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Academy course rumbles with footsteps of regional firefighters

by David Edwards
Academy Spirit staff writer

About the only thing missing this weekend at Rumble in the Rockies was a tuxedo-clad Michael Buffer and his patented boxing introduction.

But after the presentation of the colors and the national anthem, rumble these competitors did as firefighters from all corners of North America showed the Air Force Academy it's OK to get hosed every now and then.

Ten states and Canada were represented at Rumble in the Rockies, which is the largest event on the schedule of the Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge.

Competitors vied for times that would qualify them for the world championships in Myrtle Beach, S.C., in November. The Academy drew competitors from such distant places as Las Vegas, Memphis and Omaha, Neb.

In the individual competition, 26 firefighters met the qualifying time of less than 2 minutes. Academy firefighters made an excellent showing, winning both the men's and women's relays, placing in multiple events and qualifying three people for worlds.

Vail firefighters, competing as Team

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RAYMOND MCCOY

Air Force Academy Firefighter Dan McAuliffe competes in the stair climb event during the Firefighter Challenge competition at the Academy Saturday. Competitors must carry a 42-pound hose up six flights of stairs while wearing a helmet, coat, pants with liners, boots, gloves and a breathing apparatus.

Academy hosts consultation with Native American Tribes

by Don Branum
Academy Spirit staff writer

The 10th Air Base Wing commander hosted representatives from eight Native American tribes Tuesday through Thursday as part of a consultation to develop memoranda of understanding among the Academy and the tribes.

Col. Thomas Gibson, in his role as host for the nation-to-nation talks, formally welcomed representatives of the Native American nations Tuesday morning.

"I took command of the 10th Air Base Wing in late June from Col. Rick LoCastro, whom some of you may remember from last year's consultation," Gibson said. "Although there's been a change of leadership, I assure you

there's no change in our commitment to making this a productive, open dialog. I look forward to discussing with you our processes and the progress that we've made in preserving the tribal interests on the installation."

Brig. Gen. Catherine Chilton, the mobilization assistant for Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. Mike Gould, said the Academy's personnel are focused on respecting the interests of tribes with historic or cultural ties to the base's land.

"Last week, General Gould held a number of superintendent's calls where he talked with the entire staff and the Cadet Wing," Chilton said. "One of his key messages ... was respect: having respect for everyone. We recognize that you have ties to this land that go

back many, many centuries ... and we are committed to preserving and protecting the many sites to which you find cultural and spiritual connections."

The memoranda, once written, will focus on when the Academy should consult with tribal leaders before kicking off construction projects, said Greg Long, chief of the 10th Civil Engineer Squadron's Asset Management Division and the Academy's action officer for the consultation.

The summit follows up on a consultation in June 2010, which was designed to build relationships among the Academy and the tribes, which represent 13 federally recognized sovereign governments, Long said. Representatives from five nations -- the Arapaho and Cheyenne Tribes of Oklahoma, the

Jicarilla Apache Nation, the Northern Cheyenne Tribe, the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe -- attended last year's summit.

The Academy will also ask the tribes to help identify sites of cultural significance, said Vicki Williams, the Academy's cultural resource manager. Site surveys in 2004 identified 10 archeological sites that are eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places and that may be of interest to one or more of the tribes.

"We're asking the tribes to help us define sites of cultural significance," Williams said. "We begin by having a professionally credentialed archeologist examine and establish an archeological

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Robin Olds: Wolf Pack hero, legacy

Commentary by Howard E. Halvorsen
7th Air Force Historian

KUNSAN AIR BASE, South Korea (AFNS) -- This historian is hardly the first to declare former Brig. Gen. Robin Olds as the greatest aerial warrior and leader in American history.

When learning about his life, it is as if he was made to be the perfect Airman. He was a triple ace who had ideas about tactical air power that were as big as his physique. He was constantly arguing -- not always tactfully -- for better fighters, better pilot training, new tactics and the like. This he did his entire career and afterwards as an after-dinner speaker and in TV interviews. And, of course, I don't know of another fighter pilot who was ever married to a beautiful movie star. Robin Olds was bigger than life.

Olds was born at Luke Field Hospital in Honolulu on Bastille Day, July 14, 1922 to Army Air Corps Capt. Robert Olds and Eloise Wichman Olds. His mother came from a line of Hawaiian landowners. His father's family from Virginia traced its roots back to the American Revolution, with one family member serving as Gen. George Washington's aide-de-camp. The family was then stationed in Virginia, and Olds' father became aide to Gen. Billy Mitchell before moving on to Langley.

Initially, you might think the young Olds would become successful due to association. Frequent family guests included Hap Arnold, Carl Spaatz, Ira Eaker, Fiorello La Guardia, Harold George, Frank Andrews, Bob Williams, Ernst Udet, Roscoe Turner, Edward Mannock, Elliott White Springs, Jimmy Mattern, Beirne Lay and even Eddie Rickenbacker.

However, Olds' success was not achieved by great association, but rather by his dreams of air power. His ideas were shaped from these World War I heroes and early air pioneers. He heard them discuss making air power prevail in future battles, the horror of trench warfare and an endless stalemate.

Considering how far ahead they were looking into the future beyond the then-current air abilities, it is almost no wonder these ideas were disregarded as impossible. Billy Mitchell was court-martialed for his outspoken belief in the future of air power with Olds' father at his side. Mitchell died in 1936, but World War II proved his ideas and theories to be right.

All of these ideas were things Olds carried with him into the future. But now it was up to a new generation of fighter pilots to win in the air. After Lieutenant Olds entered World War II, he was quickly promoted to captain in the 434th Fighter Squadron, flying a P-38J Lightning named "Scat 1." He became an ace in his first two combat missions, shooting down two FW-190s on Aug. 14, 1944, and three ME-109s nine days later. The 479th re-equipped with P-51 Mustangs in September and Olds scored his first kill in "Scat V" on Oct. 6, 1944.

