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Cadets help with flood relief in South Dakota

By John Van Winkle Air Force Academy Public Affairs

PIERRE, S.D. — Sandbags and flood debris made for a tiring and muddy two days off for approximately 150 Air Force Academy cadets Sept. 29 through Oct. 2.

The cadets travelled to South Dakota to spend the weekend participating in a flood cleanup operation as part of the Academy's Cadet Service Learning program. The Cadet Wing performs approximately 40,000 hours of community service each academic year around the Pikes Peak Region and the nation.

Two years of heavy precipitation, followed by greater-than-average runoff from the Montana snowpack into Missouri River tributaries set the conditions this summer for flooding along the Missouri River. Among the communities affected were Fort Pierre and the South Dakota capitol of Pierre. The two communities border opposite sides of the Missouri River, just five miles downstream from the Ohae Dam.

"This flood is an unusual type of flood," said South Dakota governor Dennis Daugaard. "Normally, we get 65 cubic feet per second of water being released by the dam. At its peak this summer, we had 110 cubic feet per second."

"Normally, you have this onslaught of tremendous water, for which you have little or no preparation time. Then after a few days, maybe a week, the water's gone," said the governor.

Instead, the water remained high



JOHN VAN WINKLE

Cadet 2nd Class Zach Mattee hands a leaking sandbag to Cadet 3rd Class Steve Kearney, as the cadets removed sandbags from levees as part of flood relief and cleanup efforts Sept. 30 in Pierre, S.D. Each sandbag weighed between 30 and 80 pounds, depending on how full the sandbag was, and if it was waterlogged.

for weeks.

"In the beginning, volunteerism was high, but so was the job ahead of us," Daugaard said. "We really

couldn't take down all the sandbags, and then school began, so a lot of that young, strong labor force wasn't available.'

The need became known to the command section of the Academy's Cadet Squadron 38, that organized See Flood Pages 8-9

Service academies' deans drop in, tune in for annual get-together



BILL EVANS

Brig. Gen. Dana Born, Air Force Academy dean of the faculty, and her service academy peers participate in the Cadet Wing parade Wednesday.

Deans meet for training, leadership development

By David Edwards Academy Spirit staff writer

The Air Force Academy hosted the annual military service academy deans' conference this week, providing an opportunity for all five U.S. service academies to get together and talk shop.

Air Force Academy Dean of the Faculty Brig. Gen. Dana Born oversaw the Deans AFlight Conference program, which allowed the attendees to discuss ideas and share "best practices" at their respective institutions.

Born and her counterparts at the Naval Academy, Coast Guard Academy, Merchant Marine Academy and U.S. Military Academy convene every year,

typically in the fall, to compare notes, confab and try to induce a little envy in showing off their institutions.

The event rotates among the five academies and has a slightly different name based on which one is hosting. When it's at West Point, it's Deans AFoot, and at Navy it's Deans AFloat.

The other two academies couldn't manage to keep that AF thing going for some reason. So the Coast Guard's version is Deans ADrift and the Merchant Marine Academy settled on Deans AWeigh.

"Ultimately, we try to build on one another's best practices," Born said. "It's really (about) face-to-face communication, and we usually come up with a theme."

This year's theme was "Continued Academic Excellence in an Era of Diminished Resources."

Born said the deans and the subor-

dinates they bring work on a peerto-peer level on topics of mutual cooperation such as cadet exchanges, leadership development and programs that inculcate understanding of foreign languages and cultures.

During breaks from the business of best practices, the attendees received such hallmarks of Falcon hospitality as glider rides, airplane rides and parachute jumps.

They were also treated to a Pass and Review on the Terrazzo and a Mitchell Hall lunch with exchange cadets. In addition, the deans were briefed

by Jeh Johnson, the Defense Department's general counsel.

"We're similar programs; we're Athens and Sparta," Born said. "But we're also trying to produce servant leaders for our respective services. We're all in the same business. It's really kind of an exciting time."

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Duty: The principle that defines our profession

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By Brig. Gen. Balan Ayyar Air Force Recruiting Service Commander

Duty. This single concept is the foundation of the profession of arms. It's the fundamental precept that Airmen will do what they have been entrusted to do in times of peace and peril. Trust is formed instantly between Airmen because of this commitment.

Aircraft are flown, missiles are readied, and satellites are launched -- all on the fundamental notion that each of us has done our duty. It encapsulates our core values of service before self, excellence and of course, integrity.

Duty is not at all affected by sarcasm, the petty scandal of weakness and the passing tinsel and trash of material things. As a concept, it is transcendent by simple adherence to the values it embodies; that we are committed to something bigger and more noble than our own self aggrandizement; that other Airmen are depending on our action; and that the consequences of lack of will are great and will be borne by many.

The universal values of love, trust, right conduct, and truth are embodied in this organizing principle and so ennoble it. Duty brings about a faith in other people that is akin, in its finest hour, to the faith many share in God. The character transformation that comes about by living according to this precept is what gives us our heroes --Airmen who know they must act in order to save others.

What makes some cower in the face of danger and others rise? When you constantly act for others, for the greater good, your mind and intellect are disciplined and become your servant rather than your master — training for the time when you will be tested.

There is no equivalent organizing principle in any other profession.

And yet, I agree, the notion of duty seems distant in today's world, like something left behind from a glorious history. In that era, as Gen. Robert E. Lee is attributed to saying -- you could do no more and no less. Duty was a sacred calling.

To a younger generation these hallowed thoughts may seem out of touch. Sarcasm and cynicism have crept into the calculations. The values that made the notion of duty so sacred have been quietly dissected and detached.

For some, duty has been reduced to simply fulfilling one's responsibilities as opposed to performing at your highest level for the greater good; or by living each day knowing you could have done no more to help others in your mission.

Thankfully the system has a way of recognizing Airmen like this. Over time they are diminished. Based on those Airmen I suppose, as proposed here, there is talk of duty being somehow passé or more directly, dead to a new generation of Airmen. From my perspective, nothing could be further from the truth.

For thousands of years, despite not being able to describe fact that a new generation of brilliant young Airmen has a different lexicon doesn't diminish the expectations of our culture to live up to this notion of duty.

The net effect of your life comes to you in moments of crisis. People of character and purpose have clarity and the will to act. Brig. Gen. Balan Ayyar



Duty is the gravity in the profession of arms. Whether or not you understand it is of little consequence. You must conform to it. It penetrates every aspect of our expectations and training. It is who we are and what we believe.

More than the other services, who have the luxury of numbers to cover their risk, the United States Air Force deploys and is prepared to fight one Airman at a time. The notion of duty must be so ingrained that it is instinctive.

I have never been more confident of this. Airmen are deploying from every Air Force specialty code, early in their careers, empowered by our best traditions and highest expectations. Many of them are volunteers to return to the war. They felt connected to the profession of arms there, in conflict, in a way that only they who have experienced it can know. There's certain peace that warriors know; and it comes from this, the certain knowledge that they could have done no more to help their fellow Airman.

Global Power, Reach and Vigilance all depend on individual Airmen doing their Duty. This is the reason we are the world's finest Air Force.

