Safe Haven camps

by Staff Sgt. Scott Elliott
 JTF- Safe Haven Joint Information Bureau

EMPIRE RANGE - Latin Salsa singer Willy Chirino performed several of his biggest hits and had encouraging words for members of Cuban Community Camp 1 Monday.

Some 2,300 community members were present when Lt. Col. Jim Greenwood, camp commander, welcomed Chirino and officially named the camp in his honor. In addition to Camp Chirino residents, several hundred American military members moved to the rhythm of the Chirino band.

"I've come here to sing to the 'balseros' (rafters), but more than just sing to them, I'm here to assure them

that there is a group in exile (Cubans in the United States) who are supporting them," Chirino told reporters in a press conference prior to the concert.

"Considering their lack of freedom and within the limits, they're happy — especially when their conditions in Panama are compared with those in Guantanamo. I thank the U.S. Southern Command for the good treatment they're giving to the balseros," he said.

Residents of Community Camp 2 welcomed an entertainer of their own, Cuban-American pop singer Jon Secada, Tuesday. Secada toured the camp, joined residents in an a cappella version of one of his hits and donated school supplies. Secada and his band were on tour in Panama City in support of his latest album.



(Safe Haven JIB)
 Salsa star Willie Chirino performs for Cubans at Camp No. 1.

Cubans assault MPs; no one seriously hurt

EMPIRE RANGE (Safe Haven JIB) - Cubans assaulted four military police and one Cuban at Operation Safe Haven Camp Willie Chirino Tuesday during an attempt to move the Cuban to another camp after he was threatened by other camp residents.

While heading towards the camp administration area, a group of Cubans confronted and assaulted the Cuban national. Five people were apprehended. Two Cubans received minor scratches. There were no injuries to U.S. personnel. All involved were examined by medical personnel and no one required hospitalization. Camp representatives were briefed about the incident by the commander and cooperated in determining the facts and turning over the Cubans involved.

Officials said the incident is very disappointing because a small group of emotional Cubans targeted one camp member along with the unarmed MPs attempting to protect him. Officials said an investigation is going on and some form of disciplinary action will be taken.

AF master sergeant busted for cocaine use

HOWARD AFB (24th Wing PAO) - Master Sgt. Charles Whitted of the 24th Maintenance Squadron was convicted by a court-martial Sept. 29 for two uses of cocaine.

Whitted was sentenced to six months at the Fort Clayton Confinement Facility, a bad conduct discharge, reduction to E-3 and forfeiture of \$550 per month for six months.

Whitted was identified as a result of a random urinalysis test taken in March. Results proved positive and in April he was asked to consent to a second test which also came back positive. The samples were analyzed at Armstrong Laboratory, Brooks AFB, Texas.

Whitted enlisted Sept. 17, 1974, and was scheduled to retire Oct. 31. Air Force Secretary Sheila E. Widnall will decide whether or not to allow him to retire.

Traffic Command says POVs ready for pick up

BALBOA (MTMC) - The following customers have privately owned vehicles ready for pick up at the POV Processing Center, Building 1501, Balboa, adjacent to Pier 18:

Anciaux L.N.; Belter M.S.; Borchelt D.W.; Butler S.R.; Cooley S.E.; Daniel T.E.; Fluet J.E.; Garuz T.E.; Gonzalez B.; Griffin S.D.; Johnson V.M.; Krist M.G.; Leroose N.J.; Lewis A.W.; Lucas A.W.; Marcelino W.V.; McIntosh K.E.; Mejia-Rangel O.; Miller J.T.; Moore J.D.; Newberry J.D.; Oconner M.L.; Parker B.; Pittman T.Z.; Ruggles G.; Sanchez E.E.; Schaul D.E.; Schmidt C.E.; Smith C.M.; Squires E.; Stall F.M.; Stockdale R.J.; Taylor T.; Testa J.A.; Thomas S.L.; Tregaskis K.

Customers must have the following documents for pick up of their POVs:

- ◆ ID card (current military, dependent, or civilian)
- ◆ Driver license (must have Panamanian license for second POV)
- ◆ POV shipping document (DD Form 788)
- ◆ Vehicle registration or title
- ◆ Vehicle keys
- ◆ Power of Attorney and photo copies of the sponsor's bilingual ID card and driver's license (when the sponsor on orders cannot be present for pick up)

The list is current as of Tuesday. For updates, call customer service at 282-4642/3853 or the POV arrival tape recording at 282-4641. Customer service hours are 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Monday - Friday and 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Wednesday. People expecting POVs are reminded to call customer service to leave a contact phone number.

Purchasing service offices consolidate

RODMAN NS (Rodman NS PAO) - The U.S. Naval Station Panama Canal Purchasing Services Office consolidated with the Air Force Purchasing Contracts Office Oct. 3.

During negotiation and purchasing phases, the Air Force and Navy Treaty Implementation Plan offices stressed quality of service as the foundation of successful consolidation of base operations support services.

The Air Force will now provide full acquisition and contract administration services for procurement of equipment, services, supplies and subsistence as requested by the Navy. Under the "Buy Panama Program," local procurement will be used if the product is readily available and comparatively priced. Items not available will continue to be purchased from the continental United States.



(U.S. Army)

Christmas sponsorship time

Santa, normally an employee of Headquarters, Directorate of Logistics, visits children at Centro de Orientacion Infantil de Farallon, Rio Hato, Panama, during the 1993 Joint Task Force-Panama Christmas Sponsorship Program. Organizations interested in getting involved in this year's program should call U.S. Army South Public Affairs Office at 287-3007/3058.

Controlled item list revised

FORT CLAYTON (USARSO PAO) - The revised list of controlled items has been approved and is effective immediately. In addition, a new form will have to be filled out by customers purchasing designated controlled items.

The new form was developed to record the identity of persons purchasing controlled items. It will be used in an effort to anticipate current, or monitor possible criminal activity involving U.S. Armed Forces or authorized patrons.

Any questions concerning contraband items may be answered by reading SC Regulation 1-19, or call the Contraband Control Section at 286-3303/3304.

Alcohol

Beer - 10 cases per month per household

Liquor - 8 bottles per month; in addition, 50 miniatures per month per household may be purchased

Note: SC Form 55A must be filled out if more than one case of beer or two bottles of liquor or 16 miniatures per day is purchased.

Cigarettes

3 cartons per week or 12 cartons per month per household

Food

Cooking oil - 5 gallons per month

Hams - One packaged or canned per week; in addition, 2 packages of sliced per week

Pork shoulder - One per week

Turkey - One whole turkey or 6 packages of parts per week

Bacon - 4 pounds per person per week

Hot dogs - 4 pounds per person per month

Sandwich meat - 80 ounces per person per month

Household items

Laundry soap - 25 pounds per household per month

Disposable diapers - 120 per week per child

High value items

(Quantities are per household per tour)

Air conditioner - 4

Bicycle - 1 per household member

Cameras - 2 more than \$100

Car radio/tape deck - 1 per registered vehicle

CD player - 2

Clothes dryer - 1

Computers - 2 CPU/keyboards, 4 single disk drives, 2 printers

Dishwashers - 1

Electric typewriters - 2

Freezer - 1

Golf club sets - 2

Household furniture - 1 living room set, 1 dining room set, 3 bedroom sets, 1 crib per child

Microwave ovens - 1

Piano/organs - 1

Power lawn mower - 1

Ranges - 1

Refrigerators (<4 cu.ft.) - 1

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Sewing machines - 1

Silverware - 2 sets more than \$50

Stereo sets - 2

Tape deck/recorder - 2

Television set - 3

Tuner/amplifier/receiver - 2

Vacuum cleaner - 2

Video camera - 1

Video recorder - 2

Washing machine - 1

Weed eater (gas operated) - 1

Panama news summary

Editor's note: The following summary of news is taken from the Panamanian press. The translation and reports are unofficial and no guarantee is made by the *Tropic Times* as to the accuracy of reporting or statements made here. Selection of these stories does not imply any emphasis, judgement or endorsement by the U.S. government. These synopses are intended only to give non-Spanish speaking people a flavor for news events in Panama.

shows that the majority of Panamanians favor keeping U.S. troops in Panama.

Oct. 12

El Panama America: Paper reports Panamanian police are trying to locate 500 AK-47 rifles in Coco Solo that were allegedly shipped to Panama to be sent to Colombian guerrillas. The report says Colombian authorities have provided a list of 22 people allegedly involved in an arms trafficking ring in Panama.

El Siglo, El Panama America La Prensa Critica Libre, Hoy, La Estrella: Papers report political asylum of Haitian Lt. Gen. Raoul Cedras is subject to public acceptance and approval by Haitian President Jean Bertrand Aristide. La Prensa reports that Panama's Arnulfista Party disagrees to taking Cedras and says Panama should not be turned into a haven for guerrillas.

El Panama America: Paper reports a recent poll



John Hall (U.S. Navy)

Petty Officer 2nd Class Greg Alexander shows students the components of a refrigeration system at the Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School.

NAVSCIATTS: Leading Latin navies to smoother sailing

by John Hall
Rodman NS Public Affairs Office

RODMAN NS - Serving as the primary center for patrol craft operations and maintenance training in Latin America, the Naval Small Craft Instruction and Technical Training School here educates hundreds of students annually.

The NAVSCIATTS staff of 40 enlisted, four officers and four civilians teach 13 courses ranging from weapons maintenance to coastal operations. The courses fall into three functional categories; management, maintenance, and operations training. The majority of courses are eight weeks long.

The staff consists of bilingual native Spanish-speakers for students who come from 28 Latin American and Caribbean nations, said Cmdr. Dave Landis, NAVSCIATTS commanding officer.

"Not only do our students use these technical trades in the service, but they can also use them after they get out," Landis said. "It's good for their community, country and our national defense."

In 1961, NAVSCIATTS was established as a U.S. Coast Guard Mobile Training Team under President John F. Kennedy's Latin American "Alliance for Progress." The U.S. Navy took over training in 1969 and formally commissioned the unit as a training command in 1983. Since the commission, more than 4,000 students have enrolled in the school.

"Two of the most popular classes with students are the Patrol Craft Commander's Course and Patrol Craft Weapons Maintenance Course," said Senior Chief Robert Tokarek, NAVSCIATTS senior instructor. In



John Hall (U.S. Navy)
Petty Officer 2nd Class Roy Salano (right) gives welding instructions to Joel Hernandez of El Salvador.

the weapons course, students work with handguns, M203 grenade launchers, M-16 rifles, and M60 and .50 caliber machine guns. For groups like the Colombian Anti-Narcotics Police, instructors bring in special weapons like AK-47s and uzi's.

In the Patrol Craft Commander's Course, students plot and navigate voyages. In April, a group planned a 700-mile navigation exercise to Cartagena, Colombia.

A student who is attached to a Bolivian riverine group said he will use what he has learned here soon. "I'll be going back to the special operations group there," said Lt. Gerardo Thellaeche. "The riverine training here is the basic foundation to apply what I've learned and the weapons course is the perfect complement to it."

Modern technology aids instruc-

tors in courses like air conditioning and refrigeration maintenance. Teachers can program mechanical problems into machines for students to apply troubleshooting steps. In these machines, they can see Freon running through the system. Tokarek said the classes learn about recycling Freon—something new to many of them.

Most of the training at NAVSCIATTS is done inside the classroom, however, some students work on the water as well. In the Riverine Operations Planning Course students learn navigation, patrol tactics, emergency drills, combat first aid and maritime law enforcement. In the last week of training, the students are on the water 24 hours a day preparing for aggressors. Members of Naval Special Warfare Unit 8 provide realistic ambushes by using blanks and pop flares.

Instructors aren't confined to the classrooms either. Teams of instructors often travel to other countries to help with training. In February, a team went to West Africa to help its sailors with swift boats the country received from the U.S. government. In March, a team went to Venezuela to help with its Boston Whalers.

Although all courses are open to women, the Supply System Management Course has been the only one with their participation. Panama and Colombia have sent women to this course to learn how microfiche can speed up orders. Landis said he has the best supply system in the Navy because students conduct its inventory three times a year.

Buying craft from the U.S. military is becoming commonplace for Latin American and Caribbean nations, Tokarek said. "They like our craft because they are more stable. When countries buy commercial craft, it's often difficult for them to buy parts," Tokarek said.

To place a greater emphasis on human rights training, NAVSCIATTS will extend two of the courses to address this issue. In January, the Riverine Operations Planning Course and the Patrol Craft Commander's Course will incorporate Human Rights and Military Operations into the curricula.

Although most courses are eight weeks long, some students stay as long as five months after taking multiple courses. Despite being in a new country students don't become "barracks rats." Many spend their off-time forming soccer teams to take on locals. Landis and Tokarek agree that NAVSCIATTS teams don't lose often because many world-class players come through the school.



Maureen Sampson (Tropic Times)

Linda Dahlstrom and John Bennett perform in "Opera Comique." Pacific Theatre Arts Centre won many awards for the show, including "Best Supporting Actress" for Dahlstrom.

New garrison commander mayor of sorts

by Sgt. Eric Hortin
 USARSO Public Affairs Office

FORT CLAYTON (USARSO) - Coming in confident, with a good attitude, Col. Silas Smalls, the new U.S. Army Garrison-Panama commander, doesn't pull punches when it comes to running his command.

"USAG-Panama is a very interesting organization," Smalls said. "Fort Clayton is the center of gravity for base operations on the Pacific and Atlantic side of the isthmus."

"As the garrison commander, I'm responsible for providing quality mission support from 11 defense sites for some 37,000 customers. What that means is that the Garrison is like a small, modern U.S. city," Smalls said. "It's a great challenge."

In fact, Smalls considers himself to be a mayor of sorts. He deals in all manner of logistics areas that a "normal" city mayor would. Everything from personnel management, budgeting, education and public works to garbage collection, day care, utilities and housing sees Smalls' desk at some point.

Quality of life is a major area of concern for Smalls. As straightforward and tactful as he can be, Smalls wants to give a heads-up to the soldiers, civilians and families this covers: "We can't continue to do business as usual due to limited budgeting."

"As we go into the out years, I see a major challenge. The declining base operations funds are going to impact quality of life in Garrison," Smalls said. "My focus will be to provide a high quality of life for the

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 U.S. Army Garrison - Panama
 Commander

community." Those in the community—specifically, those in family housing—have Smalls' particular attention.

The shortages in funding and manpower have affected housing severely, and Smalls' cannot pretend or promise those in housing that it is going to get any better.

"We had a shortage in family housing funds in fiscal year '94. We're coming up even shorter in FY '95," Smalls said. "We're going to make sure DEH (Directorate of Engineering and Housing) provides critical repairs to family housing units, and we've asked occupants to take the initiative and fix the smaller things."

"I think the families occupying quarters have been extremely cooperative in that area and I applaud them for that," he said.

Other areas will be affected by the drawdown, declining funds and implementation of the Panama Canal Treaty. Not least of those is the decline in the civilian workforce, consolidation of community programs and even streamlining of Garrison operations.

"We have to come to grips with this because it will impact significantly on day-to-day operations," Smalls said. "It may be that we cut certain functions out - those not too critical - in order to keep those that are critical to mission accomplishment."

But on the flip side, Smalls points out that troop billeting that is to be kept is going to be improved. An example of that is the billets on Fort Kobbe that are being renovated. It will be the soldiers here, though, that will have the greatest impact on the operations over the coming years. So far, Smalls' initial impression of the soldiers has been a positive one.

"I'm very impressed with the professionalism of USARSO soldiers and civilians," Smalls said. "There are a lot of young soldiers here, but the soldier quality is the best I've seen in years. Garrison's civilian workforce are hard working employees committed to providing quality service for our customers."

But in the coming years, much of his attention is going to be focused on the community and trying to keep quality of life as high as possible. He has no illusions about his tenure and is ready to face the challenges head-on.

"It's going to be a challenging two years for me. We're going to have some tough times but we're also going to have a lot of fun," he said.

Show stoppers

Local talents sweep festival

COROZAL (Tropic Times) - For the sixth year in a row, local performers have swept the 1994 Forces Command Festival of Performing Arts and Recreation Center Programming Competition.

U.S. Army South's Pacific Theatre Arts Centre, Music and Theater (Atlantic) and Valent Recreation Center won 16 awards in the "Best of Festival" category and eight awards in other categories.

Experts in music and theater and recreation visit each of the competing installations and judge the programs in a variety of categories. This year's judges were Mary Alice Hodges and Phillip Wayne, both former Army entertainment and recreation directors with vast experience in the performing arts and recreation, according to Jerry Brees, chief of entertainment for the Directorate of Community Activities.

FORSCOM judges rate the productions on originality, quality of acting, musical talent, direction, lighting, sets, creativity and choreography. Individual cast members are evaluated on talent, stage presence, singing/acting/dancing ability, appearance, stage movement and enthusiasm, Brees said.

The productions entered in this year's competition were "Encore - a Valent Retrospective" - Valent Recreation Center; "Opera Comique" - Pacific Theatre Arts Centre; "Annie" - Music and Theater (Atlantic).

The recipients of this year's awards will be honored with plaques and certificates as well as command recognition, Brees said.

Here is a list of local winners from the festival:

Best of Festival

- ◆ Recreation Center Programming, *Encore - a Valent Retrospective*
- ◆ Best Production - Play, *Opera Comique*
- ◆ Best Costume Design of a Play - Barbara and Rachel Berger, *Opera Comique*
- ◆ Best Direction of a Play - JoAnn Mitchell and Jerry Brees, *Opera Comique*
- ◆ Best Set Design of a Play - Jerry Brees, *Opera Comique*
- ◆ Best Supporting Actress in a Play - Linda Dahlstrom, *Opera Comique*
- ◆ Best Musical Production, *Annie*
- ◆ Best Musical Director - Jim Hashman, *Annie*
- ◆ Best Leading Actress in a Musical - Peggy Barrett, *Annie*
- ◆ Best Supporting Actress in a Musical (tie) - Roxanne Woodlard and Stephanie Kluts, *Annie*
- ◆ Best Supporting Actor in a Musical - Randy Grubbs, *Annie*
- ◆ Best Installation - U. S. Army South

Award of Excellence

- ◆ Publicity and Promotion, *Opera Comique*
- ◆ Best Leading Actress in a Play - Melanie Bales, *Opera Comique*
- ◆ Best Leading Actor in a Play - Lt. William Keltner, *Opera Comique*

Honorable Mention

- ◆ Best Lighting Design for a Play, *Opera Comique* - Jerry Brees

Special Citation

- ◆ Orphans, *Annie*
- ◆ Bert Healy and the Boylan Sisters, *Annie*
- ◆ Heidi Fye, *Annie*
- ◆ Orchestra work, *Annie*

World War II

Local pilot helps blast Japanese convoy

FORT CLAYTON - The following are significant World War II events that took place during October 1944:

Oct. 2

The promotion of one officer (2nd Lt. Bruno H. Bettini) from Chemical Warfare and eight enlisted men from the Engineer Topographical Company and the Harbor Craft organization is announced by Headquarters, Post of Corozal.

Oct. 3

Following services at the Cristobal Union Church, some 450 Atlantic side Protestant servicemen march down Bolivar Avenue to the USO for a Sunday Communion breakfast offered to them by USOA women of all faiths.