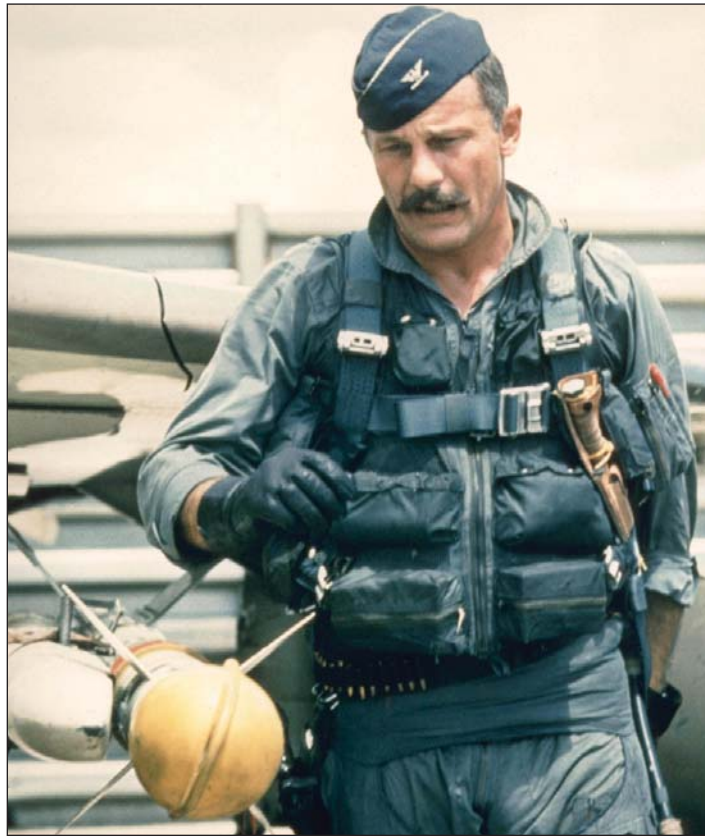
Promoted to major in February 1945, he claimed his seventh victory southeast of Magdeburg, Germany, the same day. He recorded three confirmed victories Feb. 14: two ME-109s and an FW-190. By the end of his tour, he had shot down 13 German planes, destroyed 11 others on the ground and become commander of the 434th.

Before leaving Europe at the end of the war, the still-young Major Olds was given direct orders to report to U.S. Strategic Air Forces near Paris. On arrival, he was to report to Spaatz's office for further instructions. The good major arrived, and the room slowly filled with names that are now known to the world: Eaker, Vandenberg, Stratemeyer, Quesada, Norstadt, Doolittle, Patridge, Strothers and others.

When Spaatz arrived, he greeted everyone and then ignored them all to take Olds to a private room for a chat. In meetings like this and through personal experience, Olds grew to learn what was important:

"Know the mission, what is expected of you and your people. Get to know those people, their attitudes and expectations. Visit all the shops and sections. Ask questions. Don't be shy. Learn what each does, how the parts fit into the whole. Don't try to bullshit the troops, but make sure they know the buck stops with you, that you'll shoulder the blame when things go wrong. Correct without revenge or anger. Recognize accomplishment. Reward accordingly. Foster spirit through self-pride, not slogans and never at the expense of another unit.

"It won't take long, but only your genuine interest and concern, plus follow-up on your promises, will earn you respect. Out of that you gain loyalty and obedience. Your outfit will be a standout. But for God's sake, don't try to be popular! That weakens your position, makes you vulnerable. Again, make clear to your troops you are the one who will take the heat."



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO

Col. Robin Olds, in Southeast Asia in 1967, commander of the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing, preflights his F-4C Phantom. Olds was the Academy's commandant of cadets from December, 1967 to January, 1971.

His most famous operation, the one that gave the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing its name -- the Wolf Pack -- was Operation Bolo, a masterpiece of planning and execution. His tactics, along with another great Airman, Vice Commander Col. Daniel "Chappie" James, were the wonder of the world and grounded the communist foe's air force for months.

Olds shot down four MiGs rather quickly and then never shot down another. He had been told if he became an ace he would lose his command, because his capture would be a public relations coup. He was also told he could only fly 100 missions in the Vietnam War. We now know his final mission was his 152nd, and as much as we know about the man, we can safely say he did not kill only four MiGs. Olds was almost certainly an ace in Vietnam, but being an ace mattered far less than leading his men and getting them home safely.

When Olds came home it was to brief the President and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. His words with then-President Lyndon B. Johnson were few: "Get us out of this goddamn war!" When LBJ asked how, Olds replied, "It's simple, sir -- win it!"

Olds was promoted to brigadier general but never held a major command. He spent the remainder of his career in non-operational positions, as commandant of cadets at the Air Force Academy and as a bureaucrat in the Air Force Inspector General's Office.

His ideas, however, have survived him. Modern fighters like the F-15 and F-16 "have capabilities we never knew in speed, range and accuracy," he said. Accuracy, stealth and range are the most important differences, according to the venerable fighter pilot. A few tactical planes now have the ability to do the job in one mission with surgical precision -- just as Olds imagined might be done with P-51s in World War II.

"And that's what the old boys dreamed of in World War I," he said. "It was the basis of their doctrine. So I guess it's true: What goes around, comes around."

Olds, known for the flamboyantly waxed, regimental mustache he sported in Vietnam, talked openly about his individuality. An oil painting of him grinning through his illegal mustache is featured prominently in the lobby of the Air Force Wargaming Institute at Maxwell AFB, Ala.

"Generals visiting Vietnam would kind of laugh at the mustache," Olds said. "I was far away from home. It was a gesture of defiance. The kids on base loved it. Most everybody grew a mustache."

Returning home, however, he discovered not everyone was fond of his maverick behavior.

"I remember my first interview with (Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P.) McConnell," Olds said. "I walked briskly through the door, stopped and snapped a salute. He walked up to me, stuck a finger under my nose and said, 'Take it off!' And I said, 'Yes, sir!' And that was the end of that."

Are there other great Air Force men in the Air Force's short history? Of course. There are many. But it was Robin Olds who was so persistent during all of those inter-war years, constantly asking for better planes and better training when it would have been better for his career if he had toed the line more often. Vietnam proved him correct, and the Air Force finally came to his way of thinking through Red Flag and more.

