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Working together Tank timeline required cooperation

by Jennifer Bacchus

ANAD Public Affairs

Lavon Stephens credits every individual who has touched the vehicles with helping to ensure 22 tanks destined for Morocco were ready in time.

"I knew we could do it because I've seen it done 100 times," said Stephens chief of the depot's Tracked Systems Division. "But, it took a lot of people to get this done."

The goal was to have 22 M1 tanks fielded to Morocco in under a year.

While the vehicles have yet to leave the installation, the first hurdle on the way to that goal is done, and completed in less than nine months.

"To go from case implementation to having those vehicles in-country in 365 days is no small task," said Jonathan Hathaway, a depot maintenance management specialist. "This has been a huge undertaking for the depot."

Accomplishing that mission began with knowing the vehicles.

Before the scope of work was complete, the first tanks were already in disassembly, since the depot workforce knew the M1s well and knew what level of disassembly needed.

Then, with the scope of work completed and production in full swing, when the movement of parts became a concern, they formed a team to ensure things moved smoothly.

"We had daily meetings," said Mike Rogers, the supervisor for M1 Assembly. "Our biggest problem was getting the parts to the floor because we accelerated the schedule. We met daily with the Directorate of Material Management to ensure parts were moved in a timely manner."

John Cooley, chief of the Vehicle Material Requirements Planning Branch, often led the meetings, which

were held on the shop floors.

"We met wherever the issues were," said Cooley. "We wanted to identify where the issues were and assign actions with accountability to get them corrected."

Employees also volunteered to work overtime and fill personnel gaps in different shops.

The turret shop needed a night shift for the test stand and turret mating.

Final repair needed a few people to assist with the Army Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center inspections as vehicles were completed.

Everyone, from quality inspectors to material expeditors and mechanics worked late nights and even weekends.

"Some of the employees in final repair worked a month without a day off to get this program done," said Steven Howard, a heavy mobile equipment inspector.

"That confirms the level of commitment from Anniston to meet our requirement," said Hathaway.

"This program, having such high importance to future workload and being accelerated, caused our most valuable resource, the employees, to dig a little deeper and work together harder toward a common goal," said Cooley.

The process worked so well, according to Stephens, the depot completed 12 tanks, in three and a half weeks.

Despite the push to get things done quickly, quality was at the forefront.

Mike Coleman, the team lead for the heavy mobile equipment inspectors, and Hathaway said reports from ARDEC praised the work performed here.

"The level of quality implemented in this program speaks volumes," said Hathaway.



Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Shanika Reed, foreground, and Ryine Truss touch up the paint on a M1 Abrams tank bound for Morocco. Completion of the 22 Moroccan tanks took a cooperative effort of everyone who worked on the vehicles.

Memorial Day: A time for reflection

by Sgt. Maj. Debra Buie

ANAD Sergeant Major

What comes to mind when you think of Memorial Day?

This holiday marks the unofficial start of summer and enjoying the company of family and friends usually tops the list, along with cookouts, parades and travel.

More importantly, it is a day of remembrance; a day to give thanks and a day to pay tribute to those who have died in our nation's service.

The holiday originated as Decoration Day in 1868. It was a time to commemorate the lives lost during the Civil War.

Years later, the name was changed to honor all Americans who died while in military service.

Today, many people visit cemeteries and memorials to honor their friends and loved ones who made the ultimate sacrifice.

As stated by Maya Angelou, "how important it is for us to recognize and celebrate our heroes and she-roes!"

It is because of them we enjoy our freedoms.

On Thursday, May 26, the depot will observe the day at McClellan Cemetery.

Col. Martine Kidd is the guest speaker and several members of the depot's workforce will join us as we post flags on the gravesites of those who gave their lives in service to their country.

As we move closer to the weekend, we encourage you to stay safe and use good judgement.

This holiday has a tradition of being one of the most dangerous in terms of ac-



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cidents and injuries.

Long distance trips, water activities, hot weather exposure and increased alcohol intake are contributing factors.

This week, the national "Click It or Ticket" enforcement campaign kicked off. As you travel, you will see an increased presence of law enforcement officers on the highway.

