



Force Protection




Current FPCON: Alpha
Threat Level: Low

"6-5...
IN THE FIGHT!"
CY 2010
(as of Oct. 17, 2010)

 1,452
SORTIES

23,130
LODGED 

 5.63 million
gallons
FUEL ISSUED

Weekend Weather Forecast (Lajes Weather Flight)

Friday

Mostly Cloudy
Wind NE 20-25mph
High 64
Low 59



Saturday

Partly Cloudy
Wind ESE 10-15 mph
High 65
Low 61



Sunday

Mostly Cloudy
Wind SSE 10-15 mph
High 66
Low 63



A place you want to be – Lajes Field Airman Ministry Center

By Chaplain (Maj.) Hector Colon
65th Air Base Wing chaplain

The Lajes Field Airman Ministry Center was Colonel Jose A. Rivera's first command initiative mentioned to the wing chaplain. This past Friday, Oct. 15 at 3 p.m. was the realization of this vision.

About 175 Airmen (Team Lajes members) attended the LFAMC's grand opening and the ribbon-cutting ceremony on building T-307, where volunteers were recognized, finger food and cake were served.

Airman Ministry Centers receive unprecedented attention and support across our Air Force. Commanders look to our chapel teams to assist them in taking care of Airmen. Airman Ministry Centers are one venue to effectively offer spiritual care and support. Today, Airman Ministry Centers are found at most bases and deployed sites. Ministry Centers offer vastly different kinds of ministries, service and levels of spiritual care.

The purpose of our LFAMC is to deliver ministry and spiritual care to "A"irmen in an interfaith and culturally diverse setting. Our goals are to: Provide ministry in a way that is inclusive of all, while not compromising our own deeply held religious beliefs; Leverage our manpower, funding and commitment of resources to maximize ministry and mission impact; Articulate the ministry and mission benefits to leadership and Standardize a means of measuring ministry impact and effectiveness.

Our mission and vision statements are: LFAMC support "A"irmen's spirituality by helping them develop healthy relationships, build moral character and value service to others. LFAMC also serves as a spiritual oasis where ministry to Airmen inspires faith, fosters caring relationships and builds authentic community.

What kind of activities can be held at the LFAMC? The two rooms of the LFAMC is conducive to having a

'Aim High ... Fly-Fight-Win' to be AF motto

Incorporating extensive inputs from all ranks and career fields in the development effort, Airmen have selected "Aim High ... Fly-Fight-Win" as the service's motto.

An enduring statement of Airmen's pride in their service, the motto is a two-part expression -- a call to action, with a response of commitment.

"The call and the response are two sides of the same coin," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz. "Airmen indicated 'Aim High' and the response 'Fly-Fight-Win' as indicative of their enduring commitment to do just that in defense of our nation."

When the Air Force motto team embarked on the project, they committed to Airmen buy-in in an inclusive, well-researched effort, rooted in Air Force culture and



Team Lajes members, representing the different types of "A"irmen, cut the ribbon during the Lajes Airman Ministry Center grand opening at Lajes Field Oct. 15, 2010. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Chyrece Campbell)

wide range of events such as having a pleasant conversation with a friend and a good cup of coffee from Café Bean, or watching a football game, ballet class, group meetings, game tournaments such as ping-pong, chess, dominoes, X-Box games, Wii games and so on. The LFAMC consists of two large rooms - one is a large 'Grand Living Room' with a capacity of approximately 65 people and the 'Multi-use Room' with a capacity of approximately 80 people. To reserve the multi-use room, please call 535-4019 or 535-5216.

How can you help the LFAMC? First of all, volunteers are needed to run the place. They have to be 18 years old and have a background check to be able to begin this process. The hours of operation are from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. As an incentive to these volunteers, we are requesting to offer the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal after performing 100 hours of service. Please visit the LFAMC – indeed – A Place You Want To Be!

identity.

"Airmen recognize a motto should represent something enduring," General Schwartz said. "It must be bigger than any single person, something that gives voice to the pride of service of all who've worn this nation's Air Force uni-

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CFC reminder
The Federal Combined Campaign
is still on-going until Dec. 4.



Loose mouths could mar unit safety, mission success

By Staff Sgt. Olufemi Owolabi
65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Could you imagine that a small item like a recall roster when left in a trash can or dumpster could jeopardize mission success?