What does this teach us? Do what is right and be ready to fight.

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Aspen gala offers cadets access to political pantheon

by David Edwards
Academy Spirit Staff Writer

Political science students generally can only fantasize about spending face time with a collection of all-time greats in the field. But for three cadets and an Academy professor, all it took to realize that dream was a weekend trip to Aspen.

A special event at the Aspen Institute on Saturday honored retired Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, co-chairman of the Aspen Strategy Group and national security adviser to former presidents Gerald Ford and George H. W. Bush.

The star-studded cast assembled there might have made the mountain berg feel like Foggy Bottom and the Oval Office. Dr. Schuyler Foerster, the Academy's Brent Scowcroft professor for national security studies, and Cadets 1st Class Nathan Betcher, Zachary Crippen and Peter Lind were there to soak it all in.

The Aspen Institute event featured Scowcroft in conversation with Dr. Condoleezza Rice, the national security adviser to former President George W. Bush, Harvard University professor Joseph Nye and former State Department official Nicholas Burns.

"They met people whom they had only read about," Foerster said. "They heard really prominent people talking about the importance of General Scowcroft's legacy. They can see

that all this stuff about integrity and excellence and critical thinking really matters to our nation. And they can go meet people who did it, and they can know they can do it, too."

Brig. Gen. Dana Born, the Academy's dean of the faculty, invited Foerster to take three cadet representatives to the gathering, which included a special dinner to pay tribute to Scowcroft. All three cadets are top students in political science and participants in the Academy Scholars Program. Crippen is also the Cadet Wing vice commander; Betcher serves on the Cadet Wing staff, and Lind serves on Cadet Group 2 staff.

Lind said the experience helped him focus on the bigger picture for future education and career choices and that the event increased his appreciation for the Academy, its professors and graduates as well as the effect past and present officers can have on international security and trade. He added that meeting Scowcroft was the crowning moment of his time in Aspen.

Scowcroft's military career included service in the mid-1960s as head of the Academy's Department of Political Science. Foerster is the Acad-

emy's first Brent Scowcroft Professor for National Security Studies, a post established in 2009 to commemorate the general's extensive legacy of military and government service.

The 90-minute conversation with Scowcroft covered a wide range of national security issues, from the end of the Cold War and Operation Desert Storm to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. Participants also delved into current challenges in Asia and the Middle East and the global economic crisis.

"On stage were four (people) who have been at the forefront of foreign affairs for the last three decades," Crippen said. "The emphasis of the evening was not on what they had to say, but on who

they were. I saw in front of me not four scholars, but four statesmen, people who have dedicated their professional lives to bettering this great country."

In honoring Scowcroft, panelists and audience members uniformly applauded the legacy of integrity, nonpartisanship, and strategic acumen that were critical in shaping effective policy during his time in government.

Scowcroft reflected on his own career of public service, emphasizing how uplifting it was to be part of something much bigger than oneself.

"Government is only as good as the people who run it," he said.

Following the event, cadets got to speak with Scowcroft, who encouraged them to learn "how to think," not "what to think."



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Left to right; Cadet 1st Class Zachary Crippen, Cadet Squadron 12; retired Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, co-chairman of the Aspen Strategy Group; Dr. Schuyler Foerster, the Academy's Brent Scowcroft professor for national security studies; Cadet 1st Class Peter Lind, CS15; and Cadet 1st Class Nathan Betcher, CS25, pose for a photo at the Aspen Institute Saturday.

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National Guard chief: America must preserve Tuskegee Airmen's legacy

by Lisa Daniel
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- As the accomplishments of the World War II-era Tuskegee Airmen fade into U.S. history, a grateful nation must work to keep their legacy alive, the chief of the National Guard Bureau said at the 40th-annual Tuskegee Airmen Convention.

"The reality of human behavior is that the further in time we get from an event in history, the further it slips from our memory," Gen. Craig McKinley said Aug. 5 at the gathering of the group named for the nation's first African-American fighter pilots at National Harbor, Md. "I don't want to see this happen to the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen."

The military made a tangible step in preserving the unit's heritage when in 2007 the 187th Fighter Wing of the Alabama Air National Guard deactivated its 160th Fighter Squadron and reactivated it as the 100th Fighter Squadron in honor of the Tuskegee Airmen, said McKinley, who was director of the Air National Guard at the time. However, there is more the military and the nation can do to preserve and replicate their legacy.

McKinley spoke of the Airmen's commitment to service, which came during a time of Jim Crow segregation laws when "this country was telling African-Americans they couldn't stay in the same hotels as white people, they couldn't attend the same schools as white people, and in some cases, they couldn't even enter a building through the same door as white people.

"Why then would the Tuskegee Airmen in the 1940s choose to fight for our country?" the general asked. "I'll bet that if you asked the original Tuskegee Airmen ... a common answer would be commitment to service and preserving our nation for the next generation to make it better."

All servicemembers can carry on the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen by striving for excellence, McKin-

ley said. He noted the Airmen's accomplishments: more than 16,000 combat sorties with 115 German aircraft destroyed in the air and another 150 on the ground and 950 German vehicles destroyed. Their commendations include three Distinguished Unit Citations, about 150 Distinguished Flying Crosses, at least one Silver Star, 14 Bronze Stars, 748 Air Medals and eight Purple Hearts.

"If you want an example of excellence, there it is," McKinley said.

The military can do more to carry on the Tuskegee Airmen's legacy, he said, by conducting outreach to make more young people eligible for recruitment. Pentagon statistics show that three out of four Americans ages 17 through 24, and more often minorities, cannot be recruited due to inadequate education, health problems or criminal history.

The services must also continue with efforts to promote diversity as a core value, making its leadership as diverse as America, and hold senior officers accountable for progress, McKinley said.

In addition, the general said, the nation needs to prime its young people to maintain U.S. superiority in science and technology, noting increased competition from China, Russia, Canada and Brazil in aviation and aerospace.