Oct. 5

During a special ceremony held at the Panama Union Club, Mr. Samuel Lewis Arango, Minister of Foreign Relations, awards the order of Vasco Nunez de Balboa to the following U.S. military officers: Maj. Gen. Joseph C. Mehaffey, Canal Zone Governor; Gen. Douglas Weam, Chief of Staff, Caribbean Command; Gen. William C. Christy, Chief of Staff of the Panama Canal Department; Lt. Cdr. Ellis J. Stone, Chief of the Panama Sea Frontier Command; and Lt. Col. R. D. Prescott.

Enrique A. Jimenez, Panamanian Ambassador to the United States, returns to Panama with his family for a month's visit in his homeland.

Promotions of ten enlisted men from the Engineer Depot Company and the Quartermaster Car unit are announced by Headquarters, Post of Corozal.

Oct. 6

Brig. Gen. Edgar H. Underwood, one of the original Jungle Mudders who helped forge and fortify Panama out of the trackless terrain flanking the Allied lifeline between the Atlantic and Pacific, returned to the scene of his pioneering days as commanding general of the Atlantic anti-aircraft defenses of the Coast Artillery Command. Upon assuming his new duties he warns against the possibility of a suicide raid."

Oct. 7

Panamanian President Ricardo Adolfo de la Guardia and Chancellor Samuel Lewis Arango present official condolences to the U.S. Embassy on the occasion of the demise of U.S. Presidential candidate Wendell Willkie.

Oct. 13

Germans launch first V-bomb against Antwerp, which, next to London, proves to be the primary target for these weapons.

Oct. 19

In an announcement by District Headquarters it is learned that Lt. John T. McGroarty, USNR, of Anchorage, was the pilot of one of 12 Navy search planes which blasted a Japanese convoy near Satawan in the Carolinas, destroying four of the five ships in the formation during a two-day action. McGroarty's plane, a PV Lockheed Ventura, straddled a 400-ton cargo ship with its bombs during the first day of combat.

Ex-President Gen. Fulgencio Batista y Zaldivar of Cuba, arrives in Panama and is invited to visit the U.S. military installations in the Canal Zone by Gen. George H. Brett, Panama Canal Department commander.

Oct. 20

The Panama Canal Department Chaplain announces that Catholic men stationed at Fort Davis will celebrate the Forty Hours Devotion, a series of services in honor of the Blessed Sacrament (an annual observance by Catholics).

In a ceremony held on the rainswept Fort Clayton parade grounds, 125 soldiers of Col. Monro's Jungle Infantry are awarded the Army's Good conduct Medal by Brig. Gen. Philip E. Gallagher, Commander of the Mobile Force.

Maj. S. H. Bargman, of Headquarters, Sixth Air Force Service Command, is named chairman of the Army's War Fund Drive by Lt. Gen. George H. Brett.

Seventy-six enlisted men serving with the Sixth Air Force Fighter Command throughout the Caribbean Area are promoted according to orders published at Fighter Command Headquarters.

Lt. Col. Ernesto Medina, Military Attaché for the Republic of Chile to the United States visits the Panama Canal Department en route to Washington on official business.

Americans land at Leyte, Philippine Islands, fulfilling Gen. Douglas MacArthur's promise to return. It is during the Leyte campaign that the kamikaze, or suicide plane, is first used by the Japanese.

Herbert Lehman, Director-General of the United Nations Rehabilitation Administration announces that Brazil signed an agreement creating a mixed commission for the procurement of relief supplies to make effective that country's contribution to the UN.

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Oct. 23

Gen. George H. Brett, pilots his personal B-17 Superfortress "Swoosie" to offer a canal overflight to Maj. Gen. Batista.

Oct. 23-26

In the Battle of Leyte Gulf the Japanese fleet, which had been unable to halt U.S. invasion of the Philippines, suffers heavy losses. This was the largest naval battle of the war.

Oct. 24

U.S. P-40 planes effect live target practice by error on the Island of Otoque with .50 cal machine guns.

Oct. 25

The Coast Artillery Command announces forty-eight promotions.

Panamanian Chancellor, Samuel Lewis, announces that the Panamanian Government has recognized the

Provisional Government of Liberated France presided by Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

Oct. 26

Upon returning from an inspection visit of the Mediterranean theater with Brazilian War Minister Gen. Eurico Gaspar Dutra, Maj. Gen. Ralph Wooton, commanding the U.S. group forces in the South Atlantic, reports that Brazilian airmen who underwent preliminary training in Florida and Panama are now in Italy preparing to enter action "equipped with one of the latest model fighter planes."

Oct. 28

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower issues directive for November offensive, calling for destruction of enemy West of the Rhine, establishment of bridgeheads across the river, and drive into Germany.

Editor's note: This timeline was compiled by Dolores De Mena, U.S. Army South historian, in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of WWII.

WILLIE & JOE

Bill Mauldin



"Try to say sumpin' funny, Joe."



Bill Mauldin achieved international fame as the youngest person ever to win a Pulitzer Prize with his famous World War II editorial cartoons. Though Willie and Joe were soldiers, service members of all branches could see themselves in their cartoons. Now 50 years after Mauldin brought Willie and Joe to the pages of the *Stars and Stripes* newspaper, they speak again to a new generation.

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Baseball epic airs on SCN channels 8, 10

COROZAL (*Tropic Times*) - Baseball returns to television despite a lengthy baseball strike, no play-offs and no World Series.

Southern Command Network television channel 8 will air the epic miniseries "Baseball" beginning at 4 p.m. Oct. 22, officials said.

The miniseries traces the history of the American pastime and reflects on its contribution to our culture. The miniseries covers the clash of labor and management, the search for heroes and the quest for racial justice.

The miniseries is divided into nine episodes which will air the weekends of Oct. 22, 23 and Oct. 29, 30. Consult the television schedule on page B9 for times of each episode.

The miniseries will also be aired in November on nine consecutive nights during the all night movie block at 1 a.m. on channels 8 and 10, officials said.

Sailors duke it out in volleyball contest

RODMAN (Morale, Welfare and Recreation) - The Navy volleyball pre-season tournament was held Oct. 3-6. Results are as follows:

Match 1: Marines defeated Public Works Dept. (15-11)(15-11)

Match 2: Naval Special Warfare Unit-8 defeated Medical Dept. (15-3)(15-11)

Match 3: Navy Small Craft & Technical Training School defeated Marines (15-6)(15-13)

Match 4: PWD defeated Medical (15-0)(15-9)

Match 5: SCIAUTTS defeated NSWU-8 (15-3)(16-14)

Match 6: PWD defeated Marines (15-3)(16-14)

Match 7: NSWU-8 defeated PWD (15-12)(15-9)

Championship Match: SCIAUTTS defeated NSWU-8 (15-9)(15-8)

Golfers eek narrow win in Amador Mexican tourney

by Sgt. Lori Davis

Tropic Times sports editor

AMADOR - A two-stroke spread separated first from fourth place in the tightly contested Amador Golf Course Columbus Day Mexican Best Ball Tournament.

Taking the win in the 51-team field were Ramon Ubben, Monty McDaniel and Joseph Siltz with a 60.5 net score.

Hot on their heels was the team of Eddie Myers, Lee Weigt and Pat Williams. Their 61.5 net score pulled them close, but the third place team of David Konawicz, John Haines and John Haines Jr. was knocking on their door with a 62.

Bringing up the rear was the team of Abilio Philides, Jorge Monroy and Alberto Restrepo with a 62.5 net score.

The winner of the "closest to the pin" contest on the 10th hole was Al George.

The Mexican Best Ball format teamed three players. Each player was limited to a putter and two clubs of his or her choice, said Patricia Peart course manager.

Each player tees off. From there, the team selects the best lay, and each player again shoots from that point. Following this process the players shoot from the best vantage point, calculating their score by the first player hitting the hole.

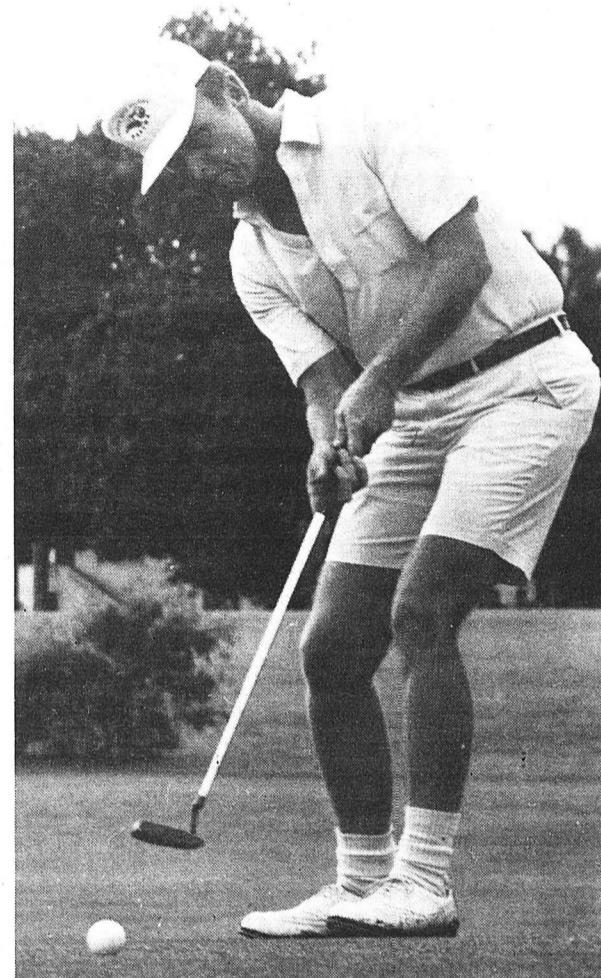
The Mexican format is also referred to as the scramble format in the United States, she said.

Each of the four teams and George won gift certificates for merchandise at the Amador Pro Shop.

The Amador and Horoko golf courses sponsor tournaments on a monthly basis, as well as offer clinics and instructional support by the course pros.

A women's instructional class will open Oct. 25 at the Amador Golf Course.

Call the Amador Pro Shop at 282-4511 and the Horoko Pro Shop at 283-6346 for information.



Sgt. Lori Davis (*Tropic Times*)

Clark Brandenburg sinks a putt on the 8th hole.

Soldiers kick up fun in Distant Haven

by Pvt. 2 Melinda Dezern

JTF-Suriname PAO

SURINAME - The referee stood center field with a whistle in his mouth. A member of Joint Task Force-Suriname reached over to exchange a quick handshake from his opponent.

The whistle sounded, and the kicking began. Dutch and English words collided in the air as fans from both teams cheered on their players.

Surinamese and U.S. military police, along with some other JTF members, had

begun a friendly game of soccer.

Operation Distant Haven has brought together two different forces and taught them the importance of cohesion.

For the past three weeks, task force members have worked hand-in-hand with the Surinamese, especially U.S. and Surinamese MPs who patrol the migrant and base camps together.

Capt. Alberto Rivera, commander of the 534th Military Police Co., saw how well both forces worked together and decided to set up soccer games to help further the good relations.

"It was a game of bonding," Rivera said. "It was a way of letting them know we accept them not only as co-workers, but also as friends."

"I rely on the Surinamese MPs to protect my soldiers," he said, referring to the fact that U.S. Army MPs aren't allowed to carry weapons.

Besides the Surinamese MPs, the other Surinamese soldiers are a great asset to Operation Distant Haven. The contractors helped in constructing the camps and the kitchen staff help prepare and serve meals for JTF members.

"It was a plus to have them working with us. We proved that it is possible for two totally different armies to come together," Rivera said.

The MPs have developed a good working relationship with the Surinamese and have also had a chance to get to know them and their customs.

The game was a good way for the two armies to communicate and have fun, Rivera said.

Although both teams were hoping to win, the players looked out for one another.

"They (Surinamese) picked us up when they knocked us down — he helped me up

earlier in the game," said Pfc. Charles Fassinger, 534th MP Co., as he pointed to the guy who knocked him down.

The respect and knowledge gained by the two forces working and playing side-by-side was mutual.

"This is the first time I've worked with an army of another country," said Suriname Army Cpl. Kenneth Zaalm.

"I learned discipline. You guys come to a foreign place without your husbands and wives — I wouldn't survive," he said.

Zaalm was amazed at how the U.S. military is able to deploy, be away from friends and family, and still remain focused on the mission at hand.

"Most young people don't understand what we do as an American military...we serve as an example," said Col. Louis Huddleston, JTF commander.

"You can't always see the impact you're having on people. We're exposing people to our values," he said.

With a pat on the back and a firm handshake, JTF members congratulated the Surinamese players on their 1-0 victory.

Zaalm shook Rivera's hand, and as Rivera turned to walk away, he said, "Next time we play American football."



Pvt. 2 Melinda Dezern (JTF Suriname)

534th Military Police Company's Carl Montovani dives for a shot on goal.

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The Tigers squeak out a victory against the Kolts in a 25-22 game at Cristobal Stadium.

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John Hall recovers from upset syndrome and picks this week's winning teams.

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Tigers fend off Kolts, 25-22

By Sgt. Rick Emert
USARSO Public Affairs Office - Atlantic

CRISTOBAL HIGH SCHOOL - The Cristobal Tigers roared past the Kiwanis Kolts 25-22 here Oct. 7.

The Tigers outscored and outplayed the Kolts in the first half, preventing the Kolts second half rally from upsetting the game.

The first quarter was scoreless on both sides. The Tigers' Jon Guerra ran in the first touchdown of the game in the second quarter, and with the two-point conversion Tigers led, 8-0.

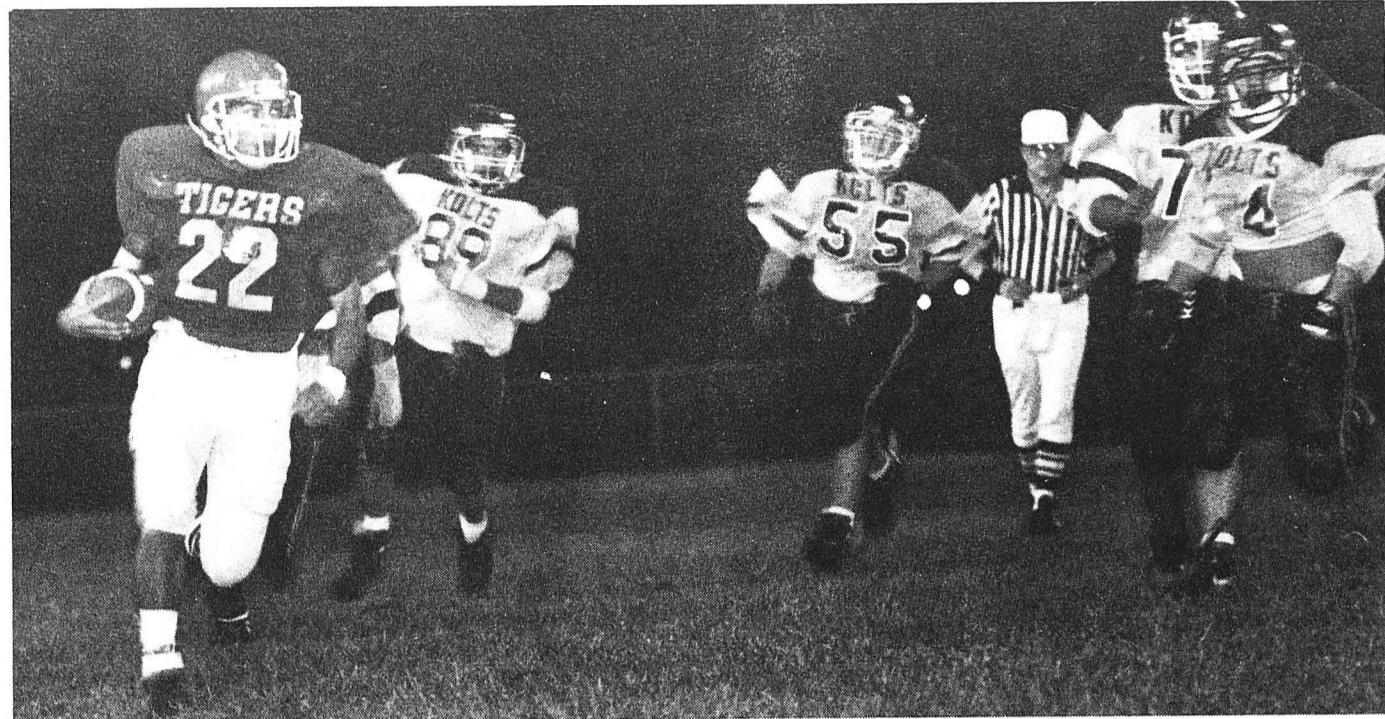
The Kolts did the same, tying it up 8-8.

The Tigers Rob Bernhardt kicked a 34-yard field goal with less than a minute left in the half, jacking the Tigers lead to 11-8.

The Kolts last possession of the half ended with an interception by the Tigers' Christian Lopez. Lopez scored on a 34-yard run with only seconds left to put the Tigers up 18-8.

The Kolts' turnovers continued into their first possession in the second half. The turnover led to another Tigers touchdown this time by Tigers running back Ruben Rafalko. Guerra kicked for the extra point, and the score was 25-8.

With one second left in the third quarter,



Sgt. Rick Emert (U.S. Army)

The Tiger's Jon Guerra outdistances his Kolt pursuers in a midfield run.

Kolt quarterback Raul Ford's 25-yard pass into the endzone took the score to 25-14.

The Tigers next possession ended in a turnover, but the Kolts had four quick downs

without moving the ball.

The Kolts recovered a Tiger fumble on the Tiger 8-yard line with nine seconds left in the game and ran it in on the next play,

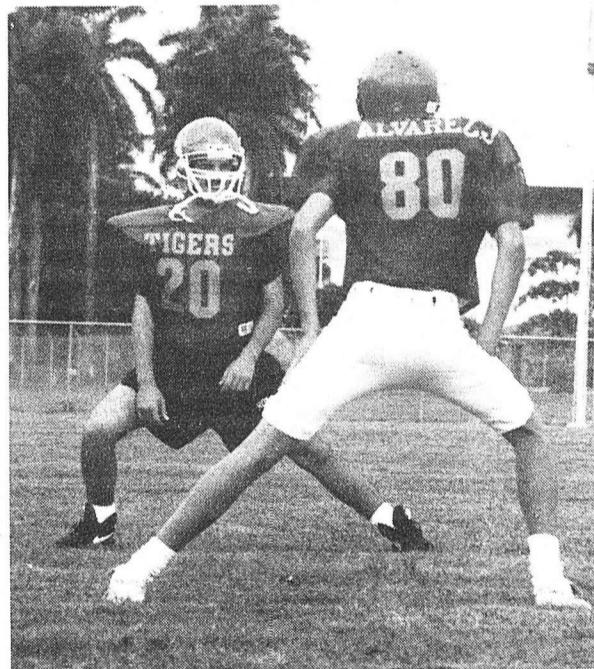
edging closer to the Tigers, 25-20. A two point conversion took the score to 25-22.

The clock ran out on the Tigers final possession, giving them a 25-22 win.