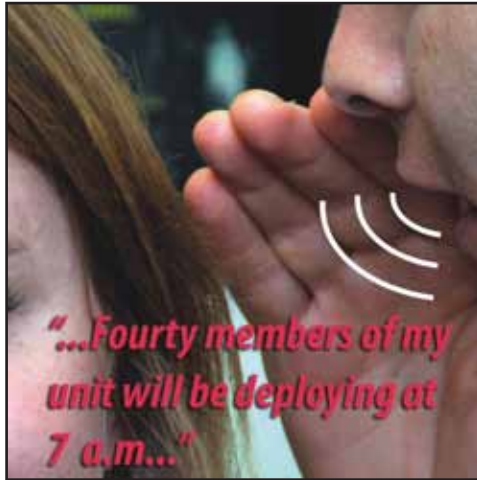
If someone you don't know gave you a call and asked for your personal information, like your social security number, date of birth and mothers maiden name, would you give it to him or her?

So, when you give out vital information about your workplace and the mission on the phone to a stranger, it is a task that can put a glitch on the smooth operation of the mission.

According to the 65th Air Base Wing antiterrorism officer, Tech. Sgt. Jason J. Schieble, operation security is a vital issue, and every Airman should be very mindful of any information or acts that are liable to violate OPSEC.

"OPSEC is a process of denying adversaries information about friendly capabilities, intentions, limitations, and operations. This information is not classified, but rather is information openly available to anyone who knows where to look and what to ask for," said Sergeant Schieble.

When a unit is tasked for deployment, Sergeant Schieble said the best bet in countering terrorism and other OPSEC threats is to not stand out in a crowd and to keep private information private.



"There is no need to announce that a spouse is not home or give the time frames that they will not be home or deployed," he said. "Not only is it unsafe during a deployment, it is just not safe to offer that information at anytime."

When everyone takes steps to safeguarding vital Air Force information a top priority, it can greatly reduce the risk of handing out to the hands of our adversaries a key that would allow them to have access to anything that could jeopardize the mission.

This is why the leadership at Lajes is remind-

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Commander's Action Line
535-4240
65abw.actionline@lajes.af.mil

The Commander's Action Line is your link to the commander for suggestions, kudos and as a way to work problems or issues within the 65th Air Base Wing for which you can't find another solution.



Your chain of command should always be your first option — but when that's not the answer, call or e-mail the Commander's Action Line at 535-4240 or 65abw.actionline@lajes.af.mil.

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Commander, 65th Air Base Wing

A letter to the Airmen:

THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
CHIEF OF STAFF, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON DC

SEP 24 2010

To the Airmen of the United States Air Force:

The Air Force is engaged in a long-term effort to improve our Nation's energy security through energy efficiency and conservation. We have made solid progress in these areas over the past year, but our work is far from done. In order to meet our strategic energy goals, we must continue to instill energy efficiency and conservation into our daily routines within our aviation and our installation communities.

October is the federal government's Energy Awareness Month; appropriately timed with the start of a new fiscal year. This year's Air Force theme is "A New Culture: Energy as an Operations Enabler." This theme highlights the ties between energy and mission success by raising awareness of the energy costs associated with our daily activities. As such, we must continue to emphasize the pillars of the Air Force's Energy Plan: *Reducing Demand, Increasing Supply, and Changing Our Culture.*

Achieving our energy goals requires sustained effort, a systematic approach, determined leadership, and a firm commitment from all of us to identify and implement workable solutions. You are an integral part of this effort. Through commitment, innovation, teamwork, and discipline, we will free up funding for other Air Force priorities and enhance our energy security.

Thank you for all you do for our Air Force and for our Nation.

Michael B. Donley
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Secretary of the Air Force

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General, USAF
Chief of Staff



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Transmission systems team connects Lajes to the world

By Tech. Sgt. Chyrece Campbell
65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

With a little more than 15 members assigned, a section with the 65th Communications Squadron is the backbone of the Lajes land mobile radio and weather information.

From providing a helping hand when Team Lajes' hand-held radios are having problems or when the Lajes weather satellite system needs maintenance, the Airmen of the 65 CS transmission systems are always on stand-by to render a top-notch service to ensure the radio communications systems at Lajes are running smoothly.

The Airmen of the 65 CS transmission systems section, with two work centers, are responsible for three mission areas: global high frequency communications, satellite weather communications, and land mobile radios.

"One aspect of our job in the satellite weather and wireless communications systems shop is changing the key codes of the encryption modules of more than 780 LMRs monthly at Lajes to meet USAFE's encryption mandate," said Tech. Sgt. Matthew Offhaus, non-commissioned officer in charge of the satellite weather and wireless communications systems.