"We have to ask ourselves, who is going to de-



SENIOR AIRMAN ERIK CARDENAS

Pearlie Harvey, right, congratulates her husband, Ret. Lt. Col. James Harvey, left, at the Gala Dinner for the Tuskegee Airmen 40th National Convention, August 6, at the Gaylord National Hotel, Md. Colonel Harvey received the Noel F. Parrish Award, the Tuskegee Airmen Inc., highest of honor. This award recognizes outstanding endeavors to enhance access to knowledge, skills, and opportunities.

sign America's unmanned aerial vehicle technology of the future?" he said. "Who will build the next stealth bomber? Who will go to Mars?"

Because fewer and fewer Americans have a family member who served in the military, veterans must serve as the example, McKinley said. For those who cannot serve in the military, he encouraged other forms of service, such as the Peace Corps and AmeriCorps.

"Those of us who have influence over the younger generation of Americans can encourage them to continue the tradition of American aviation and to follow the Tuskegee Airmen's example of service to our nation above self," he said. "For 70 years, the Tuskegee Airmen have rightfully been hailed as America's heroes. Through the actions we take starting today, we can ensure that their legacy lives -- then, now and in the future."

Sky Sox military appreciation

Col. Tim Gibson, 10th Air Base Wing commander, throws out the first pitch for a Colorado Springs Sky Sox Military Appreciation Night game at Security Service Field Wednesday. The Sky Sox beat the Memphis Redbirds by a score of 7-5.



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site. The tribes will walk the lands and determine what is significant to them."

That significance may comprise areas passed down through tribal elders, areas where significant events took place or where Native American religious ceremonies were routinely performed, Long said.

The Academy must identify, evaluate and protect historic properties with cultural or religious significance to federally recognized tribes in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act. Executive Order 13175 and Department of Defense Instruction 4710.02 require staff at the Academy and other military bases to build stable and enduring government-to-government relations with tribes "in a manner that sustains the DOD mission and minimizes effects on protected tribal resources."

Native Americans comprise about 1 percent of the Academy's Cadet Wing, Chilton said, including 15 freshmen and 22 upperclass cadets.

The meeting agenda included discussion and caucuses Tuesday and Wednesday and a site visit to Cathedral Rock, one of the sites identified as eligible for the NRHP listing, Thursday morning.

Attending the 2011 Native American Consultation were representatives from:

- The Jicarilla Apache Nation, Dulce, N.M.
- The Comanche Nation of Oklahoma, Lawton, Okla.
- The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, Concho, Okla.
- The Apache Nation of Oklahoma, Anadarko, Okla.
- The Ute Indian Tribe of Uintah and Ouray, Fort Duchesne, Utah
- The Southern Ute Tribe, Ignacio, Colo.
- The Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Lame Deer, Mont.
- The Northern Arapaho Tribe, Fort Washakie, Wyo.

10th Air Base Wing conducts retreat ceremony



LEFT: Chief Master Sgt. David Staton, the 10th Air Base Wing Command Chief, and air base wing first sergeants started the monthly retreat ceremony program in April as a way to show respect for the flag and those who serve it, and to re-instill military traditions among military members, said Master Sgt. Steven Lester, 10th Security Forces Squadron first sergeant. Lester also wants people to remember that during retreat ceremony people driving by should stop their vehicles, and those who are walking should stop and render proper courtesy to the flag.

BELOW: Airman 1st Class James Ruiz, right, Staff Sgt. Judah Vann, center, both with the 10th Surgical Operations Squadron, and Senior Airman Matthew Kindoll, 10th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, fold the flag during the 10th Air Base Wing's monthly retreat ceremony Monday at the 10th ABW headquarters.



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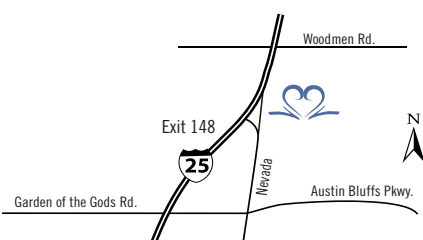
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Sign-up for roadkill list begins Monday morning

by David Edwards
Academy Spirit Staff Writer

Patrons of the fictional Roadkill Café know the house rule: “You kill it. We grill it.”

The Air Force Academy isn’t opening a restaurant, but it will serve locals critters that have had lethal encounters with the business end of a motorized vehicle.

Beginning early Monday morning, the Academy’s Natural Resources office will take names and compile a 30-person roadkill-salvage list. Deer and elk are the only animals the state allows to be legally salvaged.

The procedure this year is different. In the past, people could call and ask to be added to the list, which had a cutoff of 50. Now, people who hope to make the list must report in person, and the cutoff point has been reduced to 30.

Dr. Brian Milbachler, the chief natural resources planner with the Academy’s 10th Civil Engineer Squadron, said the new method will be less time-consuming and ensure that the list remains up to date. In previous years, security forces and Natural Resources “got bombarded with requests.”

“It’s kind of an inconvenience for

people to have to come by here,” Milbachler said. “But the alternative isn’t much better. We’d be answering the phone for days.”

Another problem with the previous sign-up policy is that frequently people would call and ask to be added to the list, but then they deploy or leave for good, unbeknownst to the list keepers.

People who show up and are among the first 30 to sign up will maintain their spot on the list for one year. When a salvageable deer or elk is killed, the list will determine who gets notified of the animal’s location. That person will be expected to claim the animal and follow the state’s procedure, which includes completion of a roadkill wildlife possession form.

Although the signup is scheduled for both Monday and Tuesday, Milbachler thinks the openings will be snapped up quickly.

“We don’t want a list that goes on and on and on,” he said. “I was telling people I’d get here at 5:30 (a.m.) if you want a chance at being in the first 30.”

Where: Natural Resources office, Building 9030

When: Monday and Tuesday

More info: Brian Milbachler, 333-3308; Staff Sgt. Michael Young, 333-8427

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The Diamond Sharp Award is presented by Air Force Academy first sergeants to any Academy member who displays outstanding military bearing, core values, customer service, and/or outstanding dress and appearance.



Name: Airman 1st Class Jared Heckman

Unit: 10th Aerospace Medicine Squadron

Hometown: Stoneboro, Pa.

Best part of your job: “The people I work with.” (He’s an aerospace medical technician.)

Career goals: “To get my degree.”