1994 season marks Cristobal Tiger's final roar

By Sgt. Rick Emert
USARSO Public Affairs Office - Atlantic

CRISTOBAL HIGH SCHOOL - As the 1994 season ends, the Cristobal Tigers' roar will fade to an echo in Panama's closely watched high school football play.



Sgt. Rick Emert (U.S. Army)
Carlos Roman (20) and Jose Alvarez stretch during practice.

The Tigers are well into their final season, and Coach Richard Elliott is not treating it any differently than the past five seasons he's coached the team.

"I don't look ahead enough to think of this as the last season," he said. "We have a game Friday, a game next Friday and a game the following Friday. Pretty soon, it will be over."

"The players are oriented toward the game we're getting ready for. We won't worry about the end of the season until it's here."

The 1994 Tigers are 1-3 now, but Cristobal fans have cheered their team through good and bad seasons.

"In the 60s, the Tigers were a powerhouse," Elliott said. "They had 10 down years in the 70s and 80s and were at the lowest point they could be."

Elliott came aboard in 1989 and noticed that only a few of the players were ready to play, he said.

"When I got here, there were seven players that were ready," he said. "There was not a whole lot of emphasis placed on the right things."

After some work, the Tigers had their first good season in a decade.

"Our first victory was a big one," he said. "We had a touchdown pass as the final play of the game and won the game because of it."

"The people (watching) were shocked; it was the first game the Tigers had won after all those down seasons."

The last game of that same season was also memorable, he said.

"We upset the (Curundu) Cougars," he said. "They were 7-0, and we prevented them from ending the season undefeated."

The Tigers ended the season at 5-3. Following another 5-3 season, Elliott's Tigers struggled through a couple of bad years.

"The (two) years that we were 1-8, we were just physically beaten," he said. "The other teams had bigger and older players."

Even in those seasons, support from the Atlantic community never waned, he said.

"The Atlantic community supports you even if you lose," he said. "We have our own identity here. They stuck with us through those bad seasons, and we were able to keep our pride and dignity even in losing."

And the Tigers paid them back last year, ending the season at 7-3 and tying for first place.

Although the team seemed to turn around under his coaching, Elliott said how the season goes depends on the players.

"We're stronger now," he said. "We have a good quarterback, a good middle linebacker and a strong defensive line."

With three winning seasons out of five, Elliott's future in coaching football is not clear, he said.

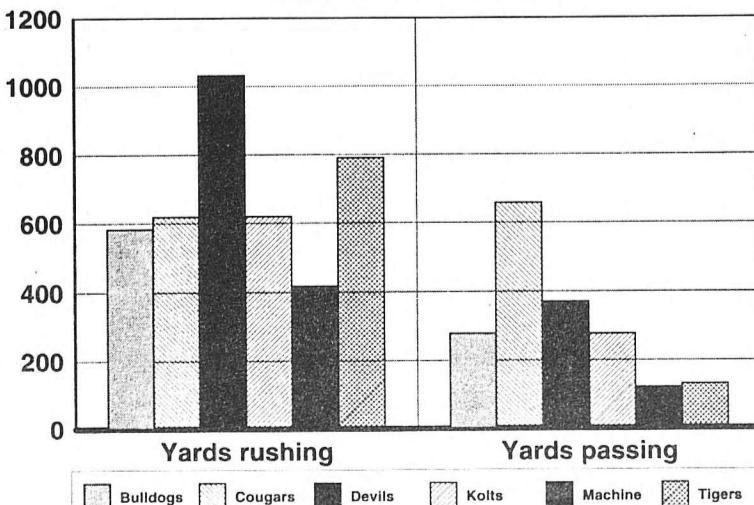
"I'll still be working in (Department of Defense Dependents Schools), but I don't know if I'll be coaching," he said.

Although he was a quarterback for Southern California University and has coached teams in California and Virginia, his future in coaching in Panama may be based on his work with the Tigers, he said.

"I think our (Cristobal Tigers) program is pretty well respected, and that the (Pacific community) thinks enough of our program to have me involved over there."

Scoreboard

Team statistics



Team standings

	W	L	T	Pct.
Cougars	4	0	0	1.000
Bulldogs	3	1	0	.750
Devils	3	1	0	.750
Kolts	1	3	0	.250
Tigers	1	3	0	.250
Machine	0	4	0	.000

Week four results

Curundu Cougars 21, Balboa Bulldogs 6
Cristobal Tigers 25, Kiwanis Kolts 22
Green Devils 26, Balboa Red Machine 7

Tonight's games

Tigers vs. Machine, 5:30 p.m. (BHS)
Devils vs. Bulldogs, 7:30 p.m. (BHS)

Scoring

	TD	XP Total
Reese, Devils	9	58
Martens, Cougars	5	32

Rushing

	Carries	Yds. Avg.
Reese, Devils	92	654 7.1
Guerra, Tigers	68	429 6.4
Hall, Bulldogs	68	314 6.7

Kick offs

	Kicks	Yds. Avg.
VonHollen, Cougars	17	813 47
Lampas, Devils	18	820 45
Beach, Bulldogs	12	530 44

Punts

	Kicks	Yds. Avg.
Husted, Machine	6	208 34
Price, Tigers	20	642 32
Beach, Bulldogs	16	502 31

Quarterbacks

	PA	PC	%	Yds	TD	Int
Lampas, Devils	43	26	60	370	3	1
Martens, Cougars	80	35	43	657	6	4
Beach, Bulldogs	34	11	32	242	1	5



Ambassador Myles Frechette (left) and Gen. Barry R. McCaffrey discuss regional security issues with Colombian President Ernesto Samper (right).

Spc. Tad Browning (SOUTHCOM)

SOUTHCOM committed to support fight against drugs

QUARRY HEIGHTS (U.S. SOUTHCOM PAO) - The U.S. military has an absolute commitment to helping the Colombian military and police in their struggle against narcoguerrillas.

This was the message carried to Colombian President Ernesto Samper last week by Gen. Barry R. McCaffrey, Commander in Chief of the U.S. Southern Command. McCaffrey reaffirmed the commitment of the U.S. military to help Colombia, recognizing the price Colombians have paid to drug and guerrilla-related violence.

McCaffrey noted that more than 25,000 Colombian civilians, military and police were killed last year. Some 3,000 police have been killed in the last five years, and 250 soldiers have died in the past six months alone. During 1994, the United States will provide more than \$21.79 million to Colombia to aid in the counterdrug effort.

In Colombia, there are active guerrilla groups that want to overthrow the democratically-elected government. In recent years, the guerrilla groups have joined

forces with the narcotraffickers, who pay the guerrillas to provide security for their illegal activities. The guerrillas use the payments to finance their own illegal activities against the government, officials said.

"U.S. policy prohibits our military from becoming directly involved in actual counterdrug field operations," said Capt. Jim Knotts, a Southern Command spokesman. "However, U.S. soldiers routinely deploy to train with Colombian soldiers and police. The deployments provide training for our service members, while developing the skills the Colombians need to then conduct counterdrug field operations."

The narcoguerrillas are well financed and well armed, so the military and police must count on skill, patience and courage to counter the threat. The U.S. Special Operations Command South, headquartered in Panama, sponsored an exercise in Arkansas in September to train to fight the narcoguerrillas. The exercise used a scenario to counter a fictional group of narcoguerrillas who took over a fictional island called Victoria off the coast of Colombia. The Organization

of American States asked its member nations to form a coalition to assist Victoria. The United States, Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela formed a coalition task force that deployed to Victoria, where they raided drug labs and captured the narcoguerrilla's base camp.

Although mutual counterdrug efforts were a major topic of discussion, McCaffrey visited the South American ally to learn how Colombians view regional security issues. On his first official visit to Colombia since he took command in February, McCaffrey arrived in the Colombian capital of Bogota Oct. 6, where he was greeted by U.S. Ambassador to Colombia Myles Frechette; Commander of the U.S. Military Group Col. Thomas Carstens; and General Hernan Jose Guzman, Commander of the Colombian Army.

After discussing regional security issues with Samper and Frechette, McCaffrey took part in a wreath-laying ceremony at Plaza Bolivar to honor the Colombian veterans who fought alongside the U.S. in the Korean War. In total, Colombia sent 3,089 soldiers and sailors to Korea, and suffered more than 600 casualties. The Colombians earned two U.S. Presidential Unit Citations for valor in combat. Approximately 30 Colombian veterans of the Korean War attended the ceremony, which also was attended by representatives from the Korean Embassy in Colombia.

The ceremony was very emotional. According to Col. Ben Harvey, the trip officer in charge, McCaffrey recounted that the Colombian Battalion served in Korea under the 7th Division, 31 Regiment, which was commanded by his father, Lt. Gen. (ret.) William J. McCaffrey. The unit also served under the 24th Infantry Division, which McCaffrey later commanded during Operation Desert Storm. He passed on his father's personal greeting and remembrances of the courage and valor of the Colombians during the Korean War. He also presented each veteran at the ceremony a copy of a personal letter from Maj. Gen. Joseph E. DeFrancisco, current commander of the 24th Infantry Division, who recognized their past service with the unit and thanked them as an inspiration to two generations of U.S. and Colombian soldiers.

McCaffrey later met with the Colombian equivalents of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Service Chiefs, and the Director of the National Police. He visited the Escuela Superior de Guerra (Senior War College), where he presented a briefing on the U.S. Southern Command and joint operations. In the northern coastal city of Cartagena, McCaffrey visited the Colombian Navy, Marines and Coast Guard.

Another highlight of the trip was a visit to the 10th Brigade Lancero Training School and NCO Academy. The Lanceros, equivalent to the U.S. Army Rangers, are highly trained infantry soldiers who conduct special operations missions. They are recognized worldwide for their skill and valor. McCaffrey met with Capt. Sean Mulholland, a U.S. Army exchange officer who is an instructor at the school. Mulholland escorted McCaffrey during his visit to the school, explaining the differences and similarities in the Lancero training compared to Ranger school.

Multi-service medical team keeps Cubans healthy

by Staff Sgt. Jane Usero
JTF Safe Haven Joint Information Bureau

GORIAS ARMY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL - Ensuring the good health of the Cubans at the Operation Safe Haven community camps is a combined effort between specialists at the Preventive Medicine Services here and a U.S. Navy Preventive Medicine team at the 5th Air Transportable Hospital at Empire Range.

Since the arrival of the Navy team, the mission of the specialists from Gorgas has been that of making sure the meals served at the community camps are safe and sanitary. Before that time, however, their mission was vast and varied.

"Since the very beginning we have been involved in everything from the planning stages to choosing the sites to locating a safe water source," said Lt. Col. Wilfredo Souffront, chief of Preventive Medicine Services at Gorgas. "My entire staff, including environmental sanitation, community health and many technicians, were heavily involved."

Also heavily involved in the beginning was the entomology department. It was their job to survey the sites for insects that could cause illnesses such as dengue, he said. The entomologists from Gorgas continued to monitor the sites until the Navy team arrived to the field hospital and took over the job of monitoring.

"We also surveyed the sites for water safety and helped with the number and locations for shower and latrine facilities," Souffront said. "Continuous monitoring of the water and checking the sites for cleanliness now falls under the control of the Navy team."

Though much of the original mission now falls to the Navy team, the Gorgas specialists continue to monitor and survey the meals served at the community camps, he said.

"This part of the mission remained with us because we are familiar with the area and visiting the places where the food is prepared is easier for us," Souffront said. "Because frequent visits to these areas as early as 4 a.m. are necessary, it just made good sense that

we continue with this part of the mission."

Technicians from the Gorgas office regularly visit the companies contracted to supply meals to the community camps. Through these visits, it is ensured that the food is properly handled, stored, prepared, transported and served, he said.

In addition to monitoring the food contractors, the Gorgas team is also conducts classes instructing food service workers about food handling.

The Gorgas team is also working with Cubans at the community camps to coordinate field sanitation and classes for camp leaders on field sanitation, Souffront said.

"We are working with Cuban physicians living in the community camps to ensure sanitation is kept at a high level within the camps," he said. "This includes classes on personal hygiene, ways to keep the areas and latrines clean and the trash picked up between contractors' visits, and training on the dengue mosquito."

The Gorgas office also acts as a liaison for the Navy team and the 5th Air

Trans. Hospital as consultants and is in constant touch with Preventive Medicine offices from throughout Panama in an effort to ensure a high quality of life is maintained at the community camps.

Though the mission to ensure this high quality of life is, in itself, a massive undertaking, finding a safe and dependable water source has been a "megajob," he said.

"The water source was not only the most important, but the hardest mission," Souffront said. "We are still working it out and, while we are working it out, the water is still being transported from a garrison source."

With the Preventive Medicine mission being of many facets, Souffront has been impressed with the level of professionalism and cooperation between all of the teams, the contractors and the Cubans within the community camps.

"This is a daily, on-going, joint effort to help in Operation Safe Haven," Souffront said. "Everyone involved is 100 percent committed to help the residents of the community camps keep a high quality of life."



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Senior Airman Steve McNally (U.S. Air Force)

Tops in Blue world tour '94

The Air Force entertainment traveling troupe, Tops in Blue, puts on a high-energy performance Oct. 7 for members of the Panama military community. For story and photos, see Page B3.

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Children celebrate the Puerto Rican Youth Festival in honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month.

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Joe Colon (left) and Efraim Ramos play a Latin tune for those attending the Puerto Rican Youth Festival at the Fort Clayton Youth Center to honor one of the many Hispanic cultures.

Fort Clayton's youth experience Puerto Rican culture at festival

by Staff Sgt. Jane Usero
USARSO Public Affairs Office

FORT CLAYTON - Everyone was in colorful, traditional dress. The drums and guitars filled the room with Latin sounds.

Small children danced with excitement and clapped their tiny hands in time to the music. Adults greeted long-time friends and met new ones, engaging in conversation in their native tongue.

The room in the upstairs of the youth center here was decked out in Puerto Rican flags and decor as the Puerto Rican Festival kicked off Friday with the Puerto Rican National Anthem and a poetry reading by some children.

In honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month, Puerto Ricans from throughout the military community gathered to celebrate their heritage with music, dance, poetry, food and friends.

"We are taking this opportunity to celebrate our culture and to educate others," said Maj. Gustavo Ortiz-Ortiz,

committee member and master of ceremonies for the celebration.

"Most people are familiar with the Mexican culture and traditions and we all love it, but there is so much more to Hispanic heritage. We hope to make the community aware of these many different cultures of which Puerto Rico is just one," Ortiz-Ortiz said.

Through the months of planning, recruiting and practicing, the all-volunteer program did just that.

"The program took a lot of effort, coordination and hours, but you get out of a program such as this whatever you put into it," said Alameda Awilda, program coordinator. "Everything from planning the performances to decorating the room was done by community members volunteering their time and talents."

It is the committee that plans this type of event, but the volunteers are the ones who make it happen, she said.

And happen it did as the standing-room-only crowd cheered the young dancers, sang with the musical groups and shared in a pride of Hispanic heritage and Puerto Rican culture and traditions.



Angelina Ortiz dances for the audience at the Puerto Rican Youth Festival at the Fort Clayton Youth Center.



Alexis Ortiz performs a traditional dance during the Puerto Rican Youth Festival at the Fort Clayton Youth Center.

Youth activities

Albrook/Howard

Competitive Swim Team Tryouts, 10 a.m. Saturday at Howard and Albrook Pools for youths 8-18 years old. Fee will be \$15 per month. Call Lisa Nofi, 284-3569, or Rose Coville, 236-2035, for more information.

♦Youth centers 286-3195/284-4700:

Preteen Costume Dance, 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the Howard Youth Center Oct. 21, \$2.50 entrance fee.

Tae Kwon Do karate classes weekday evenings.

Art classes, for ages 6-16. Cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members.

Guitar lessons, by appointment 1-6 p.m. Saturdays.

Spanish lessons 4 and 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Arts and crafts, 3 p.m. Wednesdays.

Gymnastics classes, for boys and girls four days a week. Special preschooler class Saturdays.

Ballet, tap and jazz dance, lessons available for ages four to adult.

♦Just for teens:

Free self defense demonstration for girls 5 p.m. Oct. 22, Albrook.

HIV/AIDS awareness, 4-5 p.m. Oct. 27, Albrook. Call 284-5650 to register. Permission slips required.

Falltime party 8:30-11:30 p.m. Oct. 28. Wear orange and black and get in free. The 'Anthill Posse' will be playing in the Albrook Club ballroom. Transportation is provided from Howard Youth Center and Fort Clayton Senior Teen Center.

♦Child Development Center 284-6135:

Family Day Care Providers are needed in the Albrook area. Call Jill Winter at 284-3711/6135 for information.

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♦Youth Center 287-6451:

Treasure Hunt 3 p.m. today.

Ping Pong tournament Saturday.

Pool tournament, Oct. 21.

Community services, Oct. 22. Bring a can of food.

Not So Scary Halloween is a happy Halloween activity for toddlers to 10 years old. It will be held 4-7 p.m. Oct. 31. A \$1 fee includes game prizes, candy and a lot of fun.

Junior jazzercise for ages 6-12, 4-5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays Building 155.

Youth Services is looking for **piano and gymnastics instructors**. Contact George Wheeler at 287-3506, or stop by Building 155, Fort Clayton.

Video day, Wednesdays.

Arts and crafts, Mondays.

Cooking experiences, Tuesdays.

Outdoor games, Thursdays.

♦Senior Teen Center 287-3464/4680:

Popcorn and movies, Sundays.

Friday specials sponsored by AAFES. Call for details.

Senior Teen Employment Program, year-round program to develop job skills and earn money for teens 15-18 years old. Applications are available at the center.

Bowling at the Clayton Bowling Center 3 p.m. Saturday. Meet at the center at 2 p.m.

Medieval University scheduled for Saturday has been postponed. Look for announcement of new date.

Smithsonian marine environmental educational program, 8:30 a.m., Oct. 22. Free.

Halloween Senior Teen Dance, Oct. 22.

♦Child Development Services 287-3301:

Spaces are available in the CDS part-day program, Building 156 Fort Clayton, in the afternoon session from 1-3 p.m. Preschoolers must be 3 years old and toddlers must be 2 years old by Oct. 31. For information, call 287-5507/5104.

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♦Espinar Youth Center 289-4605:

Not so fright day movies, 3 p.m. Oct. 22.

Hand puppet show, 2 p.m. Oct. 22.

Shotokan Karate, 4-5 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, \$20 per person.

Volunteers are needed to help with the haunted house.

Arts and crafts, 3-4:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

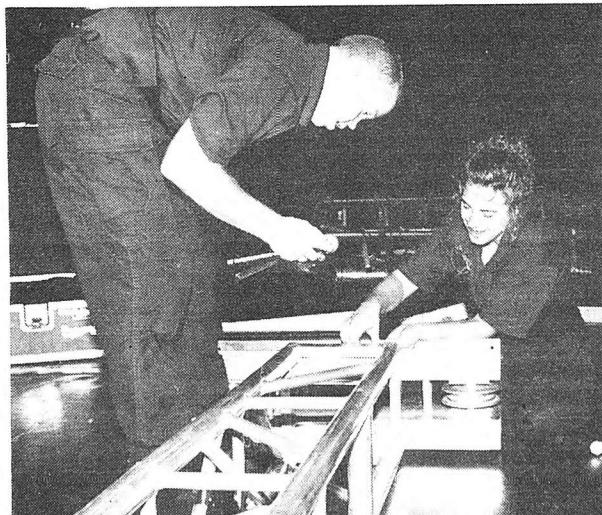
Saturday sports, noon to 6 p.m.