The satellite weather and wireless communications system shop also maintains the MARK IV-B meteorological data system. Lajes' MARK IV-B, which is one of six used



Airman 1st Class Steven Grethe, 65th Communications Squadron transmission systems journeyman, and Mr. Eduardo Silva, 65 CS electronic technician, review the technical order while doing daily checks on the high frequency communications system at Lajes Field Oct. 15, 2010. The high frequency communication system allows the president, vice-president, cabinet members, and other senior government and military officials to communicate in the mid-Atlantic area for command and control while aboard Special Air Mission aircraft. Daily checks are done to ensure that the system transmits and receives information properly. (Photos by Tech. Sgt. Chyrece Campbell)



Mr. Eduardo Silva, electronic technician, replaces a fuse card on the high frequency communication system at Lajes Field Oct. 15, 2010. HF communication system is part of a worldwide network of 13 high-power ground radio stations.

by the Air Force, receives meteorological data from weather satellites and processes the information for more than 2,000 users worldwide.

Besides the MARK IV-B meteorological data system, the members of this section maintain the radio repeaters located on Serra do Cume, which is a ridge here on the island, west of the city of Praia da Victoria.

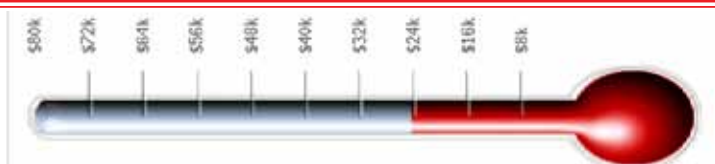
The global high frequency communications system shop maintains the SCOPE Command high frequency communication system, which is part of a worldwide network of 13 high-power ground radio stations. The high frequency communication system allows the president, vice-president, cabinet members, and other senior government and military officials to communicate in the mid-Atlantic area for command and control while aboard special air mission aircraft.

Members of the 65th CS transmission systems section touch not just Team Lajes members but the world.



Wire cutters are just one of the many tools the transmission systems section uses to maintain their equipment at Lajes.

Combined Federal Campaign progress thermometer



This thermometer is current as of Oct. 19. The Lajes Combined Federal Campaign is still in progress. The current contribution is \$24,634.95. The 65th Air Base Wing's goal is \$80K. Contact Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Crawn at 535-3247 for more details.



The Lajes Winter Campaign: Airmen prepare for fun activities

By Capt. Naomi Evangelista
65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Winter is rapidly approaching and at Lajes, that means heavy rain, gale strength winds and chillier weather. However, good news Lajes- the 65th Air Base Wing has the fix for those winter wind willies (aka Winter Blues)!

Our very own Lajes Force Support Squadron is spearheading a series of events called the "Lajes Winter Campaign" which will be a five month campaign designed to provide you and your family members with plenty of activities to stay active and make the most of this Lajes winter.

The campaign will officially start Saturday, Oct. 23 with a "Lajes Winter Campaign kick-off" at the Ocean View Park from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. The event is free and open to all of Team Lajes. There will be free food including grilled chicken and sausages, along with side salads, desserts and drinks with great entertainment for all bouncy castles, music and prizes.

Following the kick-off party, we will continue the celebration at the Community



Activity Center to celebrate Oktoberfest at 6 p.m. where you can enjoy a beer and wine tasting for \$8.

This kick-off is just the start to this Lajes-unique campaign. Some other Winter Campaign events are Winter Olympics which include intramural sports tournaments, comedy shows, bowling, dances, games and lots of other family-focused events.

Every advertisement for a "Lajes Winter

Campaign" event will be marked with the graphic on this page so keep an eye out for that sign!

Stay tuned for more information and events in the Crossroads, AFN and FSS.

If you have any questions regarding this program, call the Public Affairs office or the Force Support Squadron.

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Default passwords

The use of default passwords within database environments and hardware devices continues to be a serious security issue plaguing systems' operating environments. Default passwords are often installed when a database or a hardware device (routers, wireless access points/routers, etc) is deployed or being installed.

Passwords on applications and devices, and administrator passwords, are privileged accounts, meaning they have more permissions and rights than the average end user. An adversary, obtaining these default passwords is not hard. If you know the make and model of the device it is only a quick search away on your favorite search engine.

Remember, securing your database or hardware device is the responsibility of the network administrator for the AF GIG and the responsibility for changing default passwords at home is yours!