Hobbies: Motorcycling, reading, watching Pittsburgh sports teams

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- Cudgel
- Wanes
- Capital of Morocco
- Glass in a window or door
- A pellet of medicine
- Era
- Friends (French)
- The content of cognition
- Reverence
- Evian or Perrier
- Violent public disorder

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- Accountant certified by the state
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- Concluding speech
- Fr. bathroom basin
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- Lizards
- To each one
- Dutch colonist
- Behave in a certain manner
- Old word for “your”
- Metal food container
- One who copies the behavior of another
- Photograph (slang)
- Picket fence
- Internal support structure
- Was in debt to
- Old festival
- Wrath
- Nostrils
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- Make less difficult
- Estrange
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- Vietnamese currency unit
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Foresters' work to stave off beetle achieves 'stunning success'

By David Edwards
Academy Spirit Staff Writer

What's black and light and dreaded all over?

For Diane Strohm and her co-workers, the answer is the mountain pine beetle, a tiny creature that is the arboreal equivalent of Attila the Hun.

Strohm, a forester and natural resource planner for the 10th Civil Engineer Squadron here, has seen plenty of examples of the destruction wreaked by the beetle: 4 million acres of pine forest in Colorado alone.

Her determination to keep the adversary at bay has prevented the stands of verdant conifers at the Academy from joining that list. Like any good war plan, her approach combines offensive and defensive maneuvers.

"It's a wellness program, just like with a person," Strohm said. "It's a long-term strategy to keep our forests healthy. (The beetles are) endemic to the ecosystem, so there will always be some of them there. We can't totally eradicate them."

In 2007, survey teams roamed the Academy grounds in search of trees harboring pine beetles. They found 280, which were removed and taken miles from the nearest pine tree.

Surveys done in subsequent years showed steady reductions, so the number of trees requiring removal has dropped each year and is now down to a mere five.

Strohm estimates that if the Academy had ignored the problem and not removed the trees, the beetle would have killed 10,000 ponderosa pines by last summer.

The mortality numbers rise exponentially because of a multiplier effect, said Jim McDermott, who was Strohm's predecessor at the Air Force Academy. Infestation in one tree permits the beetle's spread to three other trees, so one becomes four, four becomes 16 and so on.

According to the Colorado State University Extension website, nothing practical can be done to save a tree once it has fallen victim to mountain pine beetles. The options on offense are limited.



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The defensive part of the Academy's strategy against pine beetles involves forest thinning and spraying. About 250 acres of forest are now thinned annually, up from 100 acres before the program. Individual trees at high risk for infestation receive the spray.

Put all that together and what you get is "stunning success," as Strohm says. So stunning, in fact, that the program won an Air Force-level award earlier this year and was mentioned in a *Centerviews* magazine article documenting Air Force conservation efforts.

Other agencies across the Rocky Mountain West have inquired about the secrets to the success of Strohm's efforts. Financial backing from the federal government has helped: The Forest Service has contributed between \$50,000 and \$90,000 a year specifically for the program.

"For the most part, the Academy allows Diane to have the money to manage the forest properly," McDermott said. "That's to their credit. A lot of places are so big and the prevention is so costly, they have to just watch the trees die."

McDermott said the Academy's tactics are textbook

prevention, and he follows the same strategy in helping Woodland Park avoid the pine beetle pestilence.

Nature can aid the cause, too. The pine beetle's trail of destruction elsewhere in Colorado was blazed mostly through lodgepole pines, which are thinner than the ponderosas found at the Academy and therefore more susceptible to the insect legions and more easily ravaged by invasion.

A prolonged intense cold period — ambient temperatures of minus-30 degrees for several days — will decimate the pine beetle population more effectively than anything else, Strohm said. There were a couple of days with those conditions this past winter, but the cold snap didn't last long enough.

Instead of cooperating, lately nature has been working against the tree defenders.

"The drought has greatly exacerbated the problem," Strohm said. "When the trees get affected by drought, their defenses are down. If the drought would lessen, our strategy's effectiveness would be greatly enhanced."

Parched trees are vulnerable to lots of threats, not just mountain pine beetles. Right now, Strohm and her colleagues are dealing with the less destructive but more plentiful ips beetle.

Nevertheless, the mountain pine beetle remains the primo pest. It's the bug that keeps foresters up at night. During the day, it is the source of constant vigilance and efforts to ensure that mixed ownership of lands in its territory doesn't benefit the beetle.

"I really think the key to our success here is that we have a large enough area that is under our control," Strohm said. "It's an optimal opportunity to manage for this beetle." Much of the adjacent land is owned and managed by the Forest Service, so the Academy can depend on a partner that has just as much at stake.

Knowing that the mountain pine beetle isn't just a temporary visitor, Strohm and her colleagues must resign themselves to its presence. They plan to continue doing all in their power to keep the balance tilted toward the Academy.

Beetles beware.

Diagnosed? How cancer clinical trials could help

By Shari Lopatin
TriWest Healthcare Alliance

When Ellen Beare learned she had Stage 3 breast cancer, she decided not to tell people at work.

"I just didn't want to be defined by cancer," Beare said.

For many, that sentiment rings very common today. Nearly 12 million Americans were diagnosed with some type of cancer in 2010, according to the National Cancer Institute.

For those who have received this type of news, Tricare recently expanded its coverage for cancer clinical trials. This makes it possible for cancer patients with Tricare to receive more types of treatments. Beare, who is 63 years old and cancer-free today, is a strong believer in finding a cure.

What does Tricare cover?

Tricare covers three types of cancer clinical trials for those who are eligible. These trials test different ways to prevent, detect and treat vari-

ous cancers. Of the three phases, Phase I trials were recently added as a Tricare benefit:

- Phase I trials: determine the highest dosage of a drug the body can handle, and the effects that drug has on the body.
- Phase II trials: study the safety and effectiveness of an intervention method on a certain type of cancer, and how that method affects the body.
- Phase III trials: compare promising new treatments to the standard treatments.

How to sign up

To take part in a trial, pre-autho-

rization is needed. If you're Tricare-eligible, you may be able to take advantage of cancer clinical trials. The only exception is active-duty service members, who should go through their military clinic.