Airman 1st Class Sheila Cousins (left) and Sgt. Cassondra Collins entertain the audience with a "swing tune," during the Oct. 7 performance of the Air Force entertainment troupe, Tops in Blue.



The Tops in Blue cast sings the Disney inspired tune, "Never had a Friend Like Me."



Tops in Blue crew members Staff Sgt. Joseph Atkinson (left) and Airman 1st Class Sheila Cousins, assemble the aluminum framework for the program's set at a feverish pace—finishing in record time of less than three hours.



After the show, base officials displayed the community's appreciation by providing a buffet banquet for the Tops in Blue staff and crew.

Tops in Blue '94

Air Force show goes on despite last-minute arrival

Better late than never." "The difficult we do immediately, the impossible takes a little longer." "The show must go on."

These are familiar phrases, and any one of them could apply to the regular operations of the Air Force "Tops in Blue" troupe of entertainers. This time, however, all three are appropriate.

The world-renown group performed its 90-minute show of song and dance, music and comedy for a near-capacity audience Oct. 7 at the base theater here, despite circumstances that might have stopped a less-dedicated troupe of men and women.

The 24th Wing commander, Brig. Gen. Richard "Tex" Brown, addressed the audience just before the show began. "You don't know what these people have gone through to make sure you all enjoy tonight's show," he said. "I think they set a world record setting up their stage and hooking up their sound and lighting equipment, doing it in something less than three hours."

Normally, this process takes between four and six hours, said Master Sgt. Bob Brech, tour director for the 1994 Tops In Blue.

"But we do what we have to do to get the job done," he added. "This is the most self-sacrificing group of people I've ever worked with and they really wanted to put on this show."

Senior Airman Rick Hayden, band leader and trumpet player and the only returning member from last year's Tops in Blue cast, agreed with Brech's analysis.

"Participating in Tops in Blue is always an incredible experience, but I'm enjoying this tour even more than last year's," he said. "Whether it's participating in rehearsals, tearing down and packing up the equipment, or filling in for someone during a performance, every member of this group really pitches in for the benefit of the show."

The Tops in Blue team was preparing to depart for Panama from Charleston AFB, S.C.—and had already boarded the aircraft — when the C-5 suddenly decided it didn't want to fly.

First a hydraulic problem forced the troupe to

deplane and delayed the departure for several hours. Later, after they'd re-boarded the plane, some sort of fuel problem cropped up, further delaying departure and once again causing the entertainers to exit the aircraft.

Because of the delays, officials had to cancel the first, Oct. 6 performance, but planned to make up for it with two, back-to-back performances Oct. 7. Unfortunately, maintenance and logistics problems continued to plague the team and its arrival in Panama was again delayed until after 3 p.m. Oct. 7. By the time their equipment started arriving at the base theater, it was nearly 5:30 p.m. and the team had to really scramble to get things set up for just one show.

Still, audience members said that it was an incredible show and was well worth the wait. The high-energy performers went into number after musical number, combining country, rock, gospel and swing-type music with dance and humor, explaining the link between music and movies, and describing the importance of movies to the people who watch them.

With music from The Wizard of Oz, The Wiz, Leap of Faith, and several animated Disney features, audience members agreed the show was a success.

"I can't believe everything they went through to put on this show for us," one man said afterward. "You know if it had been some big name concert band they would've sent a cable and just canceled out on us. 'Sorry, we couldn't make it, maybe next time.' Tops in Blue didn't do that."

"Putting on a show like Tops in Blue is a lot of hard work and everyone has to put forward 100 percent effort—especially when we're scrambling like this," Brech concluded. "Still, as long as the audience enjoys itself, it's all worth the effort. After all, they're the reason we are here."

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Historical landmark still remains

by Rosemary Chong
Tropic Times staff

The National Theatre, located in the heart of the old section of Panama City facing the sea, is a building representing the neo-classical architectural influence of the first two decades of the 19th century.

The theatre was first occupied by the Convent of the Cloistered Nuns. Public presentations took place there until 1862 when it was chosen by Gen. Tomas Cipriano de Mosquera for his military headquarters.

In 1904, Italian architect Giuseppe Ruggieri was recruited to design the drawings for the National Theatre, as well as the Government Palace. The contract was awarded to Duque & Arias Co. and the supervisor of the project was engineer Florencio Harmodio Arosemena. The inauguration of the theatre took place Oct. 1, 1908 to coincide with the taking of office of Don Jose Domingo de Obaldia, as President of the Republic. The total cost of both projects was \$597,635.

Decorative elements of the neo-classical era makeup the facade of the building. Six crowned arches frame the upper windows, as well as the principal doors leading to the lobby. In the lateral wings stand two magnificent statues of the muses, and above them, four embossed medallions offer homage to Wagner, Shakespeare, Moliere and Rossini.

Two wide halls at the sides give access to the lateral entrances and their half-point arches support the upper terraces, which lead to the foyer. This architectural disposition offers ample open space, contributing to the equilibrium and distribution of the volume of the building.

A lobby that can accommodate up to 853 people welcomes the visitor and facilitates access to the various areas. The stage's ground floor has enough space to accommodate many activities at once and the basement has been modified to meet the dimensions of today's modern orchestras. The orchestra pit and the two areas of the amphitheater form a moon-shaped area, with comfortable seats and a wonderful view of the stage.

The first and second floors display elegant boxes, with polished railings in which the rich, bright colors of the seats and carpets give splendor to the garlands and supports that adorn the balconies. The upper part of the gallery affords a panoramic view of the performance.

The foyer, located on the first floor, provides ample space for intermissions, and shows paintings of exquisite fantasies by the Panamanian master Robert Lewis. The ceiling of the theater, also a work of Lewis, is an extraordinary fable of the majesty of this country.

It displays the best techniques and styles of the neo-classical influence that made its statement in the isthmus. Its form and coloring are examples of the achievements of the Panamanian plastic arts of the period.

Since its inauguration, the National Theatre has played host to the best American and European artists and companies. Its first presentation was Verdi's opera "Aida," followed by "Carmen" and "Lucia de Lammermoor," after which followed a great number of operas and operettas, such as "Fausto," "Tosca" and "The Magic Flute."

The National Theatre was also host to great artists like Tito Shipa, Tamara Tournanova, Amalia Galligurci, Pastora Imperio and performers Claude Arrau, Gaspar Cassado, Gregory Piatigorsky, Alexander Brailowsky; as well as Vienna Boys Choir and The Don's Cossacks.

Personalities such as Jose Santos Chocano, Luis Alberto Sanchez, Jacinto Benavente, gave samples of their literary richness and inspired works.

The National Theatre in 1915, under the direction of Don Narciso Garay created the Symphony Orchestra and the National Poliphony Chorus, executing the Ninth Symphony of Beethoven at its first public presentation.

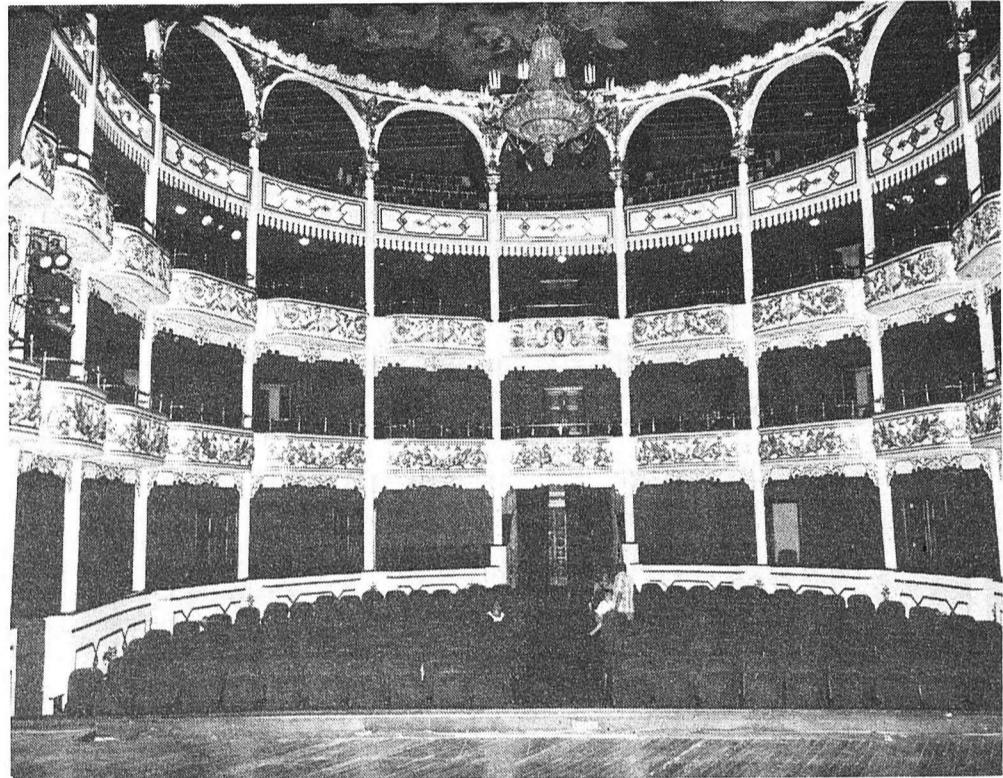
Many improvements have been made to the building itself, first in 1941, then in 1950 and finally in 1970 when a great restoration project was started under the initiative of Jaime Ingram, then general manager of the National Institute of Culture.

With the support of cultural committees and artistic groups, the backing of Gen. Omar Torrijos Herrera was obtained for the execution of the project. The architectural restoration and the outfitting of new spaces was done by architect Rene Brenes and architect Guillermo De Roux, who designed the doors.

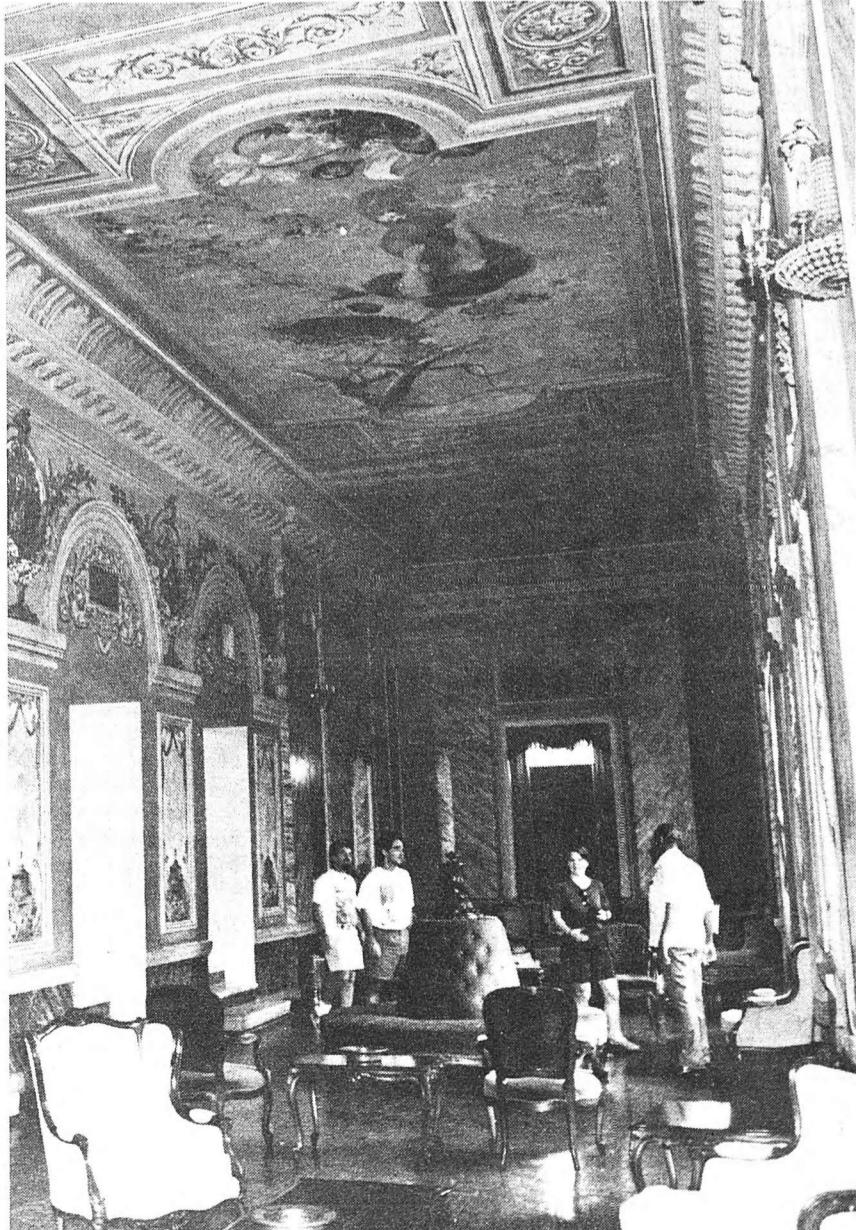
The restoration of the plastic arts of the foyer and ceiling of Roberto Lewis, was executed by professor Juan Manuel Cedeno, disciple of Lewis and Roberto Lewis Jr., son of the artist.

One of the most important contributions to future generations is the conservation of this important building. Thanks to the creation of this first house dedicated to the arts in Panama, the country has been visited by outstanding artists and honored by their presentations, offering the maximum expressions of contemporary dance, theater and music.

International figures such as Dame Margot Fonteyn, Alicia Alonso and Panamanian musicians Mr. and Mrs. Ingram, Alfredo de Saint Malo, Roque Cordero, Herbert De Castro, Eduardo Charpentier, Carmen Cedeno are unquestionable expressions of the force of this first house of arts in Panama.



Petty Officer 2nd Class Bill Lewis (U.S. Navy)
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ACWC members raise more than \$9,000 in last year of operation

by Sgt. Rick Emert
USARSO Public Affairs Office - Atlantic

FORT DAVIS - With barely a third of its peak membership still around, board members from the Atlantic Community Women's Club met for the last time Oct. 4.

The club rewrote its bylaws and constitution last year with Tina Dodson as president and reopened the Thrift Store. The Thrift Store will close down Monday.

In the one year, club members raised about \$9,000 which they donated to various on and off-post organizations.

The ACWC was unique in that it brought women of all ranks—officers, enlisted and civilian—together in one group.

"Our board was made up mainly of enlisted wives," said final ACWC president Tina Dodson. "It was good for our community to have all wives as equals. It's such a small community that we could interact well with one another."

With the means that got them together gone, a new means will keep them together—friendship.

"We see each other all the time," Dodson said. "We all do a lot of things together and we're very involved with the community."

At its high point during the last year, the ACWC had 62 members and a 14-woman board. At the time of the Oct. 4 meeting, there were seven board members and 20 members.

"It's hard to let it go," Dodson said. "I'm very proud of what we accomplished in such a short time. There has to be a lot of heart in an organization to work as hard as these ladies have."

That hard work enabled the club to give \$7,000 to the community from September 1993 to September 1994, Dodson said.

An additional \$1,790 was raised from clearance sales before the Thrift Store closed and from money remaining in the club's bank accounts. The recipients of that money will be: American Heart Association-\$190, Cristobal High School's senior class-\$300, CHS junior class-\$300, CHS yearbook-\$300, Davis Elementary School-\$200, Gulick Elementary School-\$200 and Child Development Services' preschool scholarship program-\$300.

Money left over when all ACWC bank accounts are closed will go to the Sisters of Mercy Center for Women in Colon. "We fought right down to the end to put as much back into the community as we could," said LuAnne G. Grant, Thrift Store manager.



Sgt. Rick Emert (U.S. Army)

The Atlantic Community Women's Club Thrift Store will close Monday. During the last year of club activities, members raised \$9,000 that they returned to the community through charities and donations.

Facts for National Consumers Week

FORT CLAYTON (ACS) - National Consumers Week has become an established annual tradition for state and local consumer offices, businesses, government agencies, voluntary organizations and individual consumers.

The last week of October is annually dedicated to the ongoing need to educate and inform consumers about their rights and responsibilities in the marketplace.

Army Community Service will be presenting a series of briefs to enhance the importance of this week, to achieve this goal. This year National Consumers Week will be observed Oct. 23-29. For information, call ACS at 287-6322.

♦ The Expedited Funds Availability Act requires all banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks and credit unions to make funds deposited

into checking, share draft and NOW accounts available according to specified time schedules and to disclose their funds availability policies to their customers. The law does not require an institution to delay the customer's use of deposited funds but instead limits how long any delay may last. The regulation also establishes rules designed to speed the return of unpaid checks.

♦ The Fair Credit and Charge Disclosure Act requires new disclosures on credit and charge cards, whether issued by financial institutions, retail stores or private companies. Information such as APRs, annual fees and grace periods must be provided in tabular form along with applications and preapproved solicitations for cards. The regulations also require card issuers that impose an annual fee to pro-

vide disclosures before annual renewal.

Card issuers that offer credit insurance must inform customers of any increase in rate or substantial decrease in coverage should the issuer decide to change insurance providers.

♦ The Fair Credit Billing Act establishes procedures for the prompt correction of errors on open-end credit accounts. It also protects a consumer's credit rating while the consumer is settling a dispute.

♦ The Truth in Lending Act requires disclosure of the "finance charge" and the "annual percentage rate" — and certain other costs and terms of credit — so that a consumer can compare the prices of credit from different sources. It also limits liability on lost or stolen credit cards.

Community activities

Clayton

The Curundu Junior High School will hold a School Advisory Committee meeting for parents 4 p.m. Monday in the school library.

The Episcopal worship service at Fort Amador Chapel will change from 10:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. beginning Sunday. The Episcopal Sunday School will begin at 9 a.m. in the Fort Amador Chapel Annex. For information, call 287-3532.

The La Leche League meeting will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Curundu Elementary School Playshelter, Fort Clayton. The meeting topic will be "There's a New Baby in Your Life." La Leche League offers mothers-to-be encouragement and support for breastfeeding. All interested pregnant and breastfeeding women and their babies are welcome. For information, call 287-6592 or 260-6682.

The Exceptional Family Member Program Support Group meeting will be held 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday at the Valent Recreation Center. All active duty military and Department of Defense personnel with family members with disabilities are invited to attend. If special services or accommodations are needed because of a disability or for information, call 287-5073/4921.

U.S. Army Public Affairs is coordinating the 1994 Joint Task Force-Panama Christmas Sponsorship Program. Units or community groups wanting to participate this year should call USARSO PAO at 287-3007/4109.

Howard/Albrook

Cookie baking volunteers are needed for the Family Support Centers' "Make a Difference Day" observation. The treats will be delivered to single airmen who live in the dormitories Oct. 22. To find out where to deliver cookies or how to get more involved with the project, call Mindy Gutierrez at 284-5010.