One last thought on this. Character development is the single most important aspect of your development as a leader. Leadership and duty hinge on an individual's character. The values have to align.

Thoughts, words and deeds must match. Your credibility, authenticity and ultimately your power to transform will turn on your character. The tiny temptations of power will unveil any flaw, no matter how minor. The demands of your duty will reveal any weakness in your character. Either the circumstances in life will define you or you will define the circumstances. The difference in those outcomes is found in your character.

The net effect of your life comes to you in moments of crisis. People of character and purpose have clarity and the will to act. All the other endeavors you may be engaged in at the Academy are for this purpose alone. The end of education must be character. It alone will allow you to see and understand the duty you have to your fellow Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines and earn the trust to lead them.

Thank you for letting me share a few thoughts with you gravity or understand it we have walked on this earth. The on this. This is an exciting time to be serving your Air Force and nation. There's never been a greater need for young officers of character and distinction. I look forward to the next generation of great American Airmen.

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Newest Aces honored at Heritage House

Twenty-two cadets were recognized for academic excellence at a Dean's Aces dinner Sept. 28 for achieving perfect 4.0 academic GPAs during the Spring 2011 semester.

The tradition of the Dean's Aces Dinner began in April 2005 to recognize those few cadets who achieve something nearly impossible in the academy's rigorous academic environment – perfection. The term "Dean's Aces" was chosen to recognize these cadets and stems from the definition of a cadet's academic success (straight "As") with the crowning achievement of a fighter pilot.

"The aim of the Dean's Aces' Dinner is to recognize cadets who have truly distinguished themselves academically," said Brig. Gen. Dana Born, dean of the faculty. "The numbers speak for themselves; a mere one-half of 1 percent of cadets within the 4,500 plus-member Cadet Wing earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average last semester. What is just as remarkable as their perfect grades, is the all-around nature of these individuals."

The Spring 2011 Aces List includes three former fourth-class cadets, eight third-class cadets, twelve second-class cadets as well as three first-class cadets.

Two of the cadets in attendance were double Aces, earning Ace status for two semesters: Cadet 1st Class Jeffrey Schaefer and Cadet 2nd Class Zebulon Hanley. Two of the cadets were triple Aces: Cadet 1st Class Travis Myers and Cadet 2nd Class Matthew Kluckman.

Among those recognizing the newest aces were Dean of the Faculty, Brig. Gen. Dana Born and Tim Born; director of athletics Dr. Hans Mueh and Sally Mueh; Individual Mobilization Assistant to the Superintendent Brig. Gen. Cathy Chilton; Chief Diversity Officer Dr. Adis Vila; and Associate Dean for Curriculum and Strategy Dr. Aaron Byerley.

Sixteen of the cadets who made the Aces List also earned a place on the Superintendent's List for the Spring 2011 semester. The Superintendent's List is consists of cadets who have earned high military performance averages and upheld a physical education average of at least 3.0 in addition to making the Dean's List. Five cadets were intercollegiate athletes. Overall, 14 of the 32 academy majors were represented, to include four cadets with a double-major and seven cadets with a language minor.

Cadet 1st Class Jeff Schaefer, an academic double-Ace, said about the evening, "I enjoyed the hospitality of the dean and the food was wonderful. Meeting members of USAFA's upper leadership really inspired me as I prepare to start my career as an Air Force officer."

Cadet 3rd Class David McCarthy



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Mobilization Assistant to the Superintendent Brig. Gen. Cathy Chilton, and retired Col. Mick Erdle, president of the Academy Research and Development Institute, both sitting at opposite ends of the table, talk with cadets during the ACEs dinner, Sept. 28.

said, "I felt proud to be included among such an elite group of cadets."

The Academy Research and Development Institute sponsored the event, with retired Col. Mick Erdle, president of ARDI, in attendance at the dinner.

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| Cadet 1st Class Chris Severino | CS-01 |
| Cadet 1st Class Nolan Sweeney | CS-15 |
| Cadet 1st Class Kevin Wright | CS-22 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Frederick Feigel | CS-01 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Jordan Hauschild | CS-38 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Nicholas Jernigan | CS-37 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Jonathan Kim | CS-28 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Philip Knodel | CS-19 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Kristopher Martin | CS-28 |
| **Cadet 2nd Class Travis Myers | CS-33 |
| Cadet 2nd Class David Riegleman | CS-25 |
| *Cadet 2nd Class Jeffrey Schaefer | CS-35 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Lane Thaut | CS-22 |
| Cadet 2nd Class Matthew War | CS-30 |
| Cadet 3rd Class Adam Carr | CS-04 |
| Cadet 3rd Class Ian Gibson | CS-40 |
| *Cadet 3rd Class Zebulon Hanley | CS-37 |
| Cadet 3rd Class Justin Hillstrom | CS-16 |
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| Cadet 3rd Class Anthony O'Connor | CS-33 |
| Cadet 3rd Class Kevin Rossillon | CS-35 |
| Cadet 3rd Class Daniel Schonfeld | CS-28 |
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Cyber team competes on world stage

4 cadets will compete in NYC in the for Capture the Flag finals

By Don Branum Academy Spirit staff writer

A team of eight cadets placed third among 45 U.S. undergraduate schools in the qualifying round of an online capture-the-flag competition Sept. 23-25 hosted by the Polytechnic Institute of New York University, making the team eligible for the finals in New York City next month.

While "capture the flag" might evoke images of paintball or firstperson shooter video games, this competition involved breaking computer security and digging up "key" information on contest judges, explained Dr. Martin Carlisle, professor and deputy department head of academics for the Computer Science Department here.

The team -- Cadets 1st Class Jordan Keefer, Chris Shields and Geoff Pamerleau, Cadets 2nd Class Josh Christman, Nathan Hart, Luke Jones and Michael Winstead and Cadet 3rd Class Anthony Canino -- tied for 15th overall among competitors that included undergraduate, graduate and industry professional teams.

"Most teams compete against undergraduates," Carlisle said. "We've competed against professionals and held our own." Other names in the NYU contest included Carnegie Mellon University and the University of Milan in Italy, while industry professionals included teams from the United States, England and France.

The NYU competition ran for 48 straight hours, making it a test of endurance as well as smarts. Cadets got about six hours of sleep, on average, said Hart, a native of Champlain, Minn.

"We ran on a lot of Mountain Dew and Hot Pockets," Christman added.

It's not the first such contest for the team, which also competed in the Luxembourg-based Hack.lu Cyber Capture the Flag contest Sept. 19-20, an open capture-the-flag competition at DEFCON 19 in Las Vegas in August and the San Antonio-based National Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition in April. Dean of the Faculty Brig. Gen. Dana Born named the cyber competition team one of the "Dean's Teams" in May, making it the third such team along with the forensics and mock-trial teams. That gives the cadets dedicated time -- an invaluable resource -- in the cyberwarfare lab Mondays through Thursdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m., Carlisle said. Many of the cadets on the cyber competition team are also affiliated with the Academy's cyberwarfare club, which predates the team by about a year. Christman, who started competing in December, said the team has learned a great deal through competitions -- par-

ticularly ones like DEFCON 19 that force them to adapt quickly.