LAJES AIRMEN OF THE WEEK



Name: Kimberly Young
Rank: Technical Sergeant
Unit: Safety Office
Hometown: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Duty Title: Ground Safety Technician
Accomplishments: TSgt Young manages and conducts safety education courses, briefings, and trainings for over 800 personnel. She has aggressively pursued

getting certified to teach the Air Force's new "Alive At 25" driving course. As the wing ground safety NCOIC, she is responsible for conducting ground mishap investigations and providing recommendations to mitigate future risks.



Name: Bruno Nogueira
Rank: LGS-9
Unit: Safety Office
Hometown: Fontinhas, Praia da Vitoria
Duty Title: Ground Safety Manager
Accomplishments: Mr. Nogueira oversees the wing's ground safety and weapons safety programs. He performs monthly inspections of base facilities, ensuring the wing main-

tains its capability to execute daily operations. Mr. Nogueira has been instrumental in revitalizing the wing lock-out/tag-out and confined spaces programs. Finally, as the weapons safety manager, Mr. Nogueira is responsible for overseeing the base weapons site plan and the certification of five facilities to store munitions.

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Members of the 65th Medical Group run in formation during the first wing run under the current leadership at Lajes Field, Oct. 13, 2010. The wing formed up into their respective groups and ran in formation to build teamwork and finished as a team. (Photo by Guido Melo)



Airman Darius Fox, 65th Security Forces Squadron patrolman, conducts an inventory of first responders equipment as Primeiro-Cabo Nuno Berenga, Portuguese Air Police, radios in to the Security Defense Coordination Center at Lajes Field Oct. 19, 2010. All 65 SFS and Air Police members must maintain first responders equipment while on duty. (Photo by Tech. Sgt Chyrece Campbell)



A KC-135 Stratotanker, from 121st Air Refueling Wing at Rickenbacker Air National Guard base out of Ohio, prepares for take-off after refueling at Lajes Field, Oct. 19, 2010. The aircraft landed at Lajes to refuel and for crew rest in support of their refueling mission. (Photo by Guido Melo)



Chief Master Sgt. Dennis Vannorsdall, Third Air Force command chief, meets with the Lajes company grade officers over lunch at Sargentos Oct. 13 during his visit to Lajes Oct. 11-13. The command chief is responsible for advising the commander on matters influencing the health, welfare, morale and effective utilization of assigned enlisted personnel. (Photo by Capt. Naomi Evangelista)



Master Sgt. Jason Miller, 65th Communications Squadron section chief of cable antenna, throws the ball at the other team during the dodge ball game hosted by the Lajes First Sergeants Council at the fitness center Oct. 15. The 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron's "Log Dogs" team won first place. Second place went to the 65th Communications Squadron's "CS Team Win" team. The 65 CS also won for the best squadron participation. (Photo by Guido Melo)



More than 45 Team Lajes members participated in the 5K run for Cancer Awareness Month at Lajes Field Oct. 9, 2010. The event raised \$980 raised in CFC pledges. (Courtesy photo)



Mark your calendar

WATER OUTAGE: There will be a 4 hour water outage, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 25, 2010, affecting T-418. The purpose of this outage is to install a water meter at T-418.

PUBLIC HEALTH NOTICE: There has been a Similac Formula recall. All products affected by the recall have been removed from the shelves. To find

out if the product in your possession is included in this recall, visit www.similac.com/recall9, or call (800) 986-8850.

65 CES 2010 HAUNTED HOUSE: The 65th Civil Engineer Squadron presents the 2010 Haunted House, which will be held Oct. 28 and 29 from 6-10 p.m. and Oct. 30 from 5 -11 p.m. at the old abandoned DFAC (Bldg T-415). Cost is \$5 or \$4. Members can also purchase hotdog, chips & drink for \$3 or €2.

MARIA COSTA'S COMEDY ROMP AND MUSICAL STOMP:

The Armed Forces Entertainment presents Maria Costa's "Macho Men and the Women Who Love Them," a comedy show at 7 p.m. Oct. 24 at the base theatre. The show is for members who are 18 years or older. For details, call 535-6324.

MYCAA: MyCAA starts again on Oct. 25. Spouses with an active MyCAA account may request financial assistance for classes that have a start date up to Jan. 31, 2011 instead of Jan. 15, 2011. As a reminder, all requests for financial assistance must be submitted by Oct. 21, 2010.

Go to <https://www.militaryonesource.com>

PUMPKIN PATROL: The 65 ABW's annual "Pumpkin Patrol" trick or treat event will be held in the Beira Mar and Nascido Sol housing areas. The 65 SFS is soliciting volunteers from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. hours on Oct. 31 to assist in providing security for this event. If you are interested in making certain our family and friends have a safe and secure environment during this year's Halloween festivities, please contact Master Sgt. Joe Swick at 535-3645 or Staff Sgt. Ossian Satterwhite at 535-4505.