Family Advocacy is offering classes to teach spouses how to deal with the stress involved in being part of today's fast paced environment. Classes will be held at the Howard Family Support Center conference room, Building 707 Howard AFB 8:30-9:30 p.m. Oct. 25. Call in advance for child care. Call Laila Yeager at 284-5010 to sign-up.

The Howard Family Support Center will offer a spouse orientation course in English 10-11 a.m. Thursday at the FSC. This workshop is offered twice a month to spouses who attend the Right Start Orientation. For more information, call 284-5010.

Miscellaneous

The Officers' and Civilians' Wives Club-Pacific Pumpkin Patch Christmas Bazaar will be held 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 22 at Club Amador. More than 100 vendors will be showing goods of all nature.

The Howard/Albrook Enlisted Spouses Club is sponsoring its annual bazaar 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 29 at the Howard Enlisted Members Club. The bazaar will feature a bake sale and handicrafts from Central and South America. For information, call 284-6874.

The Howard/Albrook Officer Spouses Club will hold its annual fall bazaar 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. Free shuttle service will be provided to and from the Albrook Post Office.

The Enlisted Spouses Club-Panama will hold its annual membership drive featuring a presentation of the whimsical "Basic Black Dress" Oct. 27 at the Fort Clayton NCO Club. Hors d'oeuvres and membership table will begin at 6 p.m. and a presentation at 7 p.m. For information, call 284-4523 or 284-4592.

Call to report domestic violence or get more information on services that are available. Service began Wednesday and is available 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 284-6457.

Atlantic

A breastfeeding support group meeting will be held 7 p.m. Thursday at Quarters 529B on Fort Davis. The meeting is entitled "Needs as Your Baby Grows." All persons interested in learning about breastfeeding are invited to attend. For more information, call Martha Vaughn at 289-3234.

Trips and tours

Rodman

◆ Information, Tour and Travel:

Moonlight cruise 6:30 p.m. Saturday and Oct. 29, \$21. Cruise out to Taboga Island for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres by moonlight, while viewing Panama City's dramatic skyline at night.

Barro Colorado Island 6 a.m. Oct. 21, \$65, two people needed. Visit the tropical research island in the Panama Canal's Gatun Lake.

Panama City tour 9 a.m. Oct. 22, \$8. Visit the Golden Altar, the French Plaza and more.

Trolling on the Vargas 6 a.m. Oct. 22, \$48/person. Fish for marlin, sailfish, dolphin (fish), bonita, Spanish mackerel and more. Fee includes captain, gear, lures and iced coolers.

El Valle 7 a.m. Oct. 23, \$12. Shop for local handicrafts, plants, fruits and vegetables and visit nature preserve.

Free Zone shopping trip 7 a.m. Oct. 26, \$12.

Bottom-fishing on the Vargas, Sunday and Oct. 30, \$35 adults, \$20 kids under 14. Catch snapper, grouper and oth-

er bottom feeding fish. Fee includes captain, gear, live bait and iced coolers.

Downtown shopping 9 a.m. Oct. 27, \$8. Shop Panama's Central Avenue and Via Espana.

Two-day deep seas fishing trip, Nov. 5-6. Fish the fertile waters of Isla del Rey, San Jose and Galera aboard the 42' *Vargas*. \$220 fee includes captain, gear and bait.

Albrook/Howard

◆ Zodiac Community Activities Center:

Free Zone 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Fridays, \$13.

El Valle shopping 6:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sunday and Oct. 30, \$13.

Dining out Italian style 6-10 p.m. Oct. Wednesday, \$3.

Colonial Panama & ruins tour 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 22, \$6.

Rio Mar Beach trip 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 23, \$12.

Panama museums tour 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 26, \$5. Bring money for entrance fee and lunch.

◆ Outdoor adventures:

Peacock bass fishing in Lake Gatun

5 a.m.-2 p.m. today and Oct. 29, \$25. Bring fishing gear and bags.

El Valle horseback riding, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, \$24.

Nature tour to Barro Colorado Island 6 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, \$65, lunch is included.

Gold panning in Bique, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 21, \$12.

Drake's Island 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 22, \$22 snorkelers, \$47 scuba.

Clayton

◆ Valent Recreation Center:

Panama City shopping 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

Free Zone 7 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday.

◆ Outdoor Recreation Center:

There is **Contadora Island** transit service Friday through Monday. Fees are \$35 adults and \$20 children 12 and under round trip, \$25 adults and \$15 children one way.

Ecotourism trip to a Chocoe Indian Village Saturday, \$30 adults, \$20 children under 12.

Ecotourism trip to Barro Colorado Island 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 29, \$35 fee.

Wear loose clothing, long pants, hiking shoes or sneakers, raincoats, and a hat. Bring insect repellent, drinking water, manila tape, and a dry towel. Register by Monday.

Partial transits of the Panama Canal 7:30-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, \$35 adults, \$15 children 12 years old and younger. A minimum of 20 people is needed for a partial transit any other day of the week.

Sun Splash tour to Jamaica travel opportunity to Montego Bay any Sunday through Wednesday. Packet includes airfare, three nights hotel accommodations, and transfer. Prices vary from \$300-\$600 depending on the hotel.

Balboa

◆ Balboa Dive Club:

The club is now accepting new members. Divers must show a diving certification card to join. Annual membership fee is \$12. Members receive a monthly newsletter, free use of the club tanks, free library and videos for loan, information and classes on diving topics, guest speakers and dive trips. Call 263-8077 or 260-0075 or write Unit 0967, APO AA 34002.

Shops/classes

Albrook/Howard

◆ Zodiac Community Activities Center:

Guitar lessons 1-6 p.m. Saturdays at Albrook Youth Center, 286-3195.

Spanish lessons 4-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays at Albrook Youth Center, 286-3195.

Martial arts classes at Howard and Albrook Youth Centers, 284-4700.

Tae Kwon Do karate classes at Zodiac Center for children and adults.

Beginner and advanced dog obedience classes, \$32 for 4 weeks.

Beginner and advanced English and Spanish classes offered monthly.

◆ Albrook Auto Skills Center:

Brake pad replacement, 1-3 p.m. Sunday, \$5.

Pneumatic air machine operation, 1:00 p.m. Oct. 22, \$5.

Air conditioning service and repair 12:30-5 p.m. daily except Tuesday and Wednesday.

Wheel alignment diagnostic and service classes are held 3-9 p.m. Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

◆ Howard and Albrook pools

Intro to scuba, free, call for appointment.

Open water scuba class Saturday at Howard at Albrook, \$145.

Advanced scuba Wednesday at Howard.

Water aerobics for advanced adult swimmers at Howard and Albrook.

◆ Howard Wood Skills Center, Bldg. 722

Free qualification class, 10 a.m.-noon Oct. 15. Learn how to use the woodcutting machines to do personal projects.

Drawer construction, 6-7:30 p.m. Oct. 17, \$5. Make a basic drawer using rabbet and dado.

Clayton

◆ Fort Clayton Pool:

All swimming classes will be discontinued until December because of inclement weather.

◆ Fort Clayton Boat/Scuba Shop:

Open water scuba class meets first and third Monday of each month, \$125. Includes five pool sessions, five theory sessions and four open water dives.

◆ Valent Recreation Center:

Private piano and guitar lessons available weekday evenings.

Korean karate 6-8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Rodman

◆ Navy Morale, Welfare and Recreation Office:

The Navy MWR is seeking qualified instructors to teach Spanish and French language courses. Applicants should have prior experience in teaching elementary and conversational language courses. Call 283-4301.

Curundu

◆ Pacific Theatre Arts Centre:

Reservations for Christmas Village tables is under way 9 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Centre. Volunteers and performers are needed. Call 286-3814 to sign up.

Piano lessons are held 3-7 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Open to students ages 6 and older.

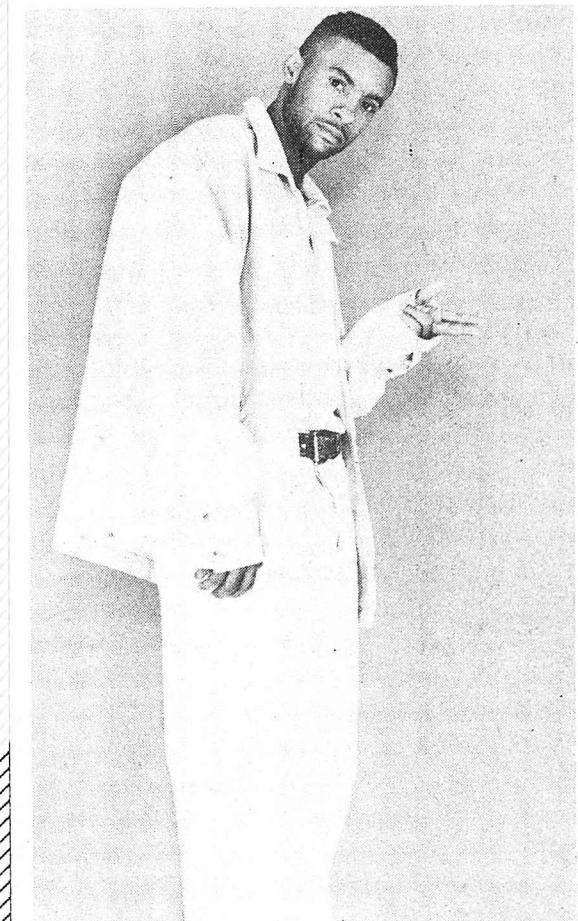
Martial arts 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Open to all ages.

Registration for all dance classes is under way at Building 2060, Curundu. **Jazz lessons** are available for teens and adults as follows:

I: 5-6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, \$32.

II: 6-7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, \$32.

Other classes: modern, ballet, tap, folkloric, salsa, belly dancing and saxophone.



(Courtesy)

Shaggy

As part of Reggae Fest '94, Shaggy, Rayvon, Rap Machine will perform at Gim Nuevo Panama (Juan Diaz Arena) 8 p.m. Oct. 22. Tickets are \$9-\$15. Call the Zodiac, Valent and Sundial recreation centers for information.

Special events

Dinner with the boss

◆ Laguna Lounge:

They show you the ropes, why not show your boss or supervisor your appreciation tonite at Rodman's Laguna Lounge. "Bring Your Boss" Nite will have complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a DJ spinning tunes. The evening runs from 6:30 to 11 p.m. This is your opportunity to

recognize your boss' help and support..

Park fund

◆ Metroplitan National Park:

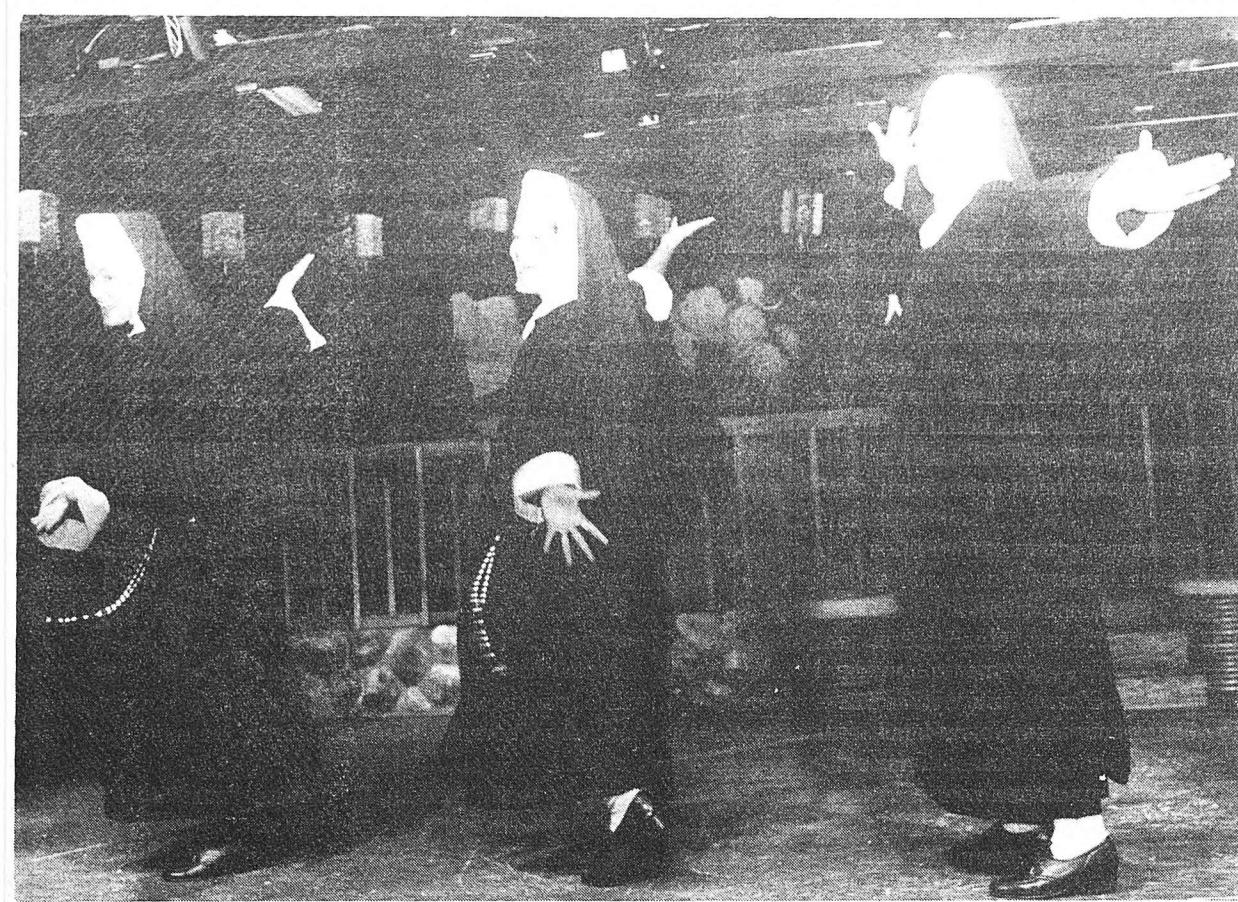
Clear and Present Danger, starring Harrison Ford, will be shown at the Balboa Theatre 7 p.m. Oct. 20. All funds earned at the gala event will go to support the Metropolitan Natural Park in Juan Pablo II Avenue off Curundu Junior High

School. Tickets are \$10, and are available at the park or the theatre box office Oct. 20.

Showtime

◆ Pacific Theatre Arts Center:

The musical production *Bye, Bye Birdie* will open 8 p.m. Oct. 21 at the center. Tickets are \$10, call 286-3814 for reservations. The show runs through Nov. 12.



John Hall (U.S. Navy)

Kick the habit

Melanie Marcec, Laura Adame and Diana Luz Parada perform a song from *Nunsense II*, a musical comedy presented by the Theatre Guild of Ancon. The show runs 8 p.m. Oct. 14-Nov. 5. Gala opening tickets are \$5 for members and \$15 for nonmembers, other performances cost \$8. For reservations call 252-6786.

Arts and crafts

◆Fort Clayton Arts and Crafts Center:

The Ceramic Center, Building 198, is located near the Crafts Shop.

◆Canal Crafters:

Handmade arts and crafts are available, consignments and volunteers are welcome. The shop hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shop is now accepting holiday consignments, Building 804, Albrook.

Register for the following classes at the shop:

Tole-painting, witch 10:15 a.m. Monday.

Stencil demo, 10:15 a.m. Oct. 27. Bring stencil and paints.

◆Howard Skills Development Center:

Framing class, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturday, \$20 plus supplies. Learn how to make your own mats and frames.

Beginning ceramic painting

class, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Monday, \$15 plus supplies. Learn how to use covercoats, glaze and stain in this three week class.

Photo album class, time TBA, Wednesday, \$5 plus supplies. Learn how to make padded photo albums for Christmas gifts, baby showers, weddings.

Ceramic pouring class, 5-7 p.m. Thursday, \$15. Bring supplies.

Clay flower class, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, \$5 plus supplies. For all levels.

Oil paint sale Oct. 21-22. Take 25 percent off of Alexander and Liquitex oil paints.

Ongoing classes, stained glass, framing, air brush, lamp assembly, cross stitch, macrame, clay flower, ceramic and 'how to videos.'

Leather & wood sale today and Saturday. Take 25 percent off unpainted wood and leather items.

The center is looking for crafters to sell items in the new consignment boutique.

Instructors are needed to teach classes on a contract basis for a variety of crafts, decorative painting, calligraphy, watercolors, oil painting.

Padded heart box 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, \$5 plus supplies.

Cake decorating 7-9 p.m. Thursday, \$25 plus supplies.

Intermediate ceramic painting 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, \$15, three weeks.

Ongoing classes: stained glass, framing, air brush, lamp assembly, cross stitch, macrame, clay flower, ceramic and 'how to videos.'

◆Fort Sherman Multicraft Center:

Woodworking qualification class. Class covers safe use of equipment. Qualification cards will be issued after course completion.

◆Valent Recreation Center:

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers next meeting is Thursday.

The screening room offers free movies. Call the 24-hour movie line, 287-4367 for days and times.

Volunteers needed to perform as horror characters for the Haunted House Oct. 29. Interested people must be age 18 and older.

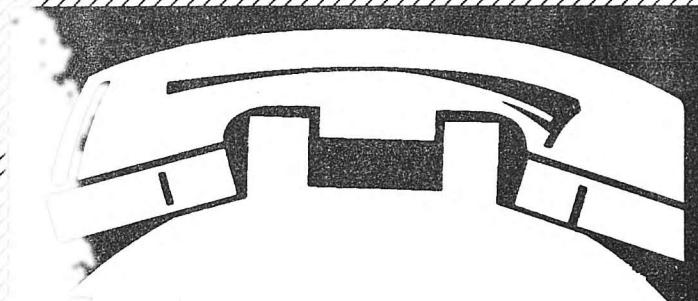
Professional family portraits Sunday and Oct. 22. By appointment only.

Beauty tip demonstration Monday Oct. 21.

◆Cocoli Community Center:

Videos for children 4 p.m. Thursdays.

Laser disc movies 7 p.m. Fridays.



Phone guide

Pacific

24th Services Squadron Sports and Recreational Rental Center, 284-6107
Albrook Auto Craft Shop, 286-3613
Albrook Club, 286-4128
Albrook Riding Stables 287-4411/3333
Albrook Thrift Shop 285-5989
Balboa Dive Club 263-8077/250-0075
Canal Crafters 286-4500
Clayton Arts and Crafts Center, 287-5957
Clayton Boat Shop 287-6453
Clayton Ceramic Center, 287-4360
Clayton NCO Club, 287-3586
Clayton Outdoor Recreation Center, 287-3363
Clayton Scuba Shop 287-3355
Club Amador, 282-3534
Cocoli Recreation Center, 287-3010
Corozal Thrift Shop, 285-5989
Howard Auto Craft Shop, 284-3370
Howard Enlisted Members' Club, 284-4107
Howard Officers' Club, 284-4680
Howard Riding Stables 284-3770
Howard Skills Development Center, 284-6361
Howard Teen Center, 284-4700
Howard Wood Craft Shop 284-4510
The Loop, 287-3035
Pacific Theatre Arts Centre 286-3814
Quarry Heights Officers' Club, 282-4380
Rodman Annex, 283-5475
Rodman Club, 283-4498
Rodman Marina, 283-3147/3150
Rodman Naval Station Information Tour and Travel Office, 283-5307/4454
Twin Oceans Pro Shop 286-6514
Valent Recreation Center, 287-6500
Zodiac Community Activities Center, 284-6161

Atlantic

Aquativity Center, 289-4009
Davis Arts and Crafts Center, 289-5201
Davis Community Club, 289-5160
Ocean Breeze Recreation Center, 289-6402
Outdoor Recreation, 289-4077
Sherman Arts and Crafts Center, 289-6313
Sherman Scuba Shop, 289-6104
Sundial Recreation Center, 289-3889/3300

Atlantic tours

◆Sundial Recreation Center:

El Valle, 5:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Sunday.
Free Zone 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday.
Panama City shopping 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 22.