"It was an open competition, and the organizers didn't give us any info beforehand," Christman said. "When we got there and set up, everything was running on IPv6," a newer version of Internet Protocol that doesn't play well with IPv4, the existing version. "We wouldn't have known what we had to learn if not for the competition."

Cadets' proficiency will translate well into Air Force cyberwarfare efforts after cadets graduate, said Keefer, the cadet in charge of the cyber competition team and a native of Manheim, Pa.

"It all springboards," said Keefer, who found out Monday that he will enter a cyberwarfare-related Air Force specialty after he graduates. "The cyber competition team builds on what I've learned as a computer science major, and this serves as a basis for what I'll learn in my career field."

And it's impossible to overstate the importance of that expertise, said Lt. Col. David Bibighaus, an assistant professor for the Computer Science Department.

"Cyberwarfare is inexpensive, and that's what makes it so dangerous," Bibighaus said. "Not everyone can field a fifth-generation fighter" like the F-35 Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter or the F-22A Raptor, "but anyone can stand up a world-class cyberwarfare unit."

Four of the cadets will travel to New York City Nov. 11 to participate in the 24-hour long NYU Capture the Flag finals.



DON BRANUM

Cadet 1st Class Jordan Keefer (left) and Cadet 2nd Class Nathan Hart lead discussion on a format string attack during a cyber competition team meeting in the Air Force Academy's Cyberwarfare Lab Oct. 3. Attackers can use the vulnerability, which may exist in some programs written in the C++ programming language, to gain administrative rights on a remote computer. Keefer is a native of Manheim, Pa., and Hart is a native of Champlain, Minn.

Cadets receive cyber wings

By Don Branum Academy Spirit staff writer

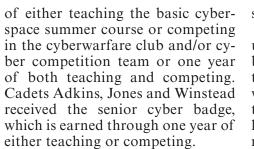
Academy Dean of the Faculty Brig. Gen. Dana Born presented the Air Force Academy's first senior and master cyberwarfare badges to nine cadets during a faculty council meeting here Sept. 26. Lt. Col. David Biwbighaus, a professor and deputy department head for the Academy's Computer Science Department, said he felt astonished by the cadets' sense of ownership in the cyberwarfare program here. "I came in one morning, and Winstead and Shields had thrown some chairs together and fallen asleep because they had spent all night working on something that could make the course better," Bibighaus said. "It amazed me." Cadets Keefer, Shields, Toussain, Christman, Guiler and Hart received the master cyber badge, which is earned through two years

WINGS PRESENTED TO:

Cadet 1st Class Jordan Keefer, Cadet Squadron 37 Cadet 1st Class Chris Shields, CS 17 Cadet 1st Class Matthew Toussain. CS 17



Cadet 2nd Class Josh Christman, CS 07 Cadet 2nd Class Robert Guiler, CS 05 Cadet 2nd Class Nathan Hart, CS 13 Cadet 2nd Class Donald Adkins, CS 22 Cadet 2nd Class Luke Jones, CS 14 Cadet 2nd Class Michael Winstead, CS 06



A total of 81 cadets completed the basic cyberspace course during the 2011 summer semester to earn their basic cyber wings, Bibighaus said. The department seeks to double that number for the 2012 summer semester.

The badges' heraldry borrows upon an early version of the combat navigator badge, signifying the common lineage of electronic warfare officers. The orbits around the globe symbolize the space-related elements of the cyberspace mission, while the lightning bolt wings symbolize the cyberspace domain and heritage of communication officers. Badge elements are simplified from their active-duty counterparts to prevent confusion, Bibighaus said.

Physics department earns research grant

A Physics department research center here has been awarded almost \$800,000 to team with colleges in Colorado and Chile to study space situational awareness.

The Center for Space Situational Awareness Research recently received a \$791,500 grant from the Air Force Office of Scientific Research under the Defense University Research Instrumentation Program to develop a network of small telescopes for satellite tracking and characterization called the Falcon Telescope Network.

This telescope network will form the basis for the cadets' education and research program in space situational awareness which is a critical national security issue.

"Space situational awareness is the foundation for all that the Department of Defense and Air Force does in space," said Dr. Francis Chun, one of the principle researchers for the center and this research project. "Without knowledge of what is in orbit around the earth, all satellite systems, from the International Space Station to GPS and DirecTV satellites, will be more vulnerable to collisions and natural space weather hazards. The Air Force routinely tracks more than 22,000 objects on a daily to weekly basis, but we believe there are hundreds of thousands of space objects in orbit that are too small for our current sensors to detect. Over time, space will only get more congested as more countries launch satellites and more collisions between space objects occur. All of this will have a negative impact on our lives from banking to weather forecasting to navi-

gating to communicating."

Using the network, cadets will conduct cutting-edge research in space situational awareness with a specific emphasis on characterizing satellites through simultaneous observations taken from multiple telescope sites, Chun said.

The Academy research center is teaming with four colleges within the state of Colorado to locate and operate the observatories; CSSAR will provide the telescope, USAFA Observatory. dome and instruments while

the colleges will provide land, power, internet, and minor annual operations and maintenance. These colleges include Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado Mesa University in Grand Junction, Otero Junior College in La Junta and Northeast Junior College in Sterling. These colleges were not only chosen to provide geographical diversity to the Falcon Telescope Network, but also to aid in their education and public outreach programs.

The grant will provide these colleges a permanent telescope observatory that they can use for course work, laboratories and open houses to excite and inspire young students to consider a career in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Additionally, the grant includes the funding for a

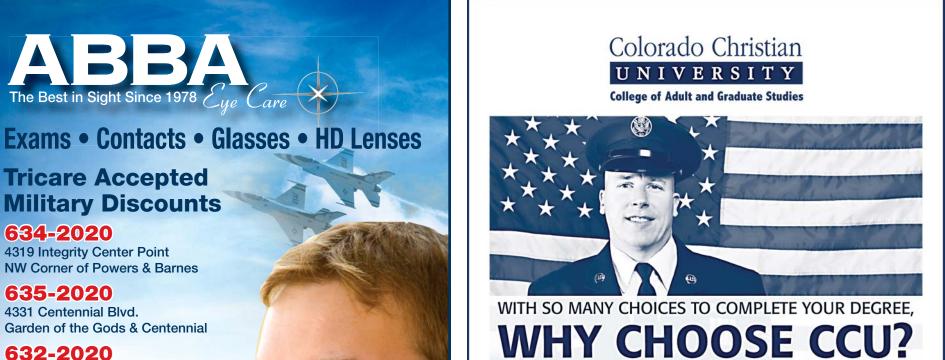


Cadets 1st Class Steve Wakefield and Shannon Young calibrate a telescope at the

fifth telescope observatory in the country of Chile. The Academy is partnering with the University of La Serena and the Mamalluca Observatory near the city of Vicuna, Chile.

The Air Force Office of Scientific Research's South American Office for Aerospace Research and Development is assisting Academy is formalizing the partnership.

The telescope in Chile will provide Air Force Academy cadets a unique southern hemisphere capability that does not exist in the operational Air Force. In addition to their own telescope observatory, all of the grant partners will have access to the rest of the Falcon Telescope Network for astronomical and space observations.





