

Red Horse team gives Shaw more access



Photo by Master Sgt. Paul Holcomb

Right, Staff Sgt. Joe Moran, 823rd RHS site developer, surveys the road construction site at Shaw. Surveying is one of the tasks involved in completing the road construction. The road construction project will allow access to currently undeveloped areas of the base.



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Above, Staff Sgt. Eric Sexton (left) and Senior Airman Joseph Liseki, both 823rd RHS pavement and equipment operators, remove concrete forms on Shaw's construction site.



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Above, Senior Airman Tony Moreno, 823rd Red Horse Squadron, Hurlburt Field, Fla., stands by as a front-end loader removes dirt at an excavation site at Shaw Sept. 9. Left, Staff Sgt. Scott Schirk (left), Moreno (center) and Senior Airman Christopher Ayers, all of the 823rd RHS, work on building a headwall for the road construction project.



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Above, Airman 1st Class Robert Owens, 823rd RHS heavy equipment operator, drives a front-end loader at Shaw's construction site.

Can the trash at Shaw

By Staff Sgt. Alicia Prakash
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Putting trash in its place is a little easier to do when facilities are available. On base, the Shaw Recycling Center accepts items from phone books to aluminum cans.

The recycling center is available to anyone on base to dispose of unwanted recyclable material. There are large, brown bins located throughout the base for office paper and cardboard, but the center offers bins for other recyclable materials like aluminum cans, newspapers, glass and tires.

The recycling center drops off most collected items to Stewart Recycling Center in Sumter five to six times a week, said Willie

Dunmore, Shaw Recycling Center recycling attendant. The yard waste and bulk trash is taken to Bishopville.

The center is designed for convenience. With a horseshoe-shaped driveway, recyclers can drive through the entrance and drop off items into the respective bins and continue through to the exit without interference.

"All the bins are labeled," said Dunmore. "If you're not sure where something goes, you can always ask somebody here."

The recycling center is located on Kingsfisher Road. and is open Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays from 1:30 to 4:30. No appointment is required. For more information, call **895-0181**.

Hazardous waste gets CAPped

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Pouring fluids, such as used motor oil, along fence lines to kill weeds may have been common in previous years, but today's laws discourage this practice. For base personnel, Shaw's Central Accumulation Point will accept motor oil and other hazardous fluids and containers.

All Shaw personnel can bring the following items to the CAP:

- used oil and filters
- unleaded gasoline and filters
- used antifreeze
- transmission and brake fluids
- gear oil

Batteries from cars, boats, recreational vehicles and lawn mowers

are also accepted.

In addition to items brought to the CAP, a You Call, We Haul program is in operation.

This program allows for hazardous waste and nonregulated waste to be picked up from shops on base Mondays - Fridays, said Jenyfer Morgan, 20th Civil Engineer Squadron hazardous waste project manager. A hazardous waste pick-up can be arranged for offices.

CAP personnel provide packing materials and labels for hazardous materials to be transported.

The CAP is on Kingsfisher Road and is open Mondays - Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For questions about disposition of hazardous materials or fluids, call the CAP at **895-0120**.

Air Force climate survey launches Oct. 1

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RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas -- Air Force leaders at all levels want to know, "How is my organization doing?" The 2003 Air Force Climate Survey begins Oct. 1 to answer this question with the help of Air Force people.

Their participation in the survey is critical, said senior leaders.

"Leadership must be made aware of what's really going on out there," said Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche. "By taking a few moments to fill out this survey, you can help your leaders understand your concerns and ultimately better serve you and our nation's interests."

Previous surveys included

active-duty airmen and appropriated-fund civilians. This year, the survey also will include the Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, non-appropriated fund civilians and students in a temporary-duty status.

"We want to make sure all members of the Air Force team have an opportunity to participate," said Lori Marcum, the survey's team leader. "Leaders at all levels use the Air Force Climate Survey to target areas for improvement. In order to create positive changes within an organization, (leaders) must know where to begin. This survey provides everyone an opportunity to speak out about strengths and areas for improvement in their organization."

The survey runs through Nov. 23 and can be completed online at <http://afclimatesurvey.af.mil> anytime during the survey period from

either a government computer (.dot-mil) or personal computer (.dot-com).

Because Air Force leaders expect candid feedback, the survey team has taken extraordinary measures to ensure privacy by using advanced information-masking software. Anonymity continues to be a key factor of the survey, officials said.

Results will be released early in 2004, said Gen. John P. Jumper, Air Force chief of staff.

"The U.S. Air Force is the finest in the world, a great place to serve and raise our families. We share a commitment to make it better," he said.

Survey participation has climbed from 39 percent in 1997 and 36 percent in 1999 to more than 65 percent of active-duty airmen and civilians in the 2002 survey.

The 2003 Air Force Climate Survey will cover 13 factors measuring work experience:

- Job
- Resources
- Core values
- Leadership
- Supervision
- Training and development
- Teamwork
- Participation and involvement
- Recognition
- Unit flexibility
- General satisfaction
- Unit performance outcomes
- Job enhancement