◆Ocean Breeze Recreation Center:

El Valle overnight Saturday and Sunday.

Panama City shopping 8 a.m. Oct. 22.

Rec center news

◆Sundial Recreation Center:

Gymnastics and ballet, 5:30-6 p.m. Thursdays.

Family exercise 9:30-10:30 a.m. Wednesdays.

Aerobics 9:30-10:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Karate 6-7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

Beginning painting 6-8 p.m. Mondays.

◆Ocean Breeze Recreation Center:

The center offers the following classes: cooking, dance, arts and crafts, music, aerobics, first aid, CPR, yoga, martial arts, various sports, English, Spanish and dog obedience.

The center now offers deep sea fishing charters. Call 289-6402 for information.

People are needed to line handle transiting boats from Cristobal to Balboa. Sign up now. Call for details.

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Fort Clayton 287-3279	6:30pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis 9:30pm: City Slickers 2 (PG-13) Billy Crystal, Daniel Stern (\$1.50/\$1)	2pm: It Could Happen to You (PG) Nicolas Cage, Bridget Fonda 6:30pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis 9:30pm: True Lies (R)	2pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis 7pm: It Could Happen to You (PG) Nicolas Cage, Bridget Fonda 9:30pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis	6:30pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis 7pm: It Could Happen to You (PG) Nicolas Cage, Bridget Fonda 9:30pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis	7pm: It Could Happen to You (PG) Nicolas Cage, Bridget Fonda 9:30pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis	7pm: The Mask (PG-13) Jim Carrey, Richard Jeni 9:30pm: Speed (R) Keanu Reeves, Dennis Hopper	7pm: In the Army Now (PG) Pauly Shore, Lori Petty 9pm: The Mask (PG-13) Jim Carrey, Richard Jeni
Fort Davis 289-5173	7pm: Black Beauty (G) David Thewlis, Sean Bean 9pm: Airheads (PG-13) Brendan Fraser, Steve Buscemi	7pm: The Little Rascals (PG) Travis Tedford, Bug Hall 9pm: Airheads (PG-13) Brendan Fraser, Steve Buscemi	7pm: Black Beauty (G) David Thewlis, Sean Bean	7pm: Airheads (PG-13) Brendan Fraser, Steve Buscemi	7pm: The Little Rascals (PG) Travis Tedford, Bug Hall	7pm: Wolf (R) Jack Nicholson, Michelle Pfeiffer	7pm: It Could Happen to You (PG) Nicolas Cage, Bridget Fonda
Fort Sherman 289-5173	7pm: Above the Rim (R) Duane Martin, Leon (\$1.50/\$1)	4pm: Black Beauty (G) David Thewlis, Sean Bean 7pm: The Cowboy Way (PG-13) Woody Harrelson, Kiefer Sutherland	7pm: The Little Rascals (PG) Travis Tedford, Bug Hall	No show	No show	No show	7pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis
Fort Amador 284-3583	7pm: Speed (R) Keanu Reeves, Dennis Hopper	7pm: Angels in the Outfield (PG) Danny Glover, Tony Danza	7:30pm: The Client (GP-13) Susan Sarandon, Tommy Lee Jones	No show	No show	7pm: True Lies (R) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis	7pm: Color of Night (R) Bruce Willis, Jane March

Coming soon**Oct. 21****Howard AFB**

7pm Clear and Present
Danger (PG-13)
Harrison Ford,
Willem Dafoe
9:45pm Color of Night (R)
Bruce Willis,
Jane March

Fort Clayton

7pm Andre (PG)
Keith Carradine,
Tina Majorino
9pm The Mask (PG-13)
Jim Carrey,
Richard Jeni

Fort Davis

7pm It Could Happen
To You (PG)
Nicholas Cage,
Bridget Fonda
9pm True Lies (R)
Arnold
Schwarzenegger,
Jamie Lee Curtis

Fort Sherman

7pm Wolf (R)
Jack Nicholson,
Michelle Pfeiffer

Fort Amador

7pm In the Army Now
(PG) Paul Shore,
Lori Petty

Now showing**The Mask**

Jim Carrey, Richard Jeni
Nobody does super powers like Jim Carrey. An ordinary, mild-mannered bank clerk is transformed into the weirdest super hero of all time when he dons his mask. PG-13 (some stylized violence), 1 hr, 40 min.

Andre

Keith Carradine, Tina Majorino
An amazing true story of the seal that became a living legend. An adorable newborn seal is orphaned after his mother is caught in a fisherman's net. The pup is nursed back to health by the animal loving Whitney family, who name him Andre. PG (teen mischief, mild violence, language), 1 hr, 34 min.

In the Army Now

Paul Shire, Lori Petty
Paul Shire is not the ideal trooper. In fact, he joined the Army Reserves for the bennies and the regular salary. Reality kicks in when he becomes a part of a mission involving actual combat. PG (some war action, mild language) 1 hr, 31 min.

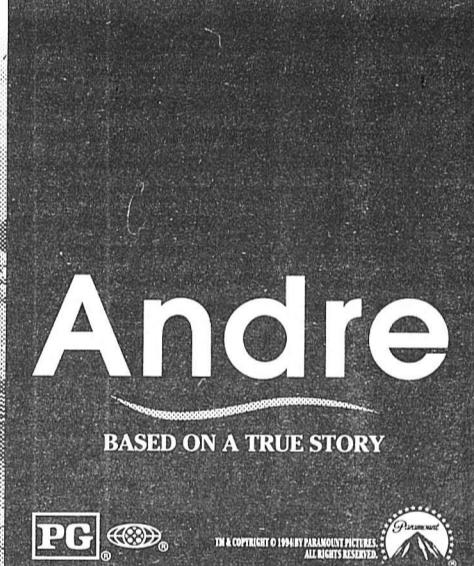
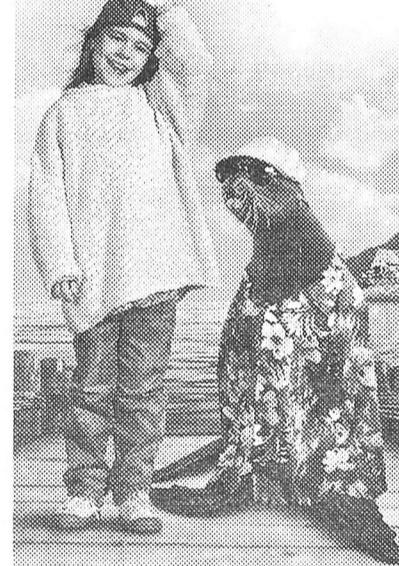
**It Could Happen
to You**

Nicholas Cage, Bridget Fonda
A New York City cop lacking change tips a waitress with a promise to split the winnings from his lottery ticket if he wins. When he wins and wants to make good on the promise, it will be over strong opposition from his wife. PG (mild language, scene of cop action), 1 hr, 41 min.

True Lies

*Arnold Schwarzenegger,
Jamie Lee Curtis*

Harry Tasker is a special agent for Omega Sector, a top secret agency charged with nuclear terrorism intervention. Fluent in six languages and skilled in all

**Now showing at the Howard Theater.**

forms of counter intelligence, Harry is an international spy who has kept his real profession secret from his wife. R (action, violence, language), 1 hr, 82 min.

City Slickers 2

Billy Crystal, Daniel Stern

Our urban cowboys are ready for another adventure. Although Mitch is enjoying the serenity of his suburban New York life with his family and Norman the cow, the discovery of a treasure map sets things back in motion. PG-13 (comic scene and off-color humor) 1 hr, 48 min.

Airheads

Brendan Fraser, Steve Buscemi

Three metal heads desperate to get their demo song played on the radio inadvertently take a radio station hostage. PG-13 (crude dialogue and some sexuality), 1 hr, 29 min.

The Little Rascals

Travis Tedford, Bug Hall

Steven Spielberg produces an appealing update of the *Hat Roach* comedy series from the '20s, '30s and '40s. The gang has established a boy's only club; however, things change when Alfalfa falls for Darla. PG (rude dialogue)

Black Beauty

David Thewlis, Sean Bean

A heartwarming drama based on the family classic novel by Anna Sewell tells the story of a time in history when horses were essential to men's lives. G, 99 min.

The Client

Susan Sarandon, Tommy Lee Jones
Set in New Orleans, this is an adaptation of a John Grisham best selling novel. PG-13 (child in jeopardy, language), 2 hrs.

Speed

Keanu Reeves, Dennis Hopper

LAPD SWAT cop Jack Traven, played by Keanu Reeves, is known as a man with an attitude caused by Dennis Hopper, a sociopath who nearly killed him in an earlier encounter. R (violence, language), 1 hr, 51 min.

Wolf

Jack Nicholson, Michelle Pfeiffer
We all know what happens when you get bit by a werewolf, right? But, do you know what might happen if Jack Nicholson gets bit? R (language, werewolf attacks), 2 hrs.



Channels 8 & 10

* Mature Theme ** Series Begins ***Series Ends + Program time change because of live event ****Program moved to new day and time

Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
5:30 NBC News at Sunrise	6:30 Headline News	6:00 CCMTV	5:30 NBC News at Sunrise			
6:00 Good Morning America w/Panama Now (7:25)	7:00 Navy/Marine Corps News	6:30 Outreach of Love	6:00 Good Morning America w/Panama Now (7:25)			
8:00 Basic Training Workout	8:00 Guts	7:00 Parliament of Souls	8:00 Basic Training Workout	8:00 Bodyshaping	8:00 Basic Training Workout	8:00 Bodyshaping
8:30 Sesame Street	8:30 Just for Kids!	7:30 Lifestyle Magazine	8:00 CBS Sunday Morning	8:30 Sesame Street	8:30 Sesame Street	8:30 Sesame Street
9:30 Portrait of America	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles	9:30 This Week w/Brinkley	9:30 Portrait of America			
10:25 Guiding Light	Garfield & Friends	10:30 Face the Nation	11:10 General Hospital	10:25 Guiding Light	10:25 Guiding Light	10:25 Guiding Light
11:10 General Hospital	Turtles	11:00 Inside the NFL	12:00 Headline News	11:10 General Hospital	11:10 General Hospital	11:10 General Hospital
12:00 Headline News Break	Biker Mice from Mars	12:00 Headline News	12:30 Sports Machine	12:00 Headline News Break	12:00 Headline News Break	12:00 Headline News Break
12:25 Panama Now	Batman Cartoon	12:30 On Stage	1:00 Another World	12:25 Panama Now	12:25 Panama Now	12:25 Panama Now
12:30 Sportscenter	10:30 Faerie Tale Theater	1:00 Movies: "Great Land of the Small"	2:00 Oprah Winfrey	12:30 Sportscenter	12:30 Sportscenter	12:30 Sportscenter
1:00 Another World	11:00 College Football: Auburn Tigers vs. Florida Gators	2:30 Sesame Street Presents: "Follow that Bird"	3:00 Price is Right	1:00 Another World	1:00 Another World	1:00 Another World
2:00 Oprah Winfrey	2:30 College Football: Penn State Nittany Lions vs. Michigan Wolverines	4:00 Victory at Sea	4:00 Guts	2:00 Sally Jesse Raphael	2:00 Oprah Winfrey	2:00 Donahue
3:00 Price is Right	5:30 Headline News	5:00 Family Feud	3:00 Price is Right			
4:00 Think Fast!	6:00 Paradise	5:30 The Cosby Show	4:00 Reading Rainbow	4:00 Shining Time Station	4:00 In the Mix	4:30 I Love Lucy
4:30 I Love Lucy	7:00 Rescue 911	6:00 Entertainment This Week	4:30 I Love Lucy	4:30 I Love Lucy	5:00 Family Feud	5:00 Family Feud
5:00 Family Feud	8:00 Walker: Texas Ranger	6:30 Hearts Afire	5:00 Family Feud	5:30 The Cosby Show	5:30 The Cosby Show	5:30 The Cosby Show
5:30 The Cosby Show	9:00 Movie: "The Best Little Girl in the World"	7:00 Dr. Quinn: Medicine Woman	6:00 SCN Evening Report			
6:00 SCN Evening Report	10:40 Saturday Night Live	8:00 Mini series: "The Return to Lonesome Dove" (Part 1 of 4)	6:15 Headline News Break			
6:15 Headline News Break	12:10 WWF Superstars of Wrestling	9:35 ABC 20/20	7:30 Entertainment Tonight	7:30 Entertainment Tonight	7:30 Entertainment Tonight	7:30 Entertainment Tonight
6:30 World News Tonight	1:00 Friday Night Videos	10:35 Top Cops	8:00 Mad About You	8:00 L.A. Law +	8:00 Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	8:00 ALF
7:00 Jeopardy	2:00 Movies: "Fright Night"	11:30 Miami Vice	8:30 Cops	9:00 Northern Exposure	8:30 Beverly Hills 90210	8:30 Touched by an Angel **
7:25 Panama Now	4:00 "Man from Laramie"	12:00 Movies: "Hollywood Shuffle"	11:30 Tonight Show	10:00 SCN Late Edition	9:30 Culture Clash	9:30 Love and War **
7:30 Entertainment Tonight		1:30 "Double Edge"	12:30 M*A*S*H	10:05 Cheers	10:00 SCN Late Edition	10:00 SCN Late Edition
8:00 America's Funniest People		2:35 "Razor's Edge"	1:00 Movies: "Hail! Hail! Rock 'n Roll"	10:30 David Letterman	10:05 Cheers	10:05 Cheers
8:30 Evening Shade		4:35 NBC at Sunrise	3:00 "The Big Chill"	11:30 Tonight Show	10:30 David Letterman	10:30 David Letterman
9:00 In the Heat of the Night		5:00 Headline News	5:00 Headline News Break	12:30 M*A*S*H	11:30 Tonight Show	11:30 Tonight Show
10:00 SCN Late Edition				1:00 Movies: "Canterville Ghost"	12:30 M*A*S*H	12:30 M*A*S*H
10:05 Cheers				2:40 "PT 109"	1:00 Movies: "The Sundowners"	1:00 Movies: "The Green Berets"
10:30 David Letterman				5:00 Headline News Break	3:15 "Them"	3:15 "Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf?"
11:30 Tonight Show					5:00 Headline News Break	
12:30 Ren and Stimpy						
1:00 Movies: "The Harder They Fall"						
3:00 "Mr. Deed Goes to Town"						
5:00 "Seven Little Foys"						

Cable channel 14

* Mature Theme ** Series Begins ***Series Ends + Program time change because of live event ****Program moved to new day and time

Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
5:30 Simulcast w/Ch. 8 & 10	6:30 Simulcast w/Ch. 8 & 10	6:00 Washington Week in Review	4:30 Simulcast w/Ch. 8 & 10	5:30 Simulcast w/Ch. 8 & 10	5:30 Simulcast w/Ch. 8 & 10	5:30 Simulcast w/Ch. 8 & 10
8:00 Oprah Winfrey	8:30 Young Adult Theater "Don't Touch" "American Eyes" "Ernest: Sacred Stupid"	7:00 Shining Time Station The Sunshine Factory	8:00 Oprah Winfrey	8:00 Donahue	8:00 Oprah Winfrey	8:00 Sally Jesse Raphael
9:00 Today		7:30 Goof Troop	9:00 Today	9:00 Today	9:00 Today	9:00 Today
11:00 Star Trek		7:50 Muppet Babies	11:00 Star Trek	11:00 Star Trek	11:00 Star Trek	11:00 Star Trek
12:00 Headline News Break		8:20 Disney's The Little Mermaid	12:00 Headline News Break	12:00 Headline News Break	12:00 Headline News Break	12:00 Headline News Break
12:25 Panama Now		8:30 Where on Earth is Carmen San Diego ***	12:30 All My Children	12:25 Panama Now	12:25 Panama Now	12:25 Panama Now
12:30 All My Children		9:05 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles	1:30 One Life to Live	12:30 All My Children	12:30 All My Children	12:30 All My Children
1:30 One Life to Live		9:30 Movie: "Hans Christian Andersen"	2:30 Young and the Restless	1:30 One Life to Live	1:30 One Life to Live	1:30 One Life to Live
2:30 Young and the Restless		10:30 NFL Pre-Game Show	3:30 Batman	2:30 Young and the Restless	2:30 Young and the Restless	2:30 Young and the Restless
3:30 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles		11:30 NFL Pre-Game Show	4:00 Fraggle Rock	3:30 Where on Earth is Carmen San Diego?	3:30 Goof Troop	3:30 Muppet Babies
4:00 Fraggle Rock		12:00 NFL Football: Los Angeles Raiders vs. Miami Dolphins	4:30 The Adventures of Pete & Pete	4:00 Fraggle Rock	4:00 Fraggle Rock	4:00 Fraggle Rock
4:30 Reading Rainbow		3:00 NFL Football: New York Giants vs. Los Angeles Rams	5:00 In the Mix	4:30 Think Fast	5:00 Beakman's World	5:00 Fact of Life
5:00 Silver Spoons		4:00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	5:30 Showbiz Today	5:00 Disney's Raw Toonage	5:30 Showbiz Today	5:30 Showbiz Today
5:30 Showbiz Today		5:00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	6:00 SCN Evening Report	5:30 Showbiz Today	6:00 SCN Evening Report	6:00 SCN Evening Report
6:00 Headline News		6:00 NFL Football: Los Angeles Raiders vs. Miami Dolphins	6:15 Headline News Break	6:00 SCN Evening Report	6:15 Headline News Break	6:15 Headline News Break
6:30 CBS Evening News		7:00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	6:30 CBS Evening News	6:15 Headline News Break	6:30 CBS Evening News	6:30 CBS Evening News
7:00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine ** (Pilot movie)		8:00 Monday Night Football: Kansas City Chiefs vs. Denver Broncos	7:00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	6:30 CBS Evening News	7:00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	7:00 NFL Football: Green Bay Packers vs. Minnesota Vikings
8:35 Panama Now +		11:00 Eye to Eye w/C. Chung	11:00 Headline News	7:00 Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	7:55 Panama Now	10:00 SCN Late Edition
8:40 Roseanne +		12:00 Headline News	11:30 Nightline	8:00 Home Improvement	8:00 Sinbad Show	10:05 L.A. Law
9:10 The Boys are Back (New Fall Series)		3:30 Saturday Night Live	12:00 Cheers	8:30 My So-Called Life (New Fall Series)	8:30 Family Matters	11:00 Headline News
9:35 SCN Late Edition +		5:00 Videolinks	12:30 M*A*S*H	9:00 Wise Guy	9:00 Nightline	11:30 Nightline
10:40 Renegade +		5:30 Headline News Break	1:00 Movie: "The Player"	10:00 SCN Late Edition	10:05 Tour of Duty	12:00 Cheers
11:30 Nightline			10:00 Buck James	11:00 Headline News	11:00 Headline News	12:30 M*A*S*H
12:00 Cheers			11:00 Eye to Eye w/C. Chung	11:00 Headline News Break	11:30 Nightline	1:00 Headline News
12:30 M*A*S*H			12:00 Headline News	12:00 Headline News	12:00 Headline News	1:30 Sports Late Night
1:00 Headline News			12:30 Meet the Press	12:00 Cheers	12:00 Headline News	2:00 David Letterman
1:30 Sports Late Night			1:30 Sports Machine	12:30 M*A*S*H	1:30 Sports Late Night	3:00 Headline News
2:00 David Letterman			2:00 Sports Late Night	1:00 Headline News	2:00 David Letterman	3:30 Wheel of Fortune
3:00 Headline News			2:30 Frugal Gourmet	1:30 Sports Late Night	3:00 Headline News	4:00 Jeopardy
3:30 Military News			3:00 Headline News	2:00 David Letterman	4:00 Jeopardy	4:30 Oprah Winfrey
4:00 Tom & Jerry Kids			3:30 Wheel of Fortune	3:00 Headline News	4:30 Sally Jesse Raphael	
4:30 Tiny Toons Adventures			4:00 Jeopardy	3:30 Wheel of Fortune		
5:00 CRO						
5:30 Videolinks						

Sports and specials

Channels 8 & 10

Sports

College football

Auburn Tigers vs. Florida Gators, 11 a.m. Saturday
Penn State Nittany Lions vs. Michigan Wolverines, 2:30 p.m. Saturday

Series starts

"Touched by an Angel," 8:30 p.m. Thursday.