Just like here on the installation, this is strongly enforced. Wearing your seat belt costs nothing, but without it, the price could be fatal.

Get plenty of rest before taking to the road. Don't drink and drive. Obey the speed limits and restrain from the use of portable electronic devices while behind the wheel.

Before traveling, check your signals, brake lights and headlights. They are essential for communication.

When not working or used effectively, other drivers don't know your intentions and the results can be disastrous.

If you plans include water, stay safe while swimming or boating, know your limitations and follow the rules. Drink plenty of water. Dehydration affects both judgment and coordination.

As you take time to reflect, relax and celebrate, remember safety.

It takes the entire Pit Crew before and after the holiday weekend to complete our mission of equipping the war fighters with the best quality equipment possible.

ment of the Army, or Anniston Army Depot.

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Operation: Safe Summer

from Staff Reports

ANAD ISMO

We have seen many acts of violence and turmoil here in the U.S. and abroad.

These run the gamut from outright terrorist attacks, like the several in Europe over the last couple of years, to political and social disturbances in major U.S. cities.

Whether the event is linked to a transnational terrorist organization or ties to U.S.-based radicals out to create riots to further their own agenda, the methods we use to protect ourselves is the same.

With all of this going on in the world, it can be overwhelming to simply step out of your house.

Nevertheless, there are several things you can do to ensure a safe and uneventful foray into the outside world.

First is to notify the Intelligence and Security Management Office and receive a foreign travel brief if you will be traveling outside the country.

This is required if the travel is official or if you possess a security clearance.

The travel brief can be accomplished by contacting your servicing personal security, or PERSEC, specialist.

The next step is to receive an area-specific threat brief.

In this briefing, you will learn of any specific threats, be they terrorist, criminal, medical or other.

This is also provided by ISMO.

These briefings are also provided for personal travel and are always a good idea whenever you travel outside the

U.S.

Take time to review your Personal Protective Measures and share this information with your family and other loved ones.

PPM are simple actions you can do to help protect yourself from misadventure whether home or abroad.

A list of helpful PPM can be found on the ANAD intranet under "ANAD Force Protection Program."

Some tips are:

- Research the area you are visiting.
- Look at the incidents of crime and where they take place.
- Know which areas to avoid by reading all of the available internet reviews for your destination.
- Print and keep a map handy.
- Charge your cell phone.

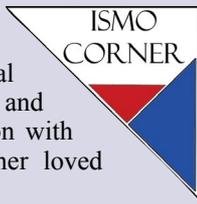
Regardless if you are walking the streets of a foreign city or on holiday in a densely populated U.S. metropolitan area, a few simple acts and solid situational awareness will help you avoid most trouble.

Much is touted about the billions of dollars spent on anti-terrorism measures and crime prevention.

The most effective weapon for you to use to keep you and your family safe is the one between your ears.

If you see something, say something on and off Anniston Army Depot.

Simple things, such as good situational awareness and PPM will help keep you safe and secure both at home and abroad.



Report Suspicious Activity or Behavior



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See Something Say Something

If you see something,
say something

Report suspicious
activity to
ANAD Security Forces

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Electrical safety: The shocking facts

from Don Winningham

ANAD Safety Office

We rely on electrical power to keep our workplaces and homes operating day and night.

Electricity provides heat, light and energy, but, as useful as electricity is, we must never forget it is also dangerous.

Almost any kind of job you can think of today involves using electricity. That is why it is important for everyone to understand how to avoid electrical shock and electrical arcs.

Electricity exposes us to three primary hazards – shocks, arc flashes and arc blasts.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, a shock hazard is a dangerous condition associated with the possible release of energy caused by contact or approach to live parts.

The NFPA defines an arc flash hazard as a dangerous condition associated with the release of energy caused by an electric arc.

An arc blast is best defined as the rapid buildup of pressure which causes an explosion. Nearby material, such as copper, is melted, vaporized and thrown into the air, which is also superheated.

Each of these hazards can be deadly.