"If clinical trials are available to someone through Tricare, I would encourage them to get information, just as they should get information on the type of cancer they have and current treatment options," Beare said.

For more information, or to see about taking part in a trial, contact a TriWest Cancer Clinical Trial Coordinator by calling 866-427-6610.



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Throwing down the gauntlet

Firefighters square off in regional combat challenge

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Nick Asoian, were there as well. They are traveling the country trying to raise \$10,000 for Hodgkin's lymphoma research. Their team is named in honor of a colleague battling the disease.

Being acclimated to the high elevation gave a slight home-field advantage to the Academy teams and others from the Mountain West. Temperatures were in the 90s both days, but there were no flames, so "is it hot?" was definitely a relative question.

"Despite the fact that we're at 6,000 feet, it has no appreciable effect on performance, but it does on recovery," said Dr. Paul Davis, the event organizer and creator of the Firefighter Challenge. "I think part of the reason we've been able to sustain this is that there's a direct audit pathway to science. Of course, the firefighters don't care about that; they just want to see who's better."

The event costs \$88,000 to put on, and the funding comes entirely from private sources. Fire equipment

company Scott is the primary sponsor. Also, the Pikes Peak Firefighters Association raised \$25,000 in privately donated funds.

That money was critical, said Academy Fire Chief Ernst Piercy. Without it, the 37 Academy firefighters in the competition would have missed out on all the benefits.

"It's all about firefighter fitness," Piercy said. "Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of firefighters, so fitness is the primary reason we do this."

He added that the bonds established and strengthened at Rumble in the Rockies are rewarded when interagency cooperation is required.

A good example of that is the Fire Fembots team, which consists of three Academy firefighters and two Colorado Springs firefighters. The current world record holders and defending world champions in the relay, the Fire Fembots cruised to victory with a time of 1:44.51, just .02 seconds short of tying their

record time.

Academy teams were regulars in the tandem events, and in addition to the usual dominance of the Fire Fembots, Team USAFA finished second, a shade behind champions Run Faster Omaha. In the individual competition, Academy firefighters Bill Gates, Patrick Kraft and Tyler Moran earned the right to compete at worlds.

"It's not just the camaraderie but the experience," Piercy said. "All we're really doing is honing our firefighter skills."

Josh Sarters, who was competing for Team Warren from Wyoming's F.E. Warren Air Force Base, echoed those comments.

"The biggest thing by far — and it doesn't matter where you go in the country — is the camaraderie," he said. "Everybody you meet becomes your friend."

Despite youth and relative inexperience, Team Warren has performed impressively, earning nine medals in nine events this year. This time was no different: Team Warren finished third in the team competition and second in the relay.

Sarters, who worked as an Academy firefighter for five years before moving on to Warren, finished sixth in the individual competition with a time of 1:40.35.

He said the team is looking forward to the midsummer break. The schedule picks back up again in September.

Asked if the competition relates well to the job, Sarters responded with an answer that only a firefighter could give: "It definitely makes every aspect of our job easy."

For full Rumble in the Rockies results, go to <http://www.firefighterchallenge.com>.



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ABOVE: Academy Firefighter Airman Travis Oster participates in the relay race during Firefighter Challenge Saturday at the Academy.



SARAH CHAMBERS

ABOVE: Academy Firefighter Airman 1st Class Andrew Spangenberg participates in the victim rescue event during the Firefighter Challenge competition Saturday. Competitors must drag a 175-pound mannequin 100 feet.



RAYMOND MCCOY

ABOVE: Air Force Academy Firefighter Anthony "Tank" McMurtry participates in the forcible entry challenge, which simulates a firefighter breaking down a door or wall to enter a burning building. Competitors stand on a 160-pound beam, and use a 9-pound sledge hammer to move it 5 feet.



SARAH CHAMBERS



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ABOVE: Firefighter Challenge is definitely a spectator sport, as these young visitors can attest.

LEFT: Members of the Air Force Academy fire department's Color Guard Airman 1st Class Andrew Spangenberg, Marty Clinton, Travis Perks and Nola Trimble post the colors during the Academy-hosted Firefighter Combat Challenge Saturday.

Band aids Academy, Air Force outreach mission

by Gino Mattorano
Academy Spirit editor

German novelist Berthold Auerbach once wrote, "Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life." The Air Force Academy Band uses the power of its music to communicate Air Force core values to listeners across the globe.

The Academy Band is one of 12 regional Air Force bands responsible for providing world-class musical products and services for military, recruiting, and civic outreach events.

The Academy Band, however, is unique in that it also supports the Academy's national recruiting mission, according to Master Sgt. Steven Przyzycki, a percussionist and NCO in charge of band public affairs.

"We work closely with the Academy's Admissions department to support their recruiting efforts," Przyzycki said. "We focus our efforts on areas that may not have a lot of exposure to the military, such as large urban areas and other areas that support the Academy's diversity outreach efforts."

Some may wonder how the band can generate interest in the Academy and the Air Force through music, but their efforts are a key part of the Air Force outreach mission.

The band not only performs while they're on tour, they also visit schools and perform for and with the students there.

"We represent the men and women of the Air Force, and in some areas, we might be the only interaction these young people have with the military," Przyzycki said. "We introduce them to music, but we also tell them about the myriad jobs available in the Air Force while teaching them about pride in their country."

There are 53 members of the Academy's Concert Band, but in order to satisfy a variety of tastes in music, the band can be broken up into several smaller classical groups, such as jazz, rock 'n' roll and country.

"This allows us to do more performances each year," said Przyzycki, "and it also enables us to reach a broader audience."

Wild Blue Country is the band's country music

ensemble and a prime example of how the band caters to a variety of musical tastes. During a recent performance, the group played for more than 1,100 people at a concert in the park in Monument.

"It's always great to be able to play for hometown folks," said Senior Master Sgt. Jerome Oddo, the group's superintendent as well as a vocalist and guitar player. "There are a lot of retirees and (Academy) graduates in the local community, and it's always fun to play for audiences (overflowing) with American spirit."