Monica is a guardian angel who plummets through the sky like a fireball and makes her dramatic entrance on Earth by belly flopping directly into Santa Monica Bay. Monica has been sent to protect "Destiny Tots," children who are fated for greatness.

"Love and War," 9:30 p.m. Thursday.

Jack is testing his friend's patience by continually moping over Wally's departure. Jay Thomas and Annie Potts return for another hilarious season of "Love and War."

Mini-series

"Return to Lonesome Dove," 8 p.m. Sunday.

Academy Award-winner John Voight takes over the role made famous by Tommy Lee Jones as Larry McMurtry's "Lonesome Dove" saga resumes in this sweeping sequel to the history-making 1989 mini-series.

Movies

"The Best Little Girl in the World," 9 p.m. Saturday.

A model teenager from a middle class family suffers from anorexia nervosa while her family and friends see her as "The Best Little Girl in the World." Stars Jennifer Jason Leigh and Ally Sheedy.

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Sports

NFL football

Los Angeles Raiders vs. Miami Dolphins, noon Sunday
New York Giants vs. Los Angeles Rams, 3 p.m. Sunday
Kansas City Chiefs vs. Denver Broncos, 8 p.m. Monday
Green Bay Packers vs. Minnesota Vikings, 7 p.m. Thursday

Series starts

"Me and the Boys," 9 p.m. Saturday.

Steve Hayes is a proud, hard-working widower who is determined to give his three sons the best possible shot at a bright future. Adding a tender and nurturing touch to this all-male

Duty-free merchandise

FORT CLAYTON (Contraband Control Office) – As a reminder, in accordance with the Panama Canal Treaty and U.S. Southern Command regulations, duty free merchandise, whether new or used, cannot be given, transferred or generally sold to non-privilege holders. Violations to these dispositions may subject violators to prosecution under both, military and Panamanian laws. It is sometimes permissible to sell an item, but only if Panamanian taxes are paid. Before such a sale, it is strongly recommended that the seller contact the Contraband Control Section for advice at 286-3117.

Animals

Male Irish setter, all shots, gd watch dog, very affectionate, \$85. 287-4338.

Mixed breed male puppy, house trained, \$20. 286-3371.

Pitbull/rotweiler mix, female, 4 mos old, gd watch dog, \$100. Call collect from base, 281-0101 for 50-0311.

Doberman, black, female, all shots, CCP registered. Gd watch dog, \$200. Collect from base, 281-0101 for 50-0311.

Cocker spaniel pup, 6 mos old, female, tan, \$150/obo. 289-6431.

Dalmations for sale, male and female, \$150 each. 289-4166.

Pit bull for stud service, ADBA registered. 239-4311.

Male cat, 2 yrs old, declawed and fixed. 260-9303.

Pekipoo puppies, 6 wks, dewormed, \$75. 264-0460 after 5pm.

Seal Point Himalayan-Persian male for stud service, CFA reg, proven. 289-4354 evenings.

CFA reg Himalayan-Persian kittens avail; flame-point and blue-point. 289-4354 evenings.

Chubby calico kitten, neutered, litterbox trained, free. 283-4086.

Freshwater aquarium angel fish, different sizes, \$1.50 each. 252-1269.

Female 6 mos old pup, mixed breed w/ shots, grt w/kids, free. 283-6375.

Black and white kitten free. 287-3136.

Female doberman, 2 yrs old, \$50. 287-5782.

Collie puppy, male, pure breed but no papers, first shots, 8 1/2 wks old, \$250. 261-3325.

English bull terrier (Spud McKensie) puppies male and female, white w/black eyes, brindle, red. 261-2994 after 6pm.

Catahoula stud ready for breeding, beautiful markings, 2 yrs old. 261-1224.

Gray tabby kitten, 8 wks old, free. 286-6179.

Automobiles

1992 GSI Daewoo, 5 spd, am/fm, ac, car alarm, gd mpg, 5 passenger, not dty pd, \$5,600/obo. 286-3273.

1987 Dodge Ram p/u, 59K miles, runs like new, well maintained, \$4,000. 264-7779.

1975 Mercedes 230.6, ac, ps, new paint and body work, new tires and rims, dual carbs, dty pd, not US specs, \$3,000. 261-1415.

1991 Mazda Miata conv w/hard top, ac, at, low milage, exc cond, alarm system, \$17,000. 287-6233.

1988 Montero, at, diesel, loaded, dty pd, \$12,000/obo. 269-5700.

1986 Taurus, 5 spd, new ac, dty pd, grt cond, \$6,000/obo. 269-5700.

1991 Ford Explorer XLT, 4x4, ac, radio cass, dty pd, \$16,900. 228-4061.

Parts for 1987 Chevy cavalier, engine and trans for standard, fenders, bumpers, windows, rack and pinion, discs and drums. 228-4061.

1984 Dodge Daytona turbo, pb, pw, ps, ac, new interior, \$3,000/obo. 261-2053.

1991 Ford Escort LX, air, ps, pb, 40m/g, new tires, exc cond, original owner, \$7,500/obo. 284-4125.

1979 Chevy Nova, ac, ps, rebuilt engine and breaks, grt tires, runs grt.

\$1,100/obo. 287-4877.

1987 Dodge Shadow turbo 2 dr, 5 spd, runs gd, front end damaged, but still drivable, \$3,500. 284-3586.

1989 Buick Skyhawk, 2 dr, at, ac, tint, tilt, cruise, \$5,500. 284-3670.

1991 Buick Regal limited, fully loaded, new tires, exc cond, \$12,000. 287-3682.

1991 Suzuki Samurai, soft top, 4wd, ac, 15,000 miles, 5 spd, \$6,600. 289-5960.

1989 Eagle premier 3.0 V6, 4spd, at, clean, sharp, tinted wind, loaded, \$6,000. 289-3531.

1987 BMW 316i, white, auto, exc cond, fully loaded, \$8,900/obo. 263-4671.

1985 Ranger XL, on/off road equipped, 4x4, lift kit, one of a kind, trick, trk, \$4,250/obo. 289-5942.

1985 Chevy Blazer, 5 spd, ps, pb, pw, new tires, runs grt, gd body, \$4,500. 289-4166.

1990 Chevy Cavalier, 2 dr coupe, 5 spd, am/fm cass, air, ps, pb, low miles, \$7,500/obo. 264-3143.

1983 Honda Accord, ps, ac, dty pd, stand trans, exc cond, \$3,700/obo. 233-0744.

1987 Caravan, ac, pb, ps, clean, exc cond, \$6,200. 284-4183.

1980 Volvo, 131K miles, runs grt, 2 dr, auto trans, ac, not dty pd, \$2,800/obo. 282-3287.

1993 Honda Integra, 4dr, 5spd, ac, sunroof, 18K miles, 4 cyl, pl, pw, fm cass, fog lights, \$18,600. 283-6425.

1986 Pontiac Fiero SE, V6, auto, pb, ac, performance suspension, many new parts, looks and runs grt, \$6,700. 284-3966.

1990 Nissan truck, 84K miles, exc cond, competition stereo, talking alarm, 5-star wheels, custom exhaust. 287-5582.

1987 Chevy Suburban R-10 1/2 ton, 4wd, double ac, new tires, 55K miles, dty pd, exc cond, \$11,000. 252-5397.

1981 Mazda GLC, stand, ac, dty pd, \$2,100. 252-6768.

1989 Ford tempo, exc cond, auto, complete car care record, \$5,800. 284-6381.

Suzuki Samoury, hard top, dty pd, 4x4, \$2,500. 252-8183.

1987 Dodge Ram p/u, not dty pd, no ac, low milage, exc cond, runs grt, \$4,000. 264-7779.

1993 Nissan Bluebird, ac, auto, tinted wind, am/fm, alarm, low miles, dty pd, \$13,500. 236-0984.

1978 Volvo 244DL, ac, am/fm cass, gd cond, not dty pd, \$2,300/obo. 285-6870 Room 210.

1981 Camaro, manual trans, \$2,000; 1979 Monte Carlo, needs work, make offer. 283-5088.

1993 Ford Ranger p/u, ac, am/fm cass, powerside mirrors, \$12,000. 220-1121.

1985 truck D-100 w/camper shell, \$2,500/obo. 287-6739.

1988 Toyota Corolla, 1.3cc, at, ac, am/fm cass, low miles, dty pd, \$5,400. 261-6037.

1992 Volvo wagon 240, seats 7, tinted wind, pl, pw, ac, am/fm cass, exc cond \$20,000/obo. 260-7094.

1994 Daihatsu Charade, 5 spd, am/fm cass, ac, alarm, grt gas mileage, \$5,400. 264-4105.

1988 318i BMW, 2 dr, Euro spec, ac, am/fm cass, shadow line, not dty pd, \$8,000. 261-6119.

1988 Pontiac LeMans, mint cond, ac,

runs grt, gd gas milage, \$4,500/obo. 284-3197.

1990 Pontiac Gran Prix, V6, fully loaded, never wrecked, \$9,500/obo. 286-6298.

1989 Olds Cutlass Calaisse Quad 4 eng, 4 dr, ac, ps, pb, am/fm cass, 69K miles, \$6,400/obo. 287-3534.

1984 Ford LTD station wagon, ac, am/fm radio, tinted wind, 6 cyl, new tires, dty free, \$3,500. 264-8675.

1994 Chrysler LeBaron conv, stand, ac, anti lock brakes, am/fm cass, King blue book. 284-4991.

1992 Toyota p/u, like new, 30K miles, 5 spd, am/fm cass, for quick sale, \$7,800. 286-4375.

1984 Toyota Land Cruiser, not dty pd, \$4,500 firm. 260-8154.

1983 CJ-7 Jeep, laredo package, gd cond, \$6,000. 252-5024.

1990 Ford Festiva L-plus, ps, at, am/fm stereo, new tires, grt cond, \$7,500/obo. 284-3590.

1986 Nissan Sunny, exc cond, 4 dr, ac, am/fm stereo, dty pd, \$3,500/obo. 236-3099.

1988 Jeep Comanche, 4x4, am/fm cass Kenwood, ac, ps, pb, new tires, sport wheels, best offer. 261-6418.

1985 Subaru GL, 4 dr, 5 spd, stick, US specs, gd cond, dty pd, \$3,250. 256-6631.

1993 S-10 Blazer, 4x4, pl, pw, 5 spd automatic, 2,8 liter, \$4,900. 252-1190.

1992 Chevy S10 Tahoe, ext cab, w/camper liner, V6/4.3l, auto, ac, ps, pb, am/fm cass, exc cond, 26K miles, \$11,500. 283-6785.

1991 Camaro RS, 5 spd, am/fm cass, ps, pb, low miles, new tires, \$9,950. 256-6830.

1990 Volvo 740, ac, am/fm cass, pb, exc cond, \$9,000. 226-6341.

1972 Plymouth Duster, \$800. 287-6174.

1991 Nissan Maxima, loaded, leather seats, spoiler, 35K miles, Bose stereo system, etc, \$16,500. 286-6346.

1978 Mercury Monarch, exc cond, auto, ac, pw, ps, am/fm cass, dty pd, best offer. 232-6056.

1978 Toyota Celica, ac, not dty pd, runs gd, \$1,300. 286-6326.

1987 Chevy Blazer S10, fully loaded, 4x4, Tahoe package, \$9,000. 286-4676.

1990 Geo Tracker LSI, 4x4, ac, exc cond, 5spd, hard top, cass, split rear seat, \$8,800. 287-5933.

1986 Nissan Pulsar NX, pb, ac, am/fm stereo, runs gd, \$3,000/obo. 286-4595.

1993 Ford Probe GT, 13K miles, dty pd, loaded, \$18,000. 287-6247.

1983 Olds Cutlass Supreme, fully loaded, V6, auto, 2 dr, not dty pd, gd cond, stereo, \$1,900/obo. 269-7770 ext 1114.

1993 Mitsubishi Eclipse, at, one owner, 26K miles, runs grt, GE warranty, \$15,000/\$17,000 duty. 287-5967.

1992 Honda Civic CX, 26K miles, air, stick, Alpine stereo, \$7,700. 269-7669.

1985 Dodge Ram Charger, 4wd, off-road extras, ac, exc cond, \$5,000. 287-4475.

1987 Chev Van, ac and auto, \$6,000. 287-3497.

1990 Ford Taurus GL, 36K miles, V6, auto, ps, pb, am/fm cass, \$9,500/obo. 287-6174.

BMW 530i, US specs, gd cond, many new parts, \$2,000. 286-6398.

1985 Renault conv, ps, pb, 5 spd, 4 cyl, ac, \$2,300. 285-4793.

1987 VW GTI, 1.8L 4 cyl, ac, ps, pb, 5 spd, sunroof, \$4,000. 285-4793.

1985 Porsche 944, 5 spd, ac, sunroof, all power, cd stereo, cruise, alarm, \$11,000/obo. 284-4227.

1983 Ford Bronco, full size, ac, 4 spd, roll bar, off-road kit, hitch, nice stereo, \$7,000. 284-4227.

1982 Ford Escort, exc cond, 4 spd, ac, am/fm cass, shadow line, not dty pd, \$2,900. 286-6134.

Home care provider, full and part time. Drop-ins welcome, first-aid, CPR certified. 283-6737 for Jill.

1986 Chrysler LeBaron GTS, loaded,

runs grt, gd gas milage, \$4,500/obo. 284-3197.

Honest, reliable Eng-spking day maid, 3 days open, \$10 per day. 287-5121.



Classified Ads

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New Sega Genesis w/10 games, \$250. 282-4635.

IBM 386sx/25mhz, pb suga monitor, game/joystick hookup, Epson lx-86 printer & more, \$875/obo. 286-4428.

Kenwood 350 watt pwr amp \$200, equalizer \$150, Tandy tv monitor \$50. 235-4096.

New Sega games: Streets of Rage, Castlevania II, Altered Beast, Spiderman, Snes Super Chase HQ. \$30 each. 287-3074.

Found

Young, orange, male cat on Fort Espinar. 289-4834.

Household

King mattress in good cond, \$75. 286-6477.

Misc furniture, good quality, exc cond; book shelves; dinette sets; electric piano; & more. 287-6233.

7-pc Bassett bedroom set, solid wood, white w/gold trim, no bed, \$1,200/obo. 284-5833.

Sofa, light blue design, like new, \$600. 269-5700.

Wrought iron terrace furniture, suitcases, sofas, more. 223-8159, after 5 p.m.

Bedroom set, real oak/antique pecan finish w/chest, 2 ns, triple dresser & mirror, F/Q headboard, \$1,500 firm; Q matt/springs, like new, \$395. 283-3220.

Oak & glass living room tables (1 coffee & 2 ends), less than 1 yr old, \$140. 286-4882.

King size Blackwood waterbed w/waveless matt, dresser & mirror, like new, \$750/obo. 284-5269. Brand new GE gas stove \$525; Roper heavy duty washer \$425; prices neg. 283-3485.

3-pc mirror set 15"x35" & oak golf ball display case for 25 balls. 286-4935.

Whirlpool 25.7 cubic ft refrigerator/freezer, ice maker, water/ice dispenser, serva-door, beige. \$550. 252-6869.

4-tier bookcase w/glass shelves, blk & gold, new, \$90. 286-6124.

Country blue Barclay sofa w/4 matching pillows, 4 mos old, scotchgaurd fabric protector, paid \$600, will accept \$500. 283-3825.

9'x12' blue carpet w/rubber backing, good cond, \$50. 223-5843.

Mini-blinds, 3-sets, new, never used, fit tropical 2-story base housing windows, \$30 each. 286-4935.

Kitchen table w/2 bench-style seats, \$150. 284-6489.

Girls bedroom set \$250; matt & box \$350; coffee & side tables \$50; boy's bike \$70; girl bike \$75; Q box spring \$30. 287-4877.

Simmons light brown baby crib w/Simmons baby supreme interspring matt, \$150. 286-6132.

Queen size sofa/sleeper & Queen Anne chair \$850; Oster kitchen center \$100, all like new. 226-8516.

Custom-made bedroom furn, solid mahogany, incl triple dresser, 2 mirrors, 2 ns, F/Q headboard, chest, \$2,400; Queen matt/springs, firm, like new, \$395. 283-3220.

29 cu Amana refrig/freezer \$1,000; teak ent cntr w/hutch \$1,700; dinette set \$700; more. 287-6233.

Sofa, love seat, chair & 2 end tables \$1,200; Full size bed & dresser/mirror \$100. 287-3531.

Country blue recliner in good cond, \$150. 284-5777.

Sofas (2), coffee table & queen size waterbed. 260-2169.

Carpets, never used: medium teal; mauve/white, \$7.50 per sq ft. 260-5220.

Recliner; queen size matt; full size matt & box spring; GE refrig 24 cu ft; washing machine. 252-2180.

6' spruce art Christmas tree \$100; red-wood picnic table \$100; small ent cntr \$150. 287-5021.

Rattan furn, carpets, drapes, more, all like new, at Howard. 284-5238.

Bedroom set: black lacquer w/gold

trim \$750; queen size bed set w/frame, box spring & matt \$450, all exc cond. 264-5160, Mike after 7 p.m.