There are many different kinds of electrical hazards, depending on where you work.

Whether the electrical shock comes from an overhead transmission line or an incorrectly grounded power tool, the results can be equally fatal.

In addition to the electrical shock hazard resulting from direct contact of live conductors with body parts, there exists a possibility of electric arcs.

An electric arc, or an arcing fault, is a flashover of electric current through air in electrical equipment from one exposed live conductor to another or to



Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Chris Murphree inspects an electrical cable on a saw prior to use in the carpentry shop. Cords should be inspected before each use.

ground.

Arc flash hazard is the danger of excessive heat exposure and serious burn injury due to arcing faults in electrical power systems.

Electric arcs produce intense heat, sound blast and pressure waves. They have extremely high temperatures, radiate intense heat, can ignite clothes and cause severe burns that can be fatal.

Electric arcs produce some of the highest temperatures known to occur on earth – up to 35,000 degrees Fahrenheit, according to the NFPA. This is four times the surface temperature of the sun.

Electrocution remains the fourth highest cause of industrial fatalities, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. The top three causes are traffic acci-

dents, homicide and construction accidents.

Of those killed while working on voltages below 600 volts, almost half were working on energized equipment.

Most of these injuries and deaths, over 75 percent, could have been avoided according to the NIOSH.

Over 30,000 non-fatal electrical shock accidents occur each year; 600 to 1000 persons die each year from electrocution.

The extreme danger of working around electricity is this: There is no room for minimizing the effect once contact has been made. And the effect is instantaneous.

All it takes is one slip of the hand, a slight wrong move, or careless disregard for one seemingly small safety measure.

The leading causes of electrical accidents, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health:

- Drilling and cutting through cables
- Using defective tools, cables and equipment
- Failure to maintain clearance distances
- Failure to de-energize circuits and follow lockout/tagout procedures
- Failure to guard live parts from accidental worker contact
- Unqualified personnel working with electricity
- Improper installation/use of temporary electrical systems and equipment
- By-passing electrical protective devices

Army Electrical Safety Regulation

The U.S. Army's Electrical Safety Regulation is 385-26. It prescribes Army guidelines for protecting Army personnel, facilities and equipment from electrical hazards. It applies to all Department of the Army personnel, including military, civilian and contractors for safeguarding against the hazards associated with electrical energy.

Employee safe work practices to help eliminate electrical hazards, according to AR 385-26:

- Know where the hazards are
 - Properly maintain equipment
 - No exposed parts or energized surfaces
 - Use barriers and devices where appropriate
 - No conductors to walk on or trip on
 - No jewelry or other metal objects around electricity
 - Never use plugs or receptacles that can alter polarity
 - Properly plug all connecting plug-ins
 - Install and use protective devices
 - Stay away from all unguarded conductors
 - Never overload a circuit or a conductor
 - Inspect cords before each use
 - Be sure plug and receptacle have proper mating configuration
 - To unplug, never pull on the cord, pull on the plug
 - Don't use nails, staples, screws, etc. to attach or fasten a cord or plug
 - Two conductor cords are illegal
 - Damaged cords should never be used
 - Ensure enough slack to prevent strain on plug or receptacle
 - A plug-receptacle should have at least eight ounces of contact tension
 - Cords should be kept clean and free of kinks and insulation breaks
 - Cords crossing vehicular or personnel passageways should be protected, sign posted and used temporarily or in an emergency
 - Cords should be of continuous length and without Splices
 - Only approved equipment may be used in wet or damp areas.
- Always use ground fault circuit interrupters
- Never energize equipment when shields or Guards have been removed
 - Always honor lockout/tagout situations



Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Crystal Ray, right, and Mike Pettus image some of the toughbook tablets which will be used in the shop areas following the implementation of LMP Increment 2. The Directorate of Information Management will field approximately 550 of these tablets at go-live.

Planning for ANAD's technology future

by Randy Heflin

ANAD DOIM

When Anniston Army Depot has visitors, specifically when the Directorate of Information Management is visited, we have the opportunity to showcase the communications infrastructure that encompasses our installation.