In addition to its civic outreach efforts, Air Force bands also deploy in support of overseas contingency operations. There is always at least one Air Force band in the theater of operations.

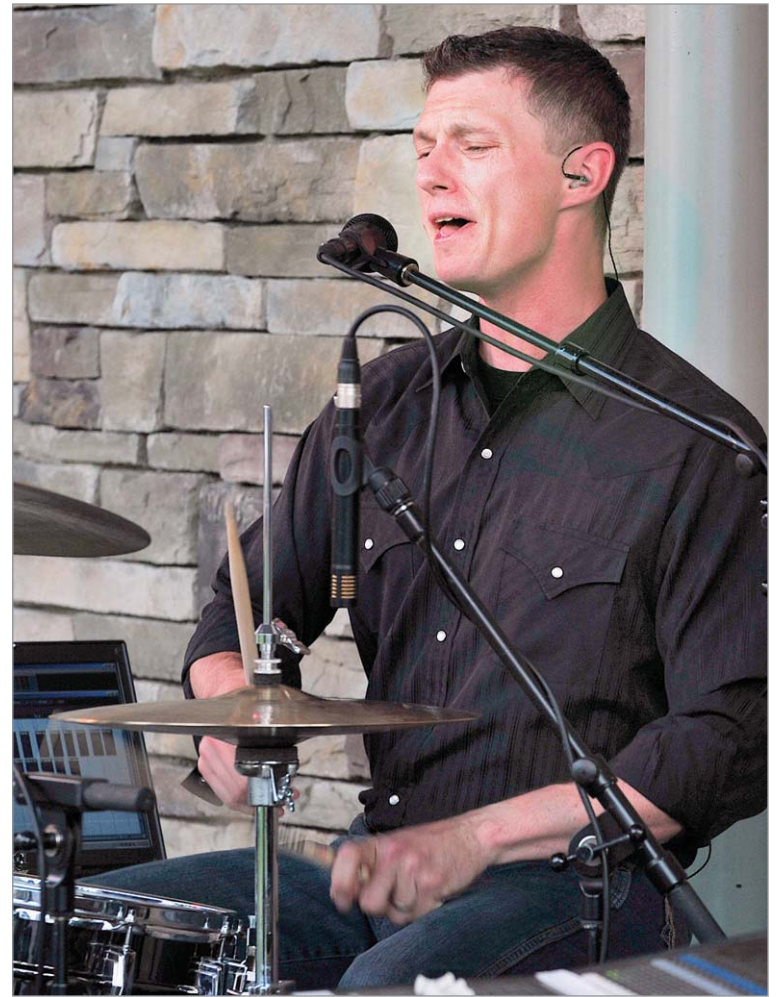
Wild Blue Country just returned from a deployment, where the six-person group split their time between entertaining deployed military members and playing for local towns and villages.

"What an awesome opportunity to bring a taste of home to our troops," said Oddo, who's been with the band for more than 12 years. "While we're touring around the United States, people often come up to us after a performance and tell us that if we make it overseas, to tell the men and women serving there that we support them. It's our duty and privilege to pass that message on to our military members serving in harm's way."

While many civilian musical groups perform in the deployed environment, they often can't travel to forward operating bases, so Air Force bands bridge that gap to give more deployed members a brief respite from the rigors of war.

"I know they really enjoy our performances, but I think we get more out of it than they do," Oddo said. "It's hard to put into words, but it's definitely the highlight of our trips."

Air Force bands also visit towns and villages in the deployed environment and their performances help communicate U.S. objectives in the region.



BILL EVANS

Tech. Sgt. Timothy Stombaugh, Wild Blue Country's drummer, performs at a concert in the park in Monument, Colo., July 28.

"People abroad may see the U.S. military as an object, rather than a tangible collection of people," said Przyzycki, who's been a bandsman for more than 14 years. "We not only represent the Air Force Academy, we represent the entire Air Force, and often, the United States."

Whether deployed or at home, audiences generally appreciate the band's outreach efforts, Przyzycki said.

"Some people may not trust the government, but what they do trust are things that appeal to their senses," he said. "That's been proven through history. When our bands play, we're able to put a warm, more human feeling to their perception of the military and our government."

To maximize that effect, the band plans its trips based on strategic or recruiting value. According to the Academy Band's website, <http://www.usafacademyband.af.mil>, its vision is to perform strategically designed musical missions -- planned, packaged and delivered with precision.

"The professional Airmen-musicians in the Academy Band ... are dedicated to serving our great nation and representing the young men and women at the Academy," said Academy Band Commander Lt. Col. Larry Lang. "Their wonderful versatility and professionalism reflects the great diversity and ingenuity that makes our Air Force the greatest air, space and cyberspace force the world has ever known."



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Tech. Sgt. Emanuel Jester, standing on platform, and other members of the U.S. Air Force Academy Band's Stellar Brass Ensemble lead seventh-grade middle school band students in a breathing exercise, during an April concert trip to Scottsbluff, Neb.



STAFF SGT. LILIANA MORENO

Tech. Sgt. Stephen Brannen of Wild Blue Country plays guitar during a concert for troops in Southwest Asia May 16.



Academy hosts 10k, half marathon

More than 250 runners participated in the Academy 10k and half marathon Saturday on the Santa Fe Trail.

Joseph Simpich was the overall winner of the 10k race with a time of 43 minutes, 54 seconds, and 15-year-old Olivia

Evans was the top female finisher with a time of 54:15. Brian Dumm won the half marathon with a time of 1 hour, 15 minutes, 18 seconds, while Kelly Calway earned top honors for the women, with a time of 1:25:54.

Left: Christine Florek won the Women's 10k race in the 40-49 age group, with a time of 52 minutes, 52 seconds. **Below Left:** Both the 10k and the half marathon started at the same time and followed a course on the portion of the Santa Fe Trail that runs through the Academy.

Below Right: Brian Dumm was the overall winner of the half marathon, with a time of 1:15:18

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Warzeka earns spot on Hurnung watch list

Academy senior also named preseason MWC special teams player of the year

Air Force senior wide receiver and kick returner Jonathan Warzeka is one of 50 players on the 2011 Watch List for the Paul Hurnung Award, announced today by the Louisville Sports Commission and football legend Paul Hornung.