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AF libraries offer language program

By David Edwards Academy Spirit staff writer

If you are in the Air Force Academy fold and your bucket list includes a foreign language, your new coach has arrived.

The Air Force-wide acquisition of the Transparent Language database means polyglot power is only a library visit away.

Transparent's suite boasts more than 80 languages ranging from Afrikaans to Zulu. All eight foreign languages taught at the Academy are among the offerings, and English instruction is also available for speakers of a wide assortment of languages.

"I think it's important our cadets, faculty and staff are aware of this great new resource for language learning," said Joe Barry, a reference librarian at McDermott Library. "This resource offers a wide number of languages, where you have the ability to focus on just one language or explore as many languages as you want. I like selecting from the different vocabulary lists, where I'm able to listen, speak and build up my knowledge of the language."

Prospective users must sign up at one of the base libraries, where they establish their user name and password. After that, though, the program can be accessed from any device with Internet capabilities.

Cadets studying a foreign language at the Academy already use a version of the Transparent software that is specially tailored for academia.

Contract stipulations prevent the online program from being used in formal classroom instruction at the Academy, but cadets and

faculty members may freely take advantage of the opportunities for independent language learning.

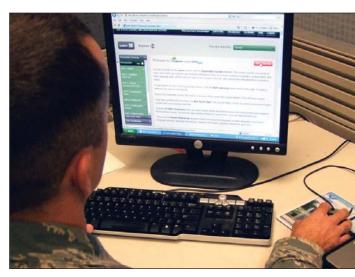
By signing a contract with Transparent, the Air Force is affording its personnel the same opportunity the Army has through its agreement with Rosetta Stone.

Transparent Language may not be as well known as Rosetta Stone, but that did not dissuade the Air Force.

"This program is just another way we're helping develop and care for our Airmen and families through quality of life programs," said Melinda Mosley, an Air Force Services Agency administrative librarian. "It contains video-based grammar lessons, social media resources and cultural learning resources for language learners at all proficiency levels."

Activities and features can be selected to play to the strengths of each individual learner, meaning the program can accommodate visual, auditory and kinesthetic learners alike.

Another customization option allows the user free rein on the visual presentation of the linguistic elements. Most of the languages with non-Roman alphabets or writing systems offer the option of transliteration into the letters familiar to English speakers.



Air Force libraries now offer studies in more than 80 languages through the Transparent Language Online program.

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Portability is another much-lauded aspect of the Transparent Language method. Because the program is Web-based, it eschews the software and CDs relied on by other companies in the field.

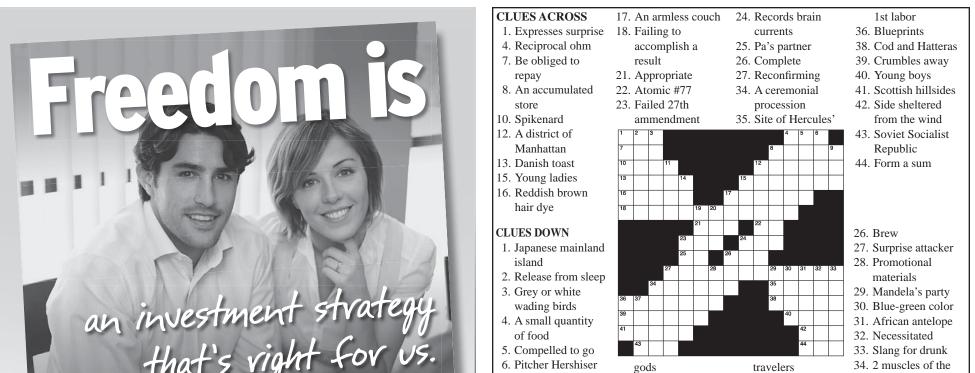
"There is also the ability to download the program to all Apple devices — iPads, iPhones, etc. or to Android phones, giving the online language learning more mobility and flexibility to users," said Mila Gaetano, director of the base library.

Both Academy libraries are promoting the new offering through flyers, word of mouth and any other advertising that might prove effective. Signup is free, so the only expense is the time required to complete registration at the library.

Barry said the Transparent Language program will complement the ample supply of language resources already in the library's collection as well as its other language database, called Mango.

Transparent offers more languages than Mango, but Barry believes that using both programs for languages they have in common strengthens the learner's command of the new language.

So far, more than 3,000 people have signed up since the Air Force rolled out the program in August. They've realized that it's now easier than ever to go from monolingual to multilingual — and it's all so Transparent.



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Luncheon explores worldviews

By David Edwards Academy Spirit staff writer

The Air Force Academy had to put a time limit on discussion of the timeless questions of human existence.

But the people who spent their lunch hour Sept. 27 listening to the Rev. Larry Brennan expound on religion in the public forum had no complaints.

Their presence and their questions showed the academic freedom and the readiness to respectfully consider and debate important philosophical points that is a hallmark of a premier educational institution.

The Academy periodically sponsors brown-bag lectures that bring representatives of a variety of faiths and traditions to campus. The events spark examination of life's big questions.

"The initiative ... is to look for opportunities to bring discussions of religion at the strategic level to the cadets," said Chaplain (Col.) Robert Bruno. "Our cadets need to understand that over there (in Southeast Asia), religion and state are married, and they have been for centuries. The rules of engagement require us to agree to disagree agreeably. And all of this is sanctioned by the Constitution."

Bruno said the discussions are always conducted in a spirit of respect and civility. He also distinguished between religion at the tactical level -- services, rituals, functions and so forth -- and religion at the strategic level, meaning the extent to which religions informs people's worldview, moral compass and sense of purpose in life.

Those underlying themes were impossible to miss in the latest brown-bag lecture.

A religiously mixed audience gathered to listen to and reflect on the words of Brennan, a Roman Catholic priest who is the former dean of Kenrick Seminary in St. Louis. Brennan holds a doctoral degree in sacred theology, and he prefaced his remarks by saying his expertise is concentrated more in the catechism than the Constitution.

Nevertheless, the strength of his Catholic beliefs helped him speak confidently about three related topics: the rise of secular humanism and moral relativism, the natural law, and a recent study conducted at the University of Notre Dame about the moral aptitude of young adults.

Early in the talk, Brennan drew a philosophical

line in the sand that his listeners would return to and expand upon in the question period.

"We are fundamentally wired for religion," he said. "I say it is impossible to separate religion from public life. When it is tried, something always replaces it and takes on religious significance. I very much believe secular humanism is a religion. It doesn't include bishops or rituals, but it does include doctrine."

Brennan noted at the outset that people tend to automatically equate the term "public square" with government. He sees the term encompassing a much larger sphere that includes society and culture.

In addition, he said that despite the seeming comfort and safety of a moral-relativist stance, all people, regardless of creed and outlook, are at some point in their lives confronted with the need to determine the purpose of their existence.

"Why are we here? That is the fundamental question," Brennan said. "My point is there's no avoiding the questions. Religious people do everyone the favor of being explicit about our answers to these questions."