Many visitors don't realize DOIM provides more than just the internet and e-mail, but, DOIM provides an extensive array of equipment and services.

Just to name a few, DOIM provides radios, including vehicular installs; telephones; wireless internet access; printing; public address sound support; video teleconference support; and the daily hard copy mail.

So, when we show visitors around DOIM, they see a vast, outstanding production facility which, thanks to the employees, is the best in the Army.

With the induction of the Logistics Modernization Program Increment 2, DOIM's footprint has increased exponentially.

Many of you may have known DOIM already provides mission support above baseline throughout the installation via a variety of different programs, such as timekeeping and parts movement.

A few years ago, I was invited to tour a Lockheed-Martin plant where the F23 and F35 aircraft are assembled.

I was there to observe the latest Expanded Industrial Base versions and functionality, which was being utilized for their production facilities.

I was impressed with the efforts of that organization. Several assembly lines were clicking along like clockwork – the Navy, Marines and, of course, the Air Force each had their own specific modifications for the aircraft to meet their needs and desires.

Throughout the visit, I envisioned what ANAD would look like running this way.

With our current version of EIB, we will come one step closer. Even though they were a few generations ahead of us with their software, our hardware was comparable, if not better, in a lot of areas.

This includes our workstations, zero clients, scanners, printers, networks and, of course, tough books.

Later upgrades of EIB are not beyond the scope of possibility here at ANAD.

DOIM has implemented an all-hands approach to prepare for the EIB implementation. Computer accounts have gone by more than 1,000 users over the past year.

This, of course, means information technology hardware, which will be required for these folks, including peripherals, like printers and scanners.

You may have noticed IT

workers and cable technicians throughout the installation. ANAD has installed a new, up-to-date networks, including wireless.

This has taken many months of preparation and planning. The hardware deployments are ongoing.

This means more labor-intensive efforts on the part of all us.

Additional training, including on the job training, is needed for our workforce. More Help Desk tickets are being called into DOIM. More cybersecurity support is needed – actually more of everything from DOIM.

It will take us time to get there, but the benefits will be great.

The cyber tools being issued will ultimately assist not only the workforce in meeting critical production schedules, they will lower our labor man-hour rates, making us more competitive.

This will give us better inventory control and better tracking mechanisms of equipment and programs.

As you can see, technology is becoming more and more intertwined in our daily lives, both at home and work.

I can foresee our workforce using a workstation, toughbooks, laptops, printers and scanners just like they use a hammer, wrench or pliers. This is sustainment planning at its finest; the future is now.

LMP Increment 2 is here!

by Kenneth Henderson Jr.

ANAD LMP Office

Anniston Army Depot's Logistics Modernization Program Office has been working diligently preparing for LMP Increment 2.

Increment 2 is going live next Monday, May 23.

The LMP office will provide support for users by having LMP Cadre in select areas.

Additionally, the LMP office will have support in the Directorate of Production Management to assist production controllers, shop employees and material expeditors with Complex Assembly Manufacturing Solution issues.

ANAD will have a phased approach for production orders released in CAMS.

The Work Breakdown Structures and shop numbers for these programs are:

- EH16MCM449EHH3 M1 Shop #11
- EH16MCE701EHH3 M113A3 6V53T Engine Shop #150
- EH15MCM692EHH3 Rebuild Rifle, 5.56 Shop #1500
- EH16MCT805EHH3 1410 Cross drive Transmission Shop #32
- EH16MGC464EHH3 Tiger Engine Shop #132
- EH16MRM060EHH3 Rail Level Maintenance Shop #2 (DGRC)

For any issues or problems, users may contact the LMP helpdesk at Ext. 5671 (LMP1).

Users can access information for assistance on the LMP Office portal on the Intranet under LMP Increment 2.

The LMP Office will have support for both day and night shifts and our cadre will have two-way radios for quick response time on the floor.

CPAC Office closure notification, appointment scheduling

It is important to schedule an appointment with the Anniston Civilian Personnel Advisory Center.

