

Hey Mom! Mars here

By Jim Koenig

"I have a collect call from Mars will you accept charges?" "No way", my Mom said, "Our phone bill was over \$50 last month, "Any way", she continued, "we don't know anyone on Mars."

Hold it Mom, this call is cheap. The Military Affiliate Radio Station (MARS) in Frankfurt offers a service that can't be beat.

Any brigade soldier can call the states collect through a MARS military-sponsored short wave radio station and only be charged stateside rates, which is sometimes less than \$2 for three minutes.

The best time to call is in the even-



ings when the weather is clear. The MARS station is open from 8 a.m. to 3 a.m. Mondays - Fridays and noon until 3 a.m. on weekends and holidays. The phone number is 2314-7200 or 8277.

A family that stays together....

By Donna Wingate

When two people from the same brigade reenlist, it's usually not news, unless they are husband and wife that is.

Recently, Col. Joseph D. Schott, the 22nd Signal Brigade commander reenlisted SSgt. Timothy Houck, a 32nd Signal supply sergeant and his wife Sp5. Joyce Houck, who works at the 17th Signal Dining

Facility.

The Houcks, who are expecting their second child soon, asked for, and were guaranteed an assignment to Fort Dix N.J. where they will continue their Army careers. (MSgt. Wingate is the Reenlistment Counselor for the 17th Sig. Bn.)

APO to APO, sometimes it just won't go

When sending mail from APO to APO in Europe, postal patrons should eliminate "New York" when addressing a letter or parcel.

The deletion of New York from the address reduces the chance of mail being sent to the United States.

Unit mail clerks, unit mail supervisors, first sergeants and company commanders, are not allowed to intercept or hold any first class mail regardless of any indication of contraband or indepteness to the addressee.

For clarification or questions pertaining to postal services, contact SFC Galmiche, Brigade Mail Supervisor, at 2315-622 or your nearest APO office.

AER collects \$1,272,000

The 1982 Army Emergency Relief (AER) Campaign in the United States Army, Europe, was a great success. According to General Frederick J. Kroesen, Commander in Chief of Europe, "USAREUR soldiers, civilian employees, and family members donated over \$1,272,000.