After laying the groundwork, he devoted a sizeable portion of his remaining time to offering his analysis of the state of the public square today, primarily in the United States. His two primary lenses were John Courtney Murray's book "We Hold These Truths" and a corresponding emphasis on natural law.

"The fact that Catholicism incorporates natural law does not contaminate the theory," Brennan said. "I expect the natural-law argument to be engaged, and it is not engaged."

Murray's book, published in 1960, had a profound influence on American political thought. Brennan weaved insights from the book with some personal commentary throughout his lecture.

He specifically mentioned the Air Force Academy, saying that one of the functions of limited government, namely defense of the country and the citizenry, is institutionalized here.

Brennan's concluding comments referred to a Sept. 13 piece by New York Times columnist David Brooks. Reporting on a 2008 study by Notre Dame sociologist Christian Smith and his research team, Brooks described the impossibility of moral reasoning for most of the 18- to 23-year-old inter-



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- Chaplain (Col.) Robert Bruno

view subjects.

"What's disheartening is how bad they are at thinking and talking about moral issues," Brooks wrote. He added that "they just don't have the categories or vocabulary to do so."

Brennan echoed those worries. He could have easily mentioned the fact that the subjects in the Notre Dame study were in the same age range as the majority of the Cadet Wing, and that living the Air Force core value of "integrity first" requires moral thinking.

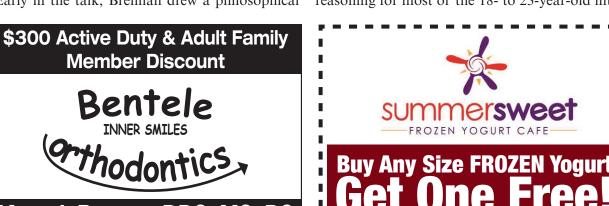
Despite the dreary implications of the study, however, Brennan expressed some tempered optimism that Americans will one day wise up to the fruits of that moral laxity. And religion will come in handy, he believes.

"When people refuse to acknowledge the existence of truth, the only alternative is might makes right." Brennan said. "I think religion will have a very important role in the revivification of culture."

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Cadets remove debris, help clean out flood damage



From left: Cadets 1st Class Cody Main and Nathan Timsuren move furniture into Pierre's first school house, to get the facility ready to accept visitors, while Cadet 2nd Class Cassandra Hill moves to get out of the doorway to bring more materials into the school house.

66 The cadets were amazing ... they accomplished so many tasks that would have had to be done by city crews, which are already taxed physically and resource-wise..."

-Jeanne Goodman, Pierre city commissioner

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the journey and solicited volunteers from Cadet Group 4 and from around the entire Cadet Wing.

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Cadet 1st Class Amanda Bolton

"It honestly sounded like an adventure," said Cadet 1st Class Amanda Bolton, squadron commander for Cadet Squadron 36, who brought 25 of her squadron with her to South Dakota. "The (Cadet Squadron 38 squadron commander) brought it to me. It sounded like something different from the normal community service that we do, which is local cleanup, and we get to travel a little bit and get the squadron together.'

That travel was an adventure. The cadets did an entire day of classes Thursday, hit the dining facility for dinner and then hopped on three buses at sunset to ride 10 hours at night to reach Pierre.

Arriving early in the pre-dawn hours, the cadets received breakfast from community leaders at the golf course clubhouse, followed by morning briefings about the situation, and the work Cadets remove sandbags from a levee around a Girl Scout cabin along the Missouri River. ahead.

Cadets were then split into small groups at 20 different worksites in the two cities. Of those, almost 100 of the cadets found work awaiting them in Fort Pierre. They removed the debris left behind by long-standing flood waters from around the homes of elderly citizens in the Dunes and Frontier Road area, and also helped clean out some flood-damaged basements there.

The Frontier Road neighbors are thrilled and the neighborhood looks sooooooooo much better," said Fort Pierre resident Tiffany Sanchez, who helped organized that community's wish list. "It is so nice to see all the smiling faces on our road again. We still have a lot of work to do and a lot of stress and anxiety to endure, but the help of the volunteers and cadets was



plished tasks that would have taken us much valuable time; they demonstrated compassion and respect; and their smiling faces and energy raised our spirits and gave us hope that we will one day return to a beautiful and livable neighborhood. Thank you so much for organizing the clean up and helping us out. It is greatly appreciated!"

Across the river in Pierre, the cadets found thousands and thousands of sandbags awaiting them.

"From the perspective of the City of Pierre, things went very well. The cadets accomplished what the City of Pierre had outlined for them to do and then some," said Tom Farnsworth,

Pierre's director of parks and the East Pierre Women's Club. It sits just a few yards from the Force bragging rights over Navy for the next year. recreation, who helped organormal river bank and just inside the sandbag levee, but needed The concept of service learning is to offer cadets character develnized support for the cadets' extra measures protect it. So a second levee of sandbags was put opment programs which emphasize one of the Academy's central up in June, which still encircled the schoolhouse. core values, "Service Before Self." The Cadet Service Learning provisit. The cadets de-sandbagged Cadets excavated those sandbags one at a time. Most of the gram attempts to take this core value from the theoretical concepts sandbags were solid, but a different brand of sandbags that were of the classroom to actual experiences with the goal of a lifelong used was lacking in tensile strength once each was moved. Then internalized "volunteer ethic" and understanding of the value of they tore or outright disintegrated, adding a nice sheen of mud to serving others, particularly in the area of community service, like the cadets' ABUs and adding to their entertainment in the prothe flood relief work in South Dakota.

several utility structures such as sanitary sewer lift stations, electric transformers and levees that had been covered with plastic and sandbags.

"The cadets were amazing," said Jeanne Goodman, Pierre city The sandbags would vary in weight, anywhere between 30 and "It's outside doing something, commissioner. "They accomplished so many tasks that would have but it's also getting the chance 80 pounds each depending on who filled them and if the soil was had to be done by city crews, which are already taxed physically to talk to people in the (squadwaterlogged. So the cadet moving the sandbags down the relay and resource-wise, or volunteers. The work of the cadets moves ron)," said Bolton. "During the line would call out what they were passing on, saying "heavy, Pierre much closer to completion of work needed before winter school year, we're just so busy light, leaky bag" to warn the next in line of what was headed sets in. For example, the cadets' work in one of the city's youth with academics and sports and their way, even saying "it's bleeding" for a bag that was losing all recreational complexes has put the city in the position of levee removal quicker and earlier than expected. That will hopefully move so many other things that you integrity The cadets took the mud in stride and kept the event entertainus closer to needed repairs so the youth of the community will be really don't get the chance to hang out with your (squadron) ing, starting discussions on how sandbags were preferable to cer- back to playing baseball and softball sooner than expected. The tain calculus, chemistry or physics classes they are taking this secadets accomplished as much and more than what was expected." mates." mester, or adding their vocals to the music playing from a nearby But in addition to their physical contributions, the cadets pres-The cadets put a hefty dent in the flood cleanup work, ence here was a real shot in the arm, she added. car stereo.

done.