The CPAC, to include the Workers' Compensation Office, is closed each Thursday from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

This time is set aside for regularly scheduled staff meetings, workload in the office and any mandatory and/or in-office training.

Appointments for assistance with employee benefits issues/concerns, including access to a computer, if required, can be scheduled by contacting Kelly Smith-O'Hara at Ext. 7860 or via e-mail at kelly.m.smith-ohara.civ@mail.mil.

For all other personnel requirements or needs, employees may contact the human resources specialist who serves their organization.

Appointments to visit the Workers' Compensation Office should be made directly with John Sorley. He can be contacted at Ext. 6200 or via e-mail at john.a.sorley.civ@mail.mil.

Employees with scheduled appointments will report to Room 236D in the Abrams Headquarters Building and sign in.

All other access doors to the Anniston CPAC Office are for entry by CPAC employees only.

Depot employees must coordinate release from work with their supervisor for any CPAC appointment.

In the event of an emergency, please contact Kelly Smith-O'Hara.

Green procurement a consideration at ANAD

by Brad Williard

ANAD DRK

Environmentally responsible or 'green' procurement is the selection of products and services which minimize environmental impacts.

Green procurement requires an organization to carry out an assessment of the environmental consequences of a product at all the various stages of its life cycle.

This means considering the costs of securing raw materials and manufacturing, transporting, storing, handling, using and disposing of the product.

The federal government is required by law (Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and Executive Order 13693, "Planning for Federal Sustainability in the Next Decade") to implement green procurement programs.

Such products are designated by the Environmental Protection Agency in their Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines.

To date, the EPA has designated eight product categories and established minimum total recovered material and/or post-consumer material content levels for these items in CPG companion documents referred to as the Recommended Materials Advisory Notices.

These products are also commonly referred to as 'EPA Recycled Items' or 'EPA Designated Products.'

The product categories are:

- (1) Paper and paper products
- (2) Construction products
- (3) Landscaping products
- (4) Vehicular products
- (5) Transportation products
- (6) Park and recreation products
- (7) Non-paper office products
- (8) Miscellaneous products

Green procurement applies to all ANAD personnel involved in purchasing actions.



Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Government organizations are required to assess the products they use to determine which items made from recycled, recyclable or sustainable material, like the paper shown above, can be procured.

Credit card, contract and even products available from central supply stores are subject to the GP program.

The federal government is the largest consumer of goods and services in the United States. Such massive purchasing power can create and stimulate recycling markets and provide incentives for the development of new technologies.

Moreover, buying recycled products can conserve energy and other resources, save money, reduce demands for landfill space and reduce pollution.

Buying recycled products is the key to closing the recycling loop.

As more paper, bottles, cans and other items are collected for recycling, the supply of materials for manufacturers to produce recycled products increases. In turn, the supply of recycled products increases, making them more available for consumers to purchase.

The success of ANAD's green procurement program lies with everyone. When you are making a purchase, buy green if it is available.

FY2016 current GAP status

As the initial article on the fiscal year 2016 Group Award Program indicated, the payout established for FY16 is \$1,500 per eligible employee, with individual metrics ranging from \$36 at the lowest success level to \$540 at the highest.

The anticipated date of award payout is Nov. 10, 2016.

The entire policy and metrics are located on the ANAD Intranet for those who would

like to refresh their memory in understanding the overall goals.

Progress against the metrics has been provided on a monthly basis in TRACKS. If you read the monthly articles, you know there is room for improvement in several metrics.

There is time remaining to make a positive impact on the areas where improvement is required. The metrics requiring attention are indirect produc-

tive yield, quality and the safety suggestion program.

Since we are meeting or exceeding other metrics, the current payout amount is \$1093.50

If you have questions concerning how to have a positive impact on the metrics, please discuss it with your supervisor.

The established goals are attainable if all of Team ANAD pulls together to make it happen.