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form -- past, present and future."

"We took the time to try to get this right," General Schwartz said. "A service motto belongs to those who serve, and we've done our best to give voice to how Airmen feel about serving this nation."

The chief master sergeant of the Air Force, the director of Air Force Public Affairs, the Air Force director of force management policy, and the commander of Air Force Recruiting Service provided the leadership oversight for the motto team research experts.

In early 2010, the motto team engaged in almost nine months of hands-on research that began with extensive face-to-face meetings with nearly 300 total force Airmen from all job specialties and in every major command. Airmen described to the team what they thought it means to be an Airman, to serve and what is unique about the Air Force.

"The exhaustive research process showed that Airmen share a core set of identity concepts that serve as a basis for an Air Force motto," said Gen. Stephen Lorenz, Air Education and Training Command commander.

"No matter what career field they serve in, Airmen consistently told us they see themselves, and they see the heritage of the Air Force, as those entrusted by the nation to defend the modern, complex security domains -- first air, then space and now cyberspace," General Lorenz added. "Airmen take this sense of mission very seriously."

An Air Force-wide survey to validate and quantify input from discussions indicated Airmen have a shared pride in their abilities to adapt to meet any threat, and they feel empowered to bring innovation and excellence to the mission of national defense.

After understanding the shared identity, the motto team began transforming words and concepts into a unifying, enduring and credible motto, said Lt. Col. Clark Groves, Ph.D., the lead scientist for the project.

"The research team held more meetings with nearly 250 Airmen on bases in each major command, discussing scores of identifying words and concepts tied to the core Airman identity," he added.

"These discussions, information from Air Force historical archives, and input from total force Airmen, Air Force civilians, retired Airmen, and the public provided the basis for identifying the ideal motto candidates," the colonel said.

Phrase of the Week A LESSON IN PORTUGUESE



ENGLISH: Where is the closest bus stop?

PORTUGUESE: Onde é a paragem de autocarro mais próxima?

PRONUNCIATION: Own-day eh pahrahzhaim de ottokarho miesh proseemah?

At the Movies

- 7 p.m. Friday - The Expendables (R)
- 7 p.m. Saturday - The Last Exorcism (PG-13)
- 4 p.m. Sunday - Takers (PG-13)
- 7 p.m. Sunday - The Expendables (R)



Movie times and schedule are subject to change. Call 535-4100 for the latest update.

That led to an Air Force-wide survey.

Five potential mottos emerged and were presented at CORONA for final consideration.

"This really was a process grounded in inputs from Airmen," Colonel Groves said. "We went Air Force wide four times, including face-to-face discussions at bases in every major command twice, and in two Air Force-wide surveys."

"The data provided quality information on everything from accessions and retention, to diversity and broader Air Force cultural initiatives," said Gen Lorenz.

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ing everyone here, service members and civilians, to be mindful of any information that might violate OPSEC.

Operation Security is a measure every "A"irman (meaning all Team Lajes members) should be familiar with. Ensuring safety of vital information at Lajes every day is way to protect some of the Air Force's most vital assets – its people, resources and mission.

The safety and security of Lajes is everyone's job. It is, therefore, everyone's duty to ensure to safeguard mission critical information, which means that you must remain vigilant of your surroundings and avoid openly discussing sensitive information.

This includes limiting the information you discuss in area such as the clinic, Café Bean, and other public areas and limiting the information you discuss with your family.

"When OPSEC is violated, missions could be compromised, timelines could be thrown off and, most importantly, lives could be put at risk," Sergeant Schible said.

Below are a few tips from the Lajes antiterrorism and force protection unit:

- Before submitting your email address or other personal information online, ensure that the privacy of that information will be protected.

- To protect your identity and prevent an attacker from easily accessing additional information about you, avoid providing certain personal information such as your birth date and social security number online.

- Take advantage of options to limit exposure of private information - Default options on certain websites may be chosen for convenience, not for security. For example, avoid allowing a website to remember your password. If your password is stored, your profile and any account information you have provided on that site is readily available if an attacker gains access to your computer.

- Evaluate your settings on websites used for social networking. The nature of those sites is to share information, but you can restrict access to certain information so that you limit who can see what.

- For more questions on how to deal with OPSEC situations, contact your unit antiterrorism officer.