"The City and much of the private sector is working to get as much clean-up done before winter sets in here in the Dako-

but much more remains to be Shortly after lunch, the sandbags were removed from the schoolhouse, and cadets were moving furniture back into the tiny, oneroom building. By the end of the day, the local tourist attraction was ready to receive visitors. But by the time anyone signed the visitors' ledger, the cadets had already moved on to subsequent worksites down the river, for there were thousands and thousands priceless and goes beyond just the manual labor! They accom- tas," said Farnsworth. "We have seen it happen where we can get more sandbags awaiting their attention. early October snows. When that happens, it puts a hold on much After the first day's sweaty and muddy work, cadets were fed at of our outdoor work and in this case specifically, the work of the local golf course by the leaders of the Pierre long-term recovcleaning up after the flood. So, the more we get done, the quicker we recover and open our facilities to the public. Having the cadets and a given a place to sleep. arrive to help put us that much closer to a full recovery. We ex-

ery team, then given a place to cleanup, were treated to a movie "Their demeanor was awesome. They are respectful, kind, and genuine. I had the opportunity to observe their character as they Saturday, the cadets got the additional treat of watching a taped worked with the Mernaughs, an older couple who have taken pect to be able to open up Steamboat Park yet this fall, something version of the Air Force-Navy football game. The service acadegreat pride in Pierre's First School House, to move the school's my rivalry game was broadcast Saturday afternoon on a national we may not have been able to do without them.' belongings back to the school building. The cadets handled the Two of the buildings the cadets worked on in Steamboat Park network, but the cadets in South Dakota were busy moving more items with care, asked the Mernaughs about the items, apprecisandbags and debris. But city leaders taped the game, which let ated the history and care taken to preserve the history, and took were historic buildings, which were first schoolhouse in Pierre and the Girl Scout Cabin. The schoolhouse is a one-room structhe cadets watch it in its nail-biting entirety. The game ended in a the time to visit with the Mernaughs. It was heartwarming to see ture dating back to 1881 and is now a museum maintained by 35-34 overtime win on a blocked kick for Air Force, securing Air the respect."

Cadets give back

Gino Mattorano Spirit Editor

Air Force Academy cadets from eighteen different squadrons participated in a variety of community service events Sept. 30 as part of the Cadet Service Learning program.

The Cadet Service Learning program offers cadets character development programs which emphasize one of the Academy's central core values, "Service Before Self."

The Cadet Wing performs approximately 40,000 hours of community service each academic year around the Pikes Peak Region and the nation.

"The Cadet Service Learning program attempts to take this core value from the theoretical concepts of the classroom to actual experiences with the goal of a lifelong internalized "volunteer ethic" and understanding of the value of serving others, particularly in the area of community service," said Lt. Col Bonnie Burckel, who is the Academy Center for Character and Leadership Development Assistant Director for Integration and Outreach

Cadets spent the day volunteering at local elementary schools, the humane society, Habitat for Humanity, cleaning up a local park, and assisting at the Veteran's Administration hospital in Denver, among others.

Cadet 2nd Class Molly Crosby, the Cadet Wing character NCO, said the CSL program provides a way for cadets to build their character through servant leadership, and to give a practical "thank you" to the American people, and Colorado Springs for supporting the Academy, the Air Force and the military at large.

"Not only are the organizations grateful for the cheerful attitude the cadets bring when they volunteer, but the cadet are grateful for an opportunity to serve the community in a different way than we at The Imagine Classical Academy, a local charter school. do on a day-to-day basis," Crosby said.



Cadet 1st Class John Saydah, of Cadet Squadron 24, helps students with a craft project

"Their demeanor was awesome. They are respectful, kind, and genuine ... It was heartwarming to see the respect."

Jeanne Goodman, Pierre city commissioner

Air Force leaders issue Energy Awareness message



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ENERGY FACTS

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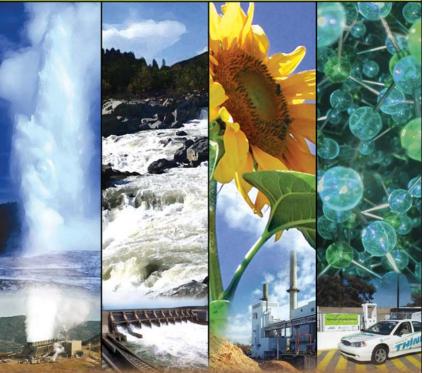
\$15 billion spent on fuel by the military in 2010

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WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz send the following message regarding energy awareness month to the Airmen of the U.S. Air Force and their families: Global vigilance, reach, and power at home and abroad require vast amounts of energy whether it is fuel for our aircraft, gas for our vehicles, or electricity for our space and cyberspace efforts. As the largest energy user in the federal government, the Air Force must find ways to reduce our energy consumption, especially given the current economic environment. To ensure Airmen always have reliable, secure access to energy when and where the mission requires, we will pursue an energy posture that is resilient, robust, and ready to support our global missions.

Improving our energy posture requires us to be smart about how we consume energy in the air and on the ground. October is Energy Awareness Month and the Air Force remains committed to promoting energy awareness through education and action. Our theme for Energy Awareness Month this year is "Power the Force - Fuel the Fight." This theme seeks to highlight energy as a critical resource to our capabilities and reminds us to focus on the impact our day-to-day energy decisions have on the mission. Energy awareness strengthens our capabilities and reinforces the pillars of the Air Force Energy Strategy: Reduce Demand, Increase Supply, and Change Culture. Achieving our energy goals is everyone's responsibility. It requires sustained efforts, firm leadership, and disciplined Airmen who make smart, energy-conscious decisions. We challenge you to consider energy use in everything you do: embrace energy awareness concepts, seek energy efficient alternatives, and exercise a spirit of energy awareness throughout the year. Saving electricity or fuel can be done through simple acts, such as turning off unattended lights and equipment, driving fuel efficient routes and speeds, and walking to close destinations. Together, we can decrease costs, expand operational capabilities, and project more effective combat power. Our success depends on you to "Power the Force - Fuel the Fight!"

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Air Force linebacker Alex Means celebrates after blocking the game winning point-after attempt as the Falcons took on the Midshipmen of Navy Sat. at the Naval Academy's Jack Stephens Field. The Falcons dominated the first half, but almost lost the game in the second after the Mids outscored them 25-7. The Falcons won 35-34 in overtime after Means' block of Mids kicker Jon Teague's point-after attempt.



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Falcons overcome late Navy comeback

Beat Mids 35-34 in OT

By Tech. Sgt. Raymond Hoy U.S. Air Force Academy Public Affairs

UNITED STATES NAVAL ACAD-EMY, Md. — Despite a 2-1 record, Air Force fans have despaired over some lackluster Falcon play this season. However, some of that was washed away as the Falcons defeated the Navy Midshipmen 35-34 Saturday at Jack Stephens Field.

The Falcons were riding high into the second half, but it all almost came crashing down as the Mids pushed the game into overtime. Thanks to some huge overtime penalties on the Mids, the Falcons were able to pull out the 1-point victory.

The Falcons wasted no time getting on the board after a 52-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Tim Jefferson to wide receiver Ty MacArthur 1:30 into the first quarter. The Falcons took their 21-3 lead into the half.