Warzeka, a native of Lake Elsinore, Calif., is a preseason all-Mountain West Conference selection and was named the conference's preseason special teams player of the year.

He led the MWC in kickoff returns last season with a 28.7-yard average, and his 27.9-yard career average is the best in Air Force history. Warzeka has two career 100-yard kickoff returns touchdowns, versus Houston in the 2009 Armed Forces Bowl and last season vs. Colorado State.

Warzeka finished fifth in the conference in all-purpose yards last season with a 103.8 per-game average. He tied for the team lead in receiving with 18 catches for a team-best 406 yards. He was a mid-season All-American selection as a kickoff return specialist by multiple publications. He earned honorable mention all-MWC honors as a receiver.

The 2011 Watch List was compiled by a panel of college football experts based on 2010 statistics and expectations heading into the 2011 season. There are 20 seniors, 20 juniors and 10 sophomores representing 46 universities and all 11 conferences that are part of the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision. For the complete watch list visit <http://www.paulhornungaward.com>.



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Academy teams compete in Intramural softball playoffs

Fred Walker, Hospital #1, throws a pitch in the 1st game of the intramural softball playoffs Monday. Hospital went on to defeat the Cadet Wing in a hard fought game 17-16. The softball championship games were played Wednesday, and complete coverage will be in the Aug. 19 edition of the Academy Spirit.

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Take an outdoor adventure

The Outdoor Adventure Program has several upcoming opportunities for those who enjoy trekking through the Colorado wilderness.

For information on these and other offerings, contact Outdoor Adventure at 333-2940 or visit their website at <http://bit.ly/m8vddh>.

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

Family Advocacy offerings

For information on Family Advocacy programs, contact the Family Advocacy Office at 333-5270.

Common Sense Parenting: Held Thursdays through Sept. 8 from 8:30 to 10 a.m. This skill-based parenting program teaches parents of children ages 5-18 practical and effective ways

to increase their children's positive behaviors and appropriate alternatives to negative behaviors.

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For more information, call Master Sgt. Lissy Slezak at 333-9309 or Staff Sgt. Hugo Reinor at 333-5621.

Biking excursions offered

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Pikes Peak Downhill: Saturday and Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.; \$59 per weekend, \$49 per weekday.

Labor Day at Moab. Sept. 2-5. Cost range from \$173.25 to \$247.50 per person depending on lodging choices. This trip includes all lodging in comfortable cabins, experienced guide, park entry fees and all transportation for people and bikes. Must sign up before August 1 and attend a pre-trip meeting August 26.

Trail clean-up work parties

Volunteers from the enlisted and officer corps are needed to help clean up the Woodmen Trail, which the Academy has adopted. The trail is 2.05 miles long and is split into three sections, so volunteers work on a section that is a little more than half a mile. The next cleanup is scheduled for Aug. 20. For more information, call 333-3310.

Community Center activities

Pub Night: Today, 4-10 p.m. at the Milazzo Center Sports Area. Karaoke will be provided. Snacks and beverages, alcoholic and non-alcoholic, will be on sale.

Free Movie Night: Community Center auditorium on, Aug. 26. The first movie starts at 6 p.m. and the second movie at 8 p.m. Sodas and popcorn will be for sale.

Environmental audit coming

The Academy's annual Environmental, Safety, and Occupational Health Compliance Assessment and Management Program will take place Sept. 12-16.

The audit evaluates an installation's overall compliance with environmental, safety, and occupational health laws and regulations.

As with past audits, this year's en-

compasses all organizations, tenants, and contractor operations on the Academy. The audit team will distribute a schedule prior to commencing the audit. A briefing on the findings will be given Sept. 16 at 3 p.m. in the CE Conference Room, building 8120.

The audit team will consist of 10 CES/CEV personnel and volunteers from the Academy. Anyone interested in volunteering must obtain approval from the respective supervisors.

Once findings are distributed, each organization will be responsible for completing all required closure actions according to the management action plan developed after the audit.

For questions or to volunteer as an audit team member, call Jeanie Duncan at 333-0812.

Celebrate women's suffrage

The Academy will host a luncheon and panel forum Aug. 26 that celebrates women's right to vote. The event will be held in the Falcon Club ballroom from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lt. Col. Rachel VanLandingham and Todd Seelman are the guest speakers. For more information, call Master Sgt. Gina Pope at 333-9992.

Parking lot resurfacing

The upper parking lot outside Harmon Hall will be closed for repaving until Sept. 11. All Harmon Hall permanent-party employees will be granted temporary access to the gate west of Harmon Hall.

During construction, parking will be allowed along Cadet Drive, along Chapel Drive from the superintendent's circle to the Arnold Hall circle excluding crosswalks, in front of the planetarium, and in non-government

spaces in the Arnold Hall north lot.

Take care of that dental work

The 10th Dental Squadron seeks non-active-duty patients to be treated in the dental residency training program. If you are an eligible beneficiary and have been told you have gum disease and need gum surgery or a root canal, call 333-5490 for a screening appointment.

Academy Concerts presents

Tops in Blue will perform a free concert Aug. 20 at 2 p.m. in Arnold Hall. The show is general admission and does not require tickets. Admission is free. Parking will be available in the fieldhouse parking lot, and shuttles will operate between the fieldhouse and Arnold Hall.

Grand Prix of Cycling

Registrations will be accepted through Thursday for the 2011 Grand Prix of Cycling. The event will be held from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at University Village Colorado, 5230 N. Nevada Ave. Amateur and professional races are scheduled.

Registration fees for military personnel will be waived; use "Air Force" as the coupon code at the time of registration. Riders can register online at www.usacycling.org.

For more information, go to www.uvshopping.com or <http://coloradoendurancesports.com>.

Eisenhower Golf Course events

Couples golf: Tuesday, 4 p.m., featuring appetizers, drinks and golf. Cost ranges from \$19.95 to \$44.

Superintendent's Cup: Aug. 20-21, \$50 for cart, range balls, prizes, breakfast and lunch. Greens fees separate.



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