Sofa/love seat w/dark flowered pattern in mint cond \$1,000/obo; baby bath \$4; toddler clothes. 287-6187.

Mother pearl end tables \$300; Korean detailed chess set \$35. 283-4483.

GE XL44 gas range, like new, hookups incl, \$350. 282-3030.

7,000 btu a/c \$225; 6,000 btu a/c \$165. 256-6830.

GE refrigerator, 19 cu ft, almond, exc cond, \$450. 226-2012.

6-pc den set, like new, \$350. 252-3260.

Dinette set, \$200/obo. 284-6184.

Kenmore dryer, large cap, white, heavy duty, \$150. 286-6293.

GE 23.5 cu ft refrigerator, white, good cond, \$525; sofa bed & love seat w/oak trim, \$900. 261-4702.

Blue 9x12 carpet \$45; Hitachi console tv \$400; mirowave stand \$50. 286-4893.

Whirlpool dryer, 5 temp/3 speed, cream, needs heating element. 283-6737.

Dishwasher, portable, good cond, \$90. 282-3580.

Heavy duty, lrg cap washer, like new, \$350. 236-3099.

White toddler bed w/waterproof matt, side rails & toy/linen trays for under bed, like new, \$150. 287-5291.

Like new matching sofa \$800 & love seat \$600; full size matt & box spring w/frame \$200. 287-5021.

Carpets: 12x22 & tan \$70; 7x12 & tan \$40; 7x112 & white \$35; stepper exercise machine \$100/obo; plants. 282-3783.

Recliner, good cond, \$150. 226-2012.

Matching tan sofa & love seat w/oak trim, oak coffee table, end table, floor lamp & tan carpet 12x22, \$1,200/obo. 282-3783.

9x12 rusty red carpet, must sell before Nov. 1, \$70. 260-9303.

Danish entertainment set, Danish white corner lamp, Danish dresser w/China, sc word processor & printer. 236-0984.

2 twin beds \$150ea, chest of drawers \$100, freezer \$250, stove \$350, BW TV \$50, all in superb cond. 223-3645 after 6pm.

Beta VCR w/100 tapes, 19" color TV, 2 girls bikes, German bar/hutch, 3 person rubber boat, Panasonic stereo w/speakers and CD player. 287-3685.

Whirlpool refrigerator, white, 14 feet, exc cond, 5yrs old, \$425. 269-3538.

Sofa, light blue design, like new, \$600. 269-5700.

King size waterbed, \$210/obo. 223-2483.

Sofa, 3 cushion, like new, \$500/obo; small glass cube table, \$50; storage box cube w/drawers, \$35. 228-4514.

Large Whirlpool washer/dryer, exc cond, sold as a set, \$450. 236-3099.

Sofa sleeper, queen size, exc cond, \$600. 284-3481.

Sofa, chair, lamp and curtains. 252-2568.

Twin bookcase, headboard and mattresses, \$250; dresser \$100, exc cond. 286-3541.

Blue curtains \$15, Kenmore micro \$150, swing set \$35. 252-2028.

GE 19.6 CU FT refrig w/ inside ice maker \$750, bedroom set w/ hutch and lights, solid pine, \$1,100. 252-2028.

Full size white whicker headboard, \$50. 282-3497.

2 sofas brown and gray, \$200 and \$400; coffee table \$150; queen size waterbed, \$175; 19" color TV, \$175. 260-2169.

Sofa and love seat exc cond, \$500; almost new boys 20" bike, \$65. 282-3228.

30x60 metal desk \$130, 30x40 glass top dinette table \$150, 40x60 table \$120. 226-1158.

4 yr old couch, loveseat, \$600 for both; blue recliner 1yr old, \$270. 284-6239.

24,000 Fedders a/c, \$350; 21,000 Friedrich ac, \$350; 9,000 Westinghouse ac, \$195. 252-2287.

Window ac, exc for maid's qtrs, \$100. 284-4595.

Blue recliner \$300, Whirlpool portable dishwasher \$200, Almiral freezer \$450, queen size sofa bed, \$525. 286-4023.

3 pc glass coffee table set, brass and wood, \$250. 287-5595.

Lost

Checkbook, brown cover, Air Academy Federal Credit Union, at Clayton or Howard. 260-8239.

Miscellaneous

Waterbed heater, \$75, Mr. Coffee 12 cup coffeemaker w/24 hr timer. 286-4399.

Toro self-propelled mower, grt cond, \$350; edger 3.5 Briggs/Stratton, grt cond, \$125; weedeater, hvy dty, \$95; 2 Briggs/Stratton engs, \$90ea. 283-3220.

Ladies 18k 3 color gold necklace, \$800. 226-8576.

Huffy 18 spd mt bike, 4 mos old, like new, \$175. 286-3371.

Baby crib/bed, w/5 drawers, \$450, baby car seat, \$50. 223-7829.

Four new tires 185/60R13 w/rims, \$160. 282-3793.

FSU books, BSC 1005m, enc 1101 Bedford & enc 1101 work in progress, used once. 287-4438.

Official size ping pong tbl, \$50. 284-4733.

Snapper lawn mower, 3.5hp self-propelled w/bag, \$275. 284-4733.

Sharp VCR, \$150, Kenex super wide racquetball racquet, \$15. 284-3356 Rm 322.

Boy's bike, good cond, \$25. 284-3184.

Two P205/75R15 tires w/rim, 1 spare. 223-6105.

Men's wedding band, sz 10 w/nuggets & 5 shot diamonds, 6 mos, new, neg. 287-3088 Rm 308.

7 1/2 & 9 tycoon Fin-nor reels w/ match Fin-nor rods, exc cond, \$1,800. 252-2080.

Force outboard motor, new, \$500. 282-5630.

10 gal fish tank w/light & complete set, \$30. 284-5777.

Kenmore refrig/frzr, 26 cuft, ice/water dispenser, \$950; washer/dryer, \$400; baby stroller, \$35; car seat, \$40, encyclopedia sets, all \$40. 260-7094.

Weight bench w/wts, one long bar, dumb ell bars, approx 360 lbs, \$350. 261-4702.

Men's 27" bike, exc cond, 18 spd, \$125. 284-4981.

Surfboards, 7'10, 6'10, 6'6, all new. 243-5777.

Yamaha electron HX-3 electric organ all functions & tones, 2 spkers, music disk recorder, \$12,000. 264-8427.

Transmission, auto, 5spd, '84 Toyota, \$250/obo. 289-4984.

Ladies Huffy 10 spd touring bike, \$95, men's 10 spd Huffy bike, \$65. 11,500 but ac, \$180. 284-3437.

Plants, all sizes & prices, Nintendo games \$12 ea. 236-0984.

Specialty baskets, can be ordered in time for the holidays. 260-3533 after 6pm.

Fisher Price baby tub, Criterion 30watt spkers, NEC micro computer keybd, drafting chr. 287-4182.

Westone guitar, crate G15 amp, \$350. 284-5355 West.

Air conditioning service and repair for houses and any kind of cars, low prices. 228-0201.

FSU basic college algebra, mac 1102

book, almost new, \$45. 226-7168.

Brand new footbal visor, clear color, \$20. 286-3630.

Elec water heater, \$70, air purifier, \$150, store display cabinet, wood/glass, \$100. 226-8626.

Portable craft center, \$15, tlb saw, \$45, printer stand, \$15, rattan wine rack, \$10, spot light lamp, new, \$40. 252-2042.

Victoria Secret robe, new, \$30, velvet dress,

Employment

HOW TO APPLY: Submit a SF-171, DD 214 if claiming veteran preference, a copy of college transcripts if claiming education and a copy of CASP notice of rating if applicable. Submit a copy of latest SF-50 if you are a Federal employee.

For more information regarding Army vacancy announcements (forms required, job related criteria, etc.), visit the Directorate of Civilian Personnel, Building 560, Room 102, Corozal, or call 285-5201.

*Note: One-on-one employment counseling should be the first step in the job search.

SPÉCIALIZED EXPERIENCE: Positions at NM-5 level and above require specialized experience. Specialized experience is either education above the high school level or work experience directly related to the position being filled. Example: Budget positions at or above the NM-5 level required Budget experience or equivalent education.

Vacancy announcements are also available at the Sundial Recreation Center.

Directorate of Civilian Personnel is accepting applications on a continuous basis for the following positions. Registers established from these announcements will be used to fill permanent and temporary positions.

VB# 001 * General Clerical, NM-3 (Used to fill most clerical position).

VB# 001A * General Clerical, NM-4 (Used to fill most clerical position).

VB# 002 * Sales Store Checker, NM-3 (Intermittent wk sch)

* CASP Examination (CEO, notice of rating) is required.

VB# 003 Recreation Assistant, NM-4 (Lifeguard) Requires Cert + mo recreation exp in the field.

VB# 004 Recreation Assistant, NM-4 (Requires 6 mos recreation exp in the field).

VB# 005 Secretary (Stenography), NM-5

VB# 005A Secretary (Stenography), NM-6

VB# 006 Secretary (Typing/Office Automation), NM-5

VB# 006A Secretary (Typing/Office Automation), NM-6

VB# 017 Administrative Services Assistant, NM-5. Limited to permanent status employees only.

VB# 017A Administrative Services Assistant, NM-6. Limited to permanent status employees only.

The following positions are Perm/temp, Full-time, Part-time, Intermittent.

VB# 007 ** MEDICAL OFFICER, NE 12/13/14.

VB# 008 ** CLINICAL NURSE, (RN license required), NM-9/10/11.

VB# 009 ** PRACTICAL NURSE, (LPN licence required), NM-5.

VB# 019 ** EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN, NM-640-4/5/6.

** Selectees for nurse, medical officer and EMT positions will undergo a background check.

Pacific

VB# VACANCIES, TITLE AND LOCATION OPEN: 10-14-94 CLOSE: 10-25-94

024-95-MW METAL TANK AND RADIATOR REPAIRER, MG-03858-9. DOL, Maintenance Div., Shop Ops, Allied Trades, Corozal. NOTE: Driver's license required.

027-95-LA TELECOMMUNICATION SPECIALIST, NM-391-9/11. SENSITIVE. 106th Signal Brigade S-3, Operation Div., Network Br., Ft. Clayton. NOTE: Security clearance is required.

028-95-JH SUPPLY TECHNICIAN, NM-2005-6. Temp Nte: 1 Year. TOBYHANNA Army Depot, Corozal.

384A-94-JH COMPUTER SPECIALIST, NM-334-11. SENSITIVE: HQ, SOCSOUTH, Albrook. NOTE: Top Secret clearance is required. Shift Work. Travel in support of exercises is required. Incumbent is subject to receive and respond to unannounced calls to report to work. Those who applied under VB# 384-94-JH, need not reapply.

030-95-JH MANAGEMENT ANALYST, NM-343-7. Temp Nte: 09-30-95. DODDS-Panama District, Director's Office, Albrook.

031-95-JH BUDGET ANALYST, NM-560-11. SENSITIVE. DCS, Resource Management Program, Budget Div., Ft. Clayton.

032-95-ES (8) DENTAL ASSISTANTS, NM-681-4. Temp Nte: 6 Months. Joint Task Force, Safe Haven, Camp One. NOTE: Knowledge of English/Spanish. Shift Work.

033-95-ES LIBRARY TECHNICIAN, NM-1411-6. USA-MEDDAC, GACH, Ancon. NOTE: Limited to MEDDAC/DENTAC permanent employees; however applications for Temp Nte: 30 Sep 95, will be accepted from all sources.

034-95-ES SANITARIAN, NM-688-9. USA-MEDDAC, GACH, Preventive Medicine Svc., Environmental Health Sec., Ancon. Note: Bilingual

035-95-ES OPERATING ROOM NURSE, NM-610-9. Shift Work. USA-MEDDAC, GACH, Dept of Nursing Operating Room, Nursing Svc., Ancon. NOTE: U.S. license required. Limited to MEDDAC/DENTAC permanent employees; however applications for Temp appointment Nte: 30 Sep 95, will be accepted from all sources.

036-95-NC ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT ASSISTANT (OFFICE AUTOMATION), NM-303-6. USAG, DEH, Contracts Div., Corozal. NOTE: Qualified Typist. Limited to permanent employees only.

037-95-NC PURCHASING AGENT (OFFICE AUTOMATION), NM-1105-6. USAG, Directorate of Contracting, Purchasing Div., Corozal.

038-95-NC CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR, NM-809-7. HQ, USAG, DEH, Contracts Div., Contract Svc. Br., Quality Assurance Sec., Ft. Clayton. NOTE: Driver's license required.

040-95-KF COMPUTER ASSISTANT, NM-335-6. SENSITIVE. Temp Nte: 1 yr. HQ, SOUTHCOT, SCJ6, Automated Systems Div., Ft. Amador.

Atlantic

039-95-ES PHARMACY TECHNICIAN, NM-661-5. Temp Nte: 30 Sep 95. USA MEDDAC-Panama, GACH, Sherman Health Clinic, Ft. Sherman.

Club news

Quarry Heights

◆Officers' Club: 282-3439

The club will be closed to the public for renovations through Nov. 20. Check cashing service for members will be available 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Additionally, a snack wagon will be available for short orders and during lunch hours 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Amador

◆Club Amador: 282-4334

All-you-can-eat lunch buffet, \$3.95 Fridays, featuring soup, salad, selection of entree, special return rights.

Sunday brunch features the Ballet Folklorico Panameno at noon the first Sunday of each month.

The club will open for lunch Mondays-Fridays during renovations of the Quarry Heights Officers' Club.

Clayton

◆The Loop: 287-3035

CJ's Sports Bar daily lunch specials 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays. At 3:30 p.m. Sundays pool tournaments.

Prizmz Night Club features a variety of music Wednesdays-Saturdays and jazz 5 p.m. Sundays.

For events or parties at the Prizmz Night Club or CJ's Sports Bar, call 287-4716 or send a fax to 287-4343.

◆NCO Club: 287-4716

The Forum Restaurant opens 5-9 p.m. daily.

Mexican buffet Mondays.

Steak night Tuesdays. A la carte menu is available.

Country buffet Wednesdays features barbecue pork ribs, fried chicken, pork knuckles, collards greens, sweet potato, rice, black-eyed peas and corn bread.

All-you-can-eat family buffet Thursdays.

Seafood buffet Fridays features broiled lobster, garlic shrimp, deep fried corvina and stuffed crab.

12-oz prime rib special Saturdays.

Sunday buffet 4-8 p.m.

Free country and western dance lessons 7-8 p.m. Sundays and Mondays.

Disco 9 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. There will be a midnight buffet.

International food fair/enlisted membership drive 5 p.m. Oct. 27 includes food tasting, cooking demonstration, wine tasting, recipes and door prizes.

Albrook

◆Albrook Club: 286-3557/3582

Tonight's entertainment karaoke in the lounge and club card drawing.

Howard/Albrook Officers Spouses' Club annual fall bazaar 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

Saturday afternoon football 2 p.m. in the lounge with bar service.

Sunday saloon breakfast specials 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the lounge. Choose from three menus.

Sunday champagne brunch 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the dining room offers breakfast from cooked-to-order omelets, roast beef, fresh fruits, breakfast and lunch items and ice cream bar.

Mongolian barbecue & The Caribbean Connection 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday. Choose the meat, vegetables, seasonings, oils and have chefs do the job outside on the open grills. Enjoy the sounds of the tropics by a steel drum band.

Lombardi a la Italiana 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday. A taste of Italy at your favorite club dining room.

Mexican night buffet 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays includes tacos, fajitas, taco salad and sopapillas for dessert. After dinner dance the night way to country western music.

Country western night Thursdays with free dance lessons at 7:30-10:30 p.m. Learn the two-step, line and couples dances, the waltz, the cha cha and the swing.

Howard

◆Howard Officers' Club: 284-3718

Weekday lunches includes buffet, salad and potato bar.

Friday and Saturday nights 6-8:30 p.m. order a la carte

in the dining room.

Friday evenings in the lounge include beer specials, music, games and club card drawings.

Oriental night 6-8:30 p.m. today.

Barbecue plate special 6-8:30 p.m. Oct. 21.

Dining room is closed Sunday through Thursday.

◆Howard Enlisted Members' Club - Dining Room: 284-4189

Sunday breakfast buffet 8-12:30 a.m.

Breakfast is served 6-9:30 a.m. Mondays-Fridays; 7:30 a.m. Saturdays.

New sandwich bar for lunch open daily. Homemade roast beef, turkey, turkey salad and tuna fish sandwiches.

Saturday night gourmet specials 5:30-9 p.m.

Steak night special 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Select a cut and order a New York strip, ribeye or fillet. All steaks are U.S. choice beef.

Family menu Tuesdays-Fridays featuring all the favorites plus new items such as jerked chicken, hand made 1/2 pound hamburgers, baked ravioli and more.

Bang up barbecue daily in the Breezeway, dine-in or take-out. Try the ribs, brisket, chopped beef or hot wings.

◆Howard Enlisted Members' Club Ballroom : 284-4189

Friday night disco 4:30 p.m.- 1 a.m. today.

Membership night 5 p.m. Oct. 22. Complimentary Italian buffet for members and one guest; \$6.95 for additional guest. Children 6-12, \$3 and children under 6, free.

◆Howard Enlisted Members' Club Casual Cove: 284-4189

Country 8 p.m. to closing Fridays.

Saturday and Monday nights disco 5 p.m.-1 a.m.

Monday night football and mug special in the lounge. Snack on complimentary hot dogs, popcorn and nachos.

Karaoke 7:30 p.m. Sundays, 8 p.m. Tuesdays.

Free Country and western dance lessons 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays in the Casual Cove. Learn the latest in line dancing, the stomp, waltz and others. Music will be until midnight.

Night mug special Wednesdays. Buy a mug filled with your favorite draft beverage and go back for refills.

Rock 'n' roll golden oldies 5-8 p.m. Tuesdays; 5 p.m.-midnight Thursdays.

Club card drawing 6-7:30 p.m. Thursdays.

◆Top Three Club: 284-4189

Karaoke 6 p.m. Fridays.

Taco bar 5 p.m. Wednesdays. Free all-you-can-eat and complimentary taco bar.

Club card drawing 6-7:30 p.m. Thursdays. Members must have a card and be present to win.

Club closed Saturdays.

Rodman

◆Rodman Club - Open to all ranks: 283-4498

Bring your boss nite 6-9 p.m. with complimentary hors d'oeuvres served 5-7 p.m. D.J. music 6:30-11 p.m.

All-you-can-eat lunch buffet and grill menu 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays.

Monday night football 6 p.m. until game ends with all-you-can-eat taco bar 6-9 p.m. at the Laguna Lounge.

Soup and sub night 4:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays. Grill menu is also available.

All-you-can-eat fried chicken 4:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Grill menu is also available.

Open Mike night 6-11 p.m. Thursdays in the Laguna Lounge.

Cook-your-own steak night 4:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Rodman Bohio.

Fine dining 6-9 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays.

Upstairs Bar 4:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays; 6-9 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays.

Dinner is served 4:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays; 6-9 p.m. Fridays-Sundays.

◆Rodman Annex: 283-4498

Breakfast is served 6:30-8:30 a.m. Mondays-Fridays.

All-you-can-eat