"We were definitely feeling good," Jefferson said. "We came into halftime and everyone was preaching that it was still 0-0, but there is always a good sense when you are up 21-3 on a team like Navy. But at the same time, we knew there was going to be a comeback; we just didn't know it was going to be this dramatic."

The Mids came out with a strong showing in the second half, both on offense and defense. After driving down the field with an 8-play, 28-yard drive, the Mids quarterback Kriss Proctor dove in for a 2-yard touchdown run.

"The guys just settled down," Niumatalolo said. "Air Force is a good football team. Maybe we were overanxious. I think we just settled down."

On the followng Air Force drive, the Mids forced a Wesley Cobb fumble on the Falcon 38-yard line.



Air Force wide receiver Drew Coleman sneaks around Navy linebacker Matt Warric Sat.

again."

"There was no question that we ran and got my hand up."

last one, I was able to stay a little low and got my hand up."

After mediocre triple option play from Navy, the Falcons followed up with a long 13-play, 80-yard drive capped by a 2-yard touchdown run from Jefferson.

The Mids were able to answer with a 10-play drive of their own, putting three on the board with a Jon Teague field goal.

The Falcons continued their dominance on offense with their third touchdown in three consecutive drives. Running back Asher Clark scored on only his third touch of the game with a great head fake on his way to a 23yard touchdown.

After seven years of Midshipmen dominance, the Falcon defense really stepped it up in the last couple of games. The Falcons held the Mids to only nine points on only five trips to the red zone in the previous six quarters. After an Air Force stop, Clark kicked off the next Falcon drive with a 46-yard run to help swing the momentum back to the Falcons and put them up by another touchdown.

However, that was the last real showing for the Falcons' offense until overtime. The Mids went on to outscore the Falcons 25-7 in the second half. Proctor showed up big time for the Mids with a 7-yard touchdown run and a 5-yard touchdown pass to running back Gee Gee Greene. Running back Alex Teich ran in for the two-point conversion to tie the game at 28 and take it into overtime. This brought back some bad memories for the Falcons.

"When we went to overtime, the first thing I thought about was two years ago when we were here and we went to overtime and lost," Jefferson said. "I told myself, 'this can't happen out of gas," Calhoun said. "We just have to get to the point where we don't run out of gas and that's on me as a coach. The job Navy did in the fourth quarter is why they will be what you want serving your country."

Air Force won the toss and elected to give Navy the ball first. Navy pushed the ball in after a gutsy call from Navy coach Ken Niumatalolo to go for it on fourth down and inches. A crushing taunting call against Navy pushed back the point-after attempt and allowed Falcons linebacker Alex Means to block the kick, giving them the opportunity they'd been looking for.

"I blocked it with my left hand," Means said. "We had a whole game plan going into the game for Jamil Cooks to get over there on the left side. But the whole game I felt the kicker kind of kicking a bit to the left of where Jamil was jumping. On the

Jefferson opened the Falcons' overtime drive with a 16-yard strike to receiver Zack Kauth, giving them first and goal on the Navy's 9-yard line. Navy had another big penalty with an interference call in the end zone against Kauth. It took a couple plays to push it in, but Jefferson was able to do it on third down. Kicker Parker Herrington was able to drive his extra point attempt home to give the Falcons their second straight win against the Midshipmen.

"I'm at a loss for words right now," Niumatalolo said. "Congratulations to Air Force. I am proud of our guys and the way they battled. Unfortunately we came up one point short." The win brings the Falcons to 3-1 on the season and gives them a twogame winning streak as they head to Notre Dame Saturday. Kickoff is at 3:30 p.m. ET.

Falcons ice McGill in hockey victory

By David Edwards

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Academy Spirit staff writer

All the scoring happened in blitzkrieg fashion as the Falcons hosted the McGill University Redmen in an exhibition hockey game Monday evening.

Air Force spotted McGill a two-goal advantage in the first period before exploding for five unanswered goals, en route to a 5-4 win.

The Falcons could have put McGill away after Paul Weisgarber's second-period goal stretched the lead to 5-2. But the Redmen stormed back with two goals just 14 seconds apart.

Air Force squandered three power plays in the first 15 minutes of the third period, and only a stellar save by starting goaltender Jason Torf with 6:21 left preserved the Falcons' one-goal lead.

McGill gave Air Force a man advantage for the remainder of the game when Francis Verreault-Paul received a five-minute major penalty and a game misconduct for a vicious check on sophomore forward Mitch Torrel.

The hit left Torrel prone on the ice for several minutes. He was immobilized and carted off on a stretcher. A blood-stained patch of ice had to be replaced before play could resume.

Air Force again failed to capitalize on the power play, however. With just over a minute left, the Redmen called timeout and pulled their goaltender. Despite a flurry of action around the Air Force net, though, they couldn't slip the puck past Torf.

Given the great distance the Redmen traveled for the game, they nonetheless had the support of a fairly sizeable cheering section. The McGill fans were rewarded as their team struck twice in the first period to seize the early lead.

Nicholas Therrien blasted a slap shot from the left circle that found the net, and Kevin Dupont scored 26 seconds later from almost the same spot. After giving up the second goal, Torf was replaced by senior Stephen Caple.

The Falcon offense got rolling from there, starting with a goal by Jason Fabian at 15:09. A McGill penalty prior to the goal set up the Falcons on the

The Air Force Falcons defeated the McGill University Redmen , 5-4, in an exhibition game Monday in Clune Arena.

power play. Kyle DeLaurell capitalized with the equalizer less than a minute later.

John Kruse gave the Falcons the lead, scoring off a wrist shot at 16:36 of the first period. That was followed by a spectacular play from George Michalke.

As time expired on Michalke's penalty, he charged out of the penalty box into the path of a McGill pass. He deflected the puck away from the offense then took a pass from Chad Demers on a breakaway. Michalke went top-shelf for the goal and a 4-2 Air Force lead.

Weisgarber capped the Falcons' scoring with a power-play goal. He was camped in front of the crease when the puck caromed right to him. The McGill netminder couldn't recover in time from the previous shot, leaving Weisgarber a wide-open net from point-blank range.

That turned out to be enough, but the Falcons' inability to deliver the knockout blow almost cost them. Alex Picard scored for the Redmen at 11:40 of the second period. While the information on that goal was still being announced, Nicholas Biniek beat Caple with a wrister to pull McGill within a goal.

Torf then replaced Caple in net. McGill managed only five shots on goal in the third period, but Torf came up with the needed saves in the clutch.

The Falcons finished with twice as many shots on goal as the Redmen. But McGill needed only 21 shots to score its four goals. On the power play, Air Force was 2-for-7, McGill 0-for-3.

After the game, attention turned to the injured Torrel. The Cadet Ice Arena crowd was largely silent as medical personnel attended to Torrel. He received two rounds of applause.

Fans leaving the arena passed the ambulance parked outside in which Torrel was being treated. When asked by a fan about how Torrel was doing, a paramedic said he thinks Torrel will be OK.

The regular season starts today as the Falcons go on the road to face the third-ranked Fighting Sioux of North Dakota. Their home opener will be Oct. 14 against Niagara.