Safety Efficiencies

SAFETY INDICATORS INSPECTIONS

Goal: Each building scores 80 percent or better on inspection

More than 75 percent of buildings - \$180

60-75 percent - \$118.80

50-59 percent - \$59.40

Less than 50 percent - \$0

Current percentage - 87

Current payout - \$180

SAFETY SUGGESTIONS

More than seven percent of employees submit safety idea - \$180

Four to seven percent of employees submit safety idea - \$90

Less than four percent of employees submit safety idea - \$0

Current percentage - 0

Current payout - \$0

RECORDABLE INJURIES

Less than or equal to eight per month - \$180

9-10 per month - \$135

More than 10 per month - \$0

Current rate - 8

Current payout - \$180

Productive Yield

DIRECT Goal: FY16 BES Plan 1,534 hours per person.

1,600-1,615 - \$150

1,567-1,599 - \$99

1,534-1,566 - \$49.50

Less than 1,534 - \$0

Current hrs. - 1,556

Current payout - \$49.50

INDIRECT Goal: FY16 BES Plan 1,702 hours per person

More than 1,702 - \$150

1,656-1,701 - \$99

1,643-1,655 - \$49.50

Less than 1,643 - \$0

Current hrs. - 1,680

Current payout - \$99

Quality Efficiencies

Goal: Increase first pass yield for vehicles, engines, transmissions and weapons programs

VEHICLES, ENGINES AND TRANSMISSIONS

95 percent or higher - \$75

90-94 percent - \$37.50

Less than 90 percent - \$0

Current percentage - 91

Current payout - \$37.50

WEAPONS

99 percent or higher - \$75

95-98 percent - \$37.50

Less than 95 percent - \$0

Current percentage - 98

Current payout - \$37.50

Performance to Promise

96-100 percent - \$180

91-95 percent - \$144

86-90 percent - \$108

81-85 percent - \$72

80 percent - \$36

Less than 80% - \$0

Current percentage - 108

Current payout - \$180

ISO Certifications

ISO 18001 - \$60

ISO 14001 - \$60

ISO 9001 - \$60

If all maintained - \$180

Current payout - \$180

Inventory

EXCESS MATERIAL

Excess of less than three percent average inventory value - \$150

Excess more than three, but less than five percent average inventory value - \$75

Excess more than five percent average inventory value - \$0

Current percentage - 0.1

Current payout - \$150

ANNISTON ARMY DEPOT'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY: 1941-2016

Workforce is always a team

by Jennifer Bacchus

ANAD Public Affairs

Editor's note: In honor of Anniston Army Depot's 75th anniversary, TRACKS is looking back at the installation's changes through the eyes of those who were present.

When Jeff Simmons came to work at Anniston Army Depot in 1981, he was awed by the size of the installation, the massive buildings and the vast array of equipment repaired or overhauled here.

Though everything seemed so big at the time, in his work in the Missile Guidance Branch, he still was only seeing a small portion of the installation or the workforce's capabilities.

"I really didn't fully understand the scope at the time. I didn't understand we would be traveling all over the continental United States and overseas to work on assets," he said.

In his 35 years on the depot, Simmons has been witness to, and part of, many of its changes.

He has worked in or with nearly every directorate on the installation, though much of his time has been spent in production, where he began his career.

From there, he moved into planning, working for Production Planning. Then, he was selected for a supervisory quality specialist position. Quality has always been important to him, no matter the job title he held.

"The quality of the product has always been important," said Simmons. "It was always stressed that each piece of equipment was going into something a Soldier would use."

In the 1990s, he was chosen to be on the staff for the General Manager of Production Operations, assisting with plans



Photo by Jennifer Bacchus

Jeff Simmons, center, discusses production schedules during a meeting.

regarding the Base Realignment and Closure Commission.

From there, he returned to production, first as the deputy director for night shift operations and then day shift.

In August 2009, he was chosen as the director of Production, a role he will return to next Monday, May 23.

For the last six months, he served as director of Production Management during the selection process for a permanent head of the organization.

"I've worked quite a few places and have interacted with all the directorates across the depot," said Simmons.

Throughout the years, said Simmons, depot leaders have maintained a vision of modernizing facilities. As buildings aged, new roofs were put on or the entire facility was renovated on the inside.

There have also been numerous new facilities constructed.

Though changes occurred around them, the heart of the depot, its people, have maintained their focus on the mission.

"A constant, while faces have changed, is that there is

still a sense of pride and a desire to get the work done and do a quality job," said Simmons. "The depot is not an individual effort – we've always been a team."

The equipment repaired, overhauled or rebuilt as part of the installation's mission has changed significantly over the years as well.

"We went from working on M551 Sheridan tanks and the M60 family of vehicles to M1s. Then, over time, we got the M113 family of vehicles, M88 family of vehicles, M9ACE, Paladin and FAASV, and the Stryker vehicles," said Simmons, as he added towed artillery, such as the M119 and M777, to work which has been added to the depot over the years.

With the changes in the vehicles have come a need for a more technical workforce.

At the same time, the nation as a whole began trending more toward higher education levels. Simmons said these factors have ensured the development of a more highly educated workforce.

"The Sheridan really didn't have a lot of electronics, nei-

ther did the M60. But, the M1 has its optics and electronics and the Stryker has computer systems, which manage the vehicle systems and weaponry," said Simmons.

"We also have better programs now to assist people with college educations and more of our employees are seeking higher levels of education on their own."

As technology improved inside the vehicles and equipment, it blossomed throughout the rest of the installation – taking the workforce from typewriters and key punch computers to cordless phones, cell phones and desktop as well as laptop computers. Now, with the Logistics Modernization Program Increment 2 coming online, tablet computers will soon be in many shop areas.

"LMP is a huge change for the depot. It's a huge cultural change that will really affect our workforce and help us remain competitive," said Simmons.

"We have to be adaptive to the change and accept it. That is how everyone can help this installation and the customers we support."



Cutting, slicing tool safety rules

from Staff Reports

ANAD Safety Office

Cutting and slicing tools include knives, box cutters, scissors, razor blades.

Here is some important information regarding the use of these tools:

- Safety gloves provide protection against accidental cuts and vibration.

- A sharp blade is safer – When dull, a blade can slip from the object being cut and cause a serious injury.

- Cut downward and always away from your hand.

- Put it back. Never leave a cutting tool lying on a table, chair, sink or desk. There are only three places a cutting tool should ever be: 1) in use, 2) stored safely in a drawer, tool box, in a knife rack or, 3) in the dishwasher (blade down, handle up).

- Let it go! Never attempt to catch a dropped knife or other cutting tool. Let it fall.

- Wipe away from the sharp edge. If you need to wipe or clean material off the blade, always wipe away from the sharp edge.

- Never touch the sharp edge. Always use a piece of paper to test the sharpness of a knife – never use your fingers.

- Never use a knife as a substitute for other tools, such as a screwdriver or bottle opener.

- Maintain all your tools regularly.

- Inspect them each time before use.

- Use the right tool for the job.
- Operate tools according to the manufacturers' instructions.

- Use the right Personal Protective Equipment.

- Use guarding when needed.

notes from around the TRACK

Workshops offered by AFTB

Army Family Team Building is a program that offers a variety of free classes for civilian and military personnel.

The classes will be held in the DeSoto Entertainment Center.

Registration may be completed in the Total Employee Development System, also known as TEDS.

For more information, contact Amanda Mullinax at Ext. 7445 or e-mail amanda.c.mullinax.civ@mail.mil.

AFTB is offering the following workshops: Please choose morning or afternoon session.

ANAD DFMWR Stress Management (ANAD16-034)

- Date: May 25
- Morning Session: 9-10 a.m.
- Afternoon Session: 1-2 p.m.

ANAD DFMWR Master Resiliency Resolving Conflict Management (ANAD16-033)

- Date: May 25
- Morning Session: 10 a.m.-noon
- Afternoon Session: 2-4 p.m.

Recycling info

Shredded paper is to be placed in bags before placing it in the recycling bins. Please do not place loose shredded paper in the bins.

Additionally, bottles used for the disposal of chewing tobacco should not be placed in recycling bins. These items are trash and should be disposed of in a proper waste receptacle.

Wood sales

The cost of wood, regardless of the type of wood is as follows:

- \$20 for a truck or vehicle load of wood
- \$30 for a trailer load of wood
- \$50 for a truck and trailer combined



The Morning Show

The Morning Show airs live every other Wednesday at 7:05 a.m. on Local Area Network channel 21.

If you have a topic or content you would like to see on The Morning Show, contact the Public Affairs Office at Ext. 6281.

If you are unable to catch the live broadcast, there are two ways you can tune in.

Computer users may view the show on IPTV. It may also be seen on LAN channel 21 during these rebroadcast times:

Wednesday: 10:30 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 10 p.m., midnight and 2 a.m. (Wed. night/Thurs. morning)

Thursday/Friday: noon and 10 p.m.

Don't miss this upcoming show:

May 25 – We will hear about the 101 Critical Days of Summer from Boyd Scoggins and Kelvin Burrus and have a discussion of Memorial Day with Maj. Aatif Hayat.



Memorial Day May 30

Give the gift of life

Anniston Army Depot's quarterly blood drive will be held at the Physical Fitness Center and the DeSoto Entertainment Center May 26 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Employees will also be allowed the opportunity during this time to become part of the Bone Marrow Registry at a booth located in the Physical Fitness Center.

Blood Drives are

conducted in accordance with Article 15, Section 5, of the Negotiated Agreement between Anniston Army Depot and AFGE Local 1945. Depot employees, tenants and contract employees are encouraged to donate. Remember, for every unit of blood collected up to three lives may be saved.

For additional information, contact Kelvin Burrus at Ext. 5814 or



via e-mail.

Note: Donors will be required to show personal identification before donating. A driver's license or depot badge is acceptable.

TIME	ORGANIZATION	LOCATION
10:30 a.m.	Directorate of Material Management	PFC
	Directorate of Public Works	DEC
	Directorate of Production Engineering	PFC
	Quality Assurance	PFC
	DP - Final Operations Division	DEC
	Directorate of Family and MWR	DEC
	Anniston Contracting Office	DEC
	ANAD Command Staff Offices	DEC
11:30 a.m.	Dear Occupational Health Clinic	PFC
	Directorate of Information Management	PFC
	Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment	PFC
	Defense Contract Management Agency	DEC
	Directorate of Risk Management	PFC
12:30 p.m.	DP - Reciprocating Drive Train Division	DEC
	Contractors	PFC
	Directorate of Emergency Services	PFC/DEC
	Directorate of Production Management	PFC
	Civilian Personnel Advisory Center	DEC
	Anniston Munitions Center	DEC
	Museum Support Center	DEC
1:30 p.m.	DP - Support Equipment Division	DEC
	DP - Component Assembly Division	PFC
	DP - Manufacturing Division	PFC
	DP - Cleaning, Finishing and Painting Division	PFC
	DP - Stryker Division	DEC
	DP - Weapons Systems Division	DEC
	DP - Fielding Operations Div.	PFC
Directorate of Resource Management	DEC	
DP - Tracked Systems Division	PFC	
DP - Transmission Gear Drive Division	PFC	
DP - Turbine Drive Train Division	PFC	
Industrial Hygiene	DEC	
Defense Logistics Agency	DEC	
Installation Security Management Organization	PFC	

**Have info for TRACKS?
Call Public Affairs at Ext. 6281!**

If you suspect it, report it...



Cars, trucks or vans parked in no-parking zones in front of important buildings

People drawing, measuring or photographing buildings



Strangers asking questions about security forces, security procedures or details of the depot's mission and workload outside the scope of natural curiosity



A briefcase, package or backpack left behind

If you see or hear something that could be terrorist-related, trust your instincts and call Ext. 6222!

**Or...
Use the iWatch app**



The iWatch Army smartphone app, now available for download, makes reporting suspicious activity easy.

The application does not replace 911, nor is it intended to be used for emergency situations.

Users can submit a text, voice, photo or video message to report potential threats or concerns.

Tipsters may choose to remain anonymous or disclose their identity.

The app also allows users to choose to receive messages, such as emergency notifications and Amber alerts.