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Air Force Centre Eric Schreck runs the ball down the field in an attempt to break the Navy line in their Rugby matchup Sept. 30. Navy won the matchup, 24-10.

Penalties plague Air Force rugby team in match against Navy

Cadet 1st Class LeRoi Edwards Rugby Team captain

Annapolis, Md. — The Air Force rugby team fell to Navy, 24-10, in the teams' match Sept. 30.

Slow play and countless penalties plagued the Zoomies during the match, leading to Air Force's defeat.

"We just weren't able to play our game," said senior Patrick Murphy.

Playing on artificial turf in the rain made play knock-ons a prominent feature of the match between the two service academies. The match was very physical and relied heavily on ball control and retention.

With the win, Navy earns the Kevin Shea Cup, which is named after an Air Force lieutenant colonel who had strong ties with both academies and was killed in Iraq.

Mack Griffin was the only Air Force player to punch it in for five, while Reed Fleming had a conversion and a penalty. Leading Navy on scoring were Sam Ramirez, Seamus Siefring, D.P. Dipietro and Spencer Wilson.

The Zoomies will take on Notre Dame and Bowling Green Friday and Saturday in South Bend, Ind.

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Hiking on the Academy: Women's casual-paced hiking is held Tuesdays at 9 a.m., with co-ed quickpaced hiking held Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. The hikes are free, but registration is required. Contact Outdoor Adventure for more information.

Honor Guard candidates

The Air Force Academy Honor Guard wants volunteers who can help pay final honors to those interred at the Air Force's only active cemetery.

Airmen must have 12 months of retainability on base and be able to support at least two details per month for one year.

Training is every other Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. Benefits of Honor Guard membership include consideration for a medal upon completion of the 12-month commitment and free attendance to some major sporting events.



Cadet Chapel

BUDDHIST Sundays, 10 a.m.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP Combined Worship Service: Sundays, 9 a.m.

CATHOLIC WORSHIP Mass: Sundays, 10 a.m.

JEWISH WORSHIP

High Holiday Schedule **Yom Kippur:** Today, 4:45 p.m. service, dinner to follow at 5 p.m.; Kol Nidrei, 5:45 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. Mussaf service, includes Yizkor; 5 p.m. service; 6 p.m. Neila service; fast ends, 7:12 p.m. We will break the fast as a community after services. For more information, call Master Sgt. Lissy Slezak at 333-9309 or Staff Sgt. Hugo Reinor at 333-5621.

Clinic offers shingles vaccine

Shingles vaccinations are now available at the Academy allergy/ immunization clinic. The vaccine is recommended for people age 60 and older. Anyone 50 to 59 years old must have a prescription.

The clinic's hours of operations are: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

On the first Thursday of the month, the clinic closes at 11:30 a.m. for training. Patients are advised to call ahead because mission requirements can cause closures on short notice. The number is 333-5080.

Mixed bowling league

Organizers are looking for teams to bowl in a mixed league (two men, two women) Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. at Academy Lanes Bowling Center on the Air Force Academy.

For more information, call Mike at 694-4401 or Terri at 290-1894 or sign up at the bowling alley.

Get your recyclables ready

To commemorate America Recycles Day, the 10th Civil Engineer Squadron will hold its annual electronics recycling event from November through January.

Each Wednesday and Thursday beginning in November, electronic items can be taken to Civil Engineers' Complex (Building 8125) from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for recycling. Recycling is free. Recyclable items include personal computers and components, televisions, DVD or CD players, stereos, speakers and VHS players. Over the past five years, the Academy has recycled more than 40,000 pounds of electronics.

For more information, call Derek Damien at 333-3224.

Preppies need sponsor families

Sponsor families are needed for cadet candidates attending the U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School for the 2011-12 school year. The Prep School is designed to prepare students for admission and success at the Air Force Academy. Eligible sponsors are: active/retired GS-05, E-6, O-3 and above. Academy graduates and professors may also apply. If you would like to sponsor one or more of these students, or if you have any questions, please call Mark Winter at 333-2583.

nings Baptist Church of Colorado Springs, will be the guest speaker.

Upcoming DADT repeal forums

The Air Force Academy will host three panel discussions to address questions about the repeal of the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy.

The forums will be open to anyone from the Academy. Meetings will take place Monday, 12:15-1:30 p.m., Milazzo Club ballroom; and Tuesday, 12-1:15 p.m., 10th Air Base Wing Headquarters Conference Room in Building. 8034.

The forums are presented by Dr. Adis Vila, the Academy's chief diversity officer. Chaplain (Col.) Robert Bruno and faculty representatives will also sit on the panel.

Cadet classical performances

Join the Academy cadet orchestra in highlighting four gifted cadets in an afternoon of concerto performances Oct. 16 at 2 p.m. in the Arnold Hall theater.

"Morceau de Concert for Horn" by Camille Saint-Saëns will be performed by senior Josiah Eubank. Vivaldi's Concerto in G minor for two cellos will be performed by junior Hayden Richards and senior Wendy Lathrom. The final number is the famous Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor, Second Movement, by Sergei Rachmaninoff. This will be performed by Stephen Bittner.

The Cadet Orchestra Club consists of a full orchestra as well as smaller ensembles. Performances are at the Academy and at other locations in Colorado Springs.

Fitness center schedule change

The fitness center will have reduced operating hours Sunday because of a switch to Colorado Springs Utilities. The center will be open from 2-7:30 p.m. that day. The pool will be closed all day.

Toastmasters meeting details

The Toastmasters Academy Orators club meets Wednesdays 12:05-1 p.m. in the contracting department conference room, 8110 Industrial Drive.

The group provides leadership growth through confidence-building exercises and artful, purposeful communication. For more information, call Irene Noble at 333-5133.

Double-feature movie night

Two movies will be shown at the Community Center Auditorium on Oct. 14. The first movie, "Cars 2," rated G, starts at 6 p.m., and the second movie, "The Hangover, Part Two," rated R, starts at 8 p.m. Sodas and popcorn will be available for sale.

Last call for punt, pass and kick

Close of business today is the deadline to sign up for the punt, pass and kick competition Saturday at Falcon Stadium. Boys and girls ages 6-15 are eligible to compete. Participants do not need to have DoD affiliation; the event is open to anyone.

Questions may be directed to Ron Walker at 333-9133.



Normal schedule Fridays: 7 p.m.

Community Center Chapel

CATHOLIC WORSHIP

Mass: Saturdays, 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.; Tuesdays-Fridays, 11:30 a.m. Reconciliation: Saturdays, 3:30 p.m. Formation Classes: For students in grades K-8. Sundays, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP

Evangelical: Sunday, 10:15 a.m. **Gospel:** Sunday, 11:30 a.m. **Wednesday Night Live:** For ages 3 to adult. Begins with a meal. Wednesdays, 6-7:30 p.m.

Gospel choirs and service

The Air Force Academy Community Center Gospel Service's 18th anniversary celebration "Singspiration" will be held Saturday, 6-8 p.m.

Choirs from Fort Carson, Peterson Air Force Base and the Academy will be participate. Continuing the celebration, Sunday at 11:30 a.m. at the Community Center Gospel Service weekly service, the Rev. John E. Kerley, pastor of the New